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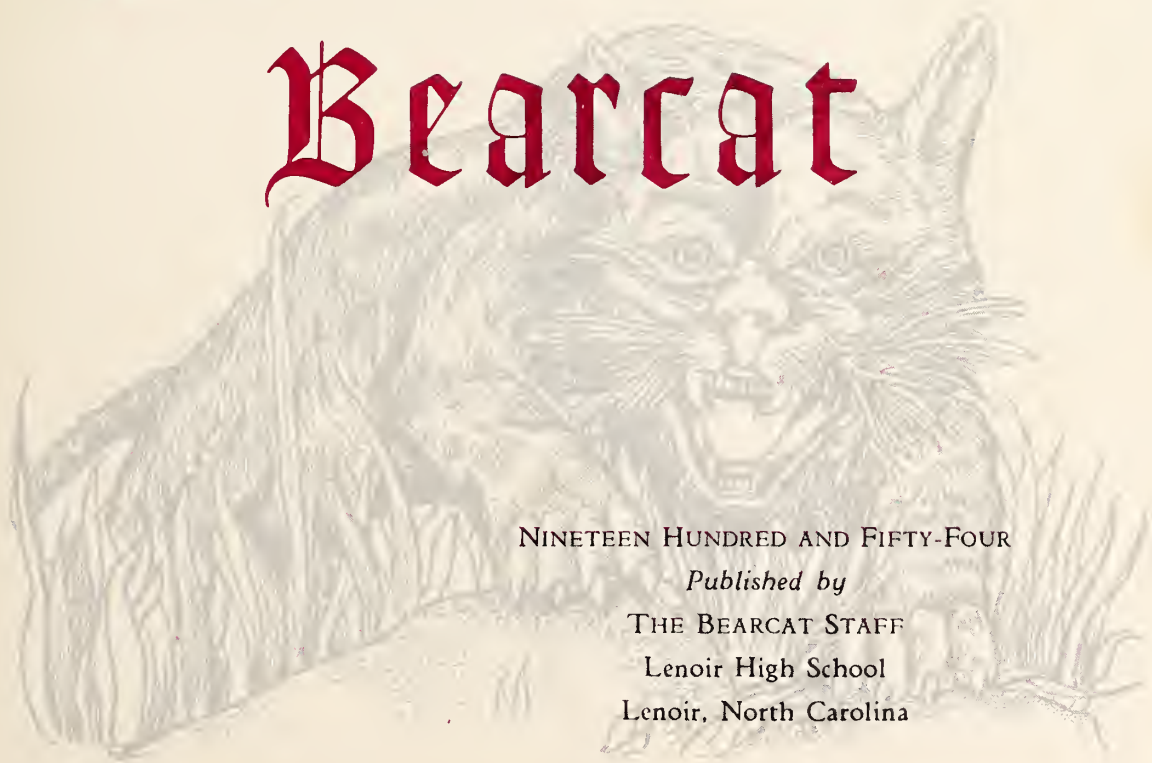
NINETEEN HUNDRED AND FIFTY-FOUR

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THE BEARCAT STAFF

Lenoir High School

Lenoir, North Carolina



*Hail, Alma Mater
Hail, Hail, to thee.
Thy name we always hold
In highest ecstasy.*



*Glory and Honor
To thee we bring,
Praised be Lenoir High,
To thee we'll gladly sing.*





To YOU, Mom and Dad, we want to show our appreciation. For your understanding and unselfish love; for your encouragement when we were depressed; and for your unlimited patience, we say thanks. You have guided us along life's way, have shared our triumphs, tolerated our follies, and sympathized with our mistakes. It is hard for us to voice thoughts too deep to be expressed. So with humble hearts we dedicate this, the 1954 *Bearcat*, to you, our parents.

Dedication

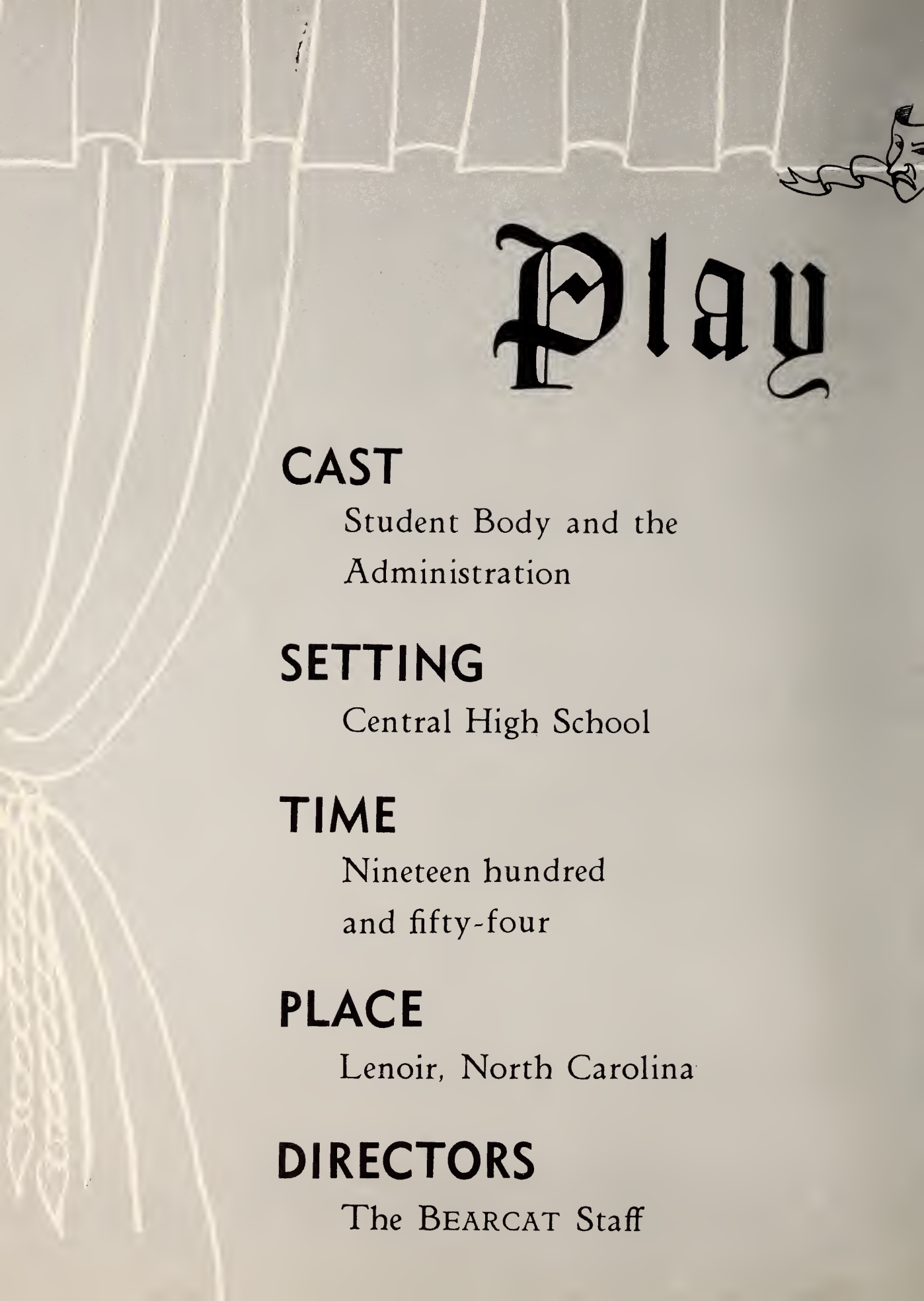
Foreword

HERE is Lenoir High School as you will remember it. As the curtain goes up on this performance, a drama in five acts, we invite you to join us in reminiscing over your school days at L. H. S.

In this, the 1954 *Bearcat*, are many pleasant reminders of your school year and through it, you may relive those wonderful once-in-a-lifetime experiences.

The classes, the ball games, the parties, and all the joys of youth are yours to remember in this drama, your 1954 yearbook.





Play

CAST

Student Body and the
Administration

SETTING

Central High School

TIME

Nineteen hundred
and fifty-four

PLACE

Lenoir, North Carolina

DIRECTORS

The BEARCAT Staff



Bill

ACT I

Administration and Faculty

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Classes

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Organizations

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Athletics

ACT V

Features



“Those having torches will pass them on to others.”



ACT ONE

AAdministration

and **F**aculty





Mr. J. G. Hagan has been superintendent of Lenoir City Schools since 1951. His secretary, Mrs. Ruth Lingle, has been with the high school since 1939.



As principal of Lenoir High School, Mr. Fred W. Lentz has directed the students for six years. Anne Pritchard, a 1953 graduate of L. H. S., is his secretary.

"More to guide than spur"



Determining the policies of the school are members of the school board. They are left to right: Mr. John Barr Houston, Dr. Paul Hedrick, Mr. W. E. Alexander, Mr. Emory McCall, Chairman; Mr. Carter Powell, and Mr. Walter Spainhour.



MISS DORIS SPARKS, B.S.
English and Journalism



MISS MARY ANGLE, M.A.
English and History



MRS. RALPH B. LANEY, B.S.
English



MRS. VIRGINIA S. COBB, A.B.
English and Dramatics

Consisting of twenty-two men and women, the faculty of Lenoir High School is headed by Superintendent J. G. Hagaman and Principal Fred W. Lentz. Each teacher plays an important part in adding to the store of knowledge of every student in the school. Although every teacher specializes in a certain phase of education, many of them teach several different subjects. This staff of instructors works together as a whole to make the high school education of each boy and each girl complete.

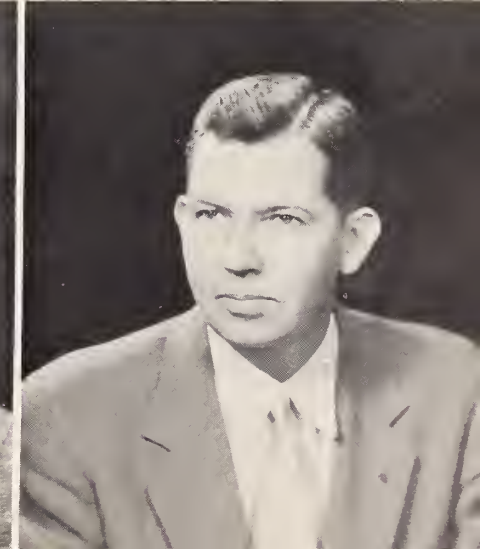


MR. JAMES E. WILSON, B.S.
Biology

MR. BILL CROSS, B.S.
Physical Education and Civics

MRS. CLARENCE LIPE, B.S.
Home Economics

MR. J. V. MILLS, M.A.
Chemistry, Physics, and Guidance





MR. GEORGE KIRSTEN, A.B.
Glee Club



MRS. OPHELIA J. STALLINGS
Secretary to Band



MR. JOHN KAUFMAN, B.S.
Instrumental Music



MR. JAMES C. HARPER, M.A.
Instrumental Music

MR. LLOYD WOOLLEY, B.M.
Instrumental Music

Besides the standard job of teaching, every member of the faculty acts as adviser, helper, social instructor, counselor, and everything in immediate need by the students. They are ever ready to listen to students problems and eager to be of assistance. Their patience, it seems, is endless, and, as everyone knows, their work does not end with the ringing of the three ten bell. Faculty members act as advisers of school clubs and organizations and are always on hand for dances and athletic events.

MISS CECELIA WARLICK, B.S.
Physical Education and
Sociology and Economics

Ruth Jane Trivette

MRS. A. C. TRIVETTE, M.A.
History





MR. A. C. TRIVETTE, M.A.
Algebra, Geometry, Bible



MRS. GERTRUDE WHITEHEAD, A.B.
Algebra



MR. CHARLES HOPE, B.S.
Math and Science

These men and women have acted in many capacities. They have attended to the formal education of the students and helped to supplement it by supervising their extracurricular activities. The members of the faculty of the 1953-1954 school term have been teachers, advisers, and friends. They have helped make this year one to be remembered.



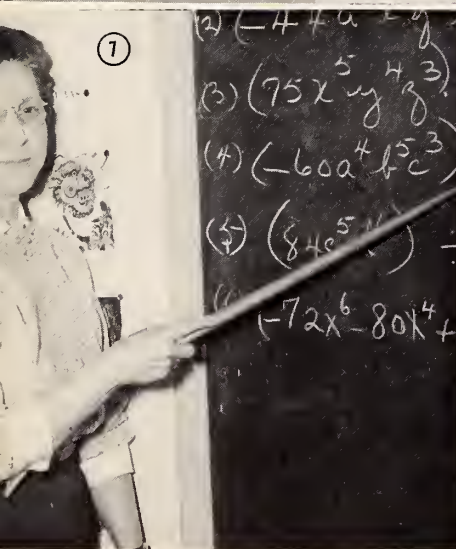
MRS. MAGDALENE RANSDOLL, B.S.
Librarian

MISS GEORGIA HALEY, M.A.
Latin and Typing

MRS. J. B. BERNARD
Spanish

MR. MARCUS SMITH
Commercial Studies





1. Mrs. Ralph B. Laney, who took over the worries of the *Bearcat* this year, proofs some copy.
 2. Shown with Matildy, the new student, is J. V. Mills.
 3. Mrs. Ransdell resists the photographer.
 4. As students watch the board, Mr. Trivette explains a problem.
 5. Mr. Lentz signs excuses during the eight-thirty rush hour.

6. Preparing for Christmas. Miss Sparks decorates her bulletin board.
 7. Mrs. Whitehead, algebra teacher, also finds time to be the adviser for the Honor Society.
 8. Mr. Harper practices piece for the toy band.
 9. Mrs. Stallings puts herself into her work.

Well-balanced meals are provided each day by the lunchroom staff, striving to satisfy its hungry brood of students. These workers play a very important role in the schedule of our school. Performing this valuable service which is appreciated by the students and parents are Mrs. Dana Peters, supervisor; Miss Pansy Price, Mrs. Ruth Andrews, and Mrs. Ellen Bohler who was substituting for Mrs. Maude Ward.

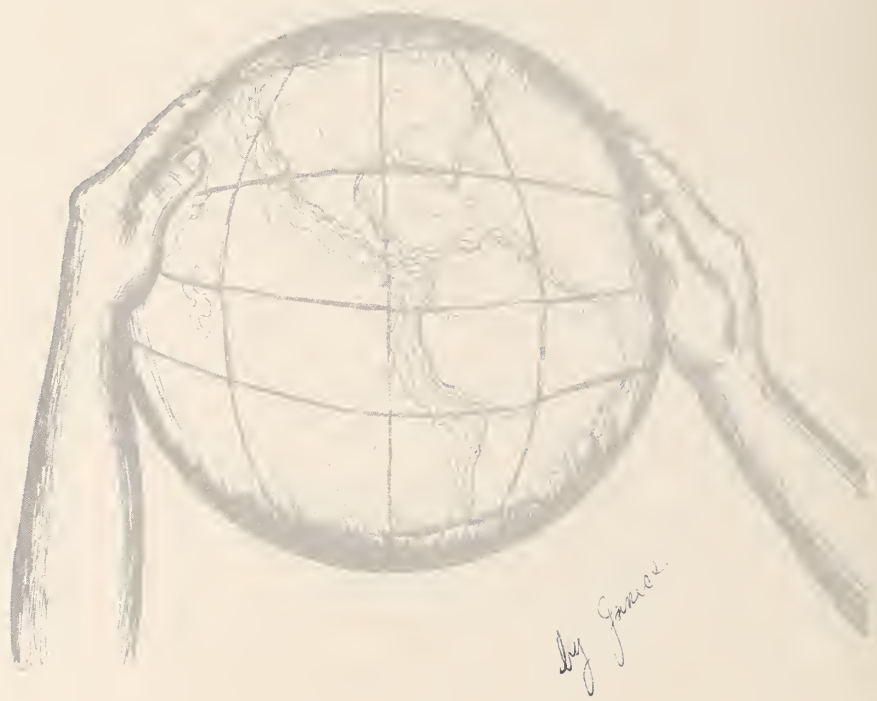


LUNCHROOM STAFF

Lenoir High School has four custodians to care for its buildings and grounds, during and after school. They are on hand to provide comfort for activities by having the buildings in use warm and clean. Mr. C. A. Whittington, Mansfield Ferguson, Mack Cook, and Stanley Bowers have a never ending job keeping our school in good condition.



CUSTODIANS

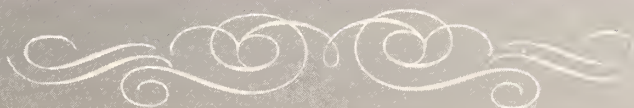


*"ALL THE WORLD'S A STAGE
AND ALL THE MEN AND WOMEN MERELY PLAYERS."*



ACT TWO

Classes





Stars of the Lenoir High Drama giving their last grand performance were led by class officers, left to right: Eddie Smith, President; Peggy Bradley, Secretary; Bradley Pennell, Vice President; and Hazel Walsh, Treasurer.



Chosen by the Seniors, mascots, little Dickie Norris and Jo Ann Culbreth, participated in class day and graduation exercises.

CLASS OF 1954

As the curtain rose on the school year of 1953-'54, the cast of Lenoir High School had as its stars the Senior class. It was a shock to these boys and girls, who such a seemingly short time ago had timidly entered the doors of Lenoir High School for the first time, to find that now they were stars, not stand-ins or bit players.

Many members of the class took active parts in school activities: many even became leaders. With the choosing of officers, mascots, and sweaters, seniors showed their good sportsmanship and cooperative spirit by working together for the good of all.

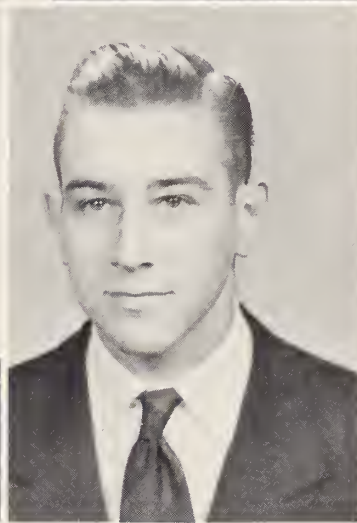
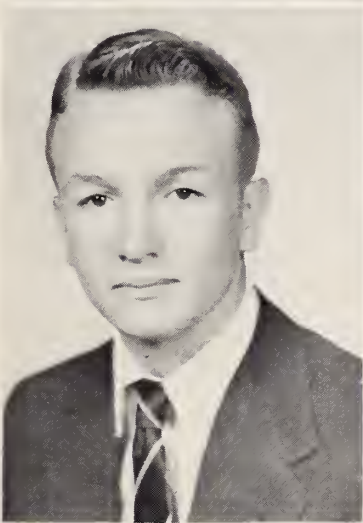
When the last diploma is handed out and the last sad-eyed senior marches up the aisle, the curtain will fall on the final performance of the class of '54. But though these stars will appear no more in the Lenoir High School cast of characters, it is the hope of every senior that he will not be forgotten by the players who helped to make this, his senior year, a happy one.

Her life represents the things for which all of us strive but few attain. NORMA JEAN ABEL is a conscientious worker and is active in the church.



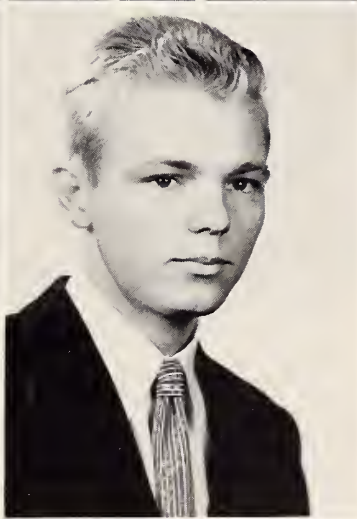
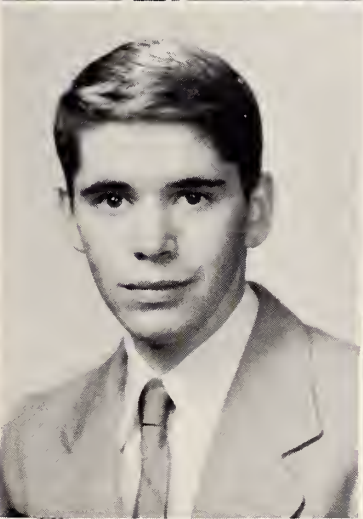
MARY ARMSTRONG has that rareness of being the same whenever you meet her. Sincere and unassuming, Mary is a good friend.

