

## Clahischo

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With a feeling of pride we, the seniors, look back on the hours of toil when we were laboring to bring order out of chaos, and fashion this, the 1956 Clahischo. We attempted to construct a valuable souvenir of our high school years and to weld the hearts of our students to our Alma Mater. If we have succeeded, then we feel this annual will have justified its existence.



## Dedication

We, the class of 1956, dedicate this ninth volume of the CLAHISCHO, to this beloved member of our faculty, our Coach, Mr. Hicks. His guidance, friendship, kindness, concern, and honesty of purpose and strength of character will ever be cherished. With this symbol of character will ever be one who has been both coach and friend, we express our best wishes and kindest rememberance.

# Appreciation to Parents



Because you deny yourself so that we may have that which you did not have;

Because you desire for us the higher and finer things of life;

Because you understand when all our world goes wrong;

Because you love us in spite of our shortcomings,

And, because I want to express my love and appreciation, I, your graduating son or daughter say thank you mother and dad.

WEBSTER'S COLLEGIATE DICTIONARY

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# Principal



JERRY CAPPS

JAMES O. WATERS

To Mr. James O. Waters, our loved and respected principal, the staff wish to express their sincere appreciation for his ever-guiding help and understanding of all problems of the seniors of 1956 throughout their high school years. He has so willingly served as a counselor, an advisor, and a friend.

The staff extend gratitude to each member of the faculty for the important part they have played in helping the seniors attain their goal.



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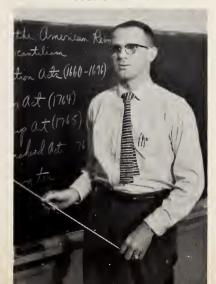
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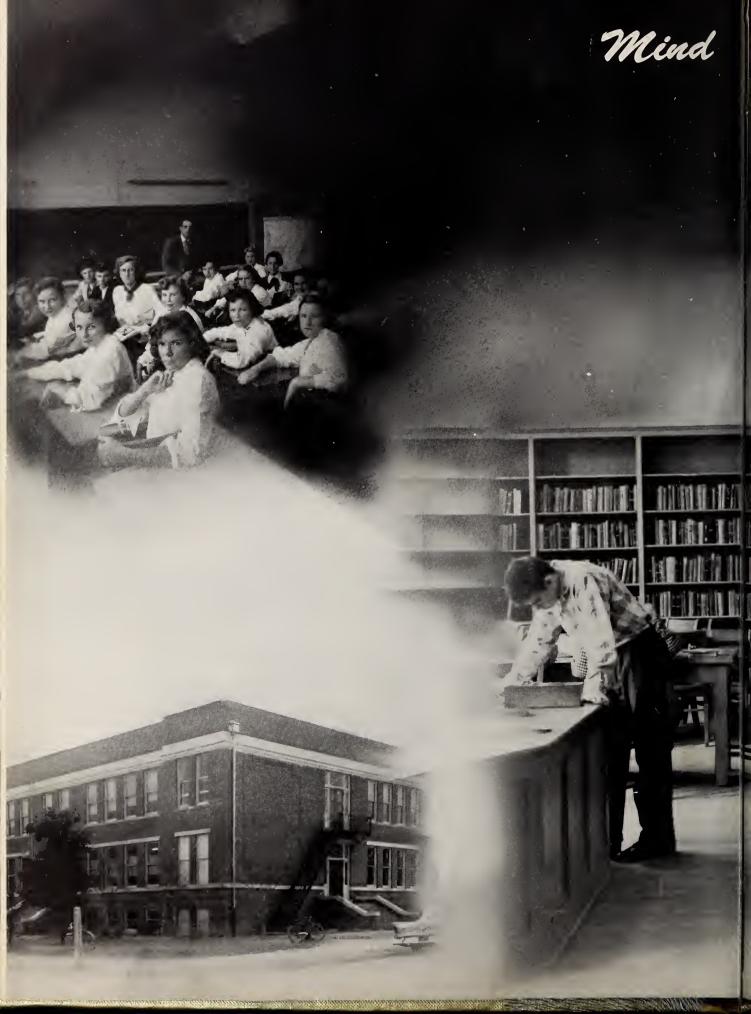


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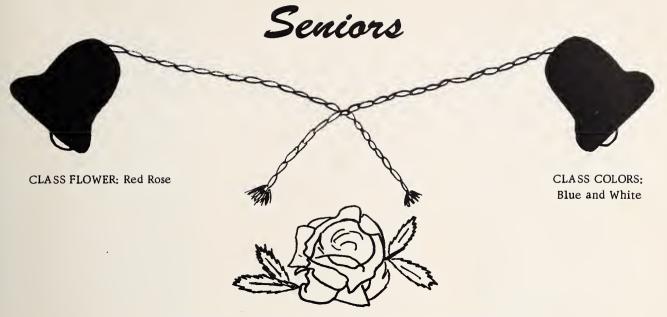
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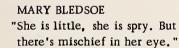
CLASS MOTTO: "With the ropes of the past, we'll ring the bells of the future."



