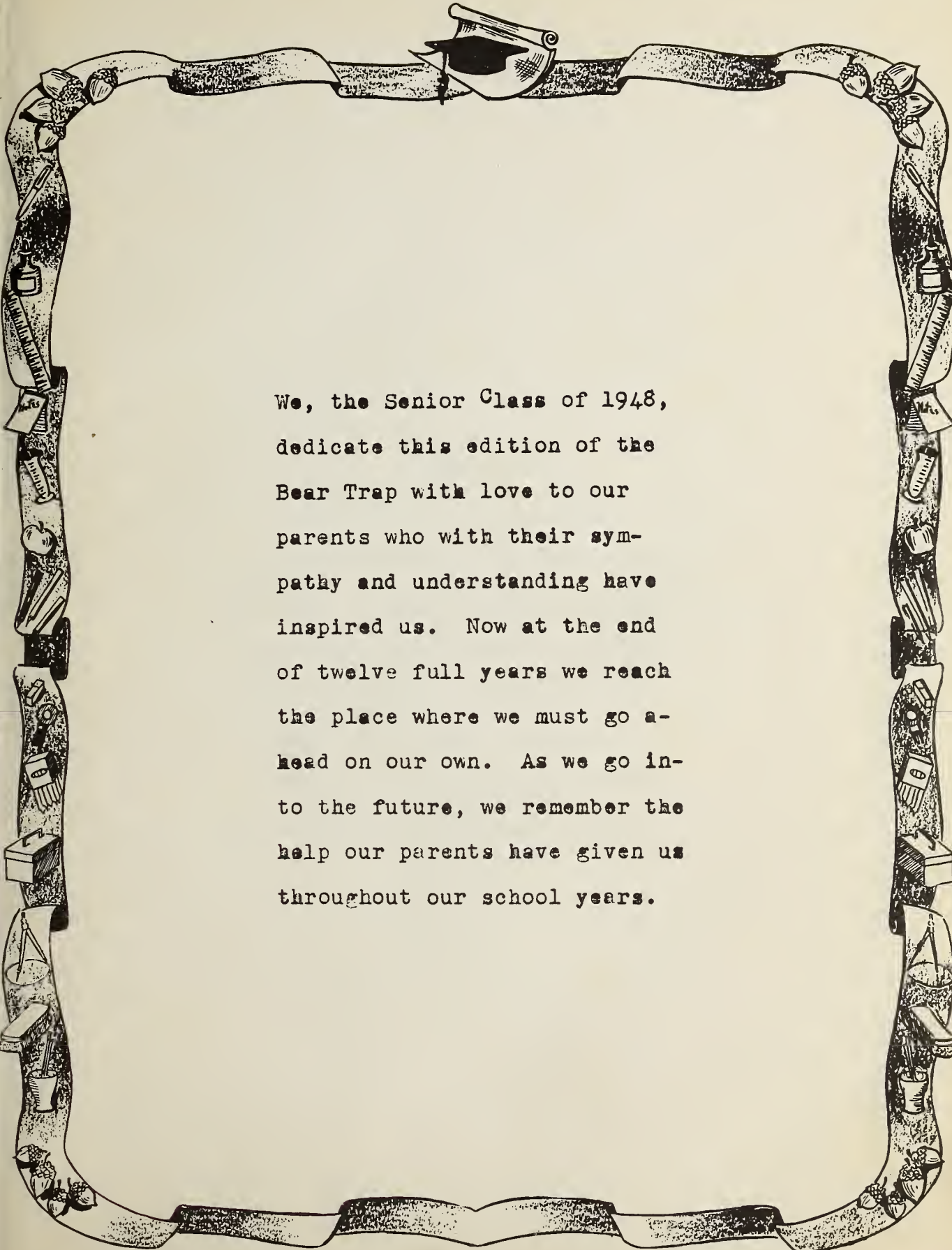




BEAR TRAP







We, the Senior Class of 1948,
dedicate this edition of the
Bear Trap with love to our
parents who with their sym-
pathy and understanding have
inspired us. Now at the end
of twelve full years we reach
the place where we must go a-
head on our own. As we go in-
to the future, we remember the
help our parents have given us
throughout our school years.



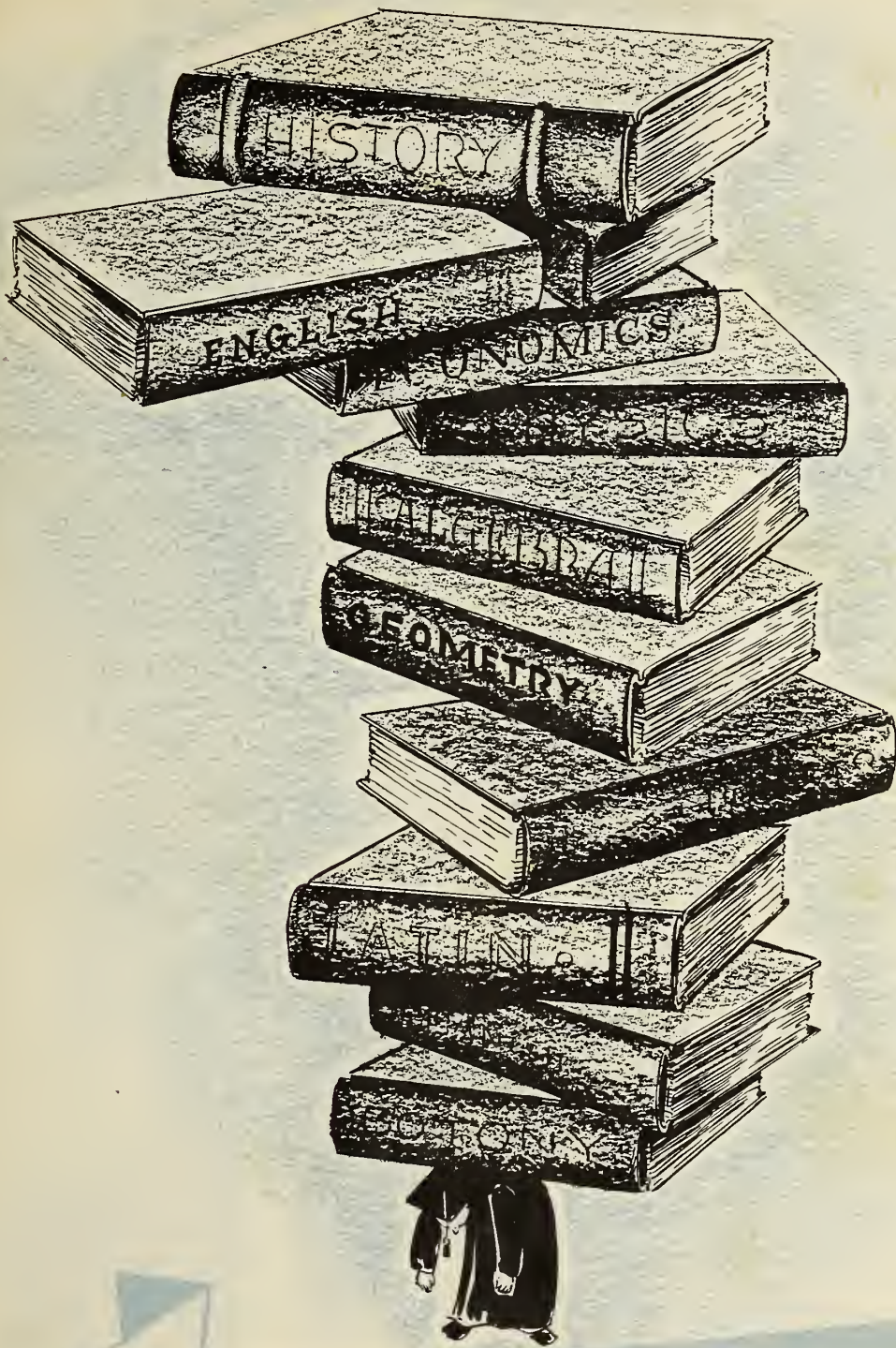
IN MEMORIAM

We dedicate this page to the memory of Mrs. P. T. Fugate whom we shall always remember for her kindness, gentleness, patience, and sincerity. Her sense of humor helped many others over trying times. She was outstanding as a teacher, wife, and mother.

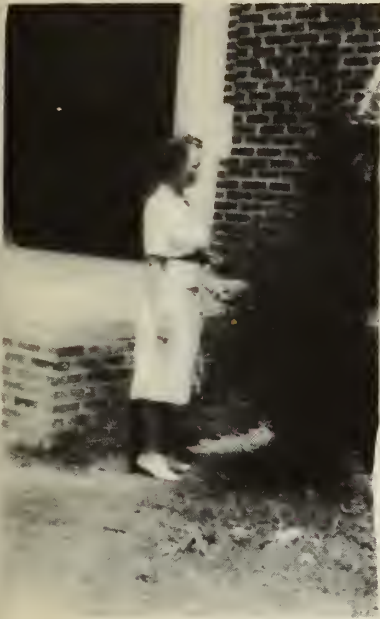


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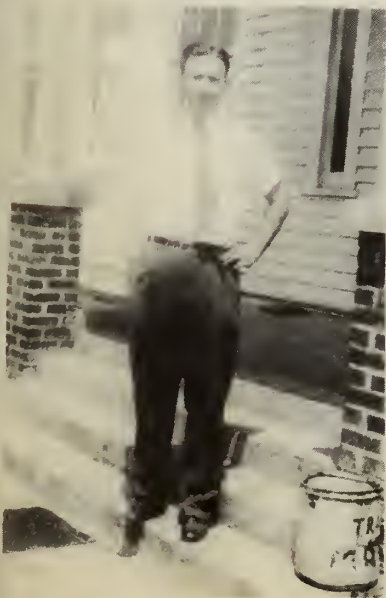
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Business Education



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Superintendent



Miss Linda Byrum
English



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Agriculture



Miss Mary V. Bitt
Home Economics



Mr. Louis Husted
Public School Music



Mrs. Lillian Skinner
Librarian



Mr. Aaron Fussell
Social Science



Miss Clara Bass
Social Science



Mrs. Jeannette Farmer
Eighth Grade
Senior Sponsor



Miss Margaret Nunn
Science



Mrs. Sadie Braswell
Mathematics



Mrs. Ione Pridgen
English



Seniors

CLASS OFFICERS

FLOYD BROWN
Pres.

"One for all, or all for
ne we gage."

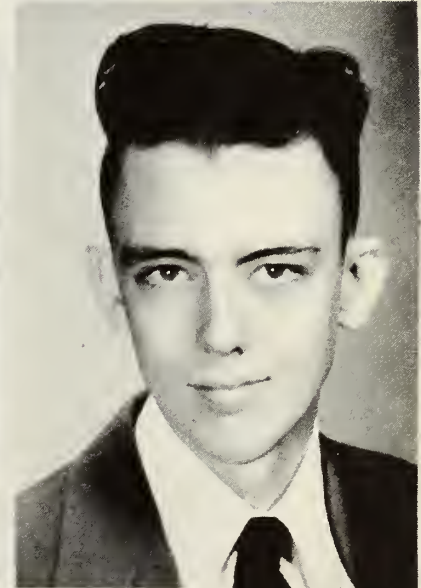
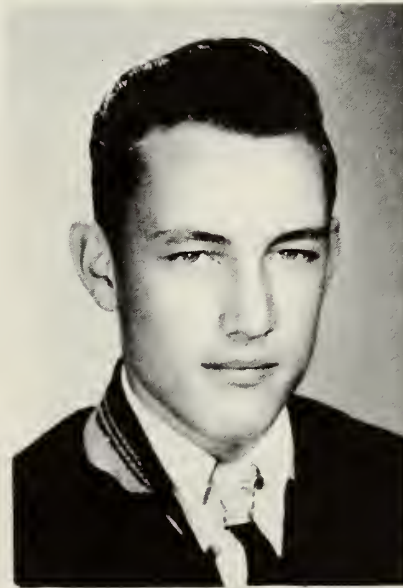
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,4, Class Officer 3,4,
High School Chorus 2,3,4.