Between hunting trips, BELAR AUSTIN somehow found time for school and baseball. His quick wit has made him popular throughout the school.



The art of knowing when to speak and when to keep silent has reached perfection in BILL AUSTIN. His sincerity has won for him an estimable place in class.

An active participant in sports and an ideal student, RICHARD BAKER is an all-round boy. Possessing the qualities of a leader, he is serious and business-like.



If you want anything done and done well, the best policy is to go to ROBERT BARBER, for he never does his work half-way.

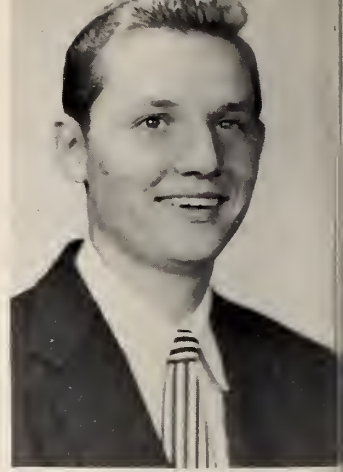
A cute girl—a witty girl—a girl so full of fun—a cheerful girl—a brilliant girl—a thousand girls in one. This is JANIS BARGER.



The manager who turned player, HAROLD BARNHARDT is known for his friendly ways and sparkling wit. He'll take that smile through life!



GENE BARRIER has the admiration of his fellow students, an optimistic, fun-loving disposition, and a magnetic personality. Gene is a boy of real worth.



JACK BARRIER'S personality speaks ability and kindness. These qualities will boost him up the ladder of success.



One of our married seniors, GAIL BOWLES, will be remembered for her efficient work in the office. Her plans for the future naturally revolve around home-making.



"To know her is to love her" is quite true of PATSY BOYLE. Her sweet disposition and charming personality have won her many friends.



Speaking of ability, of fairness and squareness, of good common sense, of fun and foolishness, of comradeship and popularity — well — this is PEGGY BRADLEY.



One doesn't find boys like JIMMY BRAWLEY every day, everywhere. They just aren't made like him. Most of all he is a good sport, whatever the score.



Although red hair is a sign of a temper, REBECCA BRYANT proves that this doesn't always hold true. She will benefit from her personality.



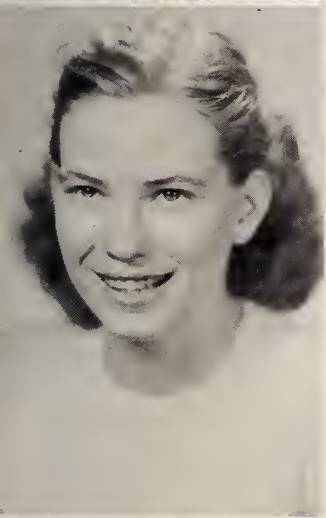
The mischievous glint in MELBA BURGESS'S eyes labels her as a fun-lover. She never bores her friends with worn-out slang but entertains them with originality.



"What he hit is history, what he missed is mystery." JAKIE BUSH, an avid huntsman, has become known to all for his perpetual humor.



With her melodies and congenial manner, LOUISE CARLTON has charmed many audiences and will continue to promote good feeling wherever she goes.



"It's nice to be natural if you're naturally nice." As quiet as a lamb, DELILA CHANDLER'S nobleness of character speaks for itself.



DOROTHY CLARK quietly labors for the best day by day, entitling herself to honors which often pass unproclaimed. Her modesty is a candle to her merit.



DELPHINE COCHRANE is always ready to take part in school and social activities. She enters whole-heartedly and enthusiastically into everything she does.



Not everyone has DENNIS COOK'S humor, his pleasant bearing, his frank courtesy, and friendliness. We simply like him. For him we are predicting a successful future.



It would be hard to find a more capable girl than EVA DULA. No matter how difficult the task she undertakes, accomplishment is always her reward.



RENA ELLER is just a mixture of all things that are necessary to make an admirable character. Her pleasant smile of greeting radiates good feeling.

Bringing enthusiasm and happiness with her smile is BETTY ANN ERVIN. Her jolly nature is always tuned to the season's harmony.



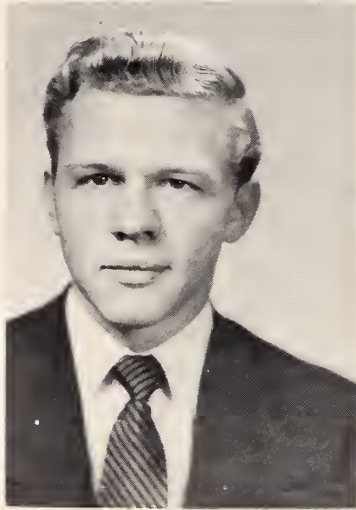
SHIRLEY FOXX is truly an influence among her friends and acquaintances. Never too busy for others, Shirley has charmed each and every one of us.

GLADIOUS GENTRY'S outstanding characteristic is her unselfishness. It is easy to put all one's faith in her as a friend; she's genuine.



PATRICIA GILBERT'S modest, earnest, determined way causes her whole life to shine out as something ennobling. So here's to Patty—a good sport and willing worker.

RALPH HAIGLER is a small, neatly-bound edition of a popular encyclopedia of school life. His cheery greetings and neat appearance make him a favorite of everyone.



JEANETTE HALL seldom says anything but when she does, it always amounts to something. There is indeed much that is worthwhile in her every deed.

WILLA MAE HARNESS came to us as a new student this year. There is no wish that she might obtain happiness; it will surely come her way.



PAUL PERRY HEDRICK is a representative of the best things of life, but is just as human as the rest of us.

PHYLLIS HEDRICK is proficient along many lines and is always ready to do her bit and more, too. She belongs to "the finest of the fine."



BETTY HENDRIX is "gentle in manner, firm in reality." Her best characteristic — her own self; her honors — the future that lies before her.



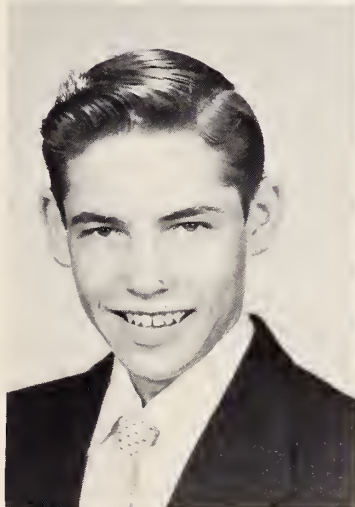
MADLINE HERMAN possesses those qualities which call for admiration and respect from both boys and girls. Her nature reflects her love for music.



Good but not prudish, wise but not proud, a friend to everyone — these qualities compose the character of JO-ANNA HINDS. Who can equal her in service?



STEWART HODGES is one who is always ready to do his part in every undertaking. "Buddy" has developed a keen interest in many campus activities.



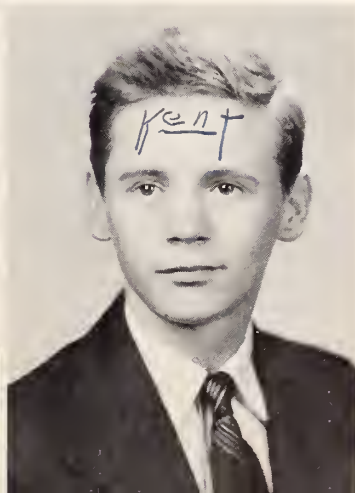
The irresistible thing about DORIS JONES is her sense of humor. Her kindness of spirit has endeared her to all.

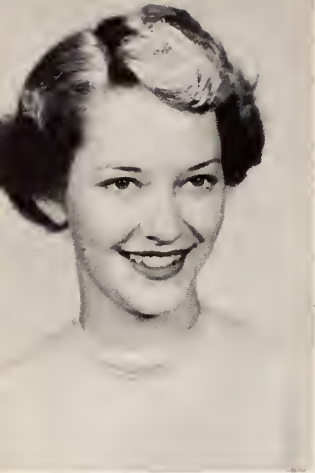


CLARENCE KEEVER'S personality invites comradeship. In good humor and earnestness, none but himself, can be his parallel.

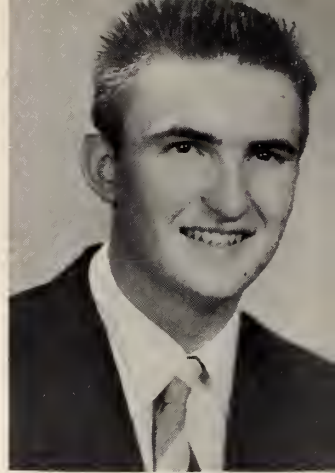


WALTER KENT possesses both wit and wisdom. An avid sports writer, he contributes his time to many school activities.





JOANN KIRBY'S smiling eyes tell us she is happy, and her smile always gets one in return. Happiness comes through friendship, and she has many friends.



JACK KOEBBERLING, a new-comer to L. H. S., was quickly accepted as a welcome addition to the senior class. Carefree, but capable, he is well-liked by all.



It could never be said that ANN LACKEY lacked enthusiasm. She is carefree, cheerful, and full of fun.



DENNIS LAXTON is one of the few who can tell a joke without a smile. His inimitable laugh and jovial good nature will make him well-remembered.



All the qualities of the good ole "storybook" girl are wrapped within the heart of JUANITA LOUDERMELT ready to spell joy to all her friends.



WILLIAM LEFEVER, our speed demon of the gridiron, won fame not only for his athletic ability but for his mischievous smile and likable personality.



We like her best as we have seen her most. Happy and laughing with a joke for everyone. SUE LINK believes in living for today; tomorrow will take care of itself.



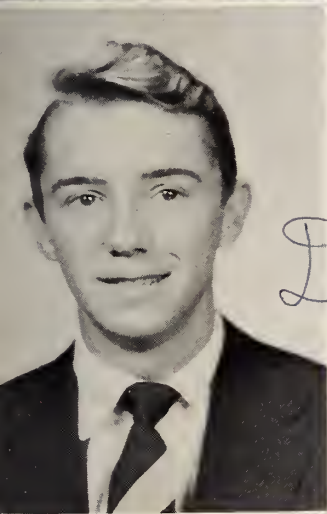
Success is certainly spelled for GAIL LOONEY; her ideals are soaring ones. A friend worth having, she holds her own.



It is not easy to say what we want to about NEAL LYNCH. His character is pure and clear, and we admire him for his high heartedness toward all his associates.



Homemaking shall be KATHERINE MALTBAS career. Her quiet beauty and grace of manner have won her an enviable place among friends.



A logical thinker of few words, DICK MARTIN speaks to the point. Dick is a boy worth knowing and a friend worth having.

*Dick **



CHARLES MCGIRT, as we know him, has shown a commendable spirit of loyalty to campus organizations. He can certainly graduate with a feeling of work well-done.



R. S. MCLEAN is rather deep and hard to solve, yet a wonderful boy when you know him, and oh—how well your time spent in knowing him.



BIRDIE MCROBERTS is one among a limited number of really sweet girls. Her generosity is bounded only by what she has to give.



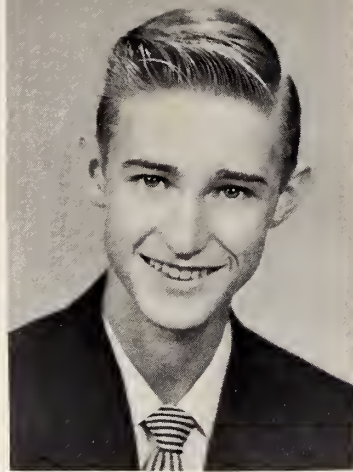
Vivacity plus personality characterize REVA MILLER. She is an earnest worker and for this reason is conspicuous in all campus activities.



Hight

HIGHT MOORE has a deep sincerity and a nobility of character. As our trails divide, we point with pride to Hight's characteristics.

ADELIA NELSON has won for herself many friends and numerous nicknames because of her pleasant disposition. We challenge you to find one like her



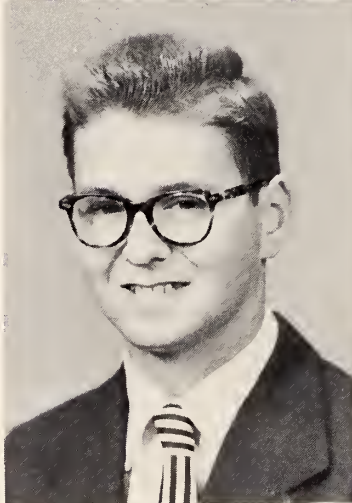
If you want a real pal, go to JAMES PARLIER. His smile is his deposit in the bank of friendship, and the interest is the cheer it spreads.

The sweetness of her face bespeaks the charm and gentleness of her character, and with these qualities, JOANN PARLIER has come into our hearts to stay.



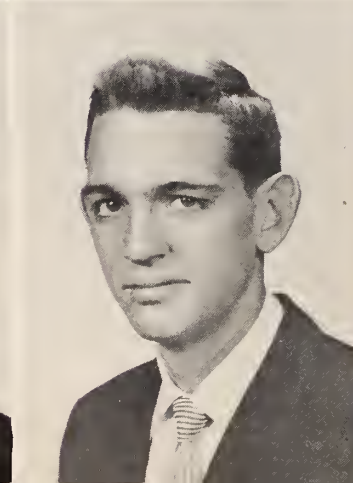
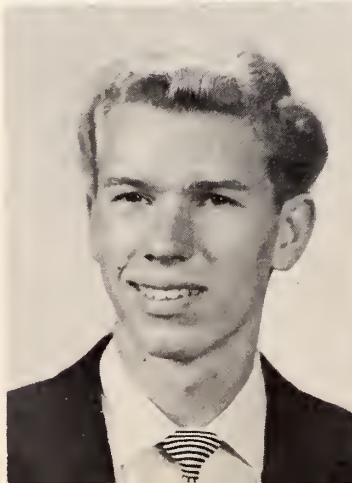
Her friends cannot be numbered, for everyone that she meets is won by FRANCES PARRIS'S cheerful smile.

Genial, easy going, yet persistent, RALPH PARSON has the ability to be a success in whatever field he chooses to follow.



A look at NICIE PARTON'S left hand will reveal her plans for the future. Nicie is the possessor of a mild manner and a gentle heart.

BRADLEY PENNELL entered into every undertaking with all the pep and vim of which he is capable. A more spirited student could not be found.



*Always,
James Lynn*

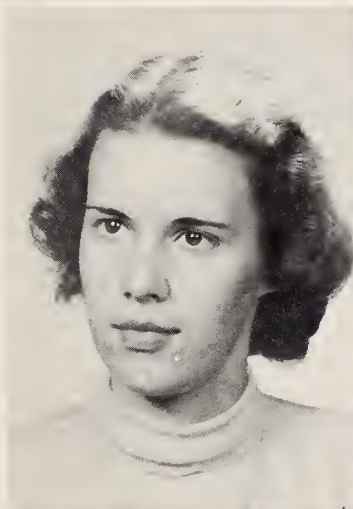
JIMMY PENNELL has the ability to melt down the cold reserve of anyone he meets. His winning smile has made for him a place among his fellow students.

A pleasing and likable personality with a strong character is SHIRLEY PILKENTON. Her talent in piano has made her known to all.



If silence is golden, surely we have found a treasure in JEAN POARCH. She does not advance her opinion on all occasions, but she is a good listener.

GAIL POPE has many friends because she is a friend. Gentle, consistent, and amiable, Gail is always welcome.



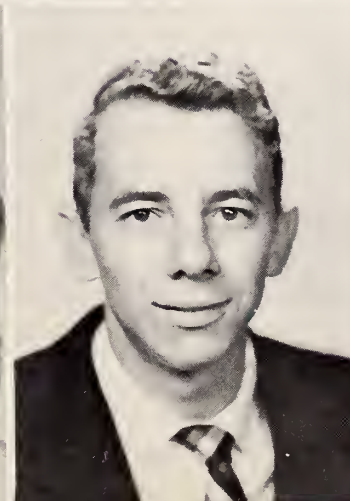
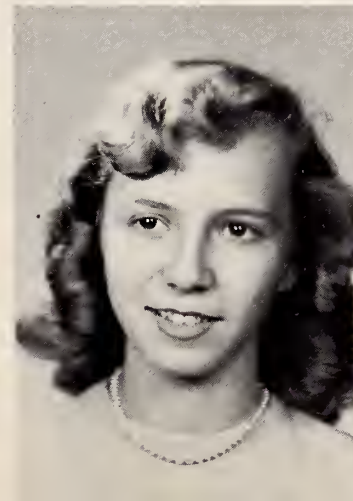
Because of her personality, her unselfishness, and sincerity, ELEANOR POWELL has a great influence upon her classmates and has proved herself a friend true and lasting.

Generosity and friendliness—these and other characteristics have endeared BETTY SUE PRICE to us. Success has chosen her, and our love will push her on.



SHIRLEY PRITCHARD combines the qualities of good humor, strong will, and loyalty to her friends. She is one who takes everything in her stride.

Her likeness can't be found! Full of fun, sunshine itself, GRACE RAINEY is a combination of unusual ability and sparkling personality.



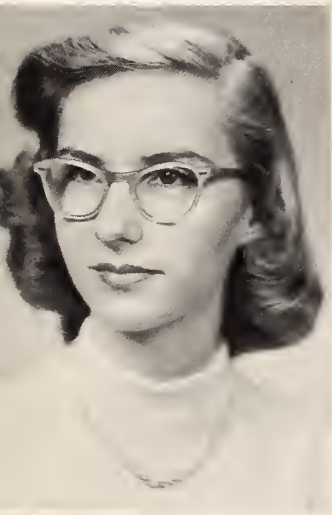
JACK RARY known as a true and honest friend and one who possesses no small amount of dry humor, has become one of our most popular seniors.



JO ANN RECTOR is never too busy to help those who need her. She is a person who is loved when present and missed when absent.



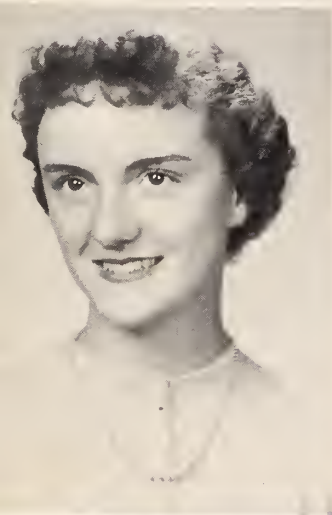
Always ready to sympathize, always in a good humor, fun-loving but never forgetting the value of things—that's PEGGY JEAN RIGGS.



Sincere and friendly, MARY JANE ROWAN has just enough pep along with her sterling qualities to make her an outstanding figure in any group.



WILLIS SETZER steered the team to victory many times. Amid losses and victories, "Hap" is constantly playing squarely.



Her character reveals itself before you in kind, friendly, thoughtful deeds. REBA SHERRILL, full of fun and gaiety, is quite a girl.



Always ready for a good time, RETTA SHERRILL is welcome in any crowd. Her light manner and attitude are the keys to her irresistibility.



Alternating between athletics and school offices, EDDIE SMITH had a busy senior year. His spirit of leadership makes him well-liked by all.



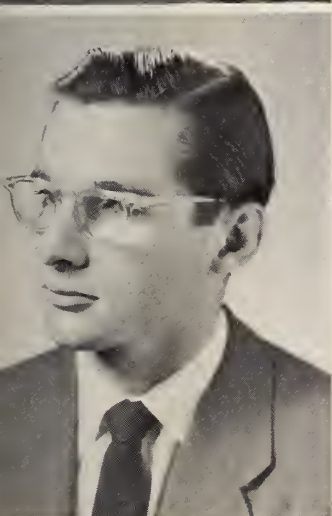
Loyalty, firmness, honesty, and strength of character are a few of the fundamental elements that make up MARIAM STALLINGS. It would be hard to find a more sincere girl.



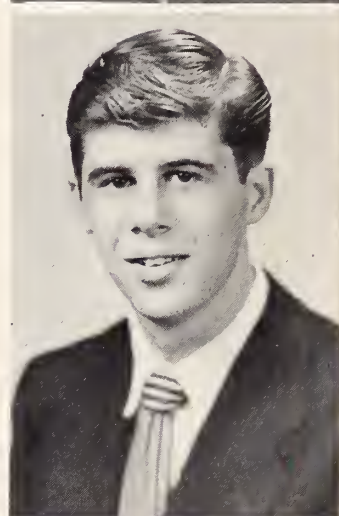
NORMA STANLEY came to us as a sophomore and soon became well known for her eyes brimming with understanding and that spark of mischief that plays havoc with the boys.



