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Beautiful Memories

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## FOREWORD

This first annual has been compiled with the hope that it will become a treasured volume of memories for each of you-that it will serve as a reminiscence of everyday things . . . classes . . . assembly . . . clubs . . . ball games. May it bring to you recollections of special events, also-Homecoming . . . Senior Play . . . Dances . . . May Day . . . JuniorSenior . . . Graduation.

## ALMA MATER

On a hill in fair Burke County Stands the school we love. Oak Hill High, renowned and glorious, School of friendships dear.

In the years when we have left her, We shall oft' recall
Days well filled with fun and laughter Which we'll n're forget.

Dear old Oak Hill, we will ever
To her name be true.
In our hearts we'll always hold her And her teachings too.



Mrs. Helen Curry

## DEDICATION

To one to whom we feel highly indebted for her kind attitude, help, and guidance, we, the Senior Class of 1953, affectionately dedicate this first volume of bELLES MEMOIRS to our homeroom teacher, Mrs. Helen Curry.


## Mr. Garland L. Seagle <br> Eighth Grade

A.B., Gardner-Webb Junior College, Boiling Springs, N. C., and Lenoir Rhyne College, Hickory, N. C. Graduate Work, Appalachian State Teachers College, Boone, N. C.

Mr. O. D. Rowe History, Health, and Pbysical Education B.S., Appalachian State Teachers College, Boone, N. C.

Mrs. Louise Rodgers

## Commerce

A.B., Lenoir Rhyne College, Hickory, N. C. Graduate W'ork, Appalachian State Teachers College, Boone, N. C.

## Mrs. Louise Kidd English and French

B.S., Appalachian State Teachers College, Boone, N. C.

## Mrs. Helen Curry

Home Economics-Science
B.S., Salem College, Winston-Salem, N. G.

## Mr. Gary Hammond <br> Vocational Agriculture

B.S., Clemson College, Clemson, S. C.

Mrs. Dell B. Wilson
Burke County Guidance Director
A.B., Agnes Scott College, Decatur, Ga. Graduate work. Columbia University, New York, N. Y.



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## OFFICERS

Charles Menson
President
Alice Lail
Vice-President

Katherine Lingafelt Secretary

Ethel Powell Treasurer

Margaret Benfield
Reporter

## SENIORS - CLASS OF 1953

## MOTTO

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FLOWER
Carnation
COLORS
Red and White

MASCOTS
Lois Leonhardt
Jerry Stamey


## Margaret Benfield

Agrecable
Class Secretary 2; Class Reporter 4; Dramatics Club Secretary 4; Glee Club 1, 2, 4; F.H.A. Club 1; Oak Leaves Staff 4; Basketball 4; Softball 1, 4; Class Historian 4.

## Jane bost Efficiont

Beta Club Vice-President 4; Monogram Club 4; Dance Club 4; Glee Club 1, 2; F.H.A. Club 1; Belles Memoirs Staff 4; Editor of Oak Leaves 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Softball 1, 2, 3, 4; Square Dance Club 3; Football Reporter 4.

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { Shirley Carswfll } \\
& \text { Artistic }
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Waynesville High 1, 2, 3; Marshal 3; Student Council Representative 1, 2, 3; F.H.A. Reporter 1; Basketball 1, 2, 3; Softball 1, 2, 3; Square Dance Club; Oak Hill High 4; Student Council President 4; Beta Club Treasurer 4; Dance Club Secretary 4; Monogram 4; Basketball 4; Softball 4; May Day Attendant 4; Salutatorian.

> Johnny Clark Sporty

Morganton High 2; Monogram Treasurer 4; Dance Club 4; F.F.A. 1, 2, 3, Treasurer 4; Football 1, 3, Co-Captain 4; Basketball 1, 3, 4; May Day Escort 4; Homecoming Escort 4.

> Jean Clay
> Friendly

Monogram 4; Dance Club 4; F.H.A. Club 1; Belles Memoirs Staff 4; Oak Leaves Staff 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Softball 1, 2, 3, 4; Homecoming Attendant 3; Square Dance Club 3; Cheerleader 2, 3.

> Gene Cobb
> Handsome

Monogram 4; Dance Club 4; F.F.A. Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Football 2, 3, 4; Basketball 4; May Day Escort 4; Homecoming Escort 4.