MATTIE RUTH PRIDDEN
Vice Pres.

"The grass stoops not, she
reads on it so light."

Annual Staff 4, Bear Hi
Staff 3,4, Beta Club 3,4,
Class Officer 4, Officer
, Safety Patrol 3,4,
Student Council 3.



J.D. Batts
Sec.

EARL HOWELL
Treas.

"He hath a daily beauty in
his life."

Annual Staff 4, Bear Hi
Staff 3,4, Baseball 3,4,
Basketball 3,4, Beta Club
3,4, F.F.A. 2, High School
Chorus 3, Student Council
2.

"To strive to seek, to find,
and not to yield."

Basketball 3, Beta Club 3,4,
Officer 4, Class Officer 2,
4, High School Chorus 1,2,3,
Marshall 3.

CATHERINE ADAMS

"Wedding is destiny, and hanging likewise.

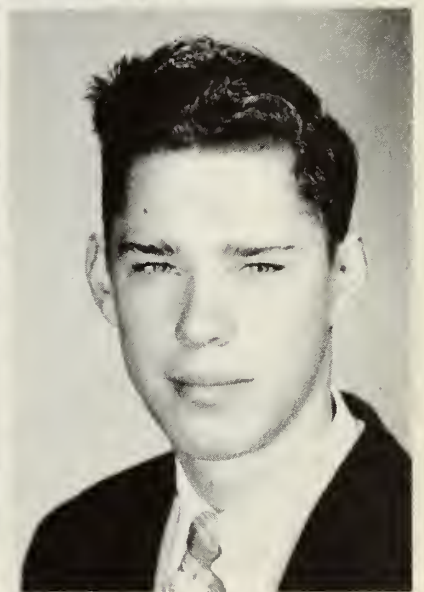
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DONNIE LEE BAILEY

"There's the humour of it."

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



DORIS BARFIELD

"Her voice was ever soft, gentle and low, an excellent thing in woman."

Annual Staff 4, Bear Hi Staff 3,4, Beta Club 3,4, Officer 4, Class Officer 2, Marshall 3, Red Cross 1, Safety Patrol 2, Student Council 1.

WILLIAM BASS

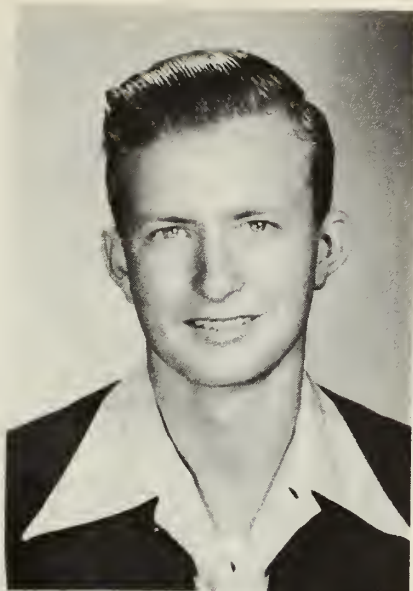
"You patch'ed up your excuses."

Basketball 3, Beta Club 3, 4, Class Officer 1, High School Chorus 3, Safety Patrol 2.

GRAHAM BRASWELL

"How sweet and sacred
idleness is."

F.F.A. 1,2,3,4, Officer
2, 4-H Club 1.



MONROE CAMPBELL

"Much may be said on both
sides."

Transferred from Charles
L. Coon.



JOHN LUTHER COBB

"Why don't you speak for
yourself, John?"

Basketball 4, Class
Officer 2, High School
Chorus 3,4, Safety Patrol
3, Student Council 3,4.

BETTIE CATHERINE CRUMPLER

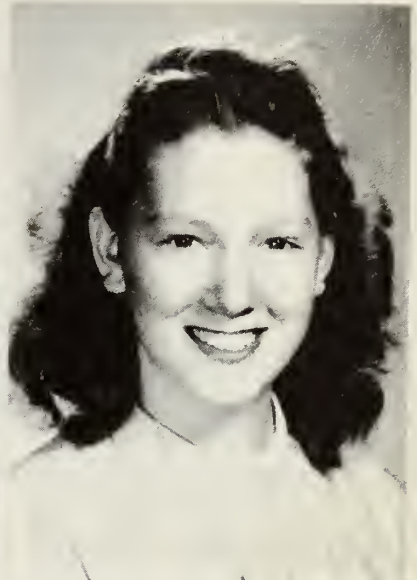
"I mind my compass and my
way."

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

RACHEL DAVIS

"We cannot all do all things."

Safety Patrol 2, Basketball 3, Soft ball 3, F. H.A. 1,2,3,4, Officer 2, 4-H Club 1,2, High School Chorus 1,2,3.



LILLIAN DAWES

"Blushing is the colour of virtue."

Bear Hi Staff 3,4, Beta Club 3,4, Class Officer 2, High School Chorus 1, 2,3,4, Marshall 3, Safety Patrol 3,4, Softball 1,2,3.



JUANITA DIXON

"Wearing all that weight of learning lightly like a flower."

Annual Staff 4, Bear Hi Staff 3,4, Class Officer 2,3, High School Chorus 2,3,4, Marshall 3, Student Council 1,3,4. Officer 3,4.

NANNIE LEWIS FARMER

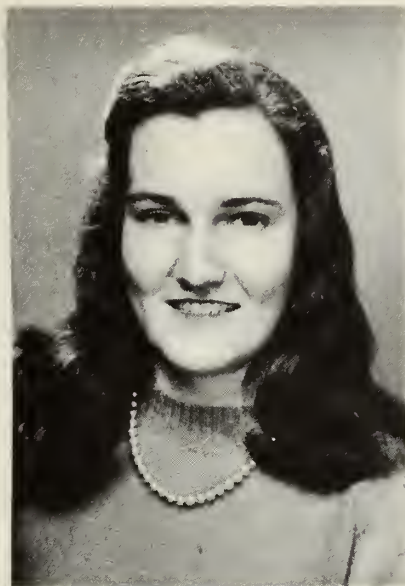
"I hate nobody, I am in charity with the world."

Bear Hi Staff 3,4, Beta Club 3,4, Class Officer 1,3, High School Chorus 1,2,3,4.

VELMA FARMER

"Sober, stedfast and demure."

F.H.A. 1,2,3,4, 4-H Club 1,2,3, High School Chorus 1,3.



SUSAN GARDNER

"So many heads so many wits."

Cheerleader 4, Class Officer 1,2, F.H.A. 2,3, 4, 4-H Club 1,2,3,4,- Officer 1,2,3,4, High School Chorus 1,2, Safety Patrol 1,2,3, Student Council 4.



RUTH HUNT

"Great wits jump."

F.H.A. 1,2, Officer 2, Safety Patrol 3, Softball 2, Student Council 2.

WILL JOHNSON

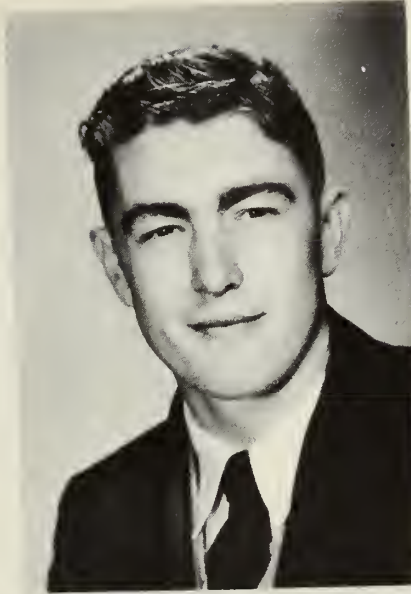
"A grain of manhood."

Class Officer 2, F.F.A. 1,2, 3,4, Officer 2,3,4, 4-H Club 1, High School Chorus 1.

ALBERT LANGLEY

"Happy man, happy dole."

Annual Staff 4, Basketball team manager 4, Bear Hi Staff 3,4, Class Officer 2, F.F.A. 1,2, Safety Patrol 3, Student Council 2,3.



RAY LEWIS

"The game is up."

Annual Staff 4, Baseball 1,2,3,4, Basketball 3,4, Bear Hi Staff 3,4, Beta Club 3,4, Class Officer 1, Safety Patrol 2, Student Council 2.



CATHERINE PRIDDEN

"I can be pushed just so far."

Basketball 3,4, 4-H Club 1,2, High School Chorus 1,2, Safety Patrol 1,2, Softball 1,2,3,4, Student Council 1.

BETTIE GRACE TANT

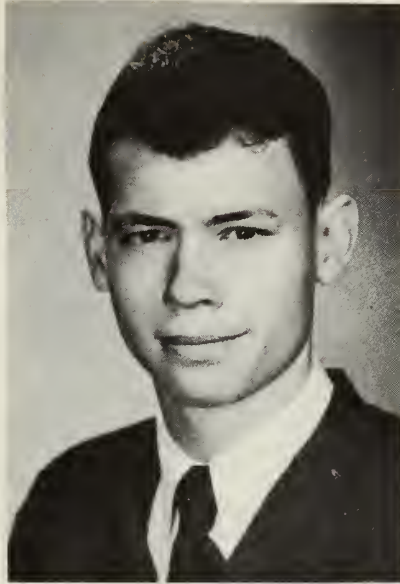
"She must be seen to be appreciated."

Class Officer 2, 4-H Club 1, 2,3, High School Chorus 1,2, 3, Safety Patrol 3, Student Council 4, Annual Staff 4.

MARVIN THORNE

"Good to be merie and wise."

Annual Staff 4, Basketball 3,4, Beta Club 3,4, F.F.A. 1,2, High School Chorus 3, 4-H Club 1,2.



LOUISE TURNER

"Music is well said to be the speech of Angles."

Annual Staff 4, Bear Hi Staff 3,4, Beta Club 3,4, Officer 3,4, High School Chorus 1,2,3,4, Officer 3, 4, Marshall 3, Student Council 4.



MARJORIE TURNER

"Still constant in a wondrous excellence."

Class Officer 3, F.H.A. 2 3.

CECIL WILLIAMS

"Ah, why should life all labour be?"

F.F.A. 1,2,3,4, High School Chorus 1,2,3,4, Safety Patrol 1,2.



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JUNE WILLIAMS

"I've taken my fun where
I've found it."

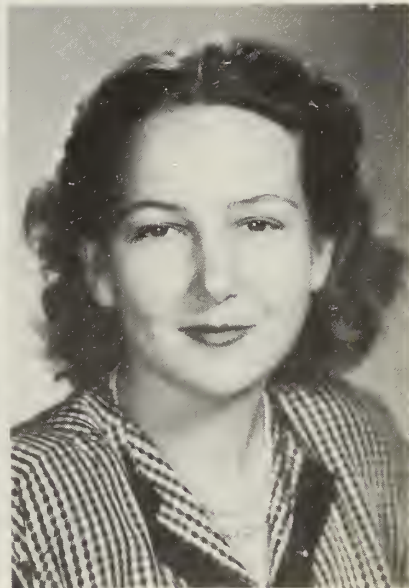
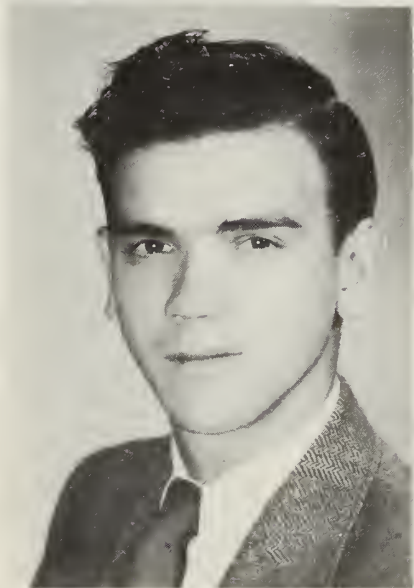
Class Officer 2, 5-H
Club 1,2,3,4, Safety
Patrol 2,3,4.