ROBERT ADAMS
"Wit is the salt of conversation"

SYBIL ATKINSON
"She's always full of fun and
joy, a favorite with any girl
or boy."





JERRY CAPPS
"Now let it work; mischief, thou art afoot."







EMMA LEE BRADY
"That load becomes light
which is cheerfully borne."

BUCKY COATS
"He's a jolly good fellow."





BILLY DAUGHTRY
"I'm having myself a time."

IMOGENE COATS
"A winning way, a pleasant smile, dresses so neat, but quite in style."





KAREN COBB
"They are never alone that
are accompanied with noble
thoughts."

DOUGLAS DEAN
"To worry little, to study less,
This is my idea of happiness."





GLENDA DAVIS
"A merry heart doth good like a medicine."

AUBREY ELLIS
"His bark is much worse than his bite."

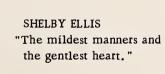


ILA DEAN
"Silence is the mother of truth."

ROSIE LEE DUPREE
"Come grow old along with
me, the best is yet to be."



J. W. FAISON
"Men of few words are the best men."







#### JENNINGS GOWER

"I'll get by somehow."

#### SUE ELLIS

"Ready to give and to lend."



#### SHELBY HILL

"Always ready to do what there is to be done."

#### REX GODWIN

" I take life as it comes and enjoy it."



#### JACK GULLEY

"Were there no women, men might live like gods."

#### ANNIE HOGG

"Silence is more musical than any song."









ROBERT HAMILTON
"I'm not lazy, I'm just dreaming."

BARBARA JOHNSON
"Ready for anything be it
work or play an all-round
good girl in every way."

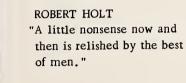




ANNA ROSS JONES
"Great thoughts come from the heart."

SHERWOOD HILL
"I never let studying interfere with my education."





DUBA MORGAN
"A little leisure with nothing

to do."







NELSON JONES
"Not too serious not too gay,
but a rare good fellow when
it comes to play."

KATHERINE POOLE
"A smile is the trademark of a happy soul."





BETTY JEAN POUNDS
"To live on still in love."

BILLY MAHAFFEY
"All things come round to him
who will but wait."





THOMAS WOODELL
"Be glad and your friends are many."

JANICE WALL
"A sense of humor and the power to laugh."





Favorites





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SYBIL ATKINSON



## Best-Looking

GLENDA DAVIS DOUGLAS DEAN

## Most Popular

GLENDA DAVIS JACK GULLEY



Cutest

SYBIL ATKINSON JENNINGS GOWER





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KATHERINE POOLE
JACK GULLEY



## Most Dependable

BOBBY ADAMS BARBARA JOHNSON

Best All-Round

BUCKY COATS DUBA MORGAN



### Most Talented

DUBA MORGAN AUBREY ELLIS





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BOBBY ADAMS SHELBY ELLIS



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SHELBY HILL - J. W. FAISON

### Most Athletic

GLENDA DAVIS - JENNINGS GOWER





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JACK GULLEY

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Senior Class Favorite
KATHERINE POOLE



Senior Class Favorite



Senior Class Favorite
GLENDA DAVIS



Senior Class Favorite
SHELBY HILL





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Homeroom Teacher
MISS ALYCE SUMRELL



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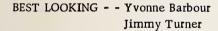


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MOST POPULAR - - Betty Bain Robert Adams

BEST DRESSED - - Dianne Charles Bobby Jones

CUTEST - - - - Helen Lockamy Ronald Underwood



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JOYCE LEE



Homeroom Teacher MRS. BROOKS



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### THE CLASS



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J. B. Harper Bobby Harrelson Cornelia Johnson Frankie Jones