Making him attractive in the sight of his classmates are EMMETT STEVENS'S happy-go-lucky way and pleasing smile.



Personality, depth, talent, ability describe TOMMY STEVENS. Yet he possesses with all these characteristics the noble qualities: friendliness and courtesy.



The fire of laughing, reckless youth is unhampered in DENNIS STORY, and we find him appreciating life with the keenest zeal.



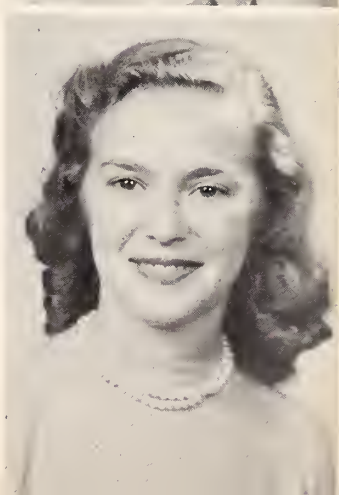
VIRGINIA STOUT possesses that rare ability to measure her time, in that she knows how to do the right thing at the right time.



In DIANA TEAGUE we find the qualities of an all-around student. There are qualities in her character that bespeak her generosity and nobility.

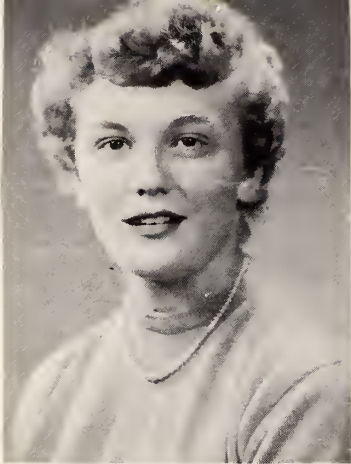


Good-natured and friendly JANE TESTER has a smile for everyone. A good cook and a whiz at math, she plans to be a teacher.



CAROLYN THORNBURG aims at the sky, and she tries to reach it, too. She is faithful to the tasks assigned her and a helper indeed.

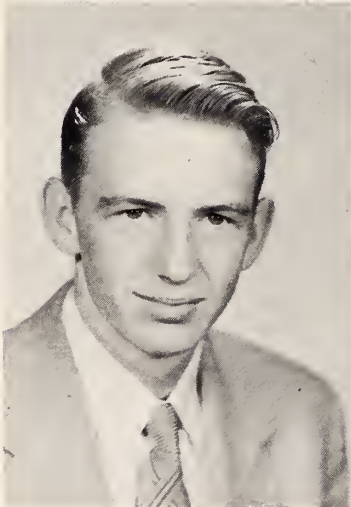
With such a spirit, such a make-up, and such a high type of loyalty, life can only hold happiness for SHIRLEY TILLEY.



In SUZANNE TRIP-LETT we find the very embodiment of that which is pure and true, and her quiet manner is found among only a few.



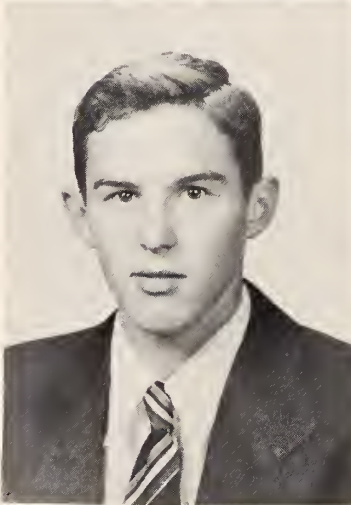
JIMMY TURNER is a quiet, unassuming boy, yet a likeable, straightforward friend. He is always willing to lend a helping hand.



MARTHA TURNER is one who says just what she thinks, nothing more or less. You will have to look hard to find a truer girl.



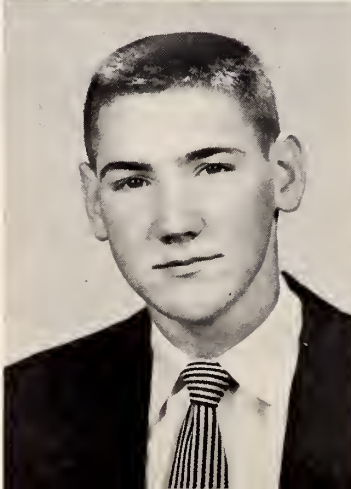
CLARK WALKER has an admirable mixture of reserve and affability, insight and judgment, well calculated to qualify him for any vocation.



THOMAS WALKER, a letterman, has won all our hearts with his fine sportsmanship. We will not question Tommy's possibilities because he has ability and fight.



Unselfish, reliable, with a disposition that is always the same. SAM WALL has a personality that impresses favorably all those whom he meets.



Steady in the pursuit of knowledge and conservative in the application of it, HAZEL WALSH will carve for herself a well-defined niche in life.

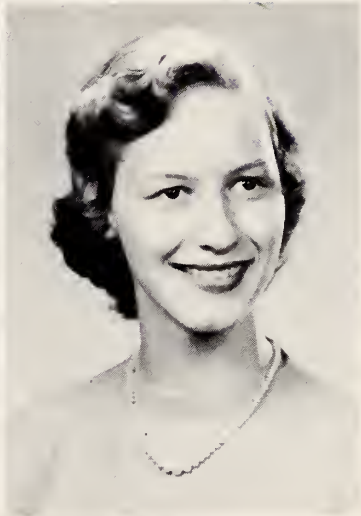
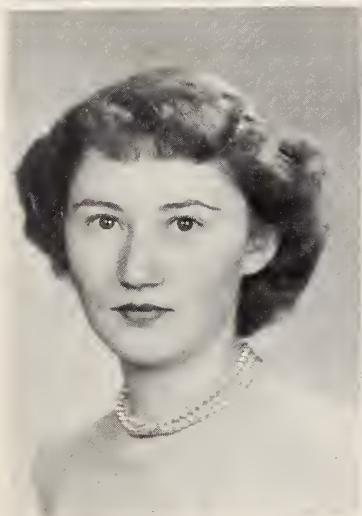


MYRTLE WARD is a girl who cannot be described easily. Tactful, helpful, and willing to bear responsibility, Myrtle has excelled as student and athlete.



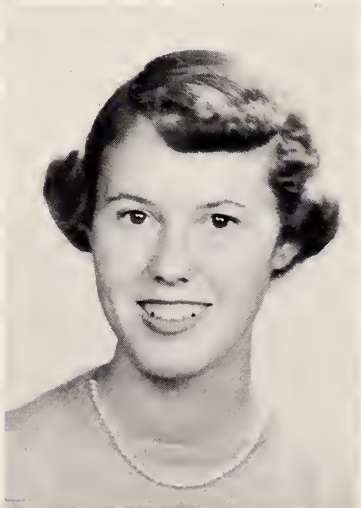
Her equal has not been found! In sports and all other undertakings she is a wonder. KATHERINE WARREN readily offers her friends true friendship.

ANN WELLBORN is an example of real modesty. She is able to see the good in everyone — their bad qualities are never mentioned.



BEVERLY WILSON is a girl with a truly rare personality. With her sincerity, originality, and many talents, she has won the genuine admiration of us all.

Her high ideals and moral courage have made MARGARET WILSON respected by all. Her goal is one she will surely reach, for determination bears her on.



Her friends cannot be numbered, for everyone that she meets is won by her cheerful smile. BETTY WOODRUFF contributes her part to everything.



MARY ELLEN HARRIS, continuing her studies at Central Carolina Convalescent Hospital in Greensboro as a polio patient, was certainly not forgotten. With her determination, high ideals, and rare personality, Mary Ellen is certainly a girl worth knowing.





Making plans for the Junior-Senior prom kept our supporting cast busy. Their officers are, seated on floor, left to right: Charles Hanks and Mary Spainhour, co-chairmen of the Junior-Senior work committee.

Striving to make the Junior-Senior a dent: James Story, vice-president; Joan Lail, secretary; and George Self, treasurer.

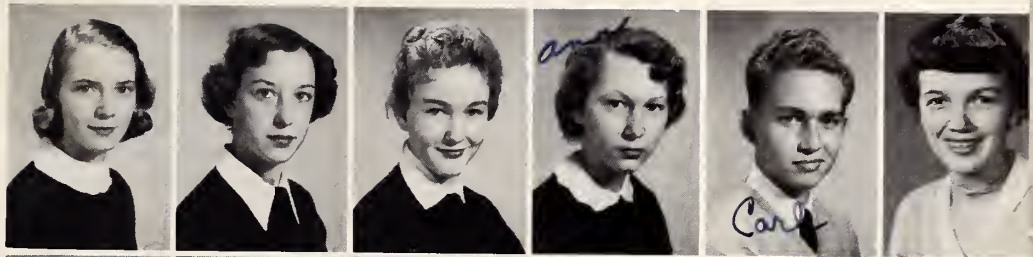
Striving to make the Junior-Senior a reality, Juniors operated the concession stand during football season.



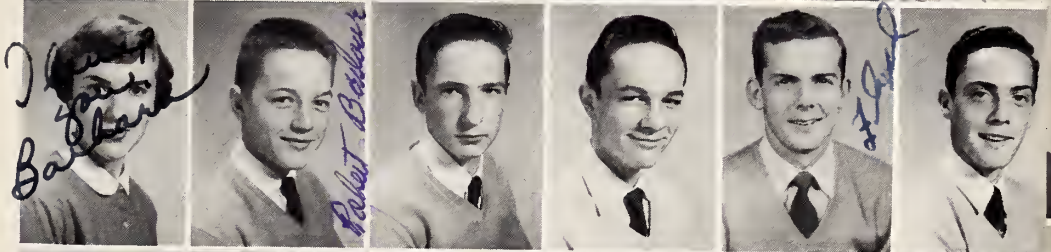
CLASS OF 1955

As the supporting cast, the Juniors spent a busy year preparing to take over from the seasoned actors and actresses of the Senior class. They memorized their lines in English, United States History, and geometry while assembling the props for the Junior-Senior banquet which will bring down the curtain on the Seniors' run. Early in the year the class selected their ring which stands for the success they hope to achieve when they take the leading roles. It has a black onyx set which to the supporting cast of this year symbolizes independence of tradition.

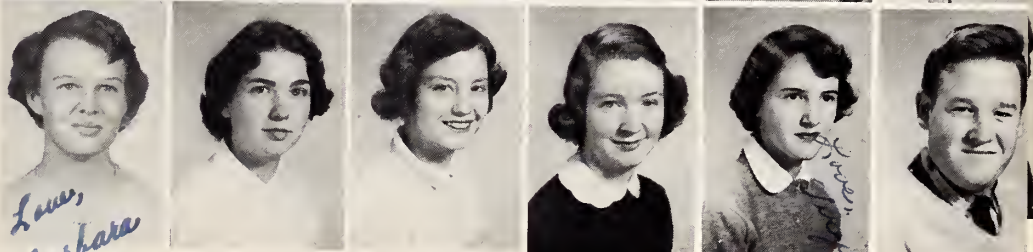
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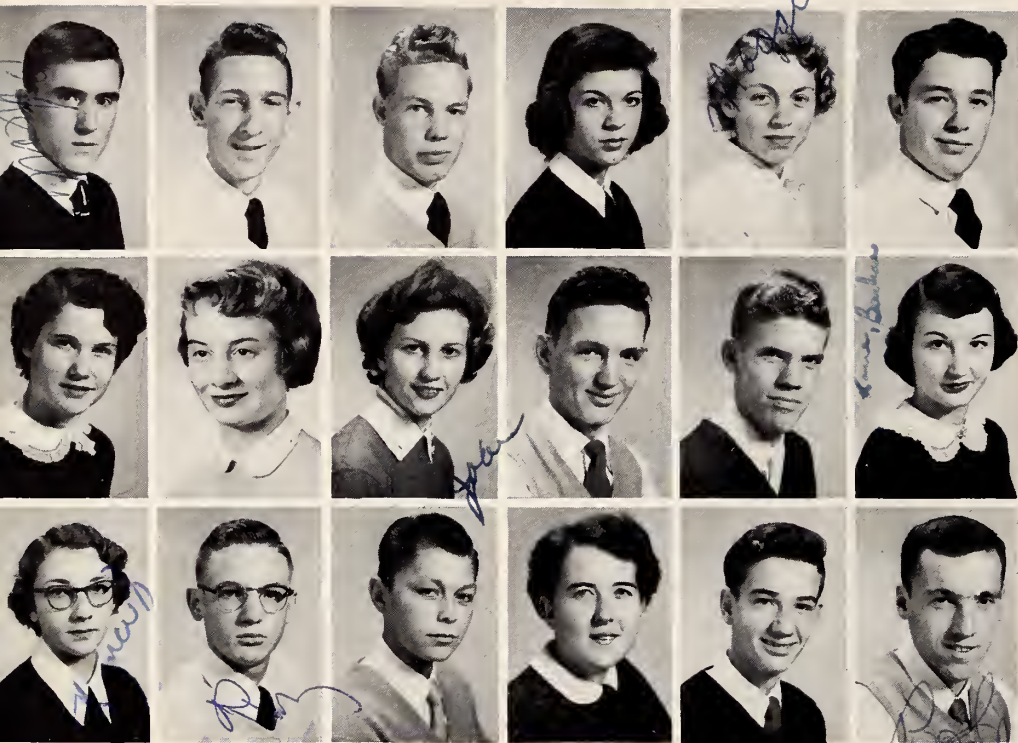
CLASS OF 1955



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 Earline Clark
 Wallace Clontz
 Jerry Cook
 Mary Frances Cook
 Truman Cook

Janette Dickson
 Barbara Gentry
 Norma Gentry
 Darrell Goble
 Deanna Goble
 Tony Goolsby

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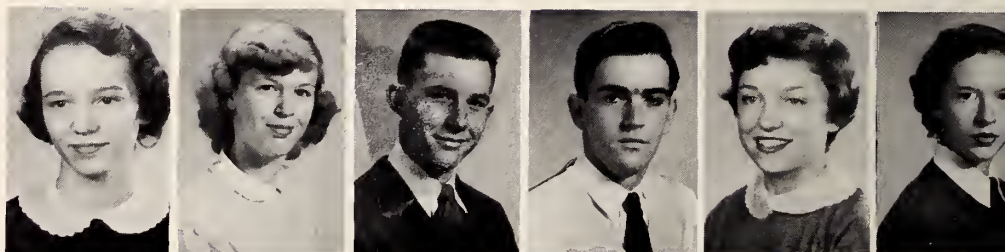
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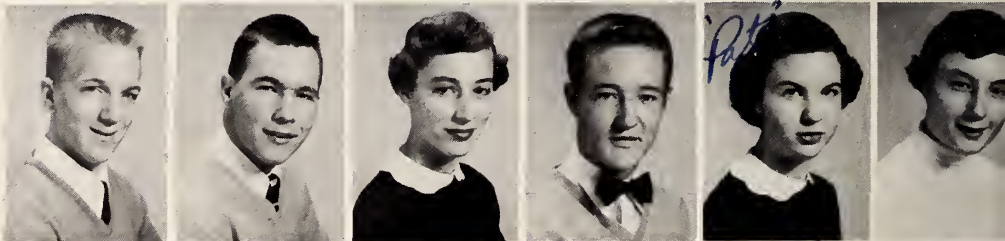
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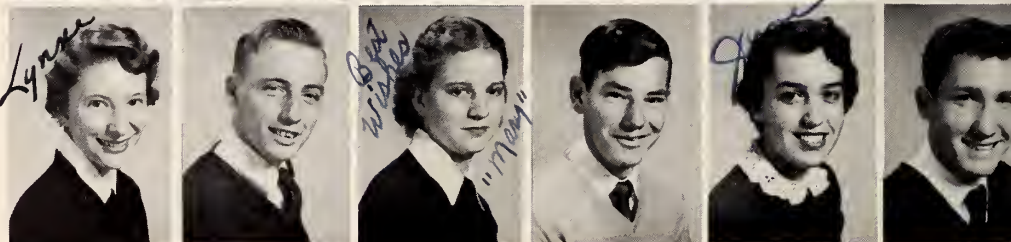
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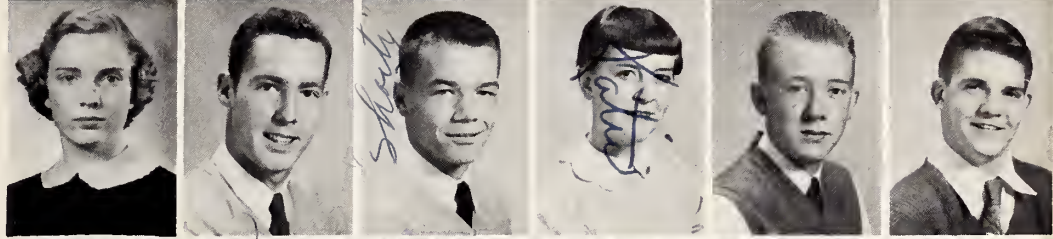
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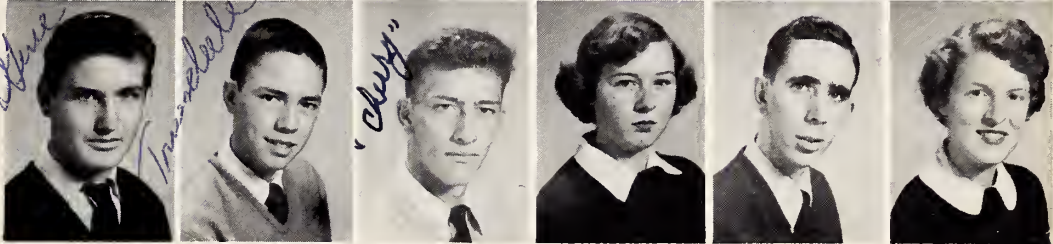
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 Sybil Shuford
 Paul Sipes
 Connie Smith
 Reginald Smith



Mary Jennings Spainhour
 Doug Stimson
 James Story
 Katie Thornburg
 Bill Thornburg
 Thomas Tolbert



Eugene Truesdale
 Jimmy Wagner
 Jerry Waters
 Carolyn Wellborn
 Bobby Winkler
 Kay Winkler



OF 1955



Nancy Woodruff
 Jeanette Woody

NOT PICTURED

Danny Barlowe	Leslie Walker
Harold Cook	Albert Williams
Mary Ellen Osborne	Donald Wilson





Leading the Sophomore class this year is Walter Bean, class president. Standing are Becky Hailey, Vice President, and Billy Holman, Secretary-Treasurer.

No longer bit players, the Sophomores are now dependable stock players in our cast.



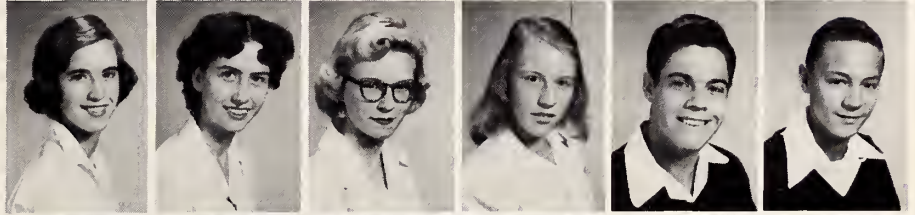
THE CLASS OF 1956

No longer a stranger nor a bit player in L. H. S., the present Sophomore class returned this year without the dread of getting lost in the rush of changing classes. They came back to be a real part of the school and its activities and to delve deeper into the mysteries of life, algebra, English, and history. Meeting new students and making friends have been easier for them. The Sophomores are finding the years behind them were really quite easy, and that the farther their work advances, the more effort it takes to meet the requirements of school and life. Mrs. Ralph B. Laney advises the class of one hundred and thirty-five students.