ALICE WINSTEAD

"Be useful where thou
livest."

F.H.A. 1,2,3, High School
Chorus 1,2,3,4, Safety
Patrol 1,2,4, Soft Ball
2.



FINLEY WINSTEAD

"Better late than never!"

Baseball 1,2,3,4, F.F.A.
; ,2,3,4, 4-H Club 2,
High School Chorus 1,2,
3,4, Safety Patrol 2,
Student Council 2.

MARY FRANCES WINSTEAD

"Her face is fair, her heart
is true."

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

SPECIALS

WARREN BARNES

DOUGLAS BATTIS



BILL CLARK

LESTER RAY WILLIAMS







CLASS HISTORY

Our Gypsy band has camped four years in High School. The experiences and events of these years have left definite and permanent impressions which will color and influence our lives as we journey into the adult world.

In September of 1944, our band entered the Freshman Camp under the leadership of Mrs. Jeannette Farmer. We were forty-eight green, nevertheless happy excited gypsies. The spring found us, after a successful year, ready to break camp and go into another section of our school land.

In the Sophomore Camp we were divided into two bands. Mrs. Farmer along with Mr. Gordon Boswell were our home room leaders. At the beginning of the last semester of that year, to our regret Mr. Boswell left to join a larger band in Washington, D. C. We gave him a going away party. Mr. J. J. Hicks, who took Mr. Boswell's place, proved to be a very capable leader.

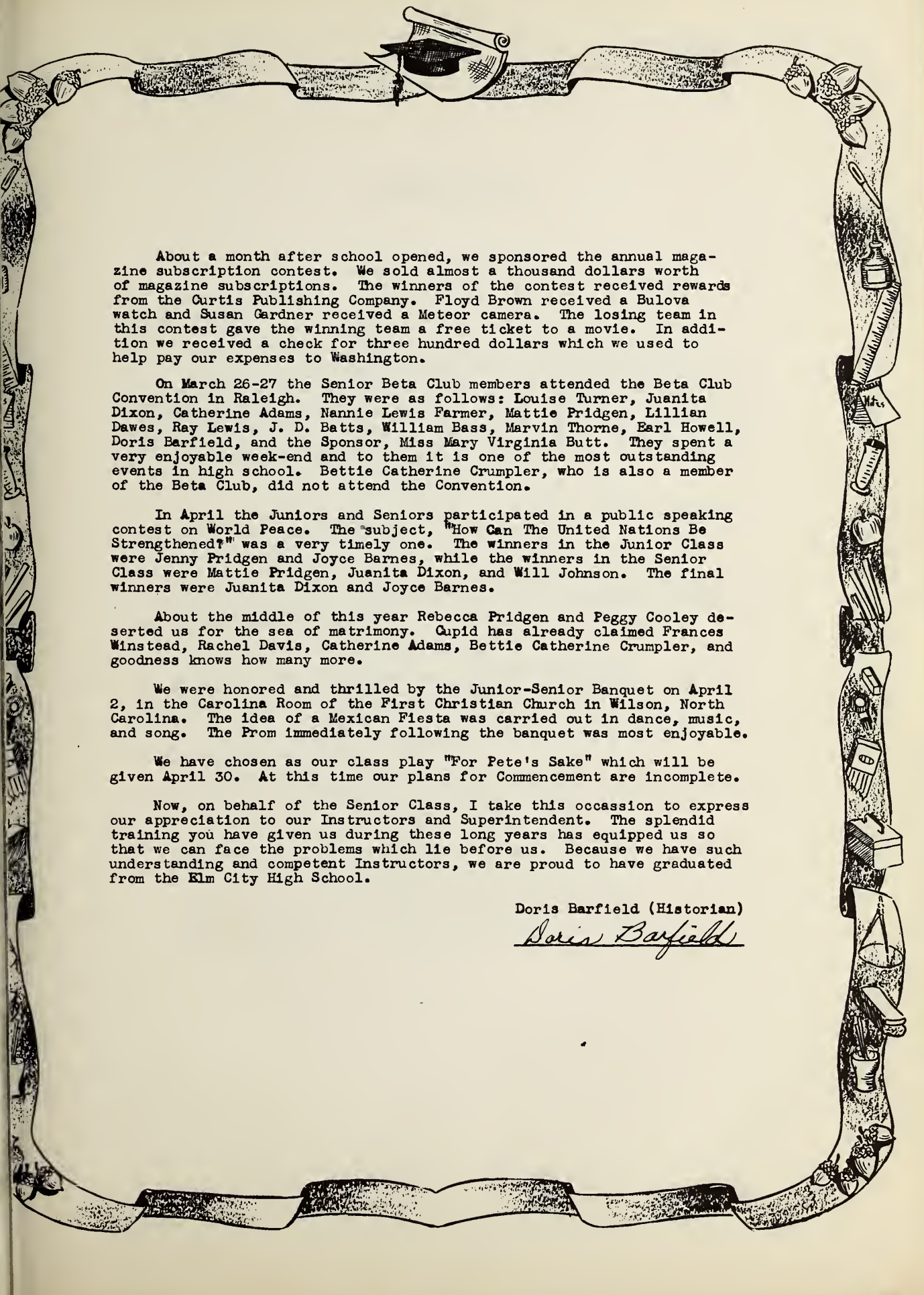
As we continued camping along the road, the number in our band declined at various intervals. Lloyd Webb, Hazel Skinner, Dorothy Adams, Lula Jane Bridges, Ray Tomlinson, Alice Rogers, and several others parted to join the outside world. We deeply regret that these former classmates will not graduate with us.

The Junior Camp will be a memorable event in our hearts for many, many years. We elected Juanita Dixon as class president and she capably led us through this year. This being our Junior year we proudly entertained the Seniors at the Junior-Senior Banquet on Friday night, April 18, 1947. Since many in our band were talented entertainers, we formed a circus and the Banquet was carried out with the circus idea. The Banquet was followed by a Prom which was new in our Junior-Senior event and apparently a very enjoyable one.

During this year Kenneth Landing left us to join Uncle Sam's Navy, while Rudolph Davis and Beverly Edwards left us due to ill health.

We organized and published the "Bear Hi-Journal" which we made a Junior project. Under the direction of Mrs. Gordon Skinner it proved to be a small success. We hope that through the work and sincere interest of the Junior Class, it will grow. We wish to thank Mrs. Tom Dixon and Mr. Fugate for their help.

Finally, we reached the last bend in the long road and a sign which read, Graduation Camp, one busy year and hard work. With encouragement from our devoted leader, Mrs. Farmer, we lifted our chins and drove on. We selected as our class officers Floyd Brown-President, Mattie Fridgen-Vice President, J. D. Batts-Secretary, and Earl Howell-Treasurer.



About a month after school opened, we sponsored the annual magazine subscription contest. We sold almost a thousand dollars worth of magazine subscriptions. The winners of the contest received rewards from the Curtis Publishing Company. Floyd Brown received a Bulova watch and Susan Gardner received a Meteor camera. The losing team in this contest gave the winning team a free ticket to a movie. In addition we received a check for three hundred dollars which we used to help pay our expenses to Washington.

On March 26-27 the Senior Beta Club members attended the Beta Club Convention in Raleigh. They were as follows: Louise Turner, Juanita Dixon, Catherine Adams, Nannie Lewis Farmer, Mattie Pridgen, Lillian Dawes, Ray Lewis, J. D. Batts, William Bass, Marvin Thorne, Earl Howell, Doris Barfield, and the Sponsor, Miss Mary Virginia Butt. They spent a very enjoyable week-end and to them it is one of the most outstanding events in high school. Bettie Catherine Crumpler, who is also a member of the Beta Club, did not attend the Convention.

In April the Juniors and Seniors participated in a public speaking contest on World Peace. The subject, "How Can The United Nations Be Strengthened?" was a very timely one. The winners in the Junior Class were Jenny Fridgen and Joyce Barnes, while the winners in the Senior Class were Mattie Pridgen, Juanita Dixon, and Will Johnson. The final winners were Juanita Dixon and Joyce Barnes.

About the middle of this year Rebecca Pridgen and Peggy Cooley deserted us for the sea of matrimony. Cupid has already claimed Frances Winstead, Rachel Davis, Catherine Adams, Bettie Catherine Crumpler, and goodness knows how many more.

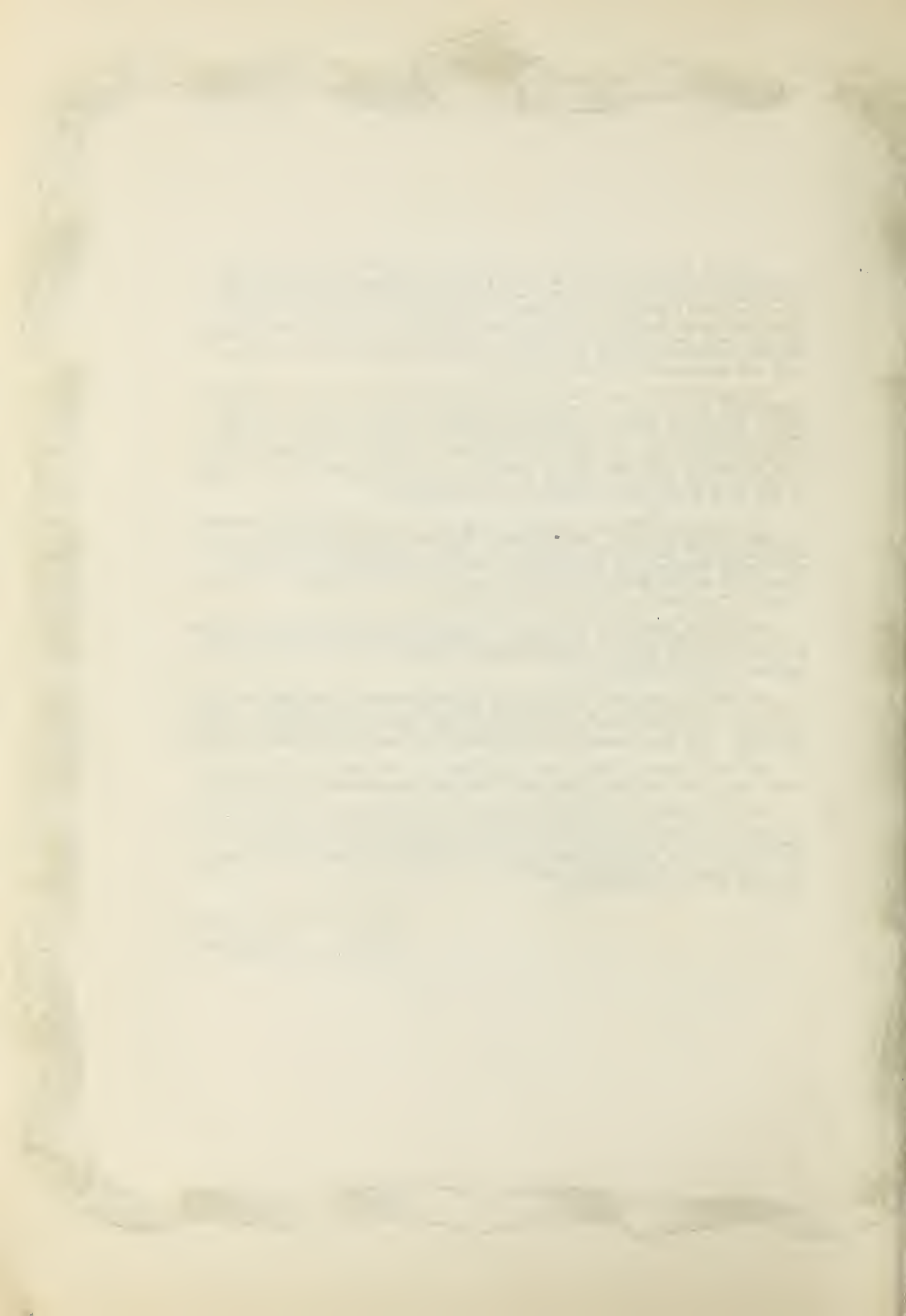
We were honored and thrilled by the Junior-Senior Banquet on April 2, in the Carolina Room of the First Christian Church in Wilson, North Carolina. The idea of a Mexican Fiesta was carried out in dance, music, and song. The Prom immediately following the banquet was most enjoyable.