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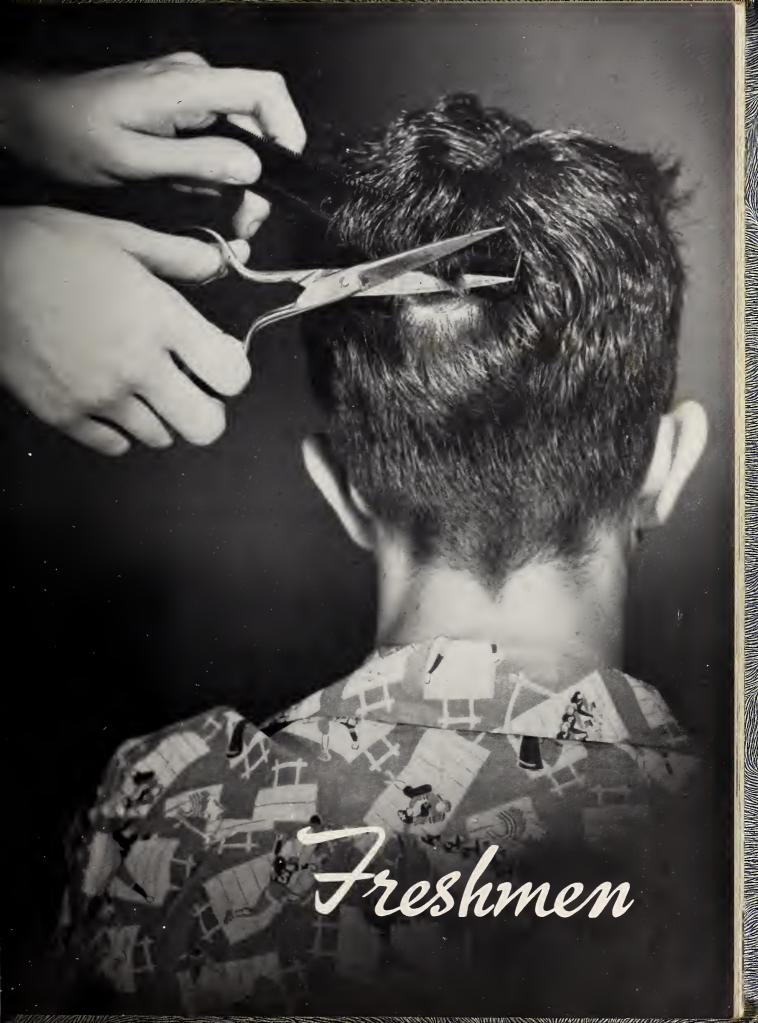








Billy Whitley Annie C. Youngblood Waylon Spence Ronald Jones







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Reporter - - - - - - - - Faye Pittman



Homeroom Teachers MISS FAISON MR. FIELDS



PICTURE OF THE CLASS





Faye Massengill Shirley Matthews Ann Mitchell Robert Narron Bobby Norris











Jo Ann Norris
Billy Parrish
Larry Parrish
Lavon Parrish
Dorothy Pilkington









Faye Pittman
Alice Faye Raines
Judy Robbins
Billy Sealey
Bobby Stephenson











Nelson Tart Peggy Turner Joyce Underwood Judson Wall Patsy Wall













Tommy Yates



Freshmen









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Music Instructor







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## Band





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Vice President Robert Adams
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Twelfth - - - - - - - Imogene Coats

Bobby Adams

Eleventh - - - - - - Betty Bain

Jimmy Turner



Tenth - - - - - - - - - - Faye Snead
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October 28 was the big day, the day the Beta Club held its initiation for its new members. What a day that turned out to be. It started bright and early that morning. The boys were dressed like girls and the girls were dressed like boys. Each member had a few accessories to carry with him. They included a large suitcase, a bag of onions on a stick, and a pacifier tied on a string around his neck. The "boys" for the day had large patch bluejeans þ£

The HI-LITES is publication every six weeks es, typin~ Jones, corn; Donnie \_\_wers, model airplane; Jimmy S Pounds, corn; Troy Lee, tobacco. D€ We hope Bu

Industrial Arts. If all men would bring their misfortunes together in one place most would be glad to take his own troubles home again, rather than to take a proportion out of the common stock.

it to understand more about

enabled all who heard a higher standard than anybody else expects of you. Never excuse yourself. Never pity yourself.. Be a hard master to yourself---and be lenient to every body else.

> Whoever acquires a knowledge and does not use it is like one who plows but does not sow.