## Ronnie Cobb <br> Fancy Free

Monogram 4; Dance Club President 4; Glee Club 4; F.F.A. Club 1, 4, Reporter 2, 4; Football 2, 3, 4; Basketball Manager 3, 4; May Day Escort 4; Homecoming Escort 4; Square Dance Club 3.

## Dewey Fox <br> Mischievous

Class Reporter 2, 3; Monogram Reporter 4; Dance Club 4; Glee Club 4; F.F.A. Club 1, 2, Reporter 3, 4; Football 1; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4.



## Iris Chester Fox <br> Reliable

Class President 1, 2; Marshal 3; Beta Club President 4; Monogram Club 4; Glee Club 1, 2; F.H.A. Club 1; Belles Memoirs Staff 4; Oak Leaves Staff 4; Basketball 1, 2, CoCaptain 3, 4; Softball 1, 2, 3, 4; Cheerleader 2, 3, 4; Co-Valedictorian.

## Charles Henson <br> Deserving

Crossnore High School 1; Class President 4; Marshal 3; Student Council Representative 4; Dramatics Club 4; Glee Club President 4; Oak Leaves Staff 4.

## Alice Fox Lail Good-natured

Class Vice-President 4; Dramatics Club Vice-President 4; Glee Club 2, 4; F.H.A. Club 1; Business Manager of Oak Leaves 4; Basketball 2, 4; Softball 2, 3, 4; May Day Attendant 4; Square Dance Club 3.

## Katherine Lingafelt <br> Talented

Class Secretary 2, 3, 4; Dance Club 4; Glee Club 1, 2, Pianist 4; F.H.A. Club 1; Belles Memoirs Staff 4; Oak Leaves Staff 4; May Day Attendant 4; Homecoming Attendant 3, 4.

## SENIORS

Mary Jane Michaels Understanding
Beta Club Reporter 4; Dance Club 4; Glee Club 1, 2, 4; F.H.A. Club 1; Softball 3. 4; Square Dance Club 3.

## Shirley Orders <br> Neat

Dance Club 4; Glee Club 1, 2, Secretary and Treasurer 4.

Evelyn Patton
Quiet
Glee Club 2, 4.

Ethel Powell

## Athletic

Class Treasurer 3, 4; Monogram Club 4; Dramatics Club 4; F.H.A. Club 1; Belles Memoirs Staff 4; Oak Leaves Staff 4; Basketball 1, 2, Co-Captain 3, 4; Softball 1, 2, 3, 4; Class Testator 4; Square Dance Club 3; Cheerleader 2, 3, 4.

## Nancy Ramseur <br> Capable

Class Treasurer 2; Class President 3; Chief Marshal 3; Vice-President Student Council 4; Beta Club Secretary 4; Dance Club 4; F.H.A. Reporter 1; Editor of Belles Memoirs 4; Oak Leaves Staff 4; Basketball 1; Cheerleader 2; Scorer for Basketball 3, 4; Football Reporter 3, 4; Co-Valedictorian.

## James Saulmon <br> Sctilud

Class Treasurer 1, Class Vice-President 2; Student Council Representative 4; Monogram Club 4; Dance Club 4; Glee Club 4; F.F.A. Club 1, 2, Secretary 3; Business Manager Belles Memoirs 4; Football 4; Basketball 1, 2, 4.

Ruth Saunders
Sweet
Dramatics Club 4; Glee Club 1, 2, 4; May Day Queen 4; Cheerleader 4.

Loretta Sims

## Pleasant

Dance Club 4; Oak Leaves Staff 4; Class Prophet 4.

## CLASS OF 1953

## Bobby Stephens <br> Easy-going

Monogram Club Vice-President 4; Dance Club Treasurer 4; F.F.A. Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Football 1, 2, 3, Co-Captain 4; Basketball 1, 2, Co-Captain 3, 4; May Day King 4; Homecoming Escort 4.

## Edith Stroupf <br> Cbcerful

Monogram Club 4; Dance Club 4; F.H.A. Club 1; Belles Memoirs Staff 4; Oak Leaves Staff 4; Softball 1; Square Dance Club 3; Cheerleader 2, 3; Basketball Manager 4.