We have chosen as our class play "For Pete's Sake" which will be given April 30. At this time our plans for Commencement are incomplete.

Now, on behalf of the Senior Class, I take this occasion to express our appreciation to our Instructors and Superintendent. The splendid training you have given us during these long years has equipped us so that we can face the problems which lie before us. Because we have such understanding and competent Instructors, we are proud to have graduated from the Elm City High School.

Doris Barfield (Historian)

Doris Barfield





CLASS WILL

State of North Carolina
County of Wilson
Town of Elm City

We the members of the 1948 Graduating Class of the Elm City High School recognizing fully the infirmity of old age and being entirely conscious of the fact that we have lived our destined years and that our earthly existence as an active class is limited to only a few hours, but being now of sound mind and desiring to take full advantage of this lucid moment to dispose of our earthly goods in accordance with our plans and wishes, to which we have given due thought and effort, do make, publish, and declare this our last will and testament in manner and form following:

Article I

First, to our Alma Mater, we leave our deepest devotion, sincerest loyalty, and our cherished memories of by gone days.

Article II

To the faculty we bequeath our undying admiration of the patience with which they have led those of us, who have survived the struggle, into free air and sunlight once more.

Article III

Section 1. To our brothers and sisters, the Juniors, we leave our Senior privileges. We sincerely hope they can find some and use them, as we were unable to discover any.

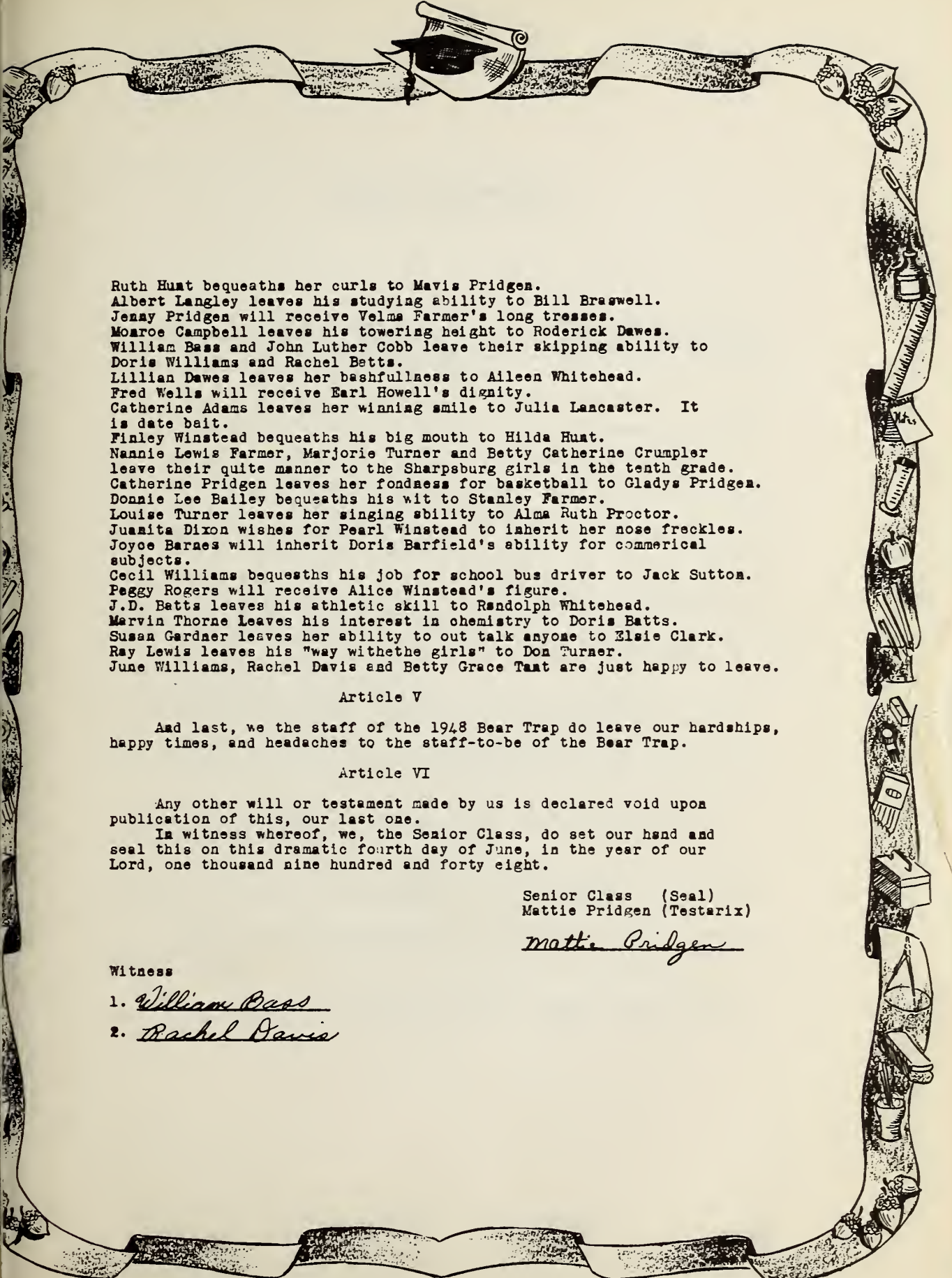
Section 2. To the wise Sophomores we bestow our uncanny ability to make up excuses and get out of work.

Section 3. We bequesth to our dear little Freshmen the art of chewing gum in class unnoticed (this doesn't apply to Miss Bass's classes).

Article IV

And now we come to the personal bestowals that have been awarded to certsin members of the student body.

Graham Braswell leaves his good locks to Billy wears.
Will Johnson bequeaths his neck ties to Bill Williams.
Floyd Brown wishes to leave his typing ability to Joyce Taylor and Juanita Robbins.



Ruth Hunt bequeaths her curls to Mavis Pridgen.
Albert Langley leaves his studying ability to Bill Braswell.
Jenay Pridgen will receive Velma Farmer's long tresses.
Moarce Campbell leaves his towering height to Roderick Dawes.
William Bass and John Luther Cobb leave their skipping ability to Doris Williams and Rachel Betts.
Lillian Dawes leaves her bashfullness to Aileen Whitehead.
Fred Wells will receive Earl Howell's dignity.
Catherine Adams leaves her winning smile to Julia Lancaster. It is date bait.
Finley Winstead bequeaths his big mouth to Hilda Hunt.
Nannie Lewis Farmer, Marjorie Turner and Betty Catherine Crumpler leave their quite manner to the Sharpsburg girls in the tenth grade.
Catherine Pridgen leaves her fondness for basketball to Gladys Pridgen.
Donnie Lee Bailey bequeaths his wit to Stanley Farmer.
Louise Turner leaves her singing ability to Alma Ruth Proctor.
Juanita Dixon wishes for Pearl Winstead to inherit her nose freckles.
Joyce Barnes will inherit Doris Barfield's ability for commerial subjects.
Cecil Williams bequeaths his job for school bus driver to Jack Sutton.
Peggy Rogers will receive Alice Winstead's figure.
J.D. Batts leaves his athletic skill to Randolph Whitehead.
Marvin Thorne Leaves his interest in chemistry to Doris Batts.
Susan Gardner leaves her ability to out talk anyone to Elsie Clark.
Ray Lewis leaves his "way withethe girls" to Don Turner.
June Williams, Rachel Davis and Betty Grace Tant are just happy to leave.

Article V

And last, we the staff of the 1948 Bear Trap do leave our hardships, happy times, and headaches to the staff-to-be of the Bear Trap.

Article VI

Any other will or testament made by us is declared void upon publication of this, our last one.

In witness whereof, we, the Senior Class, do set our hand and seal this on this dramatic fourth day of June, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and forty eight.

Senior Class (Seal)
Mattie Pridgen (Testatrix)

Mattie Pridgen

Witness

1. William Bass
2. Rachel Davis



CLASS PROPHECY

While visiting a typical gypsy camp on a moonlit night, I came into contact with the Queen of the Romany Tribe. I had known that the queen was considered the best fortune teller in all the country. I had looked forward to meeting her for a long time.

"There is one request I would like to ask of Her Majesty, the Queen."

"If possible, that request shall be granted," the Queen replied.

"Would you forecast the future of the Senior Class to me?"

"I shall be so glad to do that for you. Bring a table and place it in front of me," the Queen said solicitously.

Taking a crystal ball and placing it on the table, she began gazing into it. Soon she began to foretell the future.

"Beyond the arch I see a great celebration taking place. It is the dedication of a new state building and the speaker is U.S. Senator Floyd Brown, the president of your class.

"The scene changes and a wedding is taking place in a lovely church. The bride and groom are Juanita Dixon and John Cobb. The minister performing the ceremony is Will Johnson.

"A lecturers platform. A familiar voice is pleading for a pension for old maids after sixty. Susan Gardner is presenting the cause.

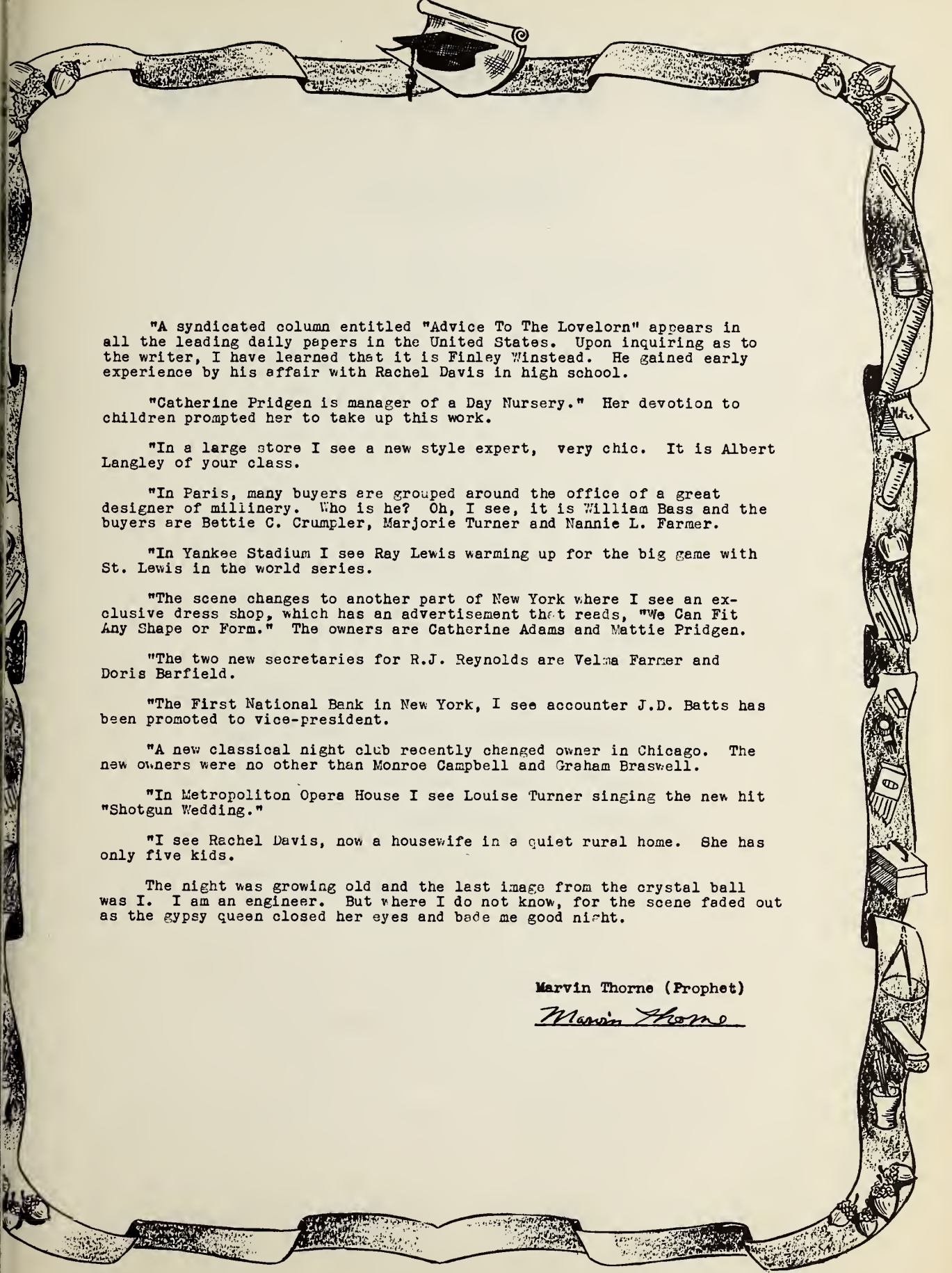
"The glaring lights of 42nd Street and Broadway make it hard for me to read the sign I see. Oh yes! Lillian Dawes is starring in "The Ziegfield Follies." Her training began right here in Elm City High School.