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## Beta Club

Sponsor MRS. RAEDELLE BROOKS





President - - - - - - - - - - - - Glenda Davis
Vice President - - - - - - - - - Virginia Nelson
Secretary - - - - - - - - - - - - - Betty Bain
Treasurer - - - - - - - - - - - - Shelby Hill
Reporter - - - - - - - - - Phyllis Chappell







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Reporter - - - - - - - Bobby Harrelson Song Leaders - - - - - - - - Patricia Dean

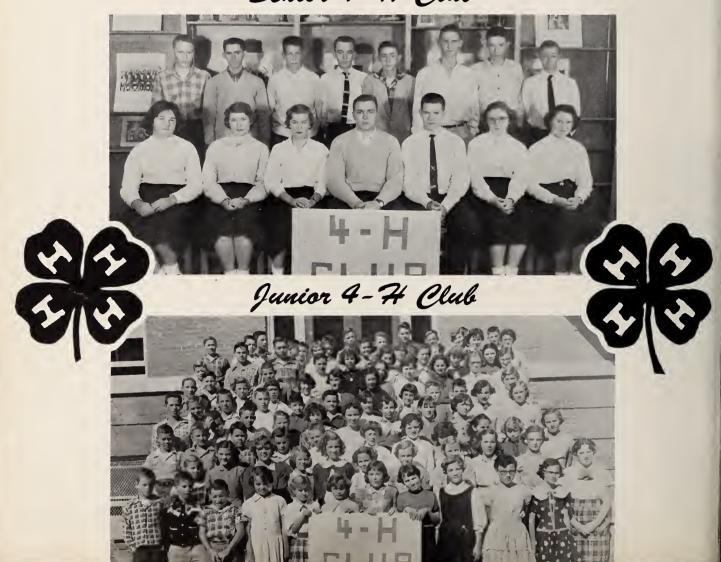
Aubrey Ellis

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Vice President	Parham Lassiter
Secretary - Treasurer	
Pianist	Sylvia Snead
Song Leaders	Florence Dupree
	Roger Harrelson

Sarah Ann Butts Jack Barnes

## Senior 4-74 Club



## 7.74. A. Club



Advisor MISS McMILLAN

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Vice President, Alice Fay Charles
Secretary, Sylvia Adams
Treasurer, Gladys Coats
Reporter, Dianne Charles
Parliamentarian, Mary Bledsoe
Song Leaders, Helen Allen, Sybil Atkinson
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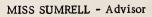




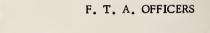




## Future Teachers of America









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Parliamentarian Bobby Jones		
Song Leader Sybil Atkinson		
Reporter Frances Ross		



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OFFICERS
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Ronald Underwood





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Advisor, MR. JOE HICKS







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Vice President	
	Glenda Davis
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	Bucky Coats - Basketball
	Jack Gulley - Baseball





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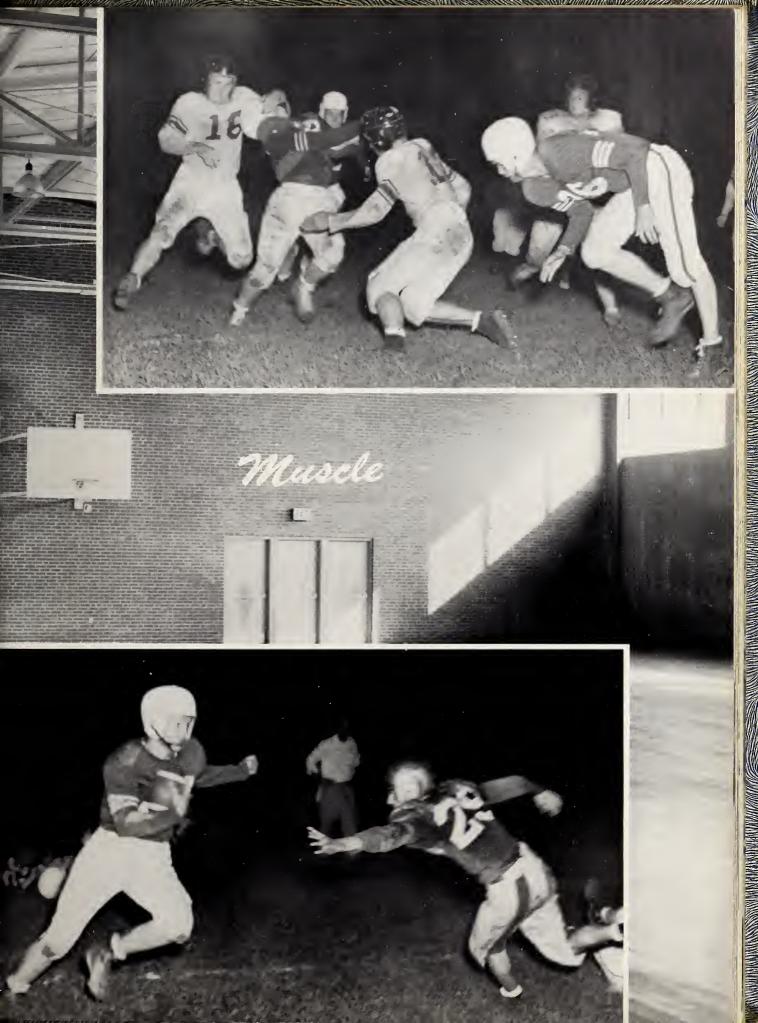