## Irene Whisnant

## Sincere

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



## SUPERLATIVES

Jean Clay and Jimmy Saulmon . . . Most Dignified.
Edith Stroupe and Johnny Clark . . . Best School Spirit.
Iris Chester Fox and Charles Henson . . . Best All-Around.
Katherine Lingafelt and Gene Cobb . . . Prettiest and Most Handsome.
Shirley Carswell and Jimmy Saulmon . . . Most Courteous.
Nancy Ramseur and Jimmy Saulmon . . . Most Likely to Succeed.
Jane Bost and Charles Henson . . . Most Dependable.
Alice Fox Lail and Johnny Clark . . . Most Popular.


Mary Jane Michaels and Charles Henson . . Most Intelligent.
Loretta Sims and Dewey Fox . . Wittiest
Shirley Orders and Bobby Stephens . . . Neatest.
Ethel Powell and Bobby Stephens . . . Most Athletic.
Ruth Saunders and Ronnie Cobb . . . Biggest Flirts
Irene Whisnant and Dewey Fox . . . Friendliest
Evelyn Patton and Jimmy Saulmon . . . Queetest.
Margaret Benfield and Ronnic Cobb . . . Cutest.

## CLASS HISTORY

The long awaited time has finally arrived. Soon the class of ' 53 will have ended their high school studies and will go out to seek whatever fortune awaits them. But first let us go back to the year '49 when we, the present "dignified" Seniors, made our debut as "green" Freshmen with Mr. R. C. Russell as principal. Soon our excitement had subsided and we began to get into the swing of high school life under the watchful eye of Mr. O. D. Rowe. We elected our class officers, with Iris Chester, president: Lawrence Harris, vice-president; James Saulmon, secretary; and Bobby Stephens, treasurer.

We entered our Sophomore year with a little more confidence and had Mrs. Helen Curry as our homeroom teacher. Throughout our Sophomore year we had many difficulties, but we had overcome our timidity. We elected the following students that year as our class officers: Iris Chester, president; James Saulmon, vice-president; Margaret Benfield, secretary; Nancy Ramseur, treasurer.

In the fall of ' 51 we became "sophisticated" Juniors. This year brought new activities. Our Junior-Senior Banquet was a great success-so the Seniors said. We took them on an imaginary trip to "Fairy Land" with Mrs. Helen Curry as our sponsor. Our class officers were Nancy Ramseur, president; James Saulmon, vice-president; Katherine Lingafelt, secretary; Ethel Powell, treasurer. During the early part of that year, Iris Chester changed her name to Iris Fox. Our marshals for the graduation exercises were Nancy Ramseur, Iris Chester Fox, Charles Henson, and James Saulmon.

Now, at last, the great year that we have been waiting for is here, and as "dignified" Seniors we are fulfilling our dreams at Oak Hill High School with Mr. W. F. Brown, Jr. as principal. Again one of our classmates, Alice Fox, changed her name during the summer vacation to Alice Lail. Shirley Sheehan Carswell joined our class from Waynesville High School giving us then three married classmates. We chose as our Senior officers: Charles Henson, president; Alice Fox Lail, vice-president; Katherine Lingafelt, secretary; Ethel Powell, treasurer; and Margaret Benfield, reporter. Our Senior play, "Trouble in Paradise," came off with great success. Now we are planning our trip to Florida along with the Juniors.

Out of this class of sixty some four years ago, twenty-three of us are looking forward eagerly to the future with open hearts for new and better opportunities. The years have been happy ones and may the years to come hold in our hearts tender memories for the years spent at Oak Hill.

Now that you have the important facts about our past, I shall leave the future to the Class Prophet.

Margaret Benfield, Historian

## CLASS PROPHECY

I, Madam Foresee All, am alone today in my little fortunetelling shop on Fifth Avenue in New York. Looking at my calendar, I see that it is June 1, 1963. Heavens! Can it be possible? At exactly this time ten years ago, I was bowing low over my dear old principal's hand accepting that long-coveted high school diploma. Oh, well, no wonder I feel so melancholy and homesick. Dearie me--oh! dearie me! Why don't I have a customer? Well, bless me, here comes one now! Of all people, an old classmate, Irene Whisnant! Are you feeling a little homesick for dear old Oak Hill High School? Let me see your palm, and perhaps we can use our occult powers to contact some of the others who were in our class. By the way, Irene, I see you are now Mrs. Powell and the mother of six red-haired boys-two sets of twins, haven't you?

Look! Here I see someone whom I recognize as Mary Jane Michaels, a nurse at Grace Hospital. And there's Ruth Saunders, a telephone operator.