"What is that I hear? It is a parade led by Bettie Grace Tant and June Williams carrying placards which read, "Tax the Bachelors." A worthy cause they claim.

"In the West on a ranch I see Donnie Lee Bailey and Cecil Williams living happily, filling their pockets with gold and their bodies with health to be gained from the great outdoors of the West.

"A Beauty Parlor with the sign "Nothing is Impossible." I see Ruth Hunt as manager and seated under the hair dryer and permanent waving machine are Alice Winstead and Frances Winstead, challenging Ruth to make good her slogan.

In an exclusive girl's school I see Earl Howell as Dean of Women. Earl was the most timid boy in your class. A change has certainly come over him.



"A syndicated column entitled "Advice To The Lovelorn" appears in all the leading daily papers in the United States. Upon inquiring as to the writer, I have learned that it is Finley Winstead. He gained early experience by his affair with Rachel Davis in high school.

"Catherine Pridgen is manager of a Day Nursery." Her devotion to children prompted her to take up this work.

"In a large store I see a new style expert, very chic. It is Albert Langley of your class.

"In Paris, many buyers are grouped around the office of a great designer of millinery. Who is he? Oh, I see, it is William Bass and the buyers are Bettie C. Crumpler, Marjorie Turner and Nannie L. Farmer.

"In Yankee Stadium I see Ray Lewis warming up for the big game with St. Lewis in the world series.

"The scene changes to another part of New York where I see an exclusive dress shop, which has an advertisement that reads, "We Can Fit Any Shape or Form." The owners are Catherine Adams and Mattie Pridgen.

"The two new secretaries for R.J. Reynolds are Velma Farmer and Doris Barfield.

"The First National Bank in New York, I see accountant J.D. Batts has been promoted to vice-president.

"A new classical night club recently changed owner in Chicago. The new owners were no other than Monroe Campbell and Graham Braswell.

"In Metropolitan Opera House I see Louise Turner singing the new hit "Shotgun Wedding."

"I see Rachel Davis, now a housewife in a quiet rural home. She has only five kids.

The night was growing old and the last image from the crystal ball was I. I am an engineer. But where I do not know, for the scene faded out as the gypsy queen closed her eyes and bade me good night.

Marvin Thorne (Prophet)

Marvin Thorne

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OUR CLASS

Class Motto: Work conquers everything

Class Colors: Green and White

Class Flower: White Rose

Class Song

Sunset glow fades in the west;
Night o'er the valley is creeping;
Birds cuddle down in their nest;
Soon all the world will be sleeping.
For-----

Now is the hour, when we must say good-by.
Soon we'll be leaving this dear school of ours.
When we are gone, our memories will remain;
So keep smiling, juniors, we shall meet again.

SENIOR CLASS

SUPERLATIVES



Frettiest Girl
Betty Grace

Handsome Boy
Floyd



Most Courteous
Doris and Earl



Most Conceited
Louise and Ray



Biggest Flirt
Susan and Finley



Most Popular
Juanita and Floyd



Best Dressed
Doris and Floyd



Most talkative
Susan and Finley



Wittest
Susan and Donnie Lee



Most Lovable
Catherine and Floyd



Most Athletic
Catherine and J. D.



Most likely to succeed
Juanita and Earl



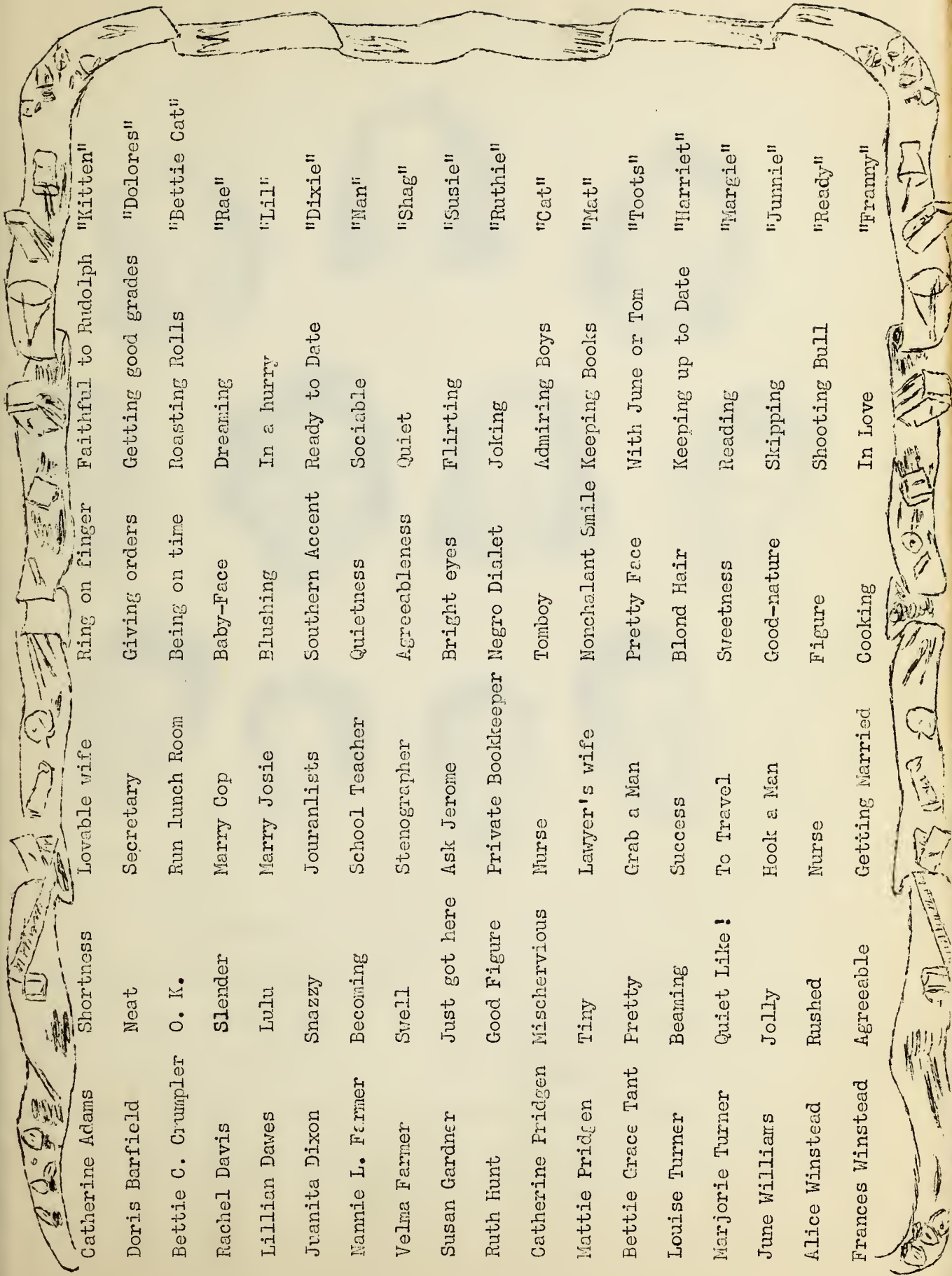
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Donnie L. Failey	Couldn't say	Worry Mrs. Farmer	Wisecracks	wasting time	"Mickey"
William Bass	Laziness	Chief soda jerk	Navy hair	Jerking sodas	"Doodle"
J. D. Batts	Down to earth	Basketball player	Big feet	Being smart-aleck	"Jeff"
Graham Braswell	Industrious	Be a success	Blond hair	Looking a date	"Jimbo"
Floyd Brown	Attractive	Business manager	Black hair	Seeking blonds	"Ernie"
John L. Colb	Just ain't	Marry to Dixons	Short hair	Going to church	"Casanova"
Earl Howell	Tall	Doctor	Large hips	Reading books	"Screwball"
Bill Johnson	All-right	Speaker	Likeness of Van	Slinging curves	"Van Johnson"
Albert Langley	Veronica	Pool-shark	Not studying	Talking	"Rufus"
Ray Lewis	Just here	Baseball player	Peroxide hair	Looking for Aileen	"Monk"
Marvin Thorne	Scared to say	Engineer	Overhanging hair	Thinking of Juanita	"Moovie"
Cecil Williams	Half and half	Patrolman	Dimples	In hot water	"Cissie"
Finley Winstead	Well now!	Fertilizer seller	Goldon voice	After girls	"Gilbert"
Monroe Campbell	Undiscovered	Run Wimpy's	Straight shape	Trying to graduate	"Moron"