JERRY CAPS Fullback Senior



JENNINGS GOWER
Center
Senior



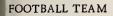
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ROBERT ADAMS Quarterback Junior







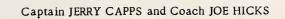




BUCKY COATS Left End Senior

DOUGLAS DEAN Wingback Senior

JIMMY LASSITER Right End Junior









# Clayton Comets

Sizzle;

layton Scores 52-18

the persisted over the half was 38-0

more out at night," he says, defeating Lillington for their fifth the weather certainly is bett straight victory this season. As the hy Clayton's ir

night."

score soared to 52-0, several new Smithfield's Red Devils wil team records were established. double trouble handed them, For one thing, this was the morning and night workouts shortest game ever played by uled from the start. First wo Clayton, lasting only two-and-awill be held at 8 a. m. Monda half quarters. Another unique circles to the morning and night workouts shortest game ever played by the held at 8 a. m. Monda half quarters. Another unique circles to the morning and night workouts shortest game ever played by the held at 8 a. m. Monda half quarters. Another unique circles to the morning and night workouts shortest game ever played by the held at 8 a. m. Monda half quarters. Another unique circles to the held at 8 a. m. Monda half quarters. Another unique circles to the held at 8 a. m. Monda half quarters. Another unique circles to the held at 8 a. m. Monda half quarters. Another unique circles to the held at 8 a. m. Monda half quarters. Another unique circles to the held at 8 a. m. Monda half quarters. Another unique circles to the held at 8 a. m. Monda half quarters. Another unique circles to the held at 8 a. m. Monda half quarters. Another unique circles to the held at 8 a. m. Monda half quarters. Another unique circles to the held at 8 a. m. Monda half quarters. Another unique circles to the held at 8 a. m. Monda half quarters. Another unique circles to the held at 8 a. m. Monda half quarters. Another unique circles to the held at 8 a. m. Monda half quarters. Another unique circles to the held at 8 a. m. Monda half quarters. Another unique circles to the held at 8 a. m. Monda half quarters. Another unique circles to the held at 8 a. m. Monda half quarters. Another unique circles to the held at 8 a. m. Monda half quarters. Another unique circles to the held at 8 a. m. Monda half quarters. Another unique circles to the held at 8 a. m. Monda half quarters. Another unique circles to the held at 8 a. m. Monda half quarters. Another unique circles to the held at 8 a. m. Monda half quarters. Anoth

Again Lillington was stopped by Clayton's improved defense. On Clayton's second play from scrim-

## Clayton Comets Face Nine-Game Grid Schedule

Clayton six-man gridders play a nine-game schedule this year. A couple of the games are tentative, one with Four Oaks de pending on whether or not a team is fielded there.

The other tentative contest is with Hallsboro.

Six of the nine games are home tilts for the Blue Comets, with two scheduled for Buie's Creek and one at Coats.

The card:

Sept. 2-TBI at Clayton.

9-Hallsboro at Clayton (tentative.

-Coats at Clayton

23-Angier at Buie's Creek

30-Lillington at Clayton.

Oct. 7-Four Oaks at Clayton (Tentative)

14-Coats, there

21-Angier at Clayton.

28-Lillington at Buie's Creek.

Regional playoffs for the stat



Comets Open With Dazzling 48 To 0 Victory Over TBI Six

## Blue Comets Roll Up 531 Yards n 68-20 Conquest Of Coats

# Blue Comets Win Again;

Clayton Coach

Clayton Six Easily Wins Sixth Straight, Over Fremont, 58-12

ned and the starting lineup be the same."

cks had previously announcat he would open with a sexomposed of Jimmy Lassiter, ngs Gower, Bucky Coats, Robdams, Douglas Dean and Jerpps if the Comets took the

# Clayton Beats Lillington;

Verry Capps Scores Five Times In Abbreviated 52 To 0 Rout

ement-Clayton's new bleachhave arrived and will probabe installed in time for the

the event of more rain betonight, the game will not be

## Comets Slaughter Angier Six In Blistering 83-34 Attack

## Clayton Will SIX-MAN s. School W. L. T. Aberdeen ..... 6 1 0 Clarkton . . . . 6 0 0 Clemmons . . . . 4 1 0 tin Yanceyville ..... 5 1 0 Jei erry Capps