Ah! What's this I see? Why, it's a sign that reads, "Carswell's Flower Shop." And there's Shirley Carswell and her husband, who are the owners of the shop. I see Alice Lail, a beautician. There's our other classmate who was married. It's Iris Fox, who's working as a secretary in an office, along with Margaret Benfield, Ethel Powell, and Charles Henson.

The palm now reveals that some of the girls have gotten married since our graduation. They include Katherine Lingafelt, who is still giving piano lessons, and Edith Stroupe, who has become a famous seamstress. Jean Clay got married soon after we graduated, and her husband is now in the Navy.

Where are some of the boys from our class? Oh yes, I see Dewey Fox. He's been in the Navy for the past ten years. Johnny Clark and Ronnie Cobb-the lucky guysare vacationing in Florida at the present time.

Three of our class members are in Washington now. Shirley Orders, with her small, trim, streamlined figure is teaching kindergarten there. Nancy Ramseur is a medical secretary, and Evelyn Patton is visiting relatives in Washington.

Well, bless me! There's our dear old Alma Mater, and seated behind the principal's desk is none other than Professor James Saulmon. Jane Bost is one of the teachers, and two of the male members of our class are employed in the school. They are Gene Cobb, football coach, and Bobby Stephens, basketball coach.

Well, I'm satisfied now that I've seen that all my dear old classmates are doing well. And me? There's not much to say about myself-except that I feel a lot like I did when we walked away from Oak Hill School with my precious diploma grasped safely in my hand.

Now it's time for me to push these memories of my high school days from my mind and lock up my little fortunetelling shop on Fifth Avenue.

Loretta Sims, Class Prophet

## LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT

We, the Senior Class of 1953, residing in Morganton, the county of Burke, and the State of North Carolina, realizing that the doors of this great institution are about to be closed to us for further knowledge, wish to leave this, our last will and testament, to our fellow classmates and friends.

## ARTICLE I

To our parents, teachers, and principal, we wish to leave our appreciation and thanks for their interest, effort, and patience given us through our school years.

## ARTICLE II

To the Junior Class we leave the following things which have been to us both happy and sad: (1) The same old desks and books which they will be using next year, (2) All the fun we have had during our Senior year, (3) The dear old Senior room which has kept us out of the rain and snow all the year, (4) The wonderful privilege of eating lunch first, (5) The doubtful title of "dignified Seniors," which means so much to any Senior class.

## ARTICLE III

To the Sophomores and Freshmen, we leave our hopes that before long they will occupy the position that we now occupy.

ARTICLE IV
Individual Bequests: We the graduates of 1953, individually leave to our successors the following:

I, Edith Stroupe, will and bequeath my sweet ways to Ann Shuffler.
I, Shirley Carswell, will and bequeath my quiet disposition and dependability to Betty Benton.
I, Johnny Clark, will and bequeath my position on the football team to Charles Ramsey.
I, Jean Clay, will and bequeath my "happy-go-lucky" manners to Nancy Harris.
I, Shirley Orders, will and bequeath my neatness to Mabel Powell.
I, Dewey Fox, will and bequeath my witty remarks to Worth Whisnant.
I, Loretta Sims, leave my writing ability to Carada Patton.
I, Alice Fox Lail, will and bequeath my ability to act in the Senior Play to Frances Benfield.

I, James Saulmon, will and bequeath my politeness to Curtis Lambert.
I, Irene Whisnant, pass down my ability to "hold that man" to Betty Bowman.
I, Ruth Saunders, will and bequeath my flirty ways to Peggy Perry.
I, Charles Henson, will and bequeath my timid ways to R. L. Chester.
I, Margaret Benfield, will and bequeath my cuteness to Sue Harris.
I, Mary Jane Michaels, will and bequeath my intelligence to Faye Lingafelt.
I, Gene Cobb, will and bequeath my handsome looks to David Causby.
I, Katherine Lingafelt, will and bequeath my good looks to June Cuthbertson.
1, Jane Bost, will and bequeath my ability to warm the bench on the basketball squad to Mildred Powell.
I, Ronnie Cobb, will and bequeath my ability to dance to Ned Beck.
1, Evelyn Patton, will and bequeath my ability to blush to Carolyn Freeman.
I, Iris Chester Fox, will and bequeath my likeable ways to Peggy Perry.
I, Bobby Stephens, will and bequeath my basketball ability to Bennett Causby.
I, Nancy Ramseur, will and bequeath my ability to drive and repair an A-Model to Nancy Nantz.
I, Ethel Powell, will and bequeath my ability to play basketball to anyone who will accept it.