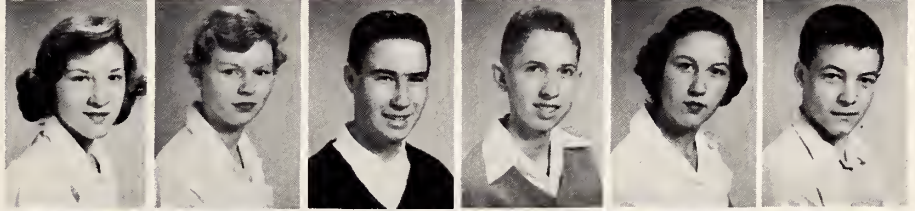
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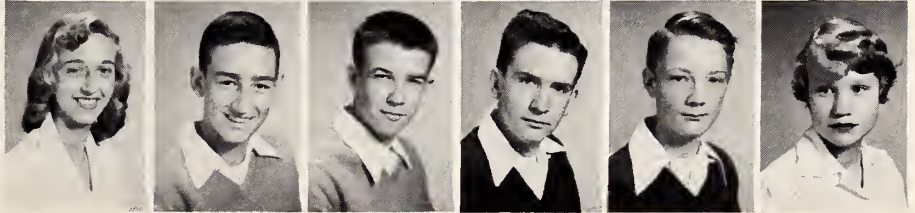
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 Belinda Bean
 Walter Bean
 Nelson Benfield



Gladys Bolick
 Lynda Bowman
 Joe Boyd
 Carroll Brookshire
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 Marshell Bryant



Vivian Bryant
 Bobby Bumgarner
 Newland Bush
 Berlin Carswell
 Johnny Caudle
 Gail Childers



Noel Clement
 Bill Cobb
 Bradley Colvard
 Geraldine Crisp
 John David Crisp
 Nancy Lee Crisp

Shirley Danielson
 Sandra Davidson
 John Deitz
 Sarah Lee Dodge
 Linda Drum
 Elreta Eller

Bill Everhardt
 Paul Everhardt
 Barbara Fleming
 Barbara Foxx
 Don Frye
 Libby Ann Gibbs

Betty Greene
 Harold Greene
 Joan Greene
 Wanda Greene
 Shelby Greer
 Roger Gregg



Cora Grist
Dale Haigler
Becky Hailey
Terry Hall
Geneve Hamby
William Happer

Tom Hedden
Donald Helton
Carolyn Hendrix
Mickey Holloway
Billy Holman
Dottie Holman

Ann Honeycutt
Nancy Honeycutt
Gregory Houck
Carol Hunt
Mickey Huntley
Mack Jarvis

Herbert Keller
Nancy Kennerly
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Katie Kirby
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Joe Marler

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Charles Mathis
Louie May
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Linda McMillan
Marlene Meier

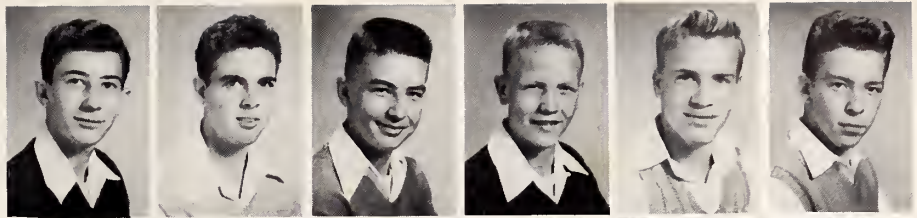
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Ann Pope
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Jean Price
Dudley Rabb
Sylvia Ransdell



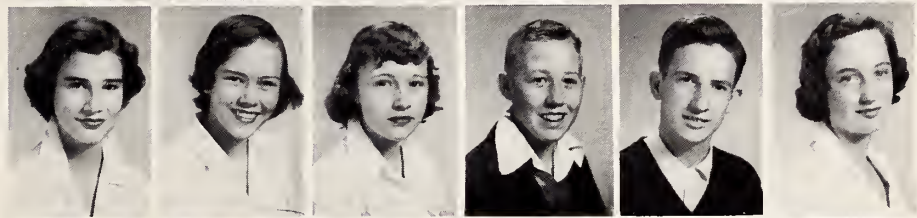
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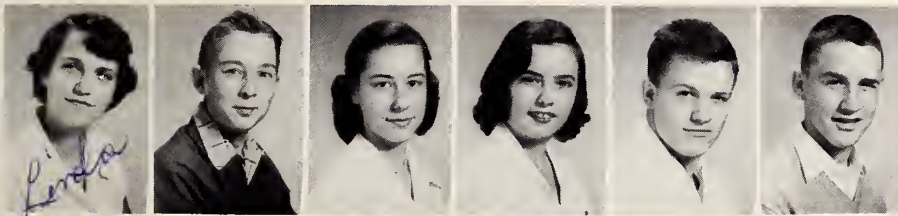
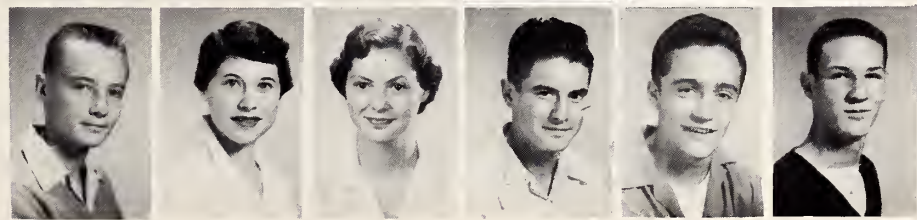
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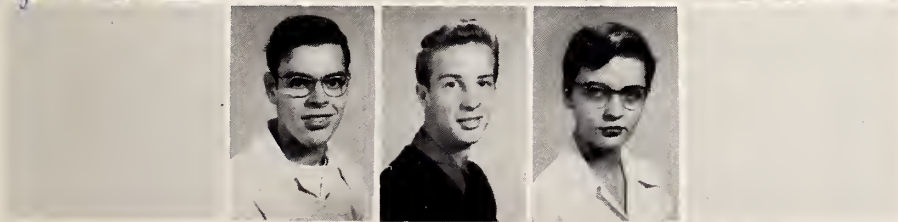
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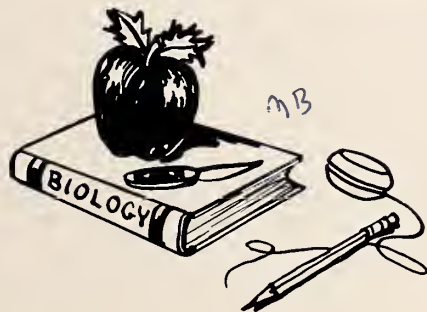
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 Carolyn Wiles
 Bobby Wilson
 Tommy Wilson



Bobby Winkler
 Bill Woodruff
 Patsy Yount

NOT PICTURED

Reba Bolick
 John Clark
 Gene Spicer
 Betty Sue Williams





Beginning to take part in various school activities, the Freshman class elected as its officers: Peggy Beard, Secretary; David Barnes, Vice President; Linda Ruth Owen, Treasurer; Bobby Martin, President.

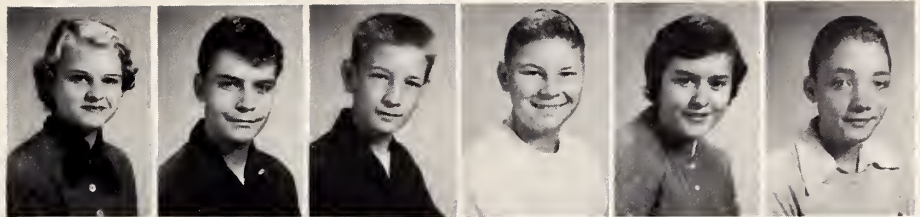
Freshmen, too shy to ask directions of upperclassmen, spent the first few weeks of school in confusion. Given only bit parts at first, they soon became part of the cast.



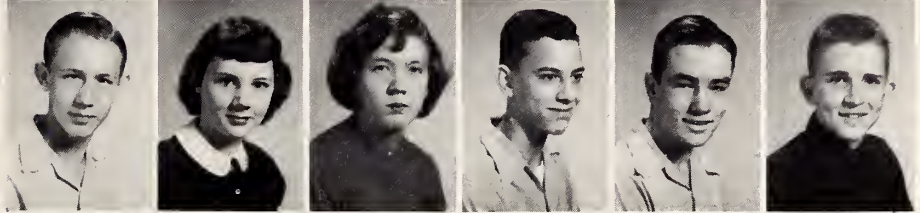
CLASS OF 1957

Being bit players in the cast of Lenoir High School, the Freshmen were puzzled and confused on opening day. However, it did not take long for them to assemble their props, learn their lines, and begin rehearsing for the big performance. At first they trembled and looked up to the supporting cast and the stars with envy; but soon under the able guidance of their sponsor, Mrs. Cobb, they held their heads high with the realization that their bit parts were important in the L. H. S. drama. By the time the seniors gave their last performance, the bit players were seasoned actors looking forward to the time, three years hence, when they would be the stars.

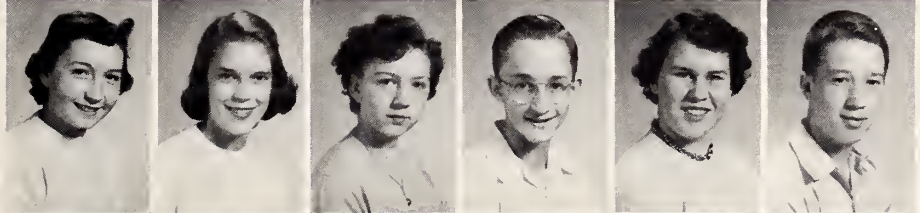
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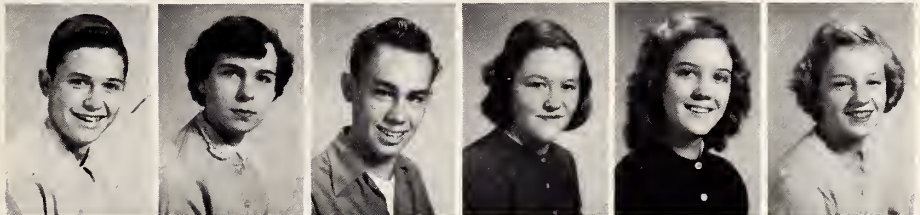
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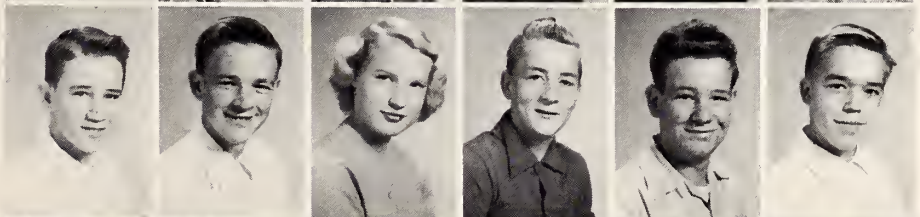
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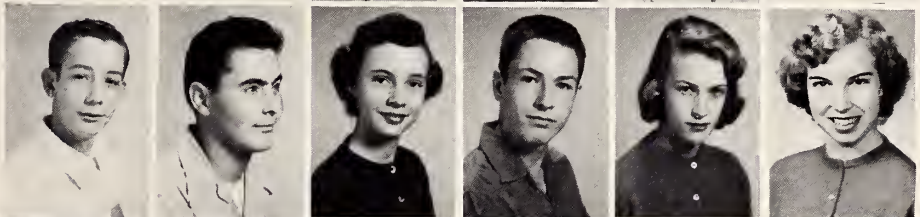
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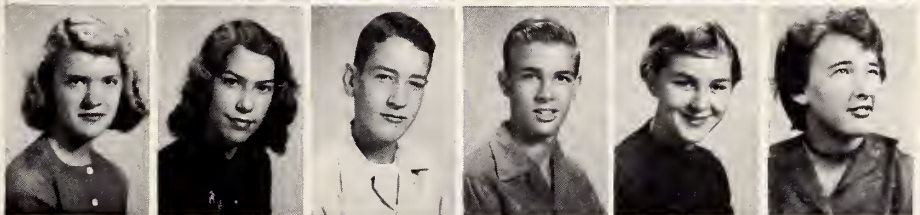
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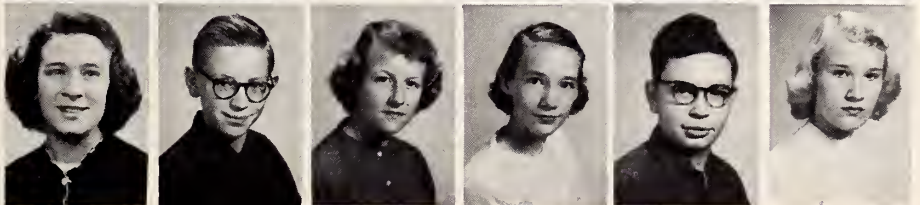
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 Ralph Greene
 Betty Hall





Jerry Harless
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Shelby Jean Hopkins
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 Edna King

Jean Lowrance
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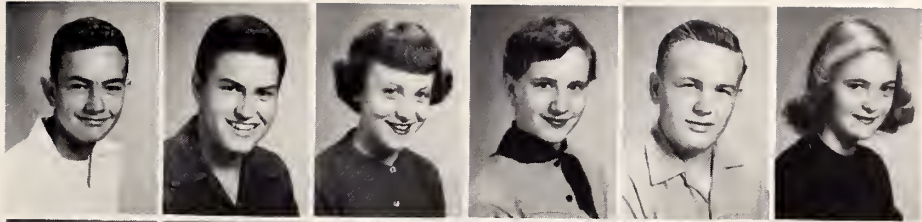
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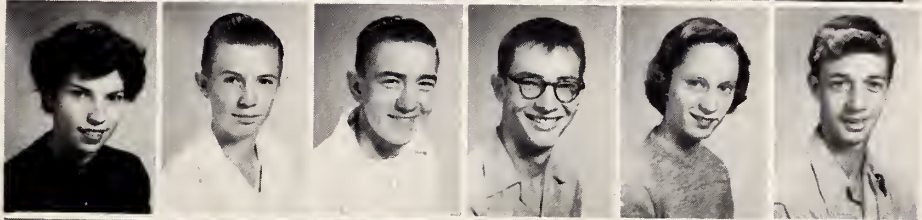
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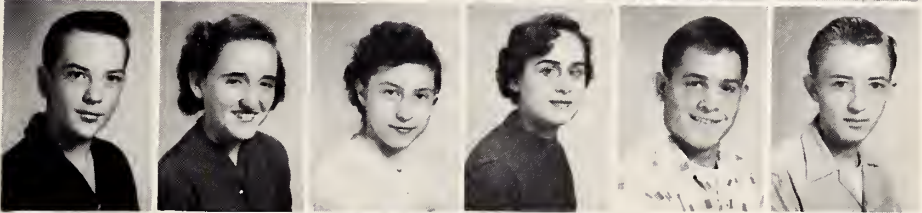
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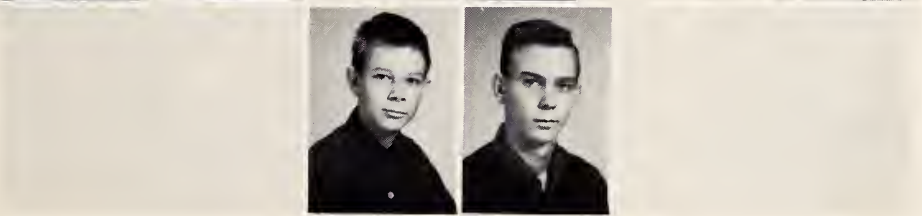
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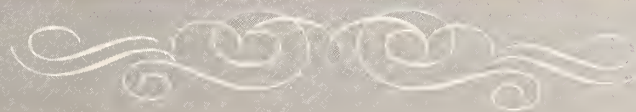
"THERE'S PLACE AND MEANS FOR EVERY MAN ALIVE."



ACT THREE



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Elected in the spring after a week of campaigning were Student Council officers pictured above. They are left to right: Paul Perry Hedrick, President; Sybil Shuford, Treasurer; June Seehorn, Secretary; and Reva Miller, Vice President.

THE STUDENT COUNCIL

To encourage cooperation and understanding between students and faculty and between the school and the community is the purpose of the Student Council. Composing the council are representatives from all classes and clubs within the school. Council members are kept busy all year participating in all school activities, being in charge of all assembly programs, arranging the bulletin boards, and sponsoring the annual Career and College Day.

Believing in a democratic government by the students, the Student Council acts as governing body for the school. Student representatives are: **FIRST ROW:** Beverly Wilson, Jennie Austin, Mary Spainhour, Mariam Stallings, Gail Looney, and Peggy Bradley.

SECOND ROW: Kay Winkler, Sybil Shuford, Jane Gravlee, Margaret Huntley, Madeline Herman, Barbara Mayfield, Patsy Boyle, Hazel Walsh, Dottie Holman, and Betty West.

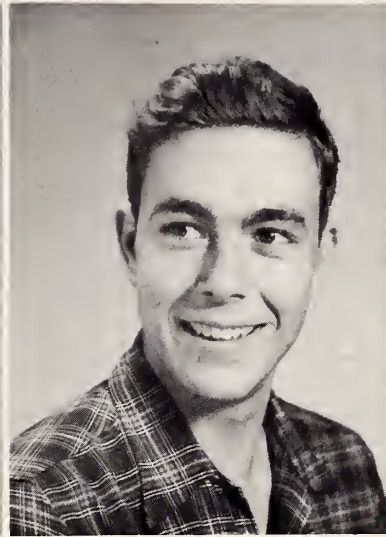
THIRD ROW: Bill Joe King, Paul Everhardt, Robert Sherrill, Johnny Houston, Bobby Miller, Sandra Davidson, and Sylvia Ransdell.

STANDING: Preston Troutman, Eleanor Powell, Walter Bean, Betty Ann Ervin, Linda Everhardt, James Story, Peggy Beard, June Seehorn, Paul Perry Hedrick, Virginia Broyhill, Phyllis Hedrick, Joann Parlier, Elaine Sherrill, Janel Melton, Linda Ruth Owen, Miss Angley, David Barnes, and Reva Miller.





GAIL LOONEY
Editor



CHARLES MCGIRT
Business Manager



MISS DORIS SPARKS
Adviser

THE MOUNTAINEER

Published eight times a year by the twelve members of the Journalism class, *The Mountaineer* endeavors to publish all school news. Students, not on the staff, are encouraged to contribute news and creative work. The heads of the paper and their assistants are elected every spring by the student body. Faculty adviser is Miss Doris Sparks.

Working on the layout for the school paper are journalism students, seated left to right: Eddie Smith, sports editor; Mary Spainhour and Melba Burgess, feature writers, and Jack Rary, sports writer.

Standing, left to right: Joan Lail, writer; Janis Barger, cartoonist; Dick Martin, sports; and Mary Jane Rowan, who keeps the staff scrapbook.

Rushing to meet the deadline are left to right: Jane Seehorn, Assistant Business Manager; Charles McGirt, Business Manager; Jane Gravlee, Assistant Editor; and Gail Looney, Editor.



BEARCAT



BEVERLY WILSON
Editor-in-Chief



JOAN LAIL
Assistant Editor



Looking over the annual dummy are seated, left to right: Beverly Wilson; Peggy Bradley and Eleanor Powell, feature writers.

Proofreading scripts are, standing: Mrs. Laney, adviser; and Joan Lail.

Doing our write-ups for *The Bearcat* are staff members, left to right: Roy McGalliard, Sarah Lee Dodge, Mary Jennings Spainhour, and Ann Kirby; artists are Janis Barger and Melba Burgess.

EDITORIAL

Copies and pictures kept the editorial staff busy. Through headaches and changes in the dummy, we met the deadline. Having sent the annual to press, we sat back to recover and await the critics' reports.



STAFF

PHYLLIS HEDRICK
Business Manager



PATSY HAMER
Assistant Business Manager



BUSINESS

Raising the money to make our yearbook possible was the task of the business staff of the 1954 *Bearcat*. They were responsible for student subscriptions and meeting the public for advertisements and sponsorships.



Assistant Business Manager, Patsy Hamer, and Business Manager, Phyllis Hedrick, brush up on their math as they count receipts. Standing is faculty adviser, Mrs. Laney.



Students on the business staff get plenty of experience selling ads and subscriptions. They are, left to right: Barbara Boyd, Norma Stanley, Gladious Gentry, Mary Jane Rowan, Katie Thornburg, Reba Sherrill, Bobby Hagaman, and Barbara Mayfield.



Enjoying the glory that was Rome and the fun that was 1954 are, seated on left, left to right: Wilene Mullinax, Linda Walsh, Barbara Fleming, and Nancy Kennerly.
 Kneeling, left to right: Maurice Rhodes, Earl Thompson, Preston Troutman, and Walter Bean.
 Seated on right, left to right: Rachel Swanson, Dottie Holman, Martha Beach, Carolyn Wiles, Sarah Lee Dodge, Jimmy Yates, and Bill Joe King.
 First row, left to right: Bill Sherrill, Noel Clement, Carroll Brookshire, Patsy Yount, Gene Hamby, Pat Tate, Mary Ellen Moore, Nancy Maye, Jane Sullivan, Marjorie Nelson, Katie Kirby, Sara Jean Triplett, Anita Whitener, Tom Hedden, and William Happer.
 Second row, left to right: Scott Torrence, Mac Tolbert, Reginald Smith, Mickey Holloway, Priscilla Beach, Becky Hailey, Nancy Tolbert, Ann Pope, and Betty Sue Williams.
 Third row, left to right: Robert Sherrill, Paul Everhardt, Tommy Wilson, Nancy Lee Crisp, Joe Marler, Sandra Davidson, and Joe Boyd.