Scores 7

Blue Comets

















### Forwards

GLADYS COATS

KATHERINE POOLE

VIRGINIA NELSON	11
Guards	
GLENDA DAVIS	17
ALICE FAYE WOOD	12
OSA FILIS	21

13

15

Co-Captains

KATHERINE POOLE and GLENDA DAVIS











### Forwards

BETTY BAIN	19
BETTY GODWIN	10
JANICE WALL	16

### Guards

HELEN ALLEN	20
FAYE SNEAD	18
SHELBY HILL	14

Coach

JOE HICKS













ROBERT HOLT 10 Guard

JENNINGS GOWER 15 Guard

DOUGLAS DEAN 16 Forward

BUCKY COATS 18 Forward

ROBERT ADAMS 19 Forward

Captain, BUCKY COATS











RONALD JONES
BUCKY BUTLER
JACK GULLEY

17

11

14

HAROLD JONES

NORWOOD SNEAD

13

12 Guard

Forward

Guard

Forward

Forward

Coach, JOE HICKS









"Discussing plays with Coach Joe Hicks"

## Managers

GEORGE KLOSTER



BENNIE DEAN

BUDDIE ROSS





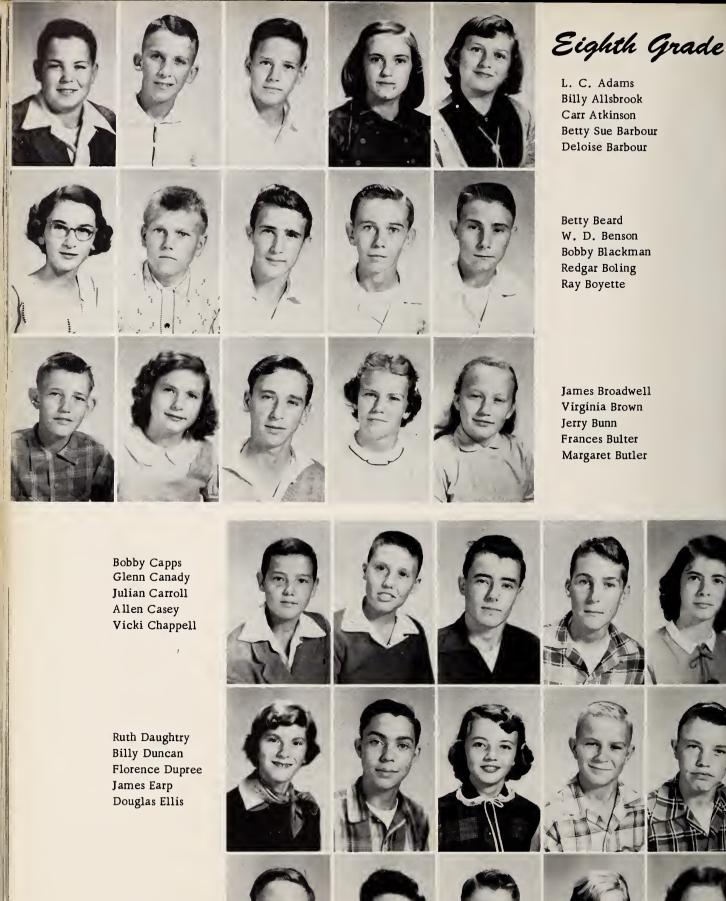
#### Baseball Team

First row, left to right: Robert Adams, Jimmy Lassiter, Paeton Stallings, Robert Holt, Neil Smith. Second row: Bobby Alsobrooks, Jack Gulley, Jennings Gower, Douglas Dean, Bucky Butler, James Parrish. Bucky Coats (absent when picture taken).