We hereby appoint Mrs. Helen Curry, our class advisor, as sole executor of this, our last will and testament.

In witness whereof we, the Senior Class of 1953, do set seal on this, the second day of June, in the year of our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Fifty-Three.

## WITNESSES:

1. Toots Eisenbower
2. Tweets Truman
3. Josephine Roosevelt

Ethel Powell, Testator

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J U N I OR S



## JUNIORS

Dana Nantz
President
Curtis Lambert . . . . . Vice-President
Betty Benton . . . . . . . . Secretary
June Cuthbertson . . . . . . Treasurer
Peggy Perry . . . . . . . . . Reporter

## MARSHALS

Betty Benton

Dana Nantz
Frances Benfield
Curtis Lambert


## JUNIORS

Ned Beck

June Cuthbertson

Nancy Nantz

Frances Benfield
Betty Benton
Betty Bowman

Marshall Cannon

Nancy Harris
Curtis Lambert
Sue Harris

Peggy Perry
Nancy Powell

Harold Whisnant
Worth Whisnant



Where's the ball game . . . I'm a big boy now . . . Dressed up, smiles and all Four of a kind . . . A girl's best friend . . . Fishing, or what . . . Steppin' out . . . Smiley . . . What'cha waiting on . . . Let me in there, coach . . . Dream girl . . . No doubt about who they are . . . Bye, now . . . Sunday best . . . Say cheese.



OFFICERS
Faye Lingafelt . . . . President
Russell Fleming . . Vice-President
Buddy Beck . . . . . . Secretary
Thomas Powell . . . . Treasuret
Willie Faye Brown . . . Reporter

## SOPHOMORES

With all the talk of the Juniors and Seniors, perhaps you often forget about us; but we are the Sophomores. Without us, though, what would the basketball, football. and softball teams do; who would keep the Student Council's money; who would serve at the Junior-Senior; and above all, who would there be to become Juniors next year?

Buddy Beck Doris Beck Howard Beck<br>Norma Jean Beck<br>Willie Faye Brown

Faye Lingafelt Ruby McNeely

Thomas Powell



## OFFICERS

Dick Cuthbertson . . . President
Billy Spainhour . . Vice-Presideni
Billy Galloway . . . . Secretary
Ervin Cloer . . . . . Treasurer

## FRESHMEN

We, the Freshmen, have no trouble getting recognition. Unfortunately, those words are not always of praise. However, we also add our bit to the school by playing football. basketball, and softball; we furnish the reporter for the Student Council; we are the largest class in High School; and we merit the high reward of being called the Green Freshmen.

FRESHMEN
Sarah Beck Doris Carswell Ervin Chester Charles Clark Flora Clark

Ervin Cloer Gilbert Cobb Billy Conley Mozelle Cox Richard Cuthbertson

James Davis Ruby Davis Eugene Drury Ned Freemon Billy Galloway

Charlotte Hampton Mildred Henson Nina Harris
Emma Sue Harrison Lillian Lackey

Charles Lowdermilk
Betty Michaels Everett Moore Ada Jean Orders Dean Orders

Marvin Paschall, Jr.
Alfred Perry
Sylvia Perry
Revonda Ramsey
Edith Smith

Billy Spainhour Betty Whisnant Jimmy Whisnant Mable Whisnant Marshall Whisnant

Thomas Whisnant Robert Winters

Not pictured:
Jim Acuff
Roy Conley
Louise O'Ham


| Judy Austin | Ellen Benfield | Jettie Benfield <br> Charles Burgess | Peggy Caraway |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | Patsy Clay


| Howard Pritchard Danny Puckett June Rhyne Edward Robinson |  |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Ralph Stephens | Ruby Whisnant Loretta Wiseman |


Bennett Saulmon

Vernie Whisnant

Jimmy Winters

Not pictured: Floydene Sellars


Harold Austin Jack Barrier J. C. Benfield Louise Buff<br>Lillie Chester<br>Carl Clark<br>Jo Ann Conley

Emma Jean Davis Lewis Fox Virginia Fox Catherine Freeman

> Ed Gwaltney

Helen Harris
Oma Henson

Thelma Hodge
Lottie LaFevers Dan McGalliard
Qutina McGee
Barbara Michaels
Frances Phillips



Not pictured: Jerry Causby, Eugene Lowdermilk, Wilma O'Ham, Bennett Powell, Ray Powell, Donald Whisnant



Sisterly love . . We aren't very happy . . . When you and I were young . . . Cheer
up . . . Proper . . . Let's go boys, little hustle now . . . Who took my candy . . . Break it up . . . Little El'nor . . . School days . . . Wednesday assembly . . . Don't shoot

March winds . . . Real leg show . . The gay 90's.