All students join in the fun when the Latin Club's initiation rolls around.



LATIN CLUB

SPQR to all L. H. S. students s. p. d.:

Students who are taking their second year of Latin make up the Latin Club. Under the guidance of Miss Haley many interesting legends and stories are learned about the Romans and their contributions to our present day thinking. Students in this club soon learn to appreciate all that Latin stands for. Among the club's activities are taking a trip to Biltmore Estate, and sending representatives to the Junior Classical League, at which classes are attended to aid in the planning of the year's activities. Later a few students go to Chapel Hill to converse with Doctor Ullman, the author of the Latin textbook. While at Chapel Hill the students visit the Planetarium. Perhaps the thing the second year students look forward to most is the initiation of prospective members. This year a square dance was held in conjunction with the initiation. Of course, SPQR-ers must sing Christmas carols in Latin. "Why?" you ask. They will all answer, *Quae sunt Saturnalia sine carminis Latinis?*" The Latin Club members fully enjoy the privileges which membership offers, and although this year's schedule is really full, believe it or not, they do get in some studying.

Valete, until next year.



1. Last year's Latin Club members gave a skit about Caesar and Cleopatra.



2. This year's initiation took place in the gym with a square dance and cake walk.



3. Second year students ruled over Freshmen during initiation.



Students in the Senior Future Homemakers of America Club are First Row, left to right: Anna Stout, Wanda Green, and Linda Drum.

Second Row: Martha Ann Turner, Virginia Stout, Patsy Beach, Lynda Bowman, and Rena Eller.

Third Row: Carolyn Hendrix, Betty Hendrix, Gail Triplett Pope, Gladys Bolick, Mrs. Lipe, adviser; Jean Poarch, Vivian Bryant, Shelby Messer, Reba Bolick, and Linda McMillan.

FUTURE HOMEMAKERS OF AMERICA

Making up the Junior Club of Future Homemakers of America are First Row, left to right: Linda Gibbs, Patricia Harless, Janie Crowell, Phyllis Smith, Janet Houck, Imogene Crump, and Betty Hall.

Second Row: Judy Safriet, Wilma Smith, Edna King, Lucille Barnhardt, Betty West, Peggy Beard, Rachel Hedrick, and Shelby Jean Hopkins.

Third Row: Norma Jean Keller, Annette Lynes, Carolyn Abernethy, Carolyn Pipes, Ruby Morrow, and Jean Lowrance.

Fourth Row: Barbara Adkins, Mabel Queen, Linda Little, Asilee Austin, Mary Brown, Mary Ellen Moore, Elaine Jenkins, Shirley Gilbert and Carolyn Linzmeier.

Fifth Row, standing: Linda Everhardt, Janeil Melton, Peggy Story, and Mrs. Lipe, adviser.





Señores and Señoritas are seated, left to right: Phyllis Hedrick, Adelia Nelson, Shirley Tilley, Ann Kirby, Joann Kirby, Tommy Gail Prestwood, and Beverly Wilson.
 Kneeling: Janis Barger, Retta Sherrill, Norma Stanley, Sybil Shuford, Mary Spainhour, Barbara Moore, Patsy Hamer, Juanita Loudermelt, and Nancy Woodruff.
 First Row, standing: Clarence Keever, Dick Martin, Harold Barnhardt, Hap Setzer, Dianna Teague, Mrs. Bernard, adviser; Eva Dula, Rebecca Setzer.

SPANISH CLUB

With songs and stories members of the Spanish Club learned more about Spanish customs. At the monthly meetings, students increased their vocabularies with games and tested their knowledge with conversation. Recorded in the club yearbook were the songs, motto, and programs for the year. Eligible for membership are first year Spanish students with above average grades and all second year students. The biggest social event of the year was the annual Christmas party when new members were initiated. Carrying out a favorite Spanish custom, a *pinata* containing presents was burst.

Spanish Club members greet each other with "hola amigos!" Pictured at right are officers: Adelia Nelson, Vice President; Shirley Tilley, Treasurer; Phyllis Hedrick, President; Jack Barrier, Reporter; and Reba Sherrill, Secretary.





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With the help of the council, these girls preside over Lenoir High's largest club. Pictured above are A. Y. officers, standing: Eleanor Powell, Vice President; and Beverly Wilson, President. Seated: Ann Kirby, Secretary; and Mariam Stallings, Treasurer.

First Row, seated left to right: Bradley Colvard, Jerry Cook, Madeline Herman, Patsy Hamer, Carolyn Wiles, Deanna Goble, Dougie Allen, Barbara Barlowe, Barbara Moore, Sherry Nelson, Norma Stanley, Grace Rainey, Reva Miller, Gail Looney, Geraldine Crisp, Joann Kirby, and Shirley Tilley.

Second Row, seated: Preston Troutman, Ervin Alexander, and Jennie Austin.

Third Row, kneeling: James Story, and Hap Setzer.

Fourth Row, standing: Ralph Greene, Walter Bean, Jack Rary, Roger Gregg, Bernard Sigmon, Jimmy Yates, Delphine Cochrane, Diana Teague, Adelia Nelson, Mary Jane Rowan, Patsy Beach, Max Reynolds, Neil Stallings, Walter Kent, Anita Whitener, Sarah Lee Dodge, Wallace Clontz, Becky Hailey, Martha Beach, Norma Jean Abel, Carl Anderson, Shirley Pritchard, Carolyn Thornburg, and Beverly Wilson.

Fifth Row, standing: Danny Barlowe, Harold Green, David Creech, Jimmy Pennell, Robert Sherrill, Dick Martin, Melba Burgess, Robert Barlowe, Stewart Hodges, Tommy Rayle, Jack Koebberling, Dennis Story, Bill Austin, Dennis Cook, Clarence Keever, Mac Tolbert, Mickey Holloway, Nancy Lee Crisp, Lynne Pyatte, Bill Cobb, Sandra Davidson, Cora Grist, Ann Pope, Suzanne Triplett, Frances Parris, Eva Dula, Betty Ann Ervin, Joann Parlier, Patsy Boyle, Jane Tester, and Betty Hendrix.



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First Row, seated: Linda McMillan, Mariam Stallings, Ann Kirby, Pat Tate, Marjorie Nelson, Dianne Brown, Virginia Presley, Jean Price, Gail Williamson, Flora Sue Clement, Phyllis Smith, Betty West, Linda Gibbs, Franklyn Noll, Edna King, Ruby Morrow, Peggy Beard, Linda Everhardt, and Janet Houck.

Second Row, standing: Ann Lackey, Mary Spainhour, Barbara Boyd, Barbara Mayfield, Katie Thornburg, Jane Gravlee, Margaret Huntley, Kay Winkler, Sybil Shuford, Rebecca Setzer, Judy Safriet, Peggy Story, Patsy Yount, Libby Ann Gibbs, Carol Hedden, Patricia Boettner, Linda Little, Jane Crowell, Elaine Sherrill, and Janeil Melton.

Third Row, standing: June Seehorn, Janette Dickson, Nancy Tolbert, Tommy Gail Prestwood, Janis Barger, Barbara Fleming, Nancy Kennerly, Gladys Bolick, Vivian Bryant, Ann Honeycutt, Betty Sue Williams, Nancy Maye, Sara Jean Triplett, Tommy Stevens, Jill Huntley, Carolyn Brown, Peggy Bradley, Phyllis Hedrick, and Eleanor Powell.

Fourth Row, standing: Patricia Pritchard, Reba Bolick, Carolyn Hendrix, Gene Bush, and Marquerite Childers.



Helping young people solve their own problems and putting the emphasis on wholesome entertainment constitute some of the aims of Allied Youth. Students find that the A. Y. way to clean living without the use of alcoholic beverages is the best way.

This year, due to the size of the club, an A. Y. council was organized whose members acted as advisers to the club. This council consisted of the four elected officers, committee chairmen, and representatives from each grade.

Aiding the polio hospitals was one of the major projects of the year. Other activities engaged in were sponsoring an assembly program, selling candy to raise money for the club, and having various socials.



These students studying speech and drama are, seated: Betty Ervin, Thad Greene, and Jennie Austin. Kneeling: Leslie Walker, Stewart Hodges, and Tony Green.

Standing, left to right: Bradley Pennell, Suzanne Triplett, Eva Dula, Pearl Grist, Joann Parlier, Walter Kent, Delphine Cochrane, Frances Parris, Earl Thompson, and Mrs. Cobb, adviser.

DRAMATICS

Members of the Dramatics Club are the actors, actresses, stage hands, and directors of the future. With the help of Mrs. Cobb, their teacher and adviser, these students learn small mannerisms and habits of speech that make good playwrights. The dramatics students plan several plays which they present to the student body at various times during the year.



Shown above is a scene from the annual Christmas play presented by the Dramatics Class.



Learning to be efficient in the business world are Commercial Club students, first row, semicircle: Albert Williams, Jackie Bush, Gladious Gentry, Gail Triplett Pope, Virginia Stout, Juanita Loudermelt, Betty Woodruff, James Martin, and J. D. Boston.

Second row, semicircle: Frances Parris, Jeanette Hall, Delila Chandler, Jo Ann Rector, Betty Hendrix, and Bobby Hodges.

COMMERCIAL CLUB

Juniors and seniors taking two commercial subjects are eligible to belong to the Commercial Club. At the monthly meetings, members engage in business and social sessions. As a special Christmas project, the club gave food to a needy family in Caldwell County.



Taking time out from business for a breather are Commercial Club officers, left to right: Jackie Bush, Treasurer; Shirley Foxx, Vice President in charge of programs; Virginia Stout, Secretary; and Robert Barber, President. Gail Triplett Pope is Vice President.

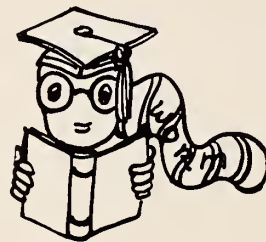


NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

Receiving recognition as outstanding students are these members of the National Honor Society. They are left to right: Jane Gravlee, Joan Lail, Reva Miller, June Seehorn, Patsy Hamer, Ann Kirby, Mariam Stallings, Norma Jean Abel, Richard Baker, Jane Tester, Eleanor Powell, Phyllis Hedrick, Patsy Boyle, Paul Hedrick, Katherine Warren, Gail Looney, Beverly Wilson, Hazel Walsh, Peggy Bradley, Janis Barger, and Peggy Jean Riggs.



Being selected by the faculty for membership in the Honor Society on the basis of leadership, scholarship, character, and service is one of the highest honors a student can obtain.



Looking up to their ideals were N. H. S. officers, left to right: Eleanor Powell, President; Peggy Bradley, Secretary; Mariam Stallings, Vice President, and Richard Baker, Treasurer.



THE MONOGRAM CLUB

Wearers of the "L" are club members, seated left to right: Eddie Smith, Dean Robbins, Neal Lynch, Hap Setzer, Dick Martin, Walter Kent, Wallace Clontz, Richard Baker, William LeFever, Jimmy Pennell, Bradley Pennell, James Story, and Preston Troutman.

Standing, left to right: Bob Wilson, Leslie Walker, Jerry Waters, Bob Miller, Walter Bean, Hazel Walsh, Patricia Gilbert, Harold Barnhardt, Katherine Warren, Ann Lackey, Sherry Nelson, Delphine Cochrane, Tommy Walker, Myrtle Ward, Sue Link, Tommy Tolbert, Ann Anderson, and Nancy Woodruff.

Organized in 1946, the Monogram Club seeks to promote better sportsmanship, more participation, and greater interest in athletics at Lenoir High School. Any student who earns a letter in football, baseball, basketball, cheer-leading, or as team manager is eligible for membership in this club.



Among Lenoir High's athletes are "L" Club officers, seated: President, James Story, and Vice President, Hap Setzer.

Standing: Secretary, Katherine Warren, and Treasurer, Preston Troutman.



Glee Club members starting each day with a song are First Row, left to right: Norma Jean Keller, Janis Barger, Ann Kirby, Linda Gibbs, Linda Owen, Jennie Austin, Peggy Jean Riggs, Louise Carlton, Shelby Mikeal, and Kay Winkler.

Second Row, left to right: Norma Stanley, Sarah Lee Dodge, Juanita Loudermelt, Ramona Aldridge, Patsy Hamer, Irene Adams, Arlee Triplett, Patricia Harless, Phyllis Smith, Judy Safriet, and Connie Smith.

Third Row, left to right: Mr. Kirsten, Carey Page, Barbara Mayfield, Virginia Broyhill, Barbara Barlow, Carol Linzmeier, Shirley Setzer, Sue Clement, Margaret Brown, Jeanette Pennell, and Mary Richards.

Fourth Row, left to right: Marlene Meier, Shirley Tilley, Diana Teague, Weyburn Smith, Jimmy Yates, John Clark, Bradley Colvard, Bradley Pennell, Betty Hendrix, Ramona Kemp, and Willa Mae Harness.

Fifth Row, left to right: Melba Burgess, Patricia Boettner, Pete Huntley, Jimmy Turner, Joe Walker, Jack Koebberling, Tommy Rayle, Bill Woodruff, and Gladys Bolick.

At piano: Shirley Pilkenton.



Leading the songsters are, seated left to right: Barbara Mayfield, Student Council representative; Janis Barger, Reporter; Kay Winkler, Secretary-Treasurer.

Standing, left to right: Pete Huntley, Vice-President; Bradley Pennell, President; Virginia Broyhill, Accompanist; Patsy Hamer, Librarian; and Phyllis Smith, Assistant Librarian.



GLEE CLUB

When the Glee Club gathered, young voices sang various kinds of songs under the direction of George Kirsten. The Glee Club presented two chapel programs this year and an annual spring concert.

At times it seemed that a song just would not be ready to sing publicly, but after a few lectures from Mr. "K.", it turned out to be a good number. His lecture, number nine hundred seventy-six, usually put across the fact that the Glee Club had better start working or else.

Every Glee Club member worried before a concert that something would go wrong. Each one could see weak places in the songs, but the concerts went off all right and their worries were dispersed.



1. Glee Club members gather around the piano for singing.
2. As the bell rings, students rush to second period classes.



3. Basses and tenors imitate vain altos and sopranos.



4. Relaxing with music, members get together for an informal rehearsal.
5. Enjoying the holiday season, students express their Christmas spirit with carols.





LENOIR HIGH

Musicians in "Lenoir's Own" are First Row, left to right: Adelia Nelson, Grace Rainey, Rebecca Bryant, Mariam Stallings, and Joanna Hinds.

Second Row: Genevieve Hamby, Retta Sherrill, Marjorie Nelson, Nancy Maye, Sylvia Ransdell, Katie Kirby, Bill Cobb, and Carolyn Thornburg.

Third Row: Jimmy Blair, Floyd Simmons, Franklyn Noll, Shelby Gene Prestwood, Cora Grist, Barbara Fleming, Priscilla Beach, Shirley Pritchard, William Happer, Madeline Herman, and Rachel Swanson.

Fourth Row, seated: Celia Owens, Dudley Rabb; standing: Nancy Lu Alexander, Betty Sue Williams, Katie Thornburg; seated: Imogene Crump, Margaret Wilson, Linda McMillan, Bill Sherrill, and Charles Carlyle.

Fifth Row, standing: Jack Barrier, Maurice Rhodes, and Tommy Abernethy.



SCHOOL BAND

First Row, left to right: Eleanor Powell, Sara Jean Triplett, and Peggy Bradley.

Second Row: Reva Miller, Robert Sherrill, Annette Lynes, Nancy Kennerly, Sara Crump, and Shirley Pilkenton.

Third Row: Nancy Tolbert, Patsy Boyle, Nancy Lee Crisp, Tommy Stevens, Kathleen Boston, Pat Williams, Peggy Story, Johnny Pritchard, Clarence Keever, and Max Reynolds.

Fourth Row: Mac Tolbert, Charles McGirt, Tom Hedden, Carl Anderson, Tommy Gail Prestwood, Reginald Smith, Harold Cook, Paul Perry Hedrick, George Self, Louise Carlton, Jane Tester, and Gene Truesdale.

Fifth Row: Becky Hailey, Bradley Colvard, Geraldine Crisp, Ann Honeycutt; seated: Joe Boyd, Floyd Boston, Gene Barrier, Bill McCrary, Jerry Clapp, Dale McLean, Linda Everhardt, and Mickey Holloway.



These instructors have directed and led to fame the Lenoir High School Band. Developing fine musicians and helping students appreciate music have been their aims. As a result of their efforts Lenoir's band has become recognized throughout the nation.

Pictured at left are seated, left to right: Mrs. Ophelia Stallings, Secretary; Mr. James C. Harper, Director.

Standing: Assistant directors, Mr. Lloyd Woolley, Mr. John Kaufman, and Mr. George Kirsten.

Looking at the scrapbook are band officers, seated: Gene Barrier, President; and Floyd Boston, Vice President.

Standing: Jack Barrier, Business Manager; Robert Sherrill, Secretary; and Peggy Bradley, *Mountaineer* correspondent.



Down through the years the Lenoir High School Band, under the direction of Captain James C. Harper, has become an increasingly larger and better organization. Started in 1924, it has grown from a very few members to its present size of approximately ninety members.

Each year the band makes several big trips. Last year band members marched in the Governor's inaugural parade. They also went to Annapolis, Maryland, for almost a week. While there they viewed one of the famous Annapolis Academy Dress Parades, played for the Governor and toured his mansion, played a concert, and were televised from Baltimore. This year the band played at all of the home football games and at two out of town games. In addition to that, they played at three college games, Davidson's homecoming game with Presbyterian College, Carolina's homecoming game with Tennessee, and the Carolina-Virginia game held in Charlottesville, Virginia.

For twenty consecutive years the band has made a top rating in the highest class in the state contest. They have been able to compete with and win over bands from schools much larger than Lenoir. Members appreciate the rich experiences being in the band affords.



1. Lenoir High's famous military band stopped performing long enough to pose in front of the Chambers Building at Davidson College.
2. Participating in the Shrine Bowl Parade in Charlotte was one of the highlights of the year.
3. Leading the band at the Shrine Bowl game was Drum Major, Tommy Stevens; assisted by Madeline Her-

man; Eleanor Powell, head Majorette; and Mariam Stallings.

4. The band, shown here in formation, played at the Davidson-Presbyterian College game.
5. Before football fans at the Carolina-Tennessee game, the Lenoir band formed an "N. C."



"TO LOVE THE GAME BEYOND THE PRIZE."



ACT FOUR

Athletics



Bearcats who performed in the new Cook Stadium are, first row, seated, left to right: Jack Rary, Dennis Cook, Edd.e Smith, R. S. McLean, Ralph Haigler, Harold Barnhardt, and Tommy Walker. Standing: Hap Setzer. Second Row standing, left to right: William LeFever. Seated: Doug Stimson, Bob Miller, Johnny Houston, Tony Coolsby, James Story, Bobby Poarch, and Jerry Waters. Third Row seated: Bill Everhardt and Kenny Moore. Standing: Preston Troutman. Seated: Bob Wilson, Joe Walker, Walter Bean, Glenwood Wilson, and Billy Holman.

FOOTBALL FLASHES

Although the Bearcats lost this year's conference, Lenoir fans cheered their favorite team through a sensational season. Emerging victorious through the first three games of the season, Lenoir's big eleven met their first defeat with their biggest rival, Hickory. After Hickory came Lenoir's fourth win over Newton and second loss to Shelby. In the final game, the Bearcats humbled Wilkes Central for another win.