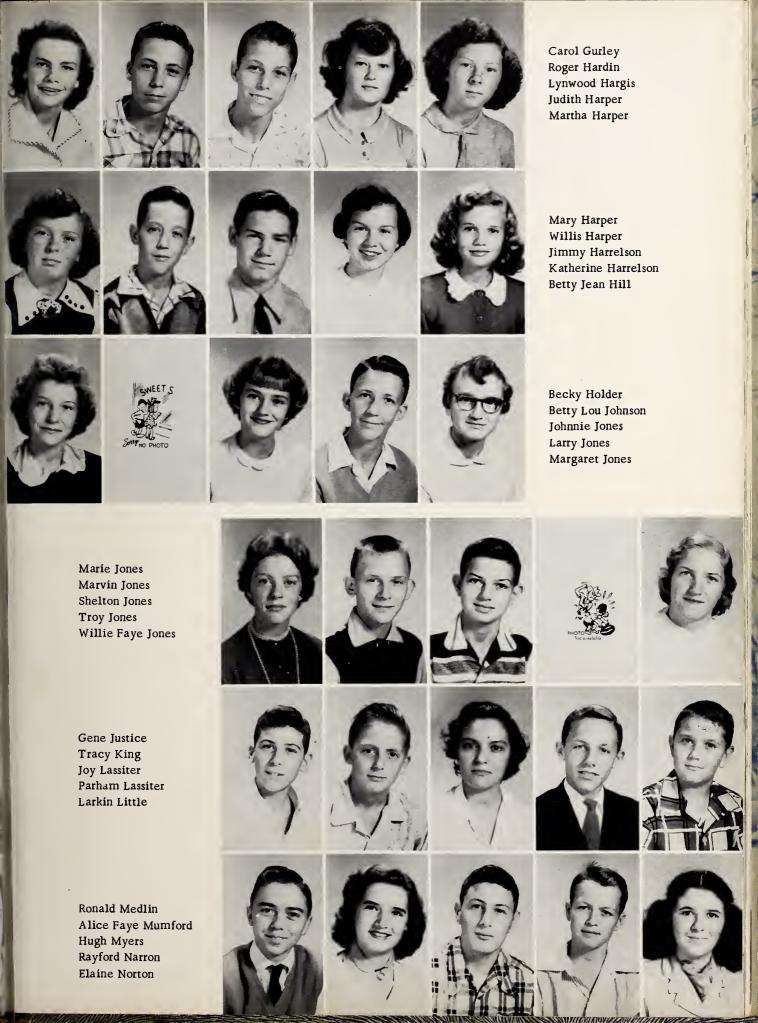




Elementary



Jerry Ellis Johnny Givens Billy Godwin Judy Godwin LaRue Godwin



Billy Parrish Celia Pollard J. W. Price Luther Price

Helen Sasser James Sealey Pat Sealey Jennie V. Self

Sylvia Snead Brooks Spence Harry Spence James Spence

















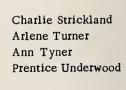










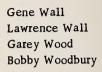




















Jackie Worlds Robert Youngblood Ruth Youngblood

Nancy Jo Avery John T. Bagley Ronald Barbour Judith Bass Jerry Benson

Bernice Blackman Delma Blinson Sandra Bridges Eddie O. Bunn Milton Ray Carroll

Arthur P. Cavenaugh Jr. Gary Cobb Geraldine Davis Margie Lee Dunn Sue Earp



#### Seventh Grade



Mary Joyce Ellis Connie Faulk Betty G. Garvey Peggy Hogg Kennon E. Jackson

Arthur Johnson Tommy Johnson Linda Jones Hazel Frances King George T. Kloster

Ernestine Lamm
Rebecca Y. Langdon
Jack M. Lee
Judy Lee
Jackie S. Mathews

Judy Morgan
Jean Mumford
Sue Norris
Larry E. Oldham
Nancy Carol Parrish

Annette Pender Glenda J. Peedin Frances Philyaw David Poole Percy Poole

Stanley Pollard Luther Price Ann E. Pulley Dannie Powell Thurman Ross

Jackie Smith Jerry Snead Ray Stephenson Bonny Lee Suggs Frank Tew



#### Seventh Grade



Eugene Turner
Sandra Turner
Mary Etla Underhill
Frances Underwood
Jessie Wall

Margaret E. Wall Yates Wall Bobby Wallace Billy Waters Mary Ann Waters

Loretta Webb
Betty Lou Whitman
Winston O. Wilkins
Connie Williams
Bruce B. Wood



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MRS. FULCHER - Homeroom Teacher