## III <br> A C T IVITIES <br> 

## FOOTBALL 1952

SCORE BOARD
Oak Hill 26
Oak Hill 7
Oak Hill 39
Oak Hill 0
Oak Hill 6
Oak Hill 36
Oak Hill 21
Oak Hill 13
Oak Hill 27
Oak Hill 52

Gamewell 6 Total individual scores of players:
Tri Hi 14
Alexander 12 Johnny Clark
Bobby Stephens 44
David Causby 30
Gene Cobb 24
Bennett Causby 15
Ronnie Cobb 8
Jimmy Saulmon 6
Charles Clark
'Total

Games won
Games lost
Games lost 5
Our total points 227
Opponents total points 272


First row: Carl Clark, Assistant Manager; Donald Carswell, Danny Puckett, Marvin Paschall, Richard Cuthbertson, Ned Freemon, Jim Acuff.

Sccond rou': Tommy Joe Lafevers, Manager; Charies Clark, Ervin Hennessee; Johnny Clark, Co-captain; Bobby Stephens, Co-captain; Dana Nantz, Ervin Cloer.
Third row: Ronnie Cobb, David Causby, Bennett Causby, Mr. O. D. Rowe, Coach; Jimmy Saulmon, Gene Cobb, Joe Whisnant, Charles Ramsey.

This page is sponsored by Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Cloor.

## CHEERLEADERS



Iris Fox
June Cuthbertson
Ethel Powell, Chief
Nancy Nantz
Ruth Saunders

## SOFTBALL TEAM



Alice Lail, Iris Fox, Margaret Benfield, Shirley Carswell, Ethel Powe!l, Nancy Harris, Jane Bost, Vernie Whisnant, Jean Clay.
Oak Hill 68 Hildebran 47
Oak Hill 34Valdese 50
Oak Hill 46
Drexel ..... 29
Oak Hill s1Salem 54Geo. Hildebran 51Hildebran 30Drexel 43
Oak Hill 59
Oak Hill 74
Oak Hill 54
Oak Hill 65
Geo. Hildebran s

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| Oak | Hill | 51 |  | Salem | 54 |
| Oak | Hill | 46 | Gco. | Hildebran | 51 |
| Oak | Hill | 58 |  | Hildebran | 30 |
| Oak | Hill | 59 |  | Drexel | 43 |
| Oak | Hill 7 | 74 |  | Salem | 20 |
| Oak | Hill | 54 | Geo. | Hildebran | 52 |
| Oak | Hill | 65 |  | Valdese | 72 |

## B A S K




Mabel Powell Shirley Carswell

Nancy Nantz Ethel Powell

Iris Chester Fox Nancy Harris

Seated: Alice Lail, Mary Jane Michaels, Faye Whisnant, Nancy Nantz, Margaret Benfield, Betty Benton, Jr. Co-captain; Mabel Powell, Ethel Powell, Co-captain; Shirlcy Carswell, Nancy Harris, Jr. Co-
captain; Sue Harris, Mildred Powell, Jane Bost, Iris Chester Fox, Co-captain; Jean Clay.

Kneeling: Edith Stroupe, Manager; Mr. Herman Hopper, Coach; Nancy Ramseur, Scorer.



Oak Hill 34
Oak Hill 31

Oak Hill 32
Oak Hill 30

Oak Hill 41
Oak Hill 48
Oak Hill 36
Oak Hill 54

Oak Hill 38

Oak Hill 45
Valdese 73

Thomas Powell, Charles Ramsey, Johnny Clark, Dewey Fox, Gene Cobb, David Causby, Co-captain; Mr. Brown, Coach; Joe Whisnant, Buddy Beck, James Saulmon, Russell Fleming, Bennett Causby,

Bobby Stephens, Co-captain; Dick Cuthbertson, J. C. Fox.

Knceling: R. L. Chester, Marvin Paschall, Jr.