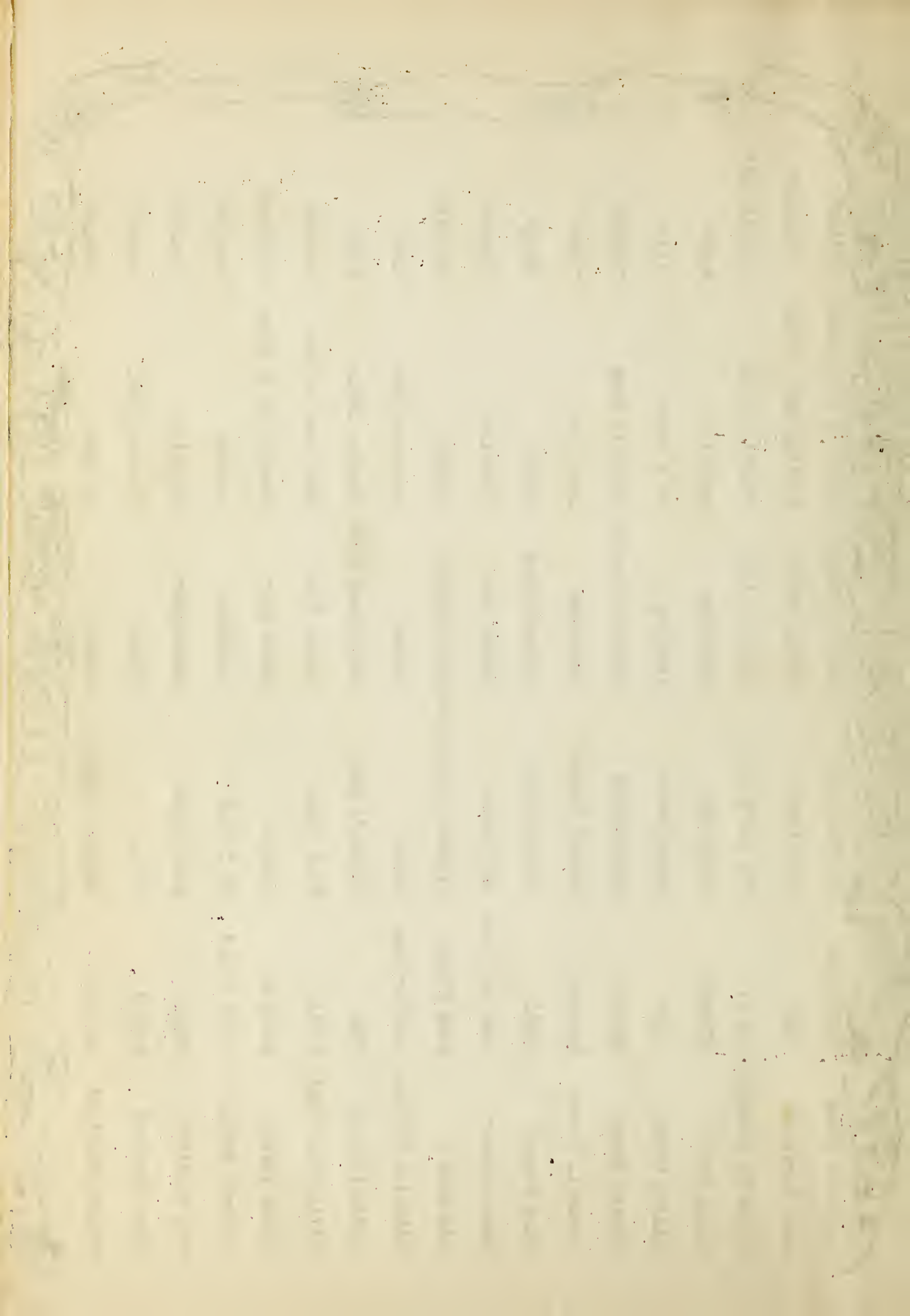
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Doris Barfield	Neat	Secretary	Giving orders	Getting good grades	"Dolores"
Bettie C. Crumpler	O. K.	Run lunch Room	Being on time	Roasting Rolls	"Bettie Cat"
Rachel Davis	Slender	Marry Cop	Baby-Face	Dreaming	"Rae"
Lillian Dawes	Lulu	Marry Josie	Blushing	In a hurry	"Lil"
Juanita Dixon	Snazzy	Jouranalists	Southern Accent	Ready to Date	"Dixie"
Nannie L. Farmer	Becoming	School Teacher	Quietness	Sociable	"Nan"
Velma Farmer	Swell	Stenographer	Agreeableness	Quiet	"Shag"
Susan Gardner	Just got here	Ask Jerome	Bright eyes	Flirting	"Susie"
Ruth Hunt	Good Figure	Private Bookkeeper	Negro Dialect	Joking	"Ruthie"
Catherine Pridgen	Mischervious	Nurse	Tomboy	Admiring Boys	"Cat"
Mattie Pridgen	Tiny	Lawyer's wife	Nonchalant Smile	Keeping Books	"Mat"
Bettie Grace Tant	Pretty	Grab a Man	Pretty Face	With June or Tom	"Toots"
Louise Turner	Beaming	Success	Blond Hair	Keeping up to Date	"Harriet"
Marjorie Turner	Quiet Like!	To Travel	Sweetness	Reading	"Margie"
June Williams	Jolly	Hook a Man	Good-nature	Skipping	"Junnie"
Alice Winstead	Rushed	Nurse	Figure	Shooting Bull	"Ready"
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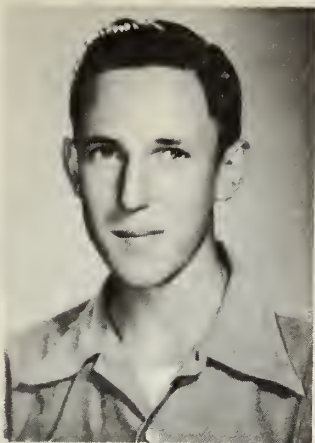
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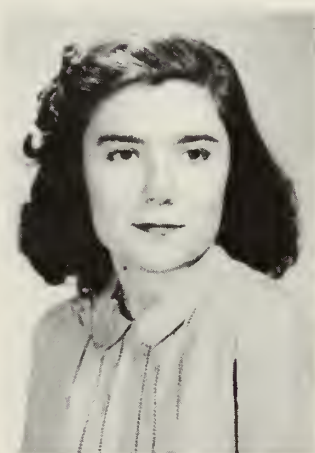
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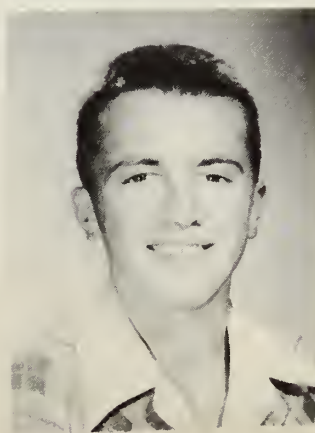
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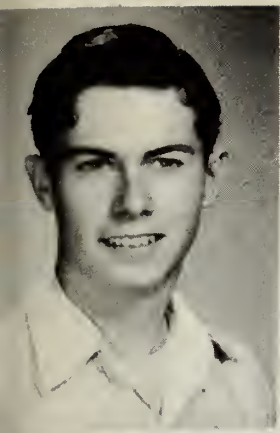
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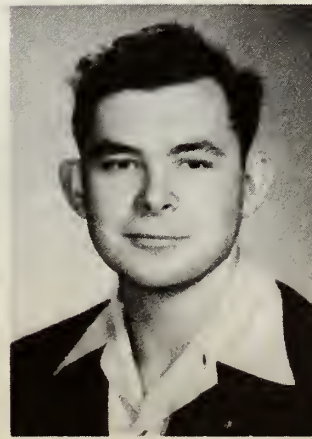
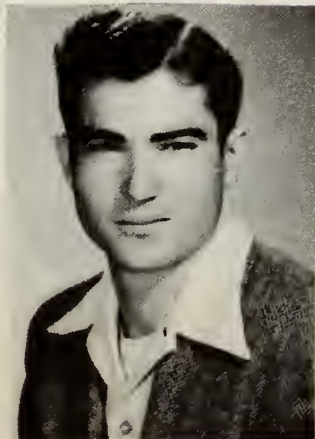
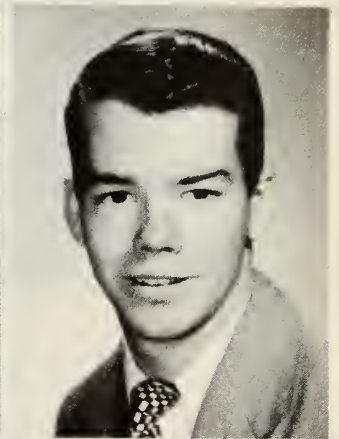
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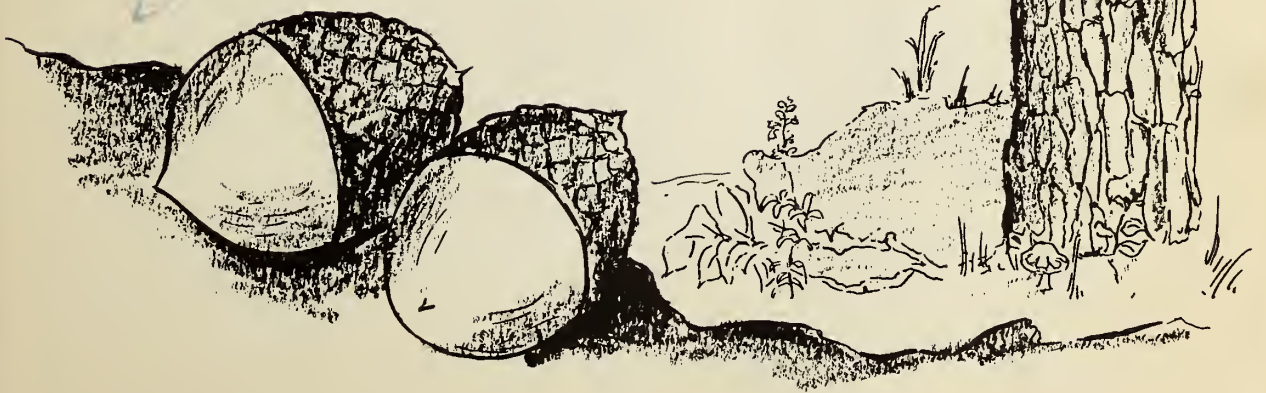
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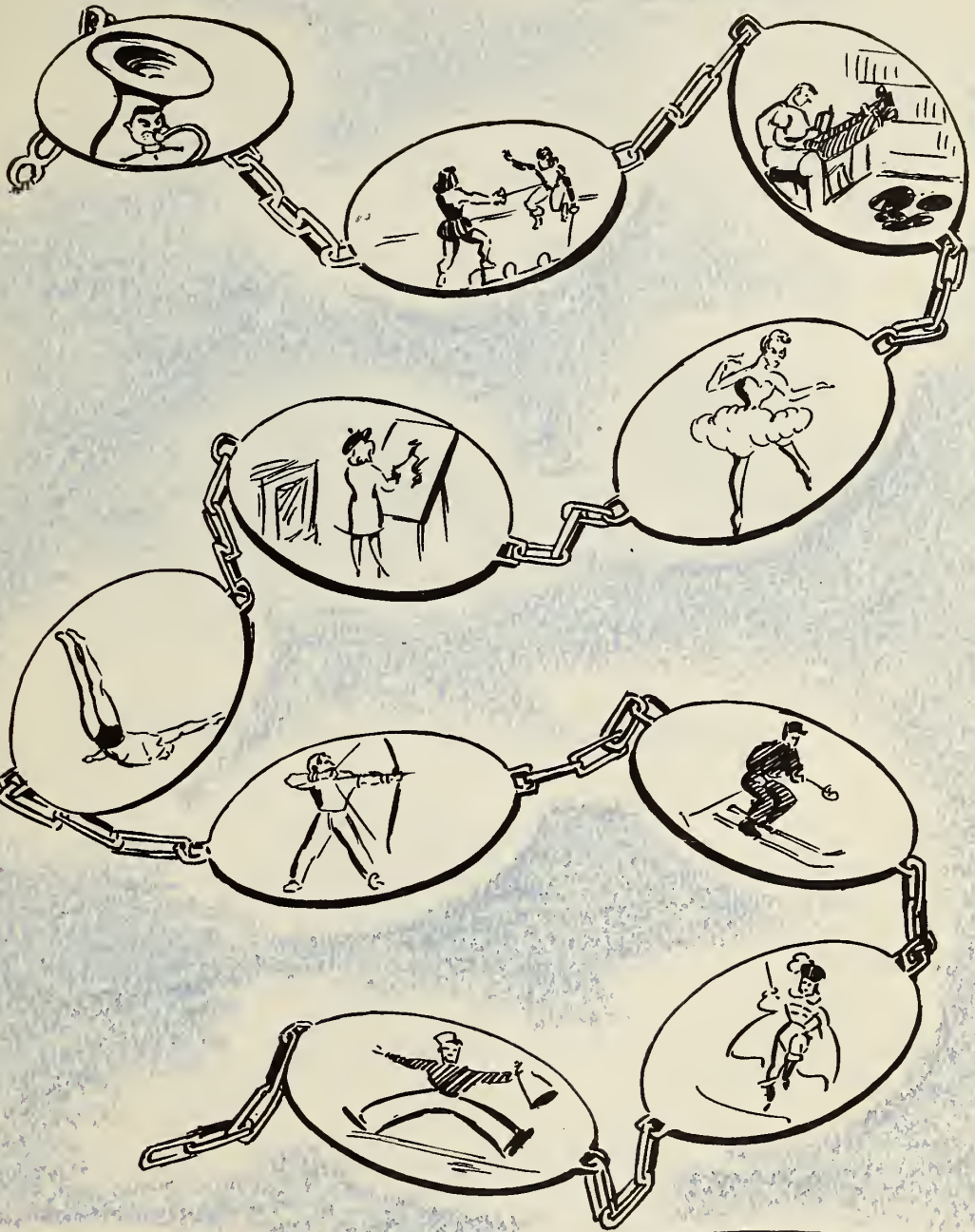
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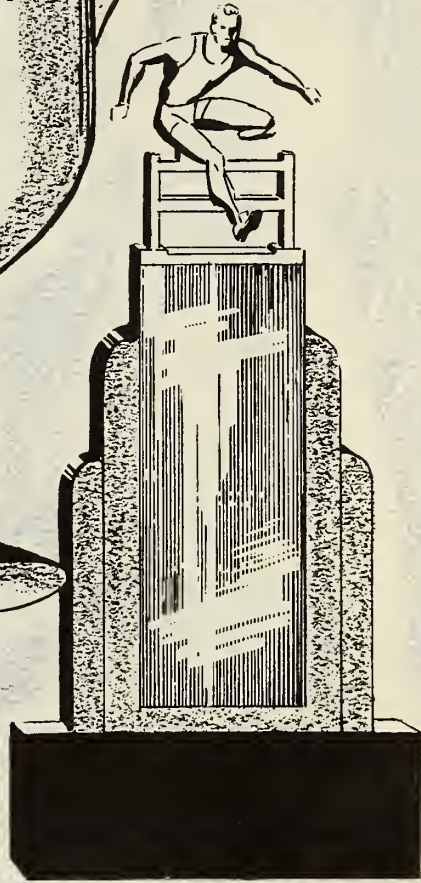
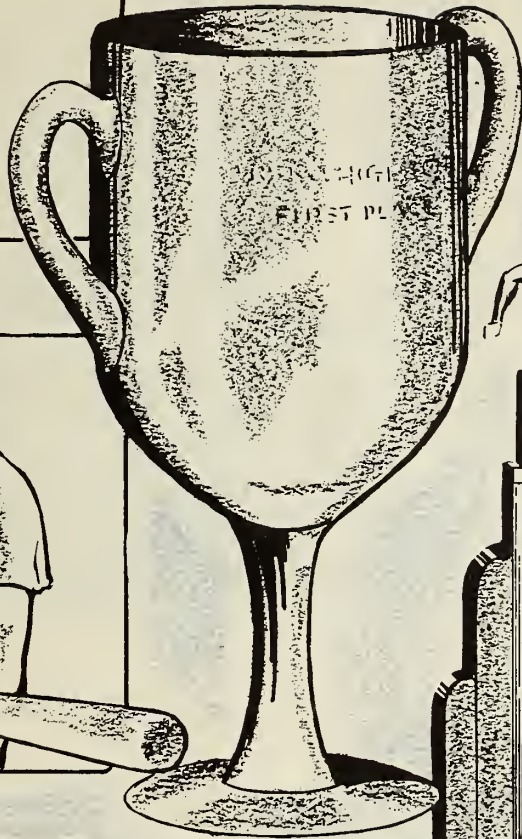
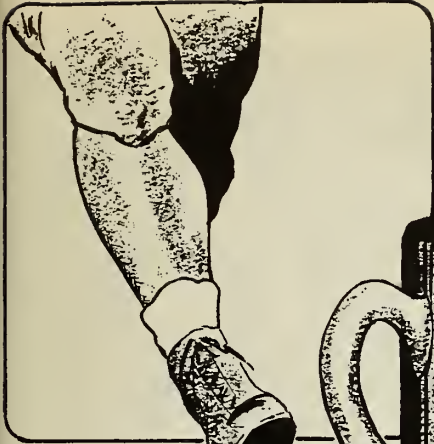
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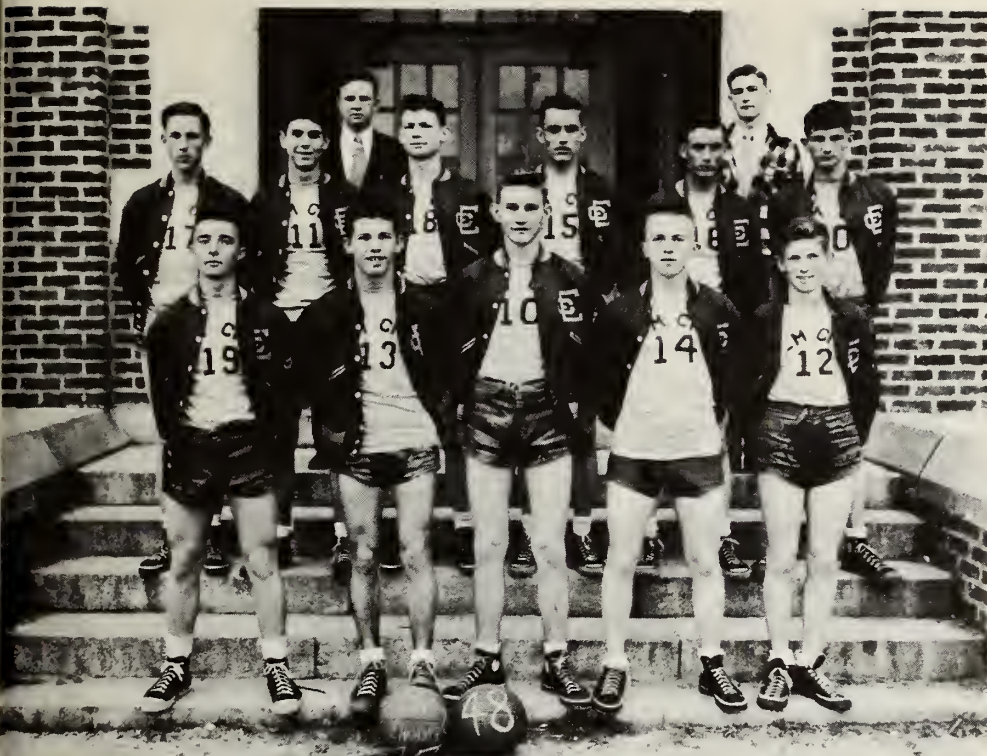
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Joyce Taylor