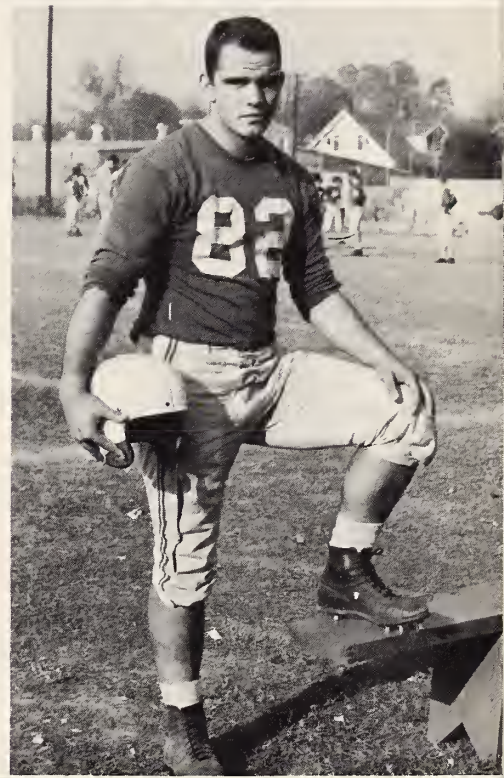
Lenoir's teeth-jarring linemen and fast backs kept the Bearcats in the fight. Under the capable and untiring direction of coaches Cross and Wilson, boys wearing the blue and white found football at L. H. S. a sport worth those afternoon workouts.

Captain "Hap" Setzer was the team's representative to the Shrine Bowl game this year and William Lefever played in the Optimist Bowl. Scholarships and sportsmanship are the rewards of these gridiron heroes.



SCOREBOARD

Valdese	14- 6
Rutherfordton-Spindale	26-12
Forest City	20-14
Hickory	13-19
Newton	38- 7
Shelby	0-14
Belmont	13-19
Marion	21- 6
Morganton	6-40
Wilkes Central	19- 6



The Bearcats turned blue after their first conference loss in four years. Led by Captain "Hap" Setzer, however, the Lenoir T split six opposing teams.



Fragile but agile, girls on the basketball team were, left to right: Mary Ellen Osborne, Shelby Greer, Carolyn Hendrix, Katherine Warren, Hazel Walsh, Sue Link, Nancy Woodruff, Linda Walsh, Carey Page, Ann Anderson, Patricia Gilbert, Myrtle Ward, Captain; and Jane Crowell, Manager.

Taking time out to discuss plays are Coach Warlick and Captain Myrtle Ward.

SCHEDULE

- December 11—Happy Valley vs. Lenoir
- December 15—Lenoir vs. Hildebran
- December 18—Hudson vs. Lenoir
- January 5—Lenoir vs. Taylorsville
- January 8—Valdese vs. Lenoir
- January 12—Lenoir vs. Wilkes Central
- January 15—Hickory vs. Lenoir
- January 19—Lenoir vs. Morganton
- January 22—Marion vs. Lenoir
- January 26—Newton-Conover vs. Lenoir
- January 29—Lenoir vs. Marion
- February 2—Morganton vs. Lenoir
- February 5—Gamewell vs. Lenoir
- February 9—Wilkes Central vs. Lenoir
- February 12—Lenoir vs. Happy Valley
- February 16—Taylorsville vs. Lenoir
- February 19—Lenoir vs. Valdese
- February 23—Lenoir vs. Newton-Conover
- February 26—Lenoir vs. Hickory



GIRLS' BASKETBALL

BOYS' BASKETBALL

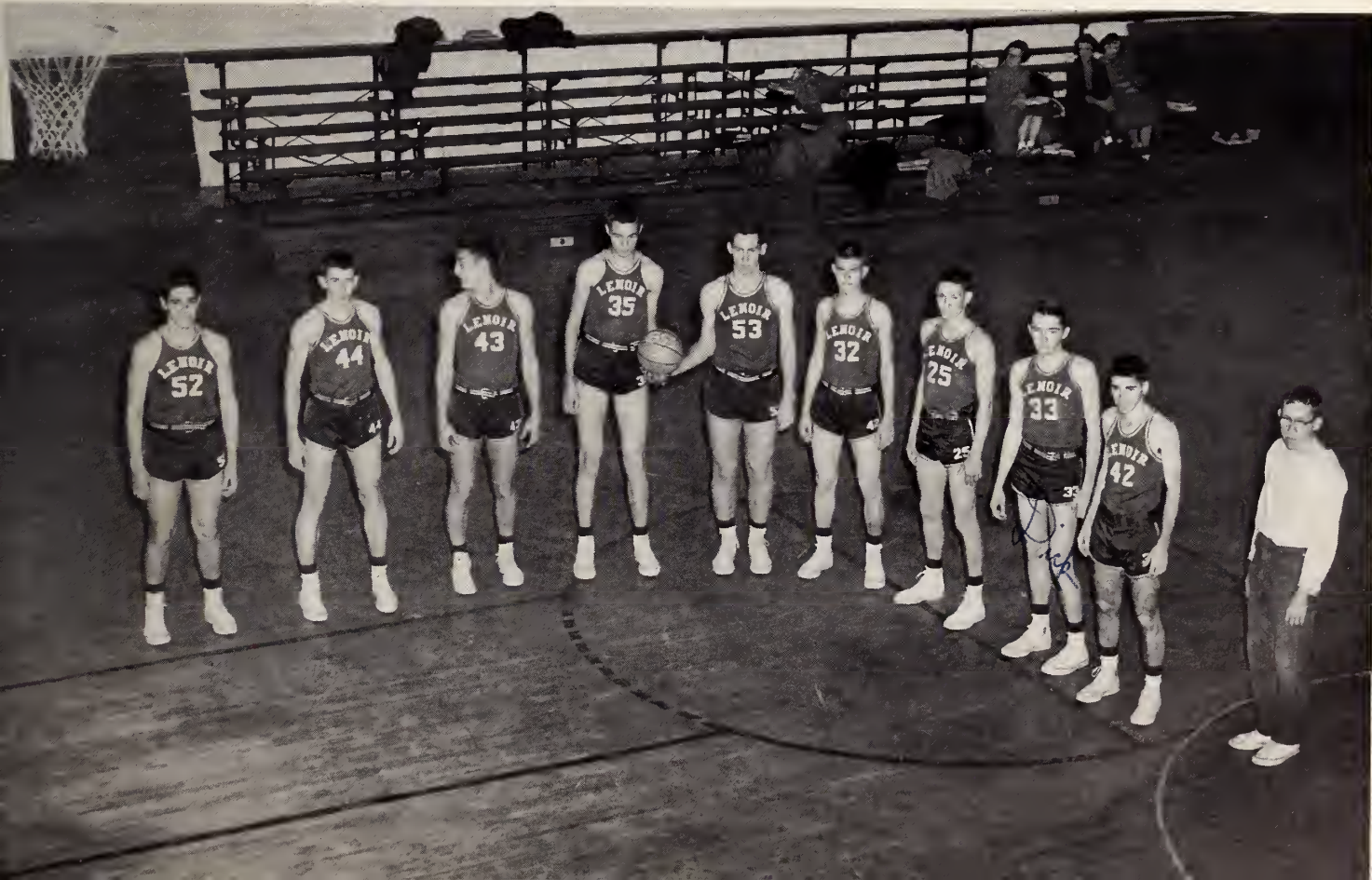
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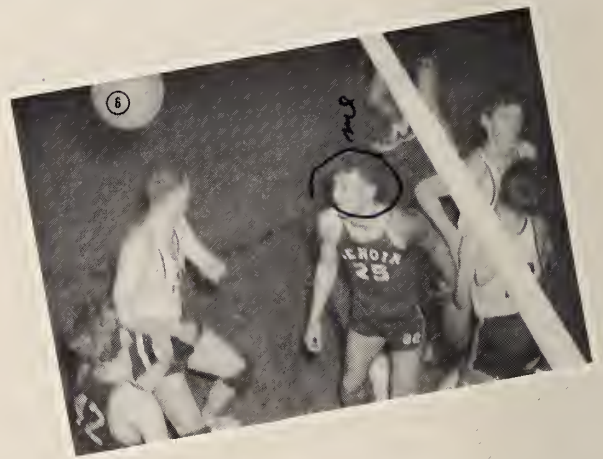
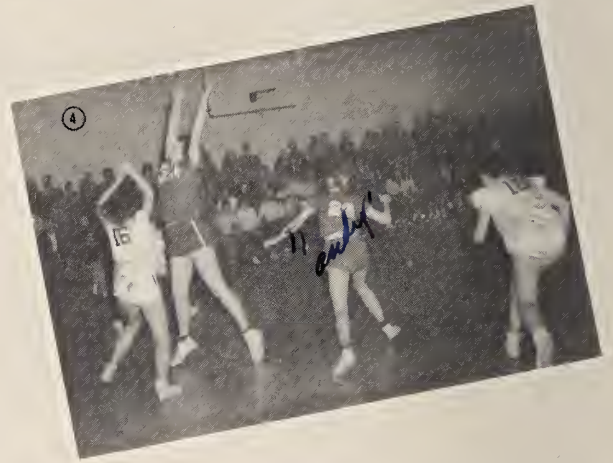
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Coach Hope talks with team during time out at first game of the season.

Hoopsters cutting capers on the basketball court were, left to right: Walter Bean, Tommy Rayle, Jerry Waters, Edwin Pritchard, Doug Stimson, Billy Holman, Joe Walker, Dick Martin, Richard Baker, and Eric Miller, Manager.





"DRIBBLES"

1. Players scramble for the ball in the first game of the season.
2. Hap, Doug, and Jerry tangle with losing opponents.
3. Oops! Sorry. Myrtle Ward does some fancy guarding.
4. Nancy Woodruff scores again!
5. Defending the goal for the team, Hazel Walsh reaches high.
6. "Wha' happened?"

1. Resting on their laurels are coaches standing, left to right: Mr. Cross, baseball and football; Miss Warlick, girls' basketball; Mr. Mills, Junior varsity football; Mr. Hope, boys' basketball; holding trophy is Mr. Wilson, assistant football coach.
2. Captain Hap Setzer received best blocking trophy awarded each year by Triplett Clothing Company.

3. As a take-off on our heroes of the gridiron, girls gave a hilarious performance in chapel.
4. Coach Cross gives instructions to R. S. McLean, center, before sending him back into the game.
5. Willy LeFever was presented the trophy given by the Center Theater for the most valuable player by Doyle Norris at the annual football banquet.





Participating in America's favorite sport were L. H. S. baseball players first row, left to right: Preston Troutman, Manager; Dean Robbins, Second Baseman; Richard Baker, Left Fielder; Bobby Foster, Pitcher; Hap Setzer, Right Fielder; Harold Barnhardt, Third Baseman; and William LeFever, Shortstop.
 Second Row: Bob Miller, First Baseman; Garland Harris, Pitcher; Doug Stimson, Pitcher; Jerry Waters, Center-fielder; and James Story, Third Baseman.

SWING OF SPRING

The 1953 baseball team was coached by Mr. Cross. Opening the season by losing to Granite Falls, the Bearcats played fourteen games, losing eight.

Short-stop, William Lefever, and center-fielder, "Hap" Setzer were the leading hitters. Doug Stimson, Bob Foster, and Garland Harris were the most successful pitchers.

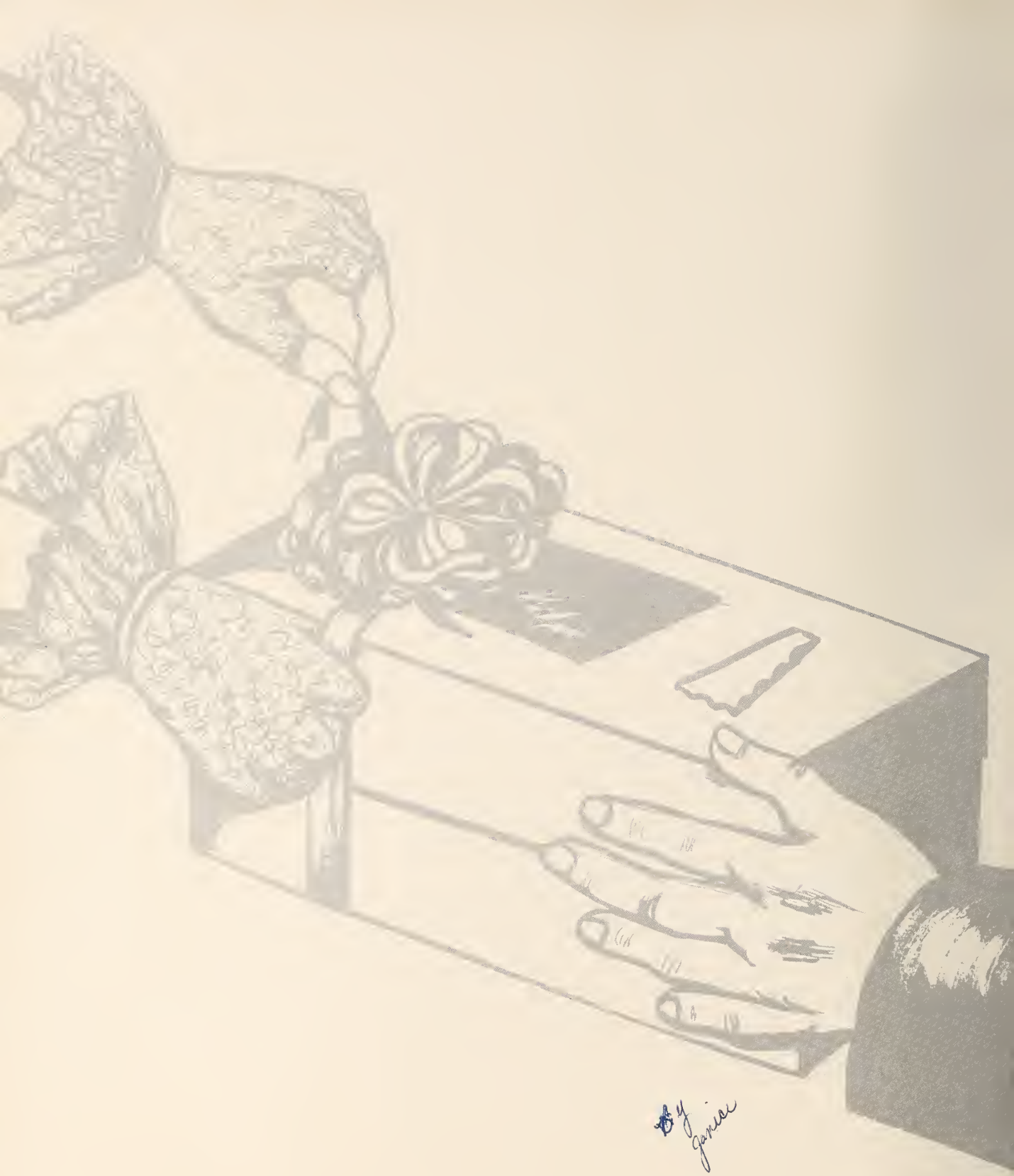
1953 HIT PARADE

April 2—Lenoir vs. Granite Falls	4- 5	April 28—Lenoir vs. Morganton	13-10
April 7—Lenoir vs. Hickory	0- 2	May 1—Lenoir vs. Granite Falls	4- 5
April 10—Lenoir vs. Hudson	11- 7	May 5—Lenoir vs. Newton-Conover	6- 2
April 14—Lenoir vs. Marion	3-11	May 8—Lenoir vs. Belmont	1- 8
April 17—Lenoir vs. Hudson	2-10	May 12—Lenoir vs. Newton-Conover	3- 5
April 21—Lenoir vs. Marion	6- 4	May 15—Lenoir vs. Morganton	7-10
April 24—Lenoir vs. Belmont	4- 3	May 19—Lenoir vs. Hickory	7- 4



"Take Me Out to the Ball Game."

1. Dances in the gym after ball games are popular.
2. What the team never sees.
3. Cheerleaders' appearance before stands sparks cheers and singing.
4. Baseball players watch teammates from the dug-out.
5. Students cheer basketball team to victory.



By Janice

“ 'TIS IN MY MEMORY LOCKED ”



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With a greeting for everyone are BETTY ANN ERVIN and STEWART HODGES, FRIENDLIEST of the class of '54.



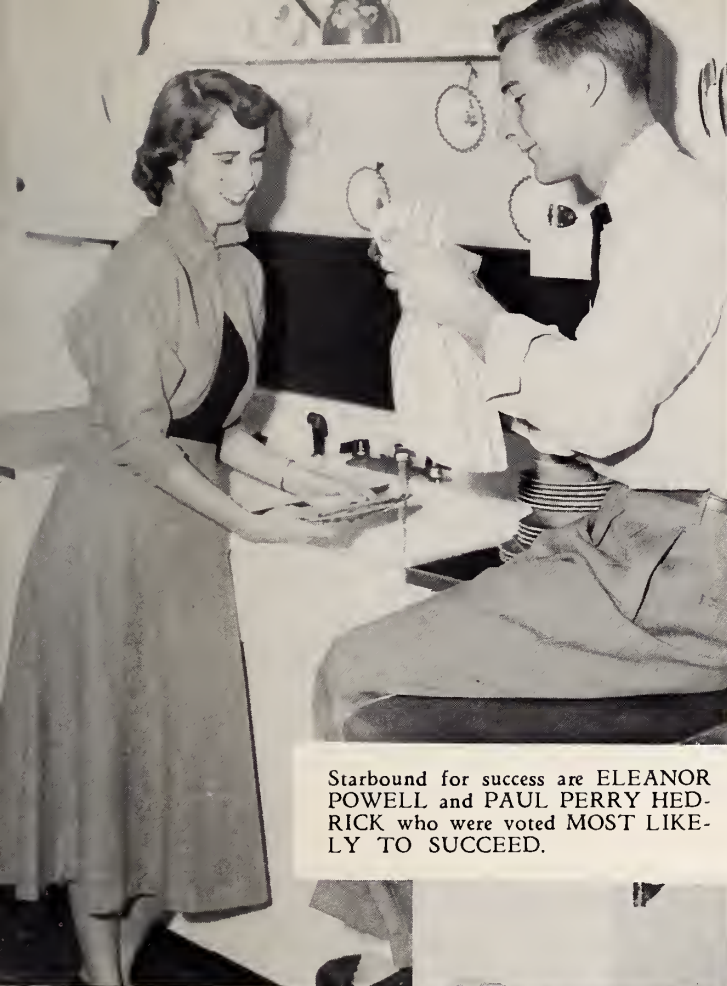
Always good for a laugh, JANIS BARGER and GENE BARRIER are the WITTIEST in the class.



Big wheels around L. H. S. are REVA MILLER and EDDIE SMITH, BEST ALL 'ROUND seniors.



Styled for stardom are MOST TALENTED, SHIRLEY PILKENTON and TOMMY STEVENS.



Starbound for success are ELEANOR POWELL and PAUL PERRY HEDRICK who were voted MOST LIKELY TO SUCCEED.



Senior all stars, SUE LINK and HAP SETZER, won MOST ATHLETIC AWARDS for '54.



MOST COURTEOUS seniors, KATHERINE MALTBA and BILL AUSTIN always put their best foot forward.



New ideas and big plans mark MOST ORIGINAL seniors, BEVERLY WILSON and DICK MARTIN.



Voted seniors with **BEST PERSONALITY**, radiant **PEGGY BRADLEY** and **JACK BARRIER** are an asset to any crowd.



Students with high minds are **HAZEL WALSH** and **RICHARD BAKER** who were voted **MOST INTELLIGENT**.



Winners of the senior popularity contest were **DELPHINE COCHRANE** and **WILLIAM LEFEVER** voted **MOST POPULAR**.



Taking everything in their stride, **PATSY BOYLE** and **TOMMY WALKER** won honors as **BEST NATURED** seniors.



Three cheers for the seniors with the BEST SCHOOL SPIRIT, KATHERINE WARREN and BRADLEY PENNELL!



Give them a job, and it will be done —that's GAIL LOONEY and CHARLES MCGIRT, voted MOST DEPENDABLE.



Admiring their charms are seniors voted BEST LOOKING, NORMA STANLEY and R. S. MCLEAN.



TYPICAL SENIORS, making the best of their senior year, are MARIAM STALLINGS and RALPH HAIGLER.



Looking over programs for the autumn Band concert are marshals, left to right: Bob Miller, Barbara Moore, Ralph Haigler, Patsy Hamer, Delphine Cochrane, Sherry Nelson, Diana Teague, Linda Walsh, Katherine Warren and Carroll Brookshire.



Among the leaders selected in the fall to direct the activities of Lenoir High are the marshals. These students, under the guidance of Miss Haley, are present at all school programs ushering, taking up tickets, and welcoming parents, citizens, and students to these events. Marshaling gives the student an opportunity to be and to feel he is a part of the school.

Braving the brisk football weather, the ushers, Patsy Hamer, Virginia Broyhill, Earl Thompson, Peggy Riggs, Ann Kirby, James Clontz, Bobby Hagaman, and Barbara Mayfield cheerfully led the fans to their seats.