## Our Kings and Queens

Halloween King . Clifton Ramsey Prince . . . . . Charles Ramsey Queen

Princess

Miss Oak Hill
Peggy Perry


## Homecoming

David Causby, Peggy Perry, Gene Cobb, Katherine Lingafelt
Johnny Clark, Ann Shuffler, Queen; Mr. Brown, Bobby Stephens
Ada Jean Orders, Joe Whisnant, June Cuthbertson, Ronnie Cobb

## May Day

Bobby Stephens, King; Ruth Saunders, Queen; Gene Cobb; Katherine Lingafelt, Maid of Honor.
ATTENDANTS AND ESCORTS
Ad $_{a}$ Jean Orders, Billy Spainhour, Sylvia Perry, Ervin Cloer, Ann Shuffler, Ervin Hennessee, Mabel Powell, David Causby, Alice Lail, Johnny Clark.
Ronnie Cobb, Shirley Carswell, Bobby Thompson, Sue Harris, Dana Nantz, Betty Benton.

## STUDENT COUNCIL

Seated, left to right: Russell Fleming, Treasurer; June Cuthbertson, Secretary; Shirley Carswell, President; Nancy Ramseur, Vice-President; Mildred Henson, Reporter.

Standing: Barbara Michaels, Peggy McFalls, Ervin Cloer, Mabel Powell, Carolyn Freeman, Jimmy Saulmon, Mr. George Rodgers, Advisor; Charles Henson, Betty Benton, Faye Lingafelt, Richard Cuthbertson, Danny Puckett, Nell Powell.


## BETA CLUB

Jane Bost, Vice-President; Shirley Carswell, Treasurer; Iris Fox, President; Mary Jane Michaels, Reporter; Nancy Ramseur, Secretary; Mrs. Louise Rodgers, Advisor.

## P U B LICATIONS

## BELLES MEMOIRS STAFF

Seated: Peggy Perry, Assistant Business Manager; James Saulmon, Business Manager; Nancy Ramseur, Editor; June Cuthbertson, Assistant Editor.

Standing: Iris Fox, Jean Clay, Jane Bost, Ethel Powell, Edith Stroupe, Katherine Lingafelt, Betty Benton, Nancy Nantz, Mrs. Louise Rodgers, Advisor.


OAK LEAVES STAFF

Alice Lail, Business Manager; Frances Benfield, Assistant Business Manager; Alma Saulmon, Assistant Editor; Jane Bost, Editor; Katherine Lingafelt, Ethel Powell, Iris Fox, Nancy Ramseur, Betty Benton, Margaret Benfield, Charles Henson, Mrs. Louise Rodgers, Advisor; Loretta Sims, Jean Clay, Edith Stroupe.

## 4-H CLUB

First row: Richard Cuthbertson, Secretary and Treasurer; Danny Puckett, Více-President; Marvin Paschall, Reporter, Billy Spaínhour, Presídent

Second row: Charlie Brown, Claude Ollis, Ralph Stephens, Hylon Fox, Carl Clark, Forney Bost, Emmett Powell, Lewis Fox, Jerry Causby, Oscar Benfield

Third row: David Cuthbertson, Bennett Powell, Ray Powell, Donald Whisnant, Edward Robinson, David McGalliard, Leon Barrier, Jimmy Winters, Bobby Winters, Dean Orders

Fourth rou: Ellen Benfield, Pauline Phillips, Patsy Clay, Judy Powell, Patsy Cobb, Mildred Henson, Ruby Davis, Sarah Beck, Nola Jean Flemíng, George Clark
Fifth rou: Johnny Clontz, Sylvia Perry, Nina Harris, Doris Fox, Nell Clontz, Peggy Caraway, Nanette Cobb, Loretta Wiseman, Geneva Lingerfelt, Ada Jean Orders, Betty Míchaels, Bennett Saulmon
Sixth row: Doris Carswell, Judy Austin, Eudine Ollis, June Rhyne, Martha Powell, Jettie Mae Benfield, Ruby Whisnant, Lillie Chester, Lottic LeFevers, Mary Ann Brackett


## BOY SCOUTS

First row: Daryl Whisnant, David Cuthbertson, Oscar Benfield, Billy Warlick, Kenneth Kayga, Donald Saulmon. Kenneth Stamey, Bobby Parks, Tommy Eller, Bennett Saulmon, Irie Whisnant, Warren Harbison

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