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Jean Betts
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One! Two!! Three!!!

Come on Bears
Let's start to roll
Get a little closer
And ring that goal!
!! Yee team !!!!!

We gotta team
We gotta yell
We gotta team
That fights like
Hail! Hail!
The gang's all here...



GIRLS' BASKETBALL TEAM

Elm City, County Champions

Joyce

J. D. Batts Is Scoring Leader With 30 Points

Catherine

The Elm City boys and the Lucama girls became the 1948 champs of the Wilson county schools league last night as the two teams turned back their opponents to take the finals of the county tournament in the ACC gym.

The Elm City team soundly trounced the Stantonsburg team in the final game 57-25. The Elm City quint playing its best game of the tournament was far ahead of the spirited Stantonsburg

Douglas Batts

Bill Russell

Elm City Beats Black Creek In Second Cage Series

Daisy

Elm City Wins In the Elm City-Lee Woodard fracas, the Elm City boys bested the Black Creek boys 46-20 to stay high in the standings in the league. J. D. Batts continued his high scoring mark by getting 26 markers in the tilt.

Frankie

Miss Sharpe Scores In the girls' fracas Frankie Sharpe was the high point girl for the winners getting 12 points but

Elm City High Team Whips Lucama High

The Elm City high school cagers continued to show their ability in the county basketball league last night as they registered a victory over the Lucama high team 38-23. Joyce Barnes of Elm City broke the scoring record of the girls' division last night as she led the Elm City girl's team with 20 points, but the Lucama girls with

John Cobb

Albert Longley

ELM CITY BEATS STANTONSBURG

The Elm City high school cagers, making their first appearance in the county school basketball league, racked up a 34-21 win over the Stantonsburg High School quint last night in the Centre Brick Warehouse here on Highway 301-A.

In the first game of the mixed-bargain bill the Stantonsburg girls, showing fine form, outsmarted the Elm City girls and got off to a flying start in the league with a 20-16 victory.

Aileen Whitehead of Elm City displayed a keen eye and kept all eyes upon her last night as she tallied eight points to lead her team.

Batts

Ray Lewis

Leaders Score Over Rock Ridge To Stay Undefeated Team

Elm City continued its dominance of the county basketball league last night as the league-leading cagers whipped the Rock Ridge team 42-16. The mixed bargain bill in which the girls of Elm City also became victorious over Rock Ridge 32-31 was played in the Charles L. Coon high school

Martin Thorne

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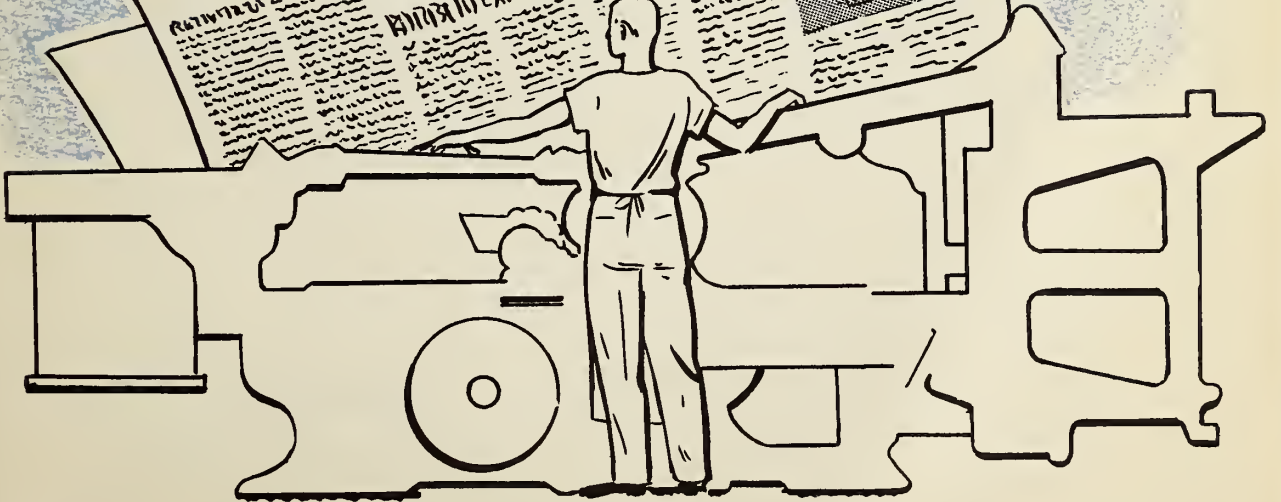
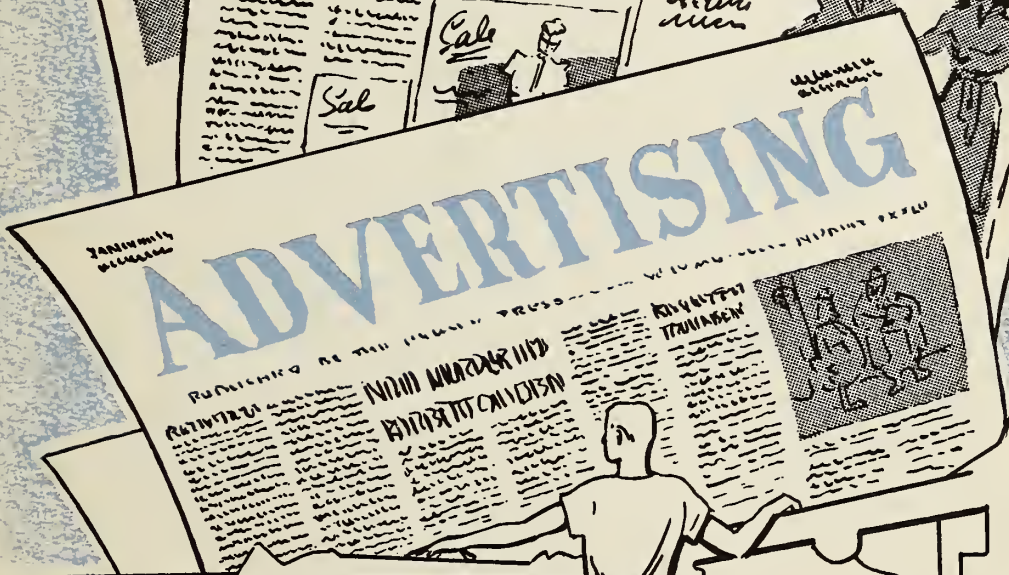
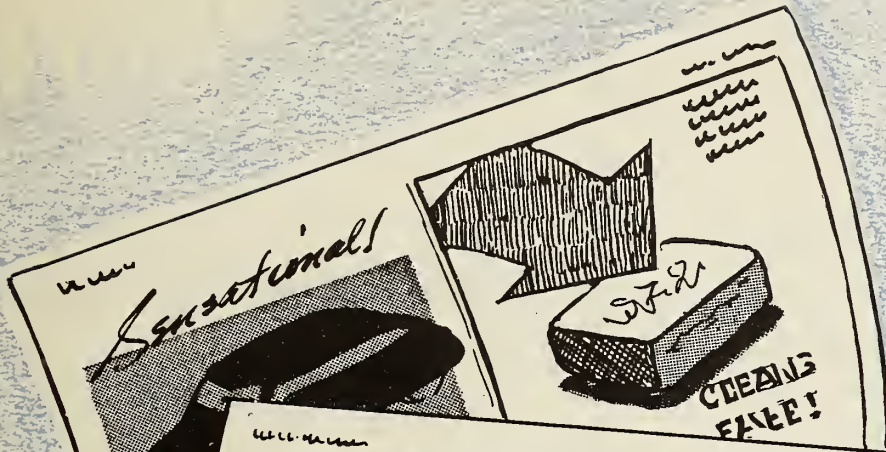
Our lunchroom supervisor feeds us.