MARSHALS

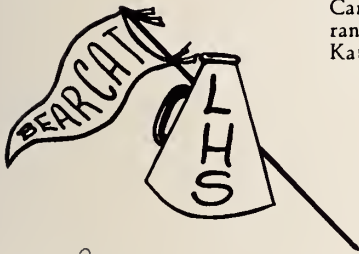
CHEERLEADERS

Under the tonsil-torturing tutelage of the cheerleaders, the "Bearcat" cheering section maintained its school spirit throughout the year. The height of the cheering season came during homecoming when Lenoir witnessed a motorcycle escorted parade. Coming to a halt on the square, L.H.S. students staged the biggest pep-rally of the year.

Leading an enthusiastic cheering section were cheerleaders: Sherry Nelson, Wallace Clontz, Jeanette Barlow, Pat Yount, Carol Cook, Delphine Cochran, Bradley Pennell, and Katherine Warren.



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Through victories and defeats Bearcat fans supported the team all the way. With cheers and songs they boosted team spirit.





GIRLS' STATE

Beverly Wilson was Lenoir High's representative to Girls' State at Woman's College, U.N.C. Beverly, a popular senior, was chosen by the faculty for qualities of scholarship, leadership, and character. The purpose of the annual event is to provide young leaders with an understanding of our state government and prepare them for the responsibilities of citizenship.



MISS HI MISS

Reva Miller, an active Senior, was chosen by the faculty as the 1954 Miss Hi Miss. She attended the annual affair held at Winthrop College in South Carolina. Reva was chosen on qualifications of leadership, character, scholarship, and participation in school activities.



JUNIOR



SENIOR

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"YOU AND THE NIGHT AND THE MUSIC"

1. Mariam and Eddie pose in front of the bandstand.
2. Enjoying themselves at the Plantation Club are Eleanor and Paul.
3. Resting between dances are Phyllis and Gene.
4. Transforming the gym into a Southern garden are Sue and Gail.
5. Pausing beneath the paper moon are Beverly and Little.
6. John and Jane pose for a picture by the garden fence.
7. Dancing to the orchestra's music are Delphine and Charles.
8. With stars in their eyes are Madeline and Buddy.

HOMECOMING

1. Captain Hap Setzer, the Bearcats' representative to the Shrine Bowl, admires a trophy with homecoming sponsor, Diana Teague, and her escort, Danny Barlowe.
2. Looking ahead are escort, Jimmy Yates; sponsor, Marjorie Nelson; and football player, Dick Martin, whose position was halfback.
3. Reminiscing about the Homecoming game are Ralph Haigler and his sponsor, Barbara Barlowe. Standing is escort, Jimmy Pennell.
4. Arriving on the "big day" are Tommy Walker who plays defensive end; his sponsor, Sara Jean Triplett; and escort, Herb Keller.
5. Watching as escort Tommy Stevens pins corsage on sponsor, Norma Stanley, is football player Harold Barnhardt.
6. Katie Kirby, who sponsored the Optimist Bowl player, William LeFever, shows trophy to escort, Pete Huntley.
7. Ready for Homecoming parade are escort, Jack Koeberling; sponsor, Mariam Stallings; and Dennis Cook, who played defensive end for the Bearcats.
8. Eddie Smith, halfback, is shown with sponsor Melba Burgess, as escort, James Parlier opens car door.
9. Escort Hugh Munday greets sponsor, Jane Tester, who is standing with Jack Rary, a guard for the Bearcats.





With a parade, a 21-6 victory, and a dance, students kept annual homecoming day in a big way!

1. Homecoming sponsors and escorts formed a procession of convertibles for the homecoming parade.
2. Featured in the parade were decorated cars representing various school organizations.
3. Taking part in homecoming activities were Hight Moore, escort, and R. S. McLean, who was sponsored by Joan Lail.
4. Crowned homecoming queen was Joan Lail, a vivacious Junior. The crowning took place during the half time performance at the Lenoir-Marion football game. The day's festivities ended with a dance honoring the senior football players and their sponsors.
5. Excited but poised, Joan ruled as Queen for a day.



REMEMBER

Remember all the parts you played in the many productions of your high school years? Some of you had your names in lights as you won honors in your roles. There were many parts to be played and remember how excited you were when it came time for the auditions?

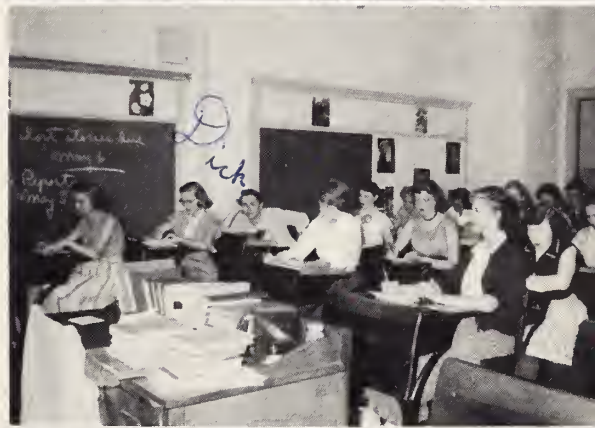
The favorite costumes of the season seemed to be wool sweaters and unpolished loafers. But for that special night, the Junior-Senior, you switched from natural to character parts, with dinner jackets and swirling formals.



WHEN?

There were also classes in which you learned the arts of concentration, observation, and rhythm. And there was real dramatic action as your favorite teams acquired starring roles in the sports world.

You worked hard and you played hard. You learned to take disappointments as well as successes. You were criticized; you were praised; and you captured the hearts of the audiences as you gave your best performances. But best of all, you found your place on the stage of life and were discovered as an artist.





BEHIND THE

1. In gym classes you learned good sportsmanship.
2. Changing classes meant climbing steps.
3. Your favorite time of the day was the lunch period.
4. As seniors you rated front-row seats in assembly.
5. Rushing from class to class, you found time to chat with classmates.
6. As a whole, your '53-'54 school year was tops.



SCENES AT L. H. S.

1. A great part of your lunch period was spent in front of the mirror.
2. You laughed at initiation antics.
3. By contributing to club projects, you showed your school spirit.
4. In school talent shows you watched the stars of tomorrow perform.
5. Between school and outside activities, you found time to go home.
6. After school, you met your friends at the drug store.
7. As students of dramatics, you participated in plays for assembly.

SENIOR HONORS

NORMA JEAN ABEL

Latin Club, 2, 3; Honor Society, 3, 4; Allied Youth, 4.

MARY ARMSTRONG

Clover High School: Glee Club, 1, 2; F H A, 1; Lenoir High School: F H A, 3, 4.

BELAR AUSTIN

Baseball, 1, 2; Science Club, 2.

BILL AUSTIN

Junior Varsity Football, 1, 2; Varsity Football, 3; Allied Youth, 4; Senior Superlative.

RICHARD BAKER

Baseball, 1, 2, 3, 4; Football, 1; Honor Society, 3, 4; Treasurer of Honor Society, 4; Monogram Club, 3, 4; Senior Superlative.

ROBERT BARBER

Commercial Club, 3, 4; Commercial Club President, 4; Student Council, 4; Allied Youth, 1.

JANIS BARGER

Spanish Club, 1, 2, 3, 4; Science Club, 2; Allied Youth, 3, 4; Bearcat Staff, 3, 4; Art Editor of Bearcat, 4; Glee Club, 2, 3, 4; Mountaineer Reporter for Glee Club, 4; Mountaineer Staff, 4; National Honor Society, 4; Senior Superlative.

HAROLD BARNHARDT

Spanish Club, 3, 4; Football Manager, 2, 3; Football, 4; Basketball, 2, 3, 4; Baseball, 2, 3, 4; and Monogram Club, 2, 3, 4.

GENE BARRIER

Science Club, 2; Latin Club, 2; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Secretary and Treasurer of Band, 2; Vice-President of Band, 3; President of Band, 4; Senior Superlative.

JACK BARRIER

Band, 1, 2, 3, 4; Spanish Club, 3, 4; Reporter for Spanish Club, 4; Band Officer, 4; Bearcat Staff, 3; Senior Superlative.

GAIL McMILLAN BOWLES

Science Club, 2; F H A, 1, 2, 3; President of F H A, 3.

PATSY BOYLE

Glee Club, 1; Latin Club, 1, 2; Science Club, 2; Band, 1, 2, 3, 4; Allied Youth, 3, 4; Honor Society, 3, 4; Student Council, 4; Senior Superlative.

PEGGY BRADLEY

Latin Club, 2, 3; Science Club, 2; Band, 1, 2, 3, 4; Band Librarian, 3, 4; Student Council, 2, 3, 4; Honor Society, 3, 4; Secretary of Class, 4; Allied Youth, 1, 2, 3, 4; Senior Superlative; Secretary of Honor Society, 4; Bearcat Staff, 3, 4.

JIMMY BRAWLEY

Track, 1, 2; Junior Varsity Football, 2; Student Council, 2, 3.

REBECCA BRYANT

Band, 1, 2, 3, 4; Allied Youth, 2, 3, 4; F H A, 1, 4.

MELBA BURGESS

Latin Club, 2; Science Club, 2; Allied Youth, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club, 3, 4; Mountaineer Staff, 4; Bearcat Staff, 3, 4; Bearcat Artist, 4.

JAKIE BUSH

Football, 1, 2; Commercial Club, 4.

LOUISE CARLTON

Student Council, 1; F H A, 1; Latin Club, 1, 2; Band, 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club, 4.

SENIOR HONORS

DELILA CHANDLER

F H A, 1, 2; Commercial Club, 4.

DOROTHY CLARK

Latin Club, 3; F H A, 1, 2; Science Club, 2.

DELPHINE COCHRANE

F H A, 1; Allied Youth, 1, 2, 3, 4; Science Club, 2; Latin Club, 2; Glee Club, 3; Cheerleader, 2, 3, 4; Monogram Club, 2, 3, 4; Dramatics Club, 4; Secretary of Dramatics Club, 4; Bearcat Staff, 1, 3, 4; Marshal, 4; Senior Superlative.

DENNIS COOK

Football, 3, 4; Basketball, 2; Track, 1, 2; Allied Youth, 3, 4; Spanish Club, 1, 2; Monogram Club, 4.

EVA ELIZABETH DULA

Hudson High School, 1; Science Club, 2; Spanish Club, 2, 3, 4; Treasurer of Spanish Club, 3; Allied Youth, 3, 4; Dramatics Club, 4.

RENA ELLER

Glee Club, 2, 3; F H A, 1, 3; Science Club, 2; Spanish Club, 1.

BETTY ANN ERVIN

King's Creek, 1, 2; Allied Youth, 3, 4; Student Council, 4; Dramatics Club, 4; Senior Superlative; F H A, 3; Glee Club, 3; Vice-President of Dramatics Club, 4.

SHIRLEY FOXX

F H A, 1; Allied Youth, 1; Granite Falls High School, 2; Commercial Club, 4; Vice-President of Commercial Club, 4.

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Spanish Club, 1; Commercial Club, 4; Glee Club, 3; Bearcat Staff, 1, 3, 4; F H A, 1, 2; Science Club, 1.

PATRICIA GILBERT

F H A, 1, 2; Treasurer of F H A, 2; Science Club, 2; Basketball, 2, 3, 4; Monogram Club, 2, 3, 4.

RALPH HAIGLER

Student Council, 1; Allied Youth, 1, 2, 3; Latin Club, 2; Science Club, 1, 2; Band, 1, 2, 3; Band Officer, 3; Football, 3; Marshal, 4; Senior Superlative; Vice-President of Homeroom, 1.

JEANETTE HALL

Glee Club, 1; Allied Youth, 1, 2; Latin Club, 2; Science Club, 2; Commercial Club, 4.

WILLA MAE HARNESS

Hudson High School, 1, 2, 3; Glee Club, 4.

PAUL PERRY HEDRICK

Band, 1, 2, 3, 4; Band Officer, 2, 3, 4; Student Council, 2, 3, 4; Secretary-Treasurer of Freshman Class; Vice-President of Sophomore Class; President of Junior Class; Vice-President of Band, 2; President of Band, 3; President of Student Council, 4; Latin Club, 2; Allied Youth, 3, 4; Honor Society, 3, 4; Senior Superlative; Delegate to W. O. N. C. S. C. C., 3; Secretary of Homeroom, 2; P. T. S. A. Representative, 1.

PHYLLIS HEDRICK

National Honor Society, 3, 4; Student Council, 4; Latin Club, 1, 2; Spanish Club, 3, 4; President of Spanish Club, 4; Glee Club, 2, 3; Librarian of Glee Club, 3; Allied Youth, 1, 2, 3, 4; Science Club, 2; Bearcat Staff, 1, 3, 4; Assistant Business Manager of Bearcat, 3; Business Manager of Bearcat, 4; Marshal, 3; S. I. P. A. Delegate, 3.

BETTY HENDRIX

Allied Youth, 3, 4; F H A, 4; Secretary of F H A, 4; Commercial Club, 3, 4; Glee Club, 3, 4.

MADELINE HERMAN

Band, 1, 2, 3, 4; Drum Majorette, 4; Corporal, 3, 4; Allied Youth, 2, 3, 4; Science Club, 2; Latin Club, 2; Bearcat Staff, 3; Student Council, 3, 4.

SENIOR HONORS

JOANNA HINDS

Latin Club, 1, 2; Allied Youth, 1, 2, 3; Band Officer, 1; 2, 3; Band, 1, 2, 3, 4; Science Club, 2.

STEWART HODGES

Allied Youth, 3, 4; Glee Club, 3; Dramatics Club, 4; Track, 1, 2; Treasurer of Junior Class; Spanish Club, 1.

DORIS JONES

Glee Club, 2, 3; Spanish Club, 1; Allied Youth, 1, 2, 3.

CLARENCE KEEVER

Band, 1, 2, 3, 4; Allied Youth, 1, 2, 3, 4; Latin Club, 1, 2; Latin Convention; Spanish Club, 3; Science Club, 2; Riverside Military Academy, 3.

WALTER KENT

Latin Club, 2; Science Club, 2; Spanish Club, 3; Dramatics Club, 4; Allied Youth, 1, 2, 3, 4; Manager of Baseball Team, 1; Monogram Club, 1, 2, 3, 4; Mountaineer Staff, 4; Football, 1, 2.

JOANN KIRBY

Band, 1; Spanish Club, 2, 3, 4; Bearcat Staff, 2; Glee Club, 4; Allied Youth, 1, 2, 3, 4.

JACK KOEBBERLING

Greensboro, 1, 2, 3; Glee Club, 2, 3; Spanish Club, 1, 2, 3; Library Club, 1, 2; Lenoir High School, 4; Glee Club 4; Allied Youth, 3, 4.

ANN LACKEY

Spanish Club, 1, 2, 3, 4; Allied Youth, 2, 3, 4; Cheerleader, 2, 3; Science Club, 2; Glee Club, 1, 2, 3; Monogram Club, 2, 3, 4;

DENNIS LAXTON

Spanish Club, 3, 4.

WILLIAM LEFEVER

Baseball, 1, 2, 3, 4; Football, 2, 3, 4; Most Valuable Player of Football Team, 4; Monogram Club, 1, 2, 3, 4; Spanish Club, 2, 3; Senior Superlative; Science Club, 2; Optimist Bowl, 4.

SUE LINK

Basketball, 1, 2, 3, 4; Monogram Club, 1, 2, 3, 4; Treasurer of Monogram Club, 3; Co-Captain of Basketball Team, 3; Science Club, 2; Senior Superlative; Glee Club, 3.

GAIL LOONEY

F H A, 1; Bearcat Staff, 1; Allied Youth, 1, 2, 3, 4; Latin Club, 2; Delegate to Latin Convention, 2; Student Council, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club, 2, 3; Mountaineer Staff, 3, 4; Associate Editor of Mountaineer, 3; Editor of Mountaineer, 4; Honor Society, 4; Senior Superlative.

JUANITA LOUDERMELT

Lencir High, 1, 3, 4; Pinehurst High School, 2; F H A, 1, 2; Spanish Club, 2, 4; Glee Club, 2, 3, 4; Cheerleader, 2; Allied Youth, 4; Commercial Club, 4.

NEAL LYNCH

Science Club, 2; Monogram Club, 2, 3, 4; Baseball, 2, 4.

KATHERINE MALTBA

Spanish Club, 1, 2; Glee Club, 1; Dramatics Club, 4; F H A, 1; Senior Superlative.

DICK MARTIN

Basketball, 2, 3, 4; Track, 1, 2; Football, 1, 2, 4; Monogram Club, 1, 2, 3, 4; Spanish Club, 2, 3, 4; Allied Youth, 1, 2, 3, 4; Mountaineer Staff, 4; Science Club, 2.

CHARLES MCGIRT

Student Council, 2; Latin Club, 2; Allied Youth, 2, 3, 4; Officer of Allied Youth, 2; Band, 1, 2, 3, 4; Class Officer, 3; Assistant Business Manager of Mountaineer, 3; Business Manager of Mountaineer, 4; Photographer for Mountaineer, 3, 4; Band Officer, 4; Senior Superlative.

SENIOR HONORS

R. S. McLEAN

Football, 1, 2, 3, 4; Track, 2; Monogram Club, 3, 4; Spanish Club, 4; Senior Superlative.

BIRDIE McROBERTS

Glee Club, 1.

REVA MILLER

Band, 1, 2, 3, 4; Band Officer, 3, 4; Color Guard, 3, 4; Corporal, 4; Allied Youth, 1, 2, 3, 4; Science Club, 2; Latin Club, 2, 3; Secretary of Class, 2; Student Council, 1, 2, 3, 4; Secretary of Student Council, 3; Vice-President of Student Council, 4; Honor Society, 3, 4; Delegate to N. C. N. H. S. Convention, 3; Senior Superlative; Miss Hi Miss, 4.

HIGHT MOORE

Spanish Club, 4; Allied Youth, 4.

ADELIA NELSON

Band, 1, 2, 3, 4; Latin Club, 1, 2; Spanish Club, 3, 4; Allied Youth, 3, 4; Science Club, 2; Vice-President of Spanish Club, 4.

JAMES PARLIER

Latin Club, 1, 2; Science Club, 2; Allied Youth, 1.

JOANN PARLIER

Kings Creek, 1, 2; Allied Youth, 3, 4; Dramatics Club, 4; Latin Club, 3; F H A, 3; Student Council, 4.

FRANCES PARRIS

F H A, 1, 2; Science Club 2; Allied Youth, 4; Commercial Club, 4.

RALPH PARSONS

Glee Club, 1, 2; Science Club, 2.

BRADLEY PENNELL

Student Council, 1, 2, 3; Spanish Club, 1, 2; Science Club, 2; Glee Club, 2, 3, 4; President of Glee Club, 4; Allied Youth, 2, 3; Bearcat Staff, 3; Cheerleader, 3, 4; Head Cheerleader, 4; Speaking Contest Winner, 3; Monogram Club, 4; Vice-President of Senior Class, 4; Dramatics Club, 4; President of Dramatics Club, 4; Senior Superlative.

JIMMY PENNELL

Science Club, 1; Spanish Club, 2; Allied Youth, 4; Monogram Club, 1, 2, 3, 4; Manager of Baseball Team, 1.

SHIRLEY PILKENTON

F H A, 1; Spanish Club, 1, 2; Glee Club, 2, 3, 4; Allied Youth, 2, 3; Science Club, 2; Band, 3, 4; Senior Superlative.

JEAN POARCH

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

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Band, 1, 2, 3, 4; Band Officer, 3, 4; Drum Majorette, 4; Student Council, 2, 3, 4; Class President, 2; Allied Youth, 2, 3, 4; Allied Youth Officer, 3, 4; Latin Club, 2, 3; Treasurer of N. C. J. C. L., 3; Bearcat Staff, 3, 4; Homecoming Sponsor, 3; Honor Society, 3, 4; Honor Society President, 4; U. N. Contest Winner, 3.

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F H A, 1, 2, 3.

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Band, 1, 2, 3, 4; Allied Youth, 4.

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Band, 1, 2, 3, 4; Allied Youth, 3, 4; Science Club.

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Salisbury High School, 1; Science Club, 2; Spanish Club, 2, 3; Student Council, 3; Track, 2; Football, 2, 3, 4; Allied Youth, 4; Monogram Club, 4; Mountaineer Staff, 4.

SENIOR HONORS

JO ANN RECTOR

Glee Club, 1, 2; Commercial Club, 4.