Our marshalls lead us.



Our bus drivers bring us to school.



"See here, what do you mean, going around telling people I'm a first-class idiot."

"I didn't say first-class."

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R.B.: "Why, Mickey, I'm glad to see you. Have a soda? Waiter! Two large sodas, please."

Mickey: "I'll have the same."



Mother: "Who taught you that wicked word?"

Small Son: "Santa Claus."

Mother: "Santa Claus?"

Scn: "Yes, when he stumbled over my bed Christmas morning."

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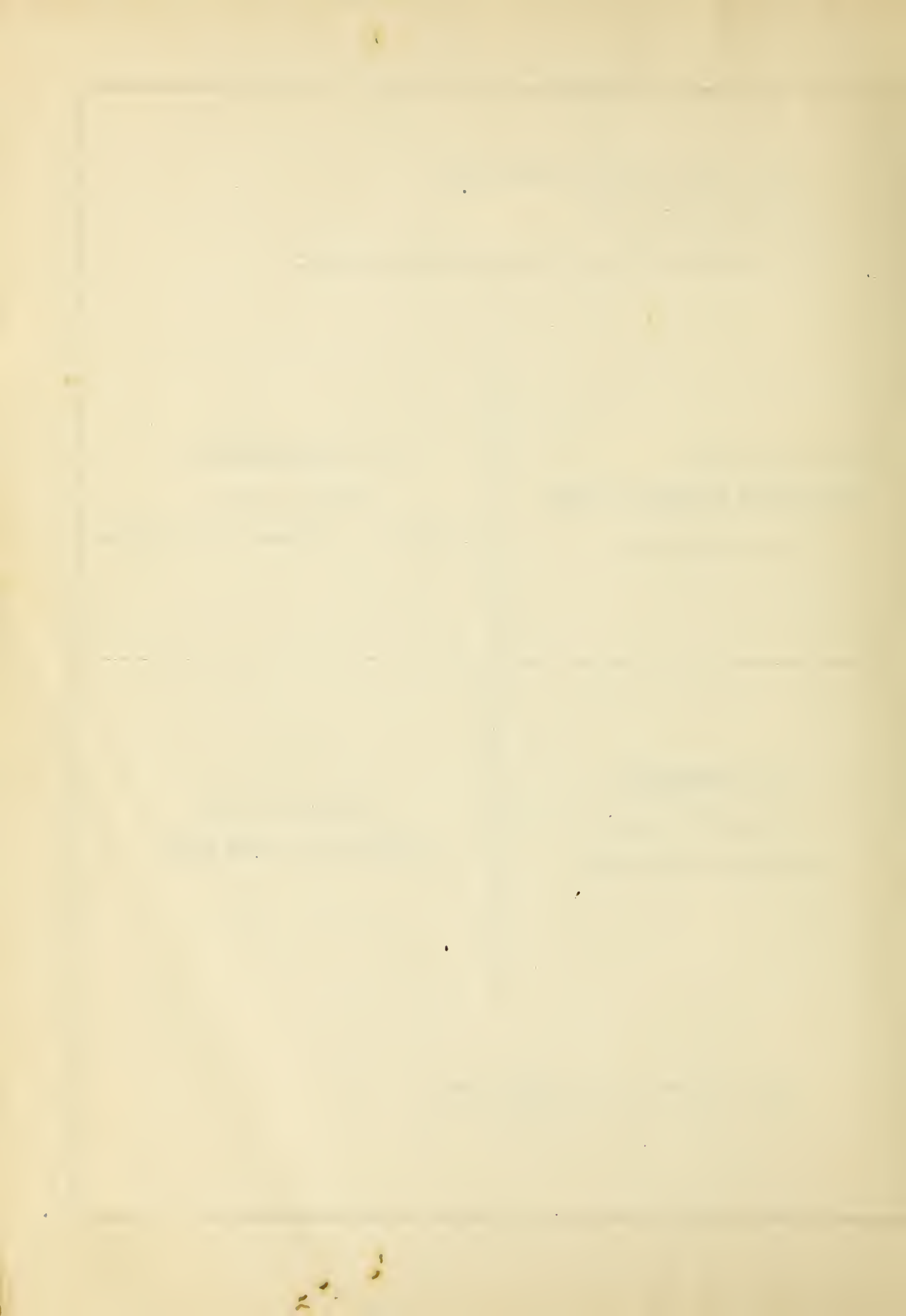
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Hugh: I should, I've been practicing all night.



"When do leaves begin to turn?"

"The night before exams."

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Examiner: "Wouldn't you call that an accident?"

Applicant: "No, he done it on purpose."

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Harry C.: Most of our Blondes.

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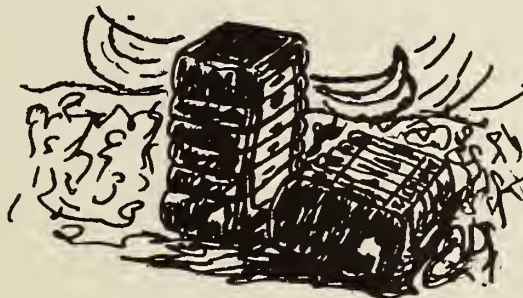
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Mrs. Murphy to Butcher: "Will you please weigh this package?"

Butcher (after weighing): "It's exactly three and a half pounds, Mrs. Murphy."

Mrs. Murphy: "Thank you, those are the bones out of the four pound roast you sent me yesterday."



*She, with a sigh: Jack was the goal of my ambition.
Friend: What happened, dear?
She: Father kicked the goal.*

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*Tell what you know about nitrates, Hal.
I don't know much about them, but I do know that they are cheaper than day
rates.*

Pete: I can't decide whether to go to a palmist or to a mind-reader.

Marshie: Go to a palmist by all means. It's obvious that you have a palm.

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Patron: "Look here, waiter, I ordered chicken pie and there isn't a single piece of chicken in it."

Waiters "That's being consistent, sir. We also have cottage cheese, but so far as I know, there's not a cottage in it."

A father was buying a fountain pen for his son's graduation gift.

"It's to be a surprise, I suppose," said the clerk.

"I'll say it is," said the father. "He's expecting a convertible coupe."

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First Moron: "This typewriter's no good."

Second M.: "Why do you say that?"

First M.: "I want to write the word 'look' and it has only one 'o'."

A student failed in all three of the subjects he studied at college.

He telegraphed his brother: "Flunked out. Prepare Papa."

The brother telegraphed back: "Papa prepared. Prepare yourself."

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Diner: "Do you serve crabs here?"

Waiter: "We serve anyone, sit down."

Toni: "I got my whiskers on the installment plan."

Bob: "On the installment plan?"

Toni: "Yes, a little down each week."

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Jimmy M.: "It's a good idea. Somebody ought to start it."

"What is 'College bred'?"

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Diner: "What kind of chicken is this?"

Waiter: "Spring chicken, sir."

Diner: "I thought so, I've been chewing one of the springs for the last ten minutes."

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Teacher: "This makes five times I've punished you this week. Now, William, what have you to say?"

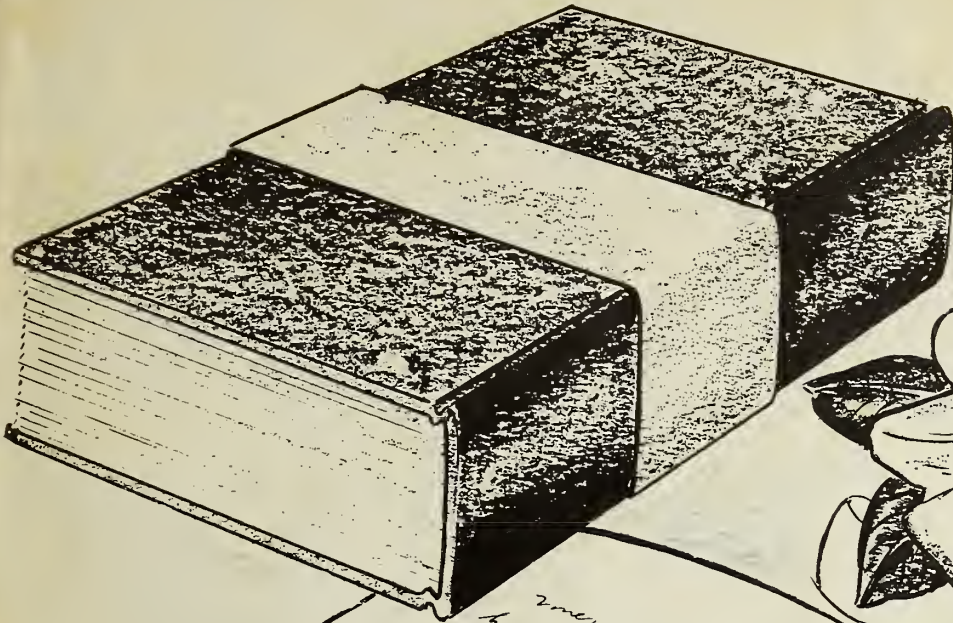
William: "Well, I'm glad it's Friday."

Afterwords

Thank you; thank you!
The annual is finished.
Thank you; thank you,
Our work is diminished.

Thank you for your guidance!
Thank you for your help;
We show our appreciation
To you, with all our pep.





memory of many
 happy hours so-
 I wish you had spent
 more of your life
 with me. About the fun
 times on the island
 Mary

Here to a Grand
 and an all round
 fellow
 for
 to one of the most ple-
 asured, one could ever have
 known
 your Brother
 Mary Lusk
 Katherine M. Burton

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