PEGGY RIGGS

Allied Youth, 2, 3; Latin Club, 1, 2; F H A, 1; Science Club, 2; Glee Club, 2, 3, 4; Marshal, 3; Dramatics Club, 3; Honor Society, 4.

MARY JANE ROWAN

Latin Club, 1, 2; Glee Club, 2, 3; Science Club, 2; Bearcat Staff, 1, 2, 3, 4; Mountaineer Staff, 4; Allied Youth, 1, 2, 3, 4.

WILLIS SETZER

Football, 1, 2, 3, 4; Captain of the Football Team, 4; All-State Football Player; Basketball, 2, 3, 4; Baseball, 3, 4; Monogram Club, 2, 3, 4; Vice-President of Monogram Club, 4; Allied Youth, 4; Spanish Club, 3, 4; All-Conference, 2, 3, 4.

REBA SHERRILL

Latin Club, 1, 2; Science Club, 2; Allied Youth, 1, 2, 3, 4. Spanish Club, 3, 4; Secretary of Spanish Club, 4; Bearcat Staff, 4; Student Council, 4; P.T.S.A. Representative, 1.

RETTA SHERRILL

Latin Club, 1, 2; Science Club, 2; Band, 3, 4; Spanish Club, 3, 4; Allied Youth, 3.

EDDIE SMITH

President of Senior Class; Student Council, 2, 3, 4; Treasurer of Student Council, 3; Spanish Club, 4; Monogram Club, 3, 4; Senior Superlative; Football, 1, 2, 3, 4; Student Council, 2, 3, 4.

MARIAM STALLINGS

Band, 1, 2, 3, 4; Band Officer, 4; Drum Majorette, 4; Allied Youth, 3, 4; Science Club, 2; Latin Club, 1, 2; Delegate to N.C.N.H.S. Convention, 3; Student Council, 3, 4; Senior Superlative; Vice-President of Allied Youth, 4; Secretary of Allied Youth, 3; Vice-President of Honor Society, 4; Homecoming Sponsor, 4; Honor Society, 3, 4.

NORMA STANLEY

Old Fort: Cheerleader, 1; Glee Club, 1, 2; Class Treasurer, 1; F H A, 1, 2. Lenoir High: Glee Club, 3, 4; Allied Youth, 3, 4; Spanish Club, 3, 4; Bearcat Staff, 4; Senior Superlative.

SHIRLEY TILLEY

Glee Club, 3, 4; Spanish Club, 3, 4; Secretary of Spanish Club, 4; Allied Youth, 4; Science Club, 2.

GAIL TRIPLETT POPE

Spanish Club, 1; Glee Club, 2, 3; F H A, 1, 2, 4; Commercial Club, 4; Vice-President of Commercial Club, 4; Vice-President of F H A, 4.

SUZANNE TRIPLETT

F H A, 1; Band, 1, 2, 3; Latin Club, 2, 3; Allied Youth, 2, 3, 4; Dramatics Club, 4.

JIMMY TURNER

Glee Club, 3, 4.

MARTHA TURNER

F H A, 1, 2, 3; Spanish Club, 1; Science Club, 2.

TOMMY WALKER

Monogram Club, 3, 4; Spanish Club, 3, 4; Football, 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball, 1, 2, 3, 4; Baseball, 4; Science Club, 2.

SAMMY WALL

Class Officer, 2; Football, 3.

HAZEL WALSH

F H A, 1, 2; Vice-President of F H A, 2; Student Council, 2, 3; Vice-President of Junior Class; Treasurer of Senior Class; Monogram Club, 3, 4; Basketball, 3, 4; Dramatics Club, 3; Senior Superlative.

SENIOR HONORS

EMMETT STEVENS

Football, 1, 2, 3, 4; Baseball, 1, 2, 4; Basketball, 1; Science Club, 2; Monogram Club, 1, 2, 3, 4; Track, 2; Spanish Club, 1, 2; Allied Youth, 3, 4.

TOMMY STEVENS

Band, 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club, 2, 3; Science Club, 2; Allied Youth, 2, 3, 4; Drum Major of Band, 2, 3, 4; Latin Club, 2, 4.

DENNIS STORY

Spanish Club, 3, 4; Dramatics Club, 3; Allied Youth, 4; Science Club, 1.

VIRGINIA STOUT

Secretary of Commercial Club, 4; F H A, 4.

DIANA TEAGUE

Spanish Club, 3, 4; Allied Youth, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club, 4; Science Club, 2; Dramatics Club, 3.

JANE TESTER

Spanish Club, 1, 2, 3, 4; Allied Youth, 3, 4; Band, 1, 2, 3, 4; Honor Society, 3, 4; Science Club, 2; Vice-President of Spanish Club, 2; Homecoming Sponsor, 4.

CAROLYN THORNBURG

Band, 1, 2, 3, 4; Band Officer, 3, 4; Color Guard, 1, 2, 3, 4; Corporal, 3; Sergeant, 4; Spanish Club, 1; F H A, 1; Science Club, 4; Allied Youth, 4.

MYRTLE WARD

Basketball, 1, 2, 3, 4; Monogram Club, 2, 3, 4; Captain of Basketball Team, 4.

KATHERINE WARREN

Glee Club, 2, 3; Basketball, 1, 2, 3, 4; Monogram Club, 2, 3, 4; Secretary of Monogram Club, 4; F H A, 1, 2; Marshal, 2, 4; Honor Society, 3, 4; Senior Superlative; Dramatics Club, 3; Cheerleader, 2, 3, 4.

ANN WELLBORN

Latin Club, 2.

BEVERLY WILSON

Student Council, 1, 2, 4; Latin Club, 1, 2; F H A, 1; Allied Youth, 1, 2, 3, 4; Vice-President of Allied Youth, 3; President of Allied Youth, 4; Spanish Club, 3, 4; Homecoming Sponsor, 3; Girls' State Representative, 4; Bearcat Staff, 2, 3, 4; Assistant Editor of Bearcat, 3; Editor of Bearcat, 4; Science Club, 2; Marshal, 3; S. I. P. A. Delegate, 3; National Honor Society, 4; Essay Contest Winner, 3; Senior Superlative.

MARGARET WILSON

Band, 1, 2, 3, 4; Latin Club, 2.

BETTY ANN WOODRUFF

Spanish Club, 1, 2; F H A, 1, 2; Allied Youth, 1, 2; Science Club, 2; Commercial Club, 4.





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On College Day representatives of several southern colleges came to L. H. S. to aid students in their selection of colleges. After attending two classes, students met for private consultations with the representatives.

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2. Representative from Duke University answers students' questions about college life.
3. Boys look through an annual with Catawba College representative.



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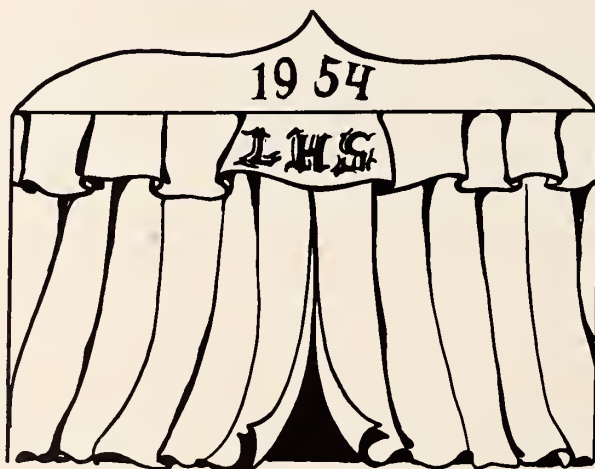
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2. The nursing profession interests many high school girls.
3. Boys planning careers in the medical field learn something from a local doctor.
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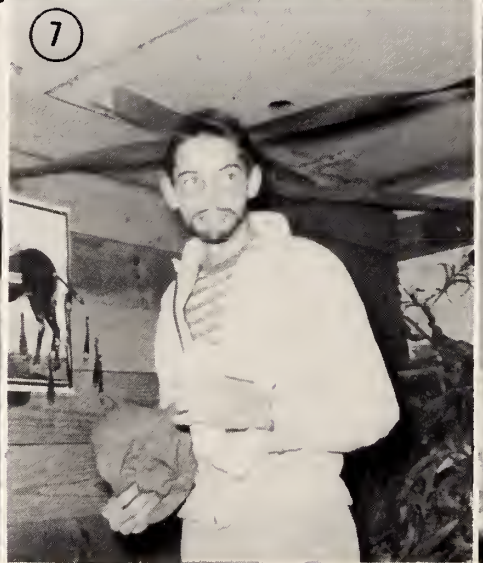
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Tracy,

I've really enjoyed going to school with you and being in your Geometry class. Don't forget the fun we had at the basketball games. Always stay as sweet and pretty as you are now and you'll go a long way in life. Lots of love and luck to the best kind of girl.

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Dear Mary,
 It's been wonderful going to school in Jr. High
 and high school. I am really glad that there will
 be someone down at St. Mary's with me next
 year. We will have loads of fun. This summer I
 hope that Dad will take Gary to more of the
 shows. If he does, maybe we can go together some
 time. You are a mighty fine girl and I want to
 wish you all the happiness and success in the
 world. See you next year!

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Love,
 Pat

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Mary J. J.

It really has ~~been~~ fun being in school
 with you this year. I'm not looking forward
 to the next school year, but I do hope to

see you there
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~~any~~ ever met.

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We sure had some pretty rough times in Journalism this year but we've almost made it now. I'll always remember the work we did on the Jr.-Sr. (puff-puff) you are a very sweet girl & I know that you will always be a big success.

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Dear Mary Jennings, although I have forgotten much of you this year I haven't forgotten you. May you have the best of luck and happiness always. Love ya! Patsy Selph

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Mary;
I have enjoyed
knowing you the past
two years. I hope you
make your ambition. The
very best of luck in everything.
Bill Miller

Mary;
I have enjoyed
having you as a schoolmate
this year. You are one of the
nicest and likable girls in our
class. With your sweet ways
and personality you are sure to have
a bright future.
"Shirley"

Mary
It has been nice knowing
you. You are a real nice girl
and please stay that way. I was
hoping you have the best of luck
always.
Love
Bill E.

Dear Mary,
Well, it looks as
if we'll make it through
this year alive (although
some teachers I know
are still trying to change
that!!)

Just think 'you'll be a
Senior next year. (That still
seems far away to me!)

I hope you won't forget
a "poor" Jr.

I sincerely wish you all
the luck in the world in
anything you attempt!

Love ya'
Dad

Mary, I certainly have been fun this year. I wish to you school next year. I know each other would be able to go to some date during the summer. Lots of luck to a real cute girl.

Love ya lots,
Frankie

Dear Mary,
It has been wonderful knowing you for so long. You are a sweet girl and also have proved yourself a person who deserves all the success and happiness in the world. May your future be a bright one. Good luck always.
Always a friend
"Mary" R.

Mary,
There's not much time so I'll just say it's been fun. She was the very best of everything to a wonderful, cute, sweet girl who certainly deserves the very best!

Mary,
I really love you from throughout your life. Will really miss you next year about will be thinking about you.
A friend always
Bill
9-11

Love ya!
I really love you from throughout your life. Will really miss you next year about will be thinking about you.
A friend always
Bill
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you are a sweet girl and also have proved yourself a person who deserves all the success and happiness in the world. May your future be a bright one. Good luck always.
Always a friend
"Mary" R.

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DEAR MARY
WELL WE FINALLY MADE IT THROUGH LAST YEAR O.K.
DIDNT WE. I MEAN YOU. REMEMBER ALL THE TALKS WE
HAD AND ALL OUR TROUBLES? EVERYTHING WORKED OUT
ALL RIGHT THOUGH DIDNT IT. REMEMBER HOW WE
WOULD COME TO THE LIBRARY EVERY DAY AND TALK
TILL I GOT SENT BACK "MY" THOSE WERE THE GOOD
OLD DAYS. IT SEEMS LIKE ONLY YESTERDAY DOES-
-ENT IT? I SURE WISH YOU WERENT GOING OFF
TO SCHOOL NEXT YEAR WE WILL SURE MISS YOU AROUND
HERE. MADELINE WILL BE GOING TO AND I WONT HAVE
ANY ONE TO TALK AND FUSS WITH BUT SERIOUSLY
I WISH YOU WERENT GOING. I SURE HOPE YOU
DONT FORGET THE GOOD TIMES WE'VE HAD TOGETHER
I THINK YOU ARE ONE OF THE "SWEETEST" "SINCEREST"
AND PRETTIEST GIRLS I HAVE EVER MET. ALTHOUGH
WE DIDNT GET TO SEE TO MUCH OF EACH OTHER
LAST YEAR I MEAN THIS YEAR. DO I MEAN THIS
SCHOOL YEAR I STILL THINK OF YOU I SURE
HOPE WE CAN SEE MORE OF EACH OTHER THIS
SUMMER. MARY I WISH YOU THE BEST OF LUCK
ALWAYS AND MUCH HAPPINESS. I HOPE YOU AND
MR. S. GET ALONG FINE TO AND I THINK YOU WILL
MAKE A "CUTE" COUPLE. ILL BE SEEING YOU
THIS SUMMER

ALWAYS,

MALE

P.S.

PLEASE DONT GO OFF TO
SCHOOL NEXT YEAR

Dear Mary.

I can't begin to tell you how much I have enjoyed knowing you for all these many years. Not only have we had fun but we've also had fusses, but these were soon forgotten, but as for the fun we've had it will never be forgotten.

Don't ever forget the G. U. S.'s boy we sure did have some wonderful times. I hope we can have a lot ^{of fun} this summer and next year.

Mary I don't want to flatter you by what I'm going to write, but here's the best of luck to a girl not only with looks, but talent, personality, and wit.

The best of luck always.

Love you,
Katie J.

Dear Mary Jennings,

I guess I can truthfully say we've really had some real good times. I think we've both probably turned out to be some drivers (hot rods that is) We've really had some times talking and sharing our troubles. How ole you having to listen to all my troubles about you know who. They're all over with now and I hope I won't too much trouble. You're a very sweet girl (and pretty too) and I hope we can always be friends. Best of luck in all that you undertake - I'm sure you will succeed.

Love,
Barbara
'54

Dear Mary,
I love really enjoyed knowing you all these years. I don't think I'll ever forget our meeting. I hope you are real cutie!
I'm sure you will succeed in all that you undertake - I'm sure you will succeed.
I hope you are real cutie!
Love,
Peggy Bradley

Mr. Stone's nose. Hope you are real cutie!
I'm sure you will succeed in all that you undertake - I'm sure you will succeed.
I hope you are real cutie!
Love,
Peggy Bradley

Mary,
I certainly have enjoyed our friendship this year. I wish we could have been together more. I am fun and I'll be thinking about you. Loads of love!
Love,
Peggy Bradley

Mary,
 I have enjoyed
 going to school
 with you all these years
 and I am looking forward
 to going ~~on~~ with you next year,
 men by my don't just mean
 my dislike for teachers.
 Best of luck
 where every year
 you do. (53)
 Love (10)
 Gary Cook

Mary,
 I certainly have
 enjoyed Spanish this
 year with you and
 I don't know how
 could have done with-
 out those rides home.
 Bob Miller

Mary,
 I wish the
 best of luck to a
 well reporter.
 Kent

Mario

I was going to
 write you in español
 but don't know how.
 But you are a very bonita
 girl. I will always remember
 you as being very sweet.
 I've certainly enjoyed having
 a friend as sweet and kind
 as you. You have a very
 pleasing personality. I am
 looking forward to next year.
 I wish you the best of everything.
 your friend always,
 Tommy Avel

Dear Mary Jennings,
 if its been real fun
 being in journalism with
 you this year. I sure hope
 you will be able to see each
 other some next year if you
 go to St. Mary's. I don't
 sure that life will give
 you all the good things
 and happiness.
 Love,
 Janice

Dear Mary,

These past few years certainly have gone by in a hurry but they contain memories that will never be forgotten. You are a very cute and sweet person, just be good and stay that way.

Forever & Always,

Jimmy Pennell

Mary,
I've certainly enjoyed being in class with you this year. We've had our arguments & there were times when I would gladly have choked you & I'm sure the vice versa was true, also; but you know we've always worked out our differences & come up friends. I'll have to admit I like you & value your friendship.
Best of everything.
Jane

Mary,
It has been fun being in your home room this year. You are a sweet girl. Just think next year we will be "Big Seniors" and just make the best of the last year. Always be good like you are now and may all your desires come true in the future,

Love to,
Eugene
Duesdale

Mary,
I have enjoyed being in your History, Geometry and English classes. It's nice to know someone with the personality of yours. I'll never forget the fun we have had in History. Best of luck to a swell girl
Carl Anderson

I wish the best of luck to the best of girls.

Love,
Jimmy Truene

Dear Mary Jennings,
It doesn't seem possible that next year we will be seniors - I will always remember all the wonderful times we had when we went to West Lenoir. I have never had a truer friend than you, Mary - you are a fine girl and I will always remember you. I sincerely wish for you much success and happiness in the future.

Always a friend,
"Pat" Britchard
Love,
Ray Bryant

Dear Mary,
It has certainly been fun knowing you this year although I don't know you as well as I would like. I think you are a very sweet and likeable girl!!!

I can truthfully say that I hate to
leave this drive - Hope you'll enjoy
your sr. year the way I have mine -
Best of luck always -

Love,

Melba
girl a sweet
a friend
Night

Mary,
Oh certainly has been fun
being in school with you
and Sunday school too.
It's always remember that day
at Concord. Continue to be
the same sweet person you
are now and you'll go a
long way in this world.
Lots of love!
Mary Mc

Maria
I have really
enjoyed kidding
you this year. Don't
has been a trip come
no - I will give you
all your love (U.A.)
I bet you didn't write
what you expected
you expected

Roddy
Hallard

Well, I'll be leaving
and you'll be staying
and I'll probably miss
this old place, but
I hope you last one
is as happy as mine.
I haven't known you
very well but what
I have seen of you I like
You seem of you I like
girl a sweet and pretty
Best of Luck
Dick *

Mary Jen,

at the moment
I can't think of a
thing to write except
that I have thoroughly
enjoyed being in school
with such an outstanding
girl. Loads of luck.

Love
Maggie

Mary Jennings,
It's been wonderful
working with you
on the Mountain.
You are one of
the sweetest &
girls I know.
May you have
the best of
everything for
you. Truly love
it.

Best of luck,
Yail Sperry

Mary,
You, we have had a time
this yr. I guess it really
been fun though. I'll be
glad when the decoration
is over. I'm looking forward
to next yr. with you.
Best wishes to a cute muchacho.
Charlie Hanko

Mary Jen. Jen. Jen.
It has been so
fun working with you
and looking forward
to next yr. with
you.

Mary, I've been
so sure
I will know you
through the last few
years. Well, I'm going to
say that way forever.
Best of luck to a new
year. *Bobby Zimmerman*

Mary, I know you for
a pretty long while now, so I
suppose we are pretty good
friends by now. I did had
some pretty memorable times
at S. H. S. let's never forget
trip "I remember the best
time" - we really had an
best of everything. I hope you always
have the
"Love ya"
"Barlowe"

Mary
I have enjoyed being in
Spanish class with you
this year. I hope we
will be together more
next year. Best of luck
and may you be a success
in everything you undertake.
Best luck to a very
nice and sweet girl.
"Andy"

Mary, I wish to
Best of luck to
a wonderful girl
George
Self

Dear Doll Mary,
I have enjoyed every moment
of knowing you these past years
at S. H. S. and I hope to know
you much better next last year. ("You know what I mean, ha!")
I have enjoyed being in history with you and I hope
we have all our classes together next year.
I think you are a "muy bonita muchacha." (I can't spell Spanish)
Good Luck "sweet" / Robert Barlowe

Dear Mary Jennings,

It has been a real pleasure to teach such a splendid student as you are. It is a joy to know and work with one who is thoughtful of others, dignified, and unselfish. You have the qualities that will bring real success in life. After the noise and pomp is over and the time of real work has come your dependability can be counted upon to carry through. Best of wishes to you.

Sincerely,
Mrs. A. C. Trivette

Dear Mary,

I really hate to see you leave us next year. I'm going to miss you awfully. I do hope you will enjoy St. Mary's. I wish you all the luck in the world. You deserve the very best. I hope you succeed in everything you endeavor.

Love always
B. Mayfield

Mary,

I'm sure I can't write anything you haven't heard already. If I wrote a long list of compliments they would all be true. You're a nice girl. You remember it and we will too.

Good Luck,
Flayel Boston