Fifth Grade MISS JOHNSON - Homeroom Teacher

### Sixth Grade MRS. MARTIN - Homeroom Teacher





MRS. POOLE - Homeroom Teacher

#### Fifth Grade

MRS. MITCHELL - Homeroom Teacher





MISS BARNES - Homeroom Teacher

#### Fourth Grade

MRS. POOLE - Homeroom Teacher



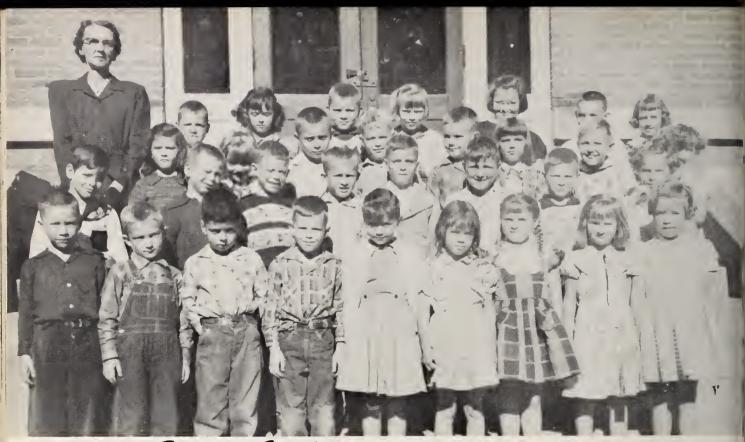


MISS SATTERFIELD - Homeroom Teacher

#### Third Grade

MISS JONES - Homeroom Teacher





Second Grade MISS RENA JOHNSON - Homeroom Teacher

#### Third Grade MISS HAUSER - Homeroom Teacher





MRS. LANGDON - Homeroom Teacher

#### Second Grade

MRS. SMITH - Homeroom Teacher





MRS. POOLE - Homeroom Teacher

### First Grade

MRS. CREECH - Homeroom Teacher





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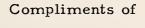
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#### Class History

In the year 1944, a group of shy, snaggle-toothed youngsters entered the first grade. Mrs. Janie Gulley and Miss Brady made us forget our fright and feel at ease. In this first grade we started our "reading," "riting" and "rithmetic." These first studies were continued in the second grade under Miss Britt and Miss Batts.

The next four years were much easier because we were more accustomed to the way of school life. With such fine teachers as Welch, Satterfield, Godwin, Poole, Woodall, Uzzle, Deaton and Martin helping us, the years in grammar school passed rapidly.

The seventh grade was not too bad since we were gently boosted by Miss Gray and Miss Tew. Miss Gray gave us a foundation for English which has helped us throughout high school.

The transition from the seventh to the eighth grade was a glorious one. This glory was shattered when the assignment of making a North Carolina notebook was thrown in our face. Some way with the aid of Miss Taylor and Miss Messer we completed this task and passed on to the ninth grade.

As green freshmen, we were very confused on the first day, since high school is quite different from the grammar grades. With the guidance of Mr. Benton, our homeroom teacher, we finally learned the way of high school life. The members of our class started making their way into the high school activities, especially the boys, for when we were still freshmen our football team won the State Championship and, I am sure, they could not have done it without the aid of the green freshmen.

When we finally became sophomores, we felt we were getting on in life. We soon felt differently when we were told the subjects we would have to take. Although our boys didn't win the State Football Championship, our girls brought honor by winning the County Basketball Championship. Our sophomore year was a difficult one, but with the aid of Miss McMillan we came through with flying colors.

Our junior year passed rather quickly. Miss Mac went up with us to help raise all that money seniors need. The football team, again that year, lost out in the semi-finals of the tournament. That year most of the first team players came from our class. The girls won the County Basketball Championship again that year. After struggling through the junior play, "Seventeen Is Terrific," we were all set to start planning for the Junior - Senior Banquet. After deciding to have as our theme "The End of The Rainbow," we began the hard, but joyous task of preparing for the banquet. Finally a tired, but happy group of juniors enjoyed a banquet and prom with a group of smiling seniors.

Now we come to the peak of our high school days, our senior year. The task of earning money with which to go to Washington proved to be a tough job. Although our boys didn't win a football trophy, they had a successful season and we were quite proud of them. Jennings Gower, an outstanding athlete in our class, brought quite an honor to the school when he was elected to be on the six-man All-State Team. Our senior play, a mystery comedy, "Finders Creepers," was a great success. Many hours of delight have filled us in these past twelve years - But, now we come to the end of the first big chapter in our life. We must put aside these happy memories and souvenirs and face this new adventure that lies ahead with grim determination and courage to succeed whatever be the test, and we shall always remember that "it will be with the ropes of the past, that we will ring the bells of the future."

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#### Last Will

We, the Senior Class of 1956 of Clayton High School, the city of Clayton, the county of Johnston, the state of North Carolina, being of sound and unsettled mind, do hereby declare, scribble, deed, and publish this document to be our last will and testament.

#### ARTICLE I

We, the Seniors, leave to Miss McMillan, our beloved homeroom teacher for three years, our everlasting appreciation for making our high school days happier.

We, the Seniors, leave to Mr. Waters and the faculty our sincere appreciation for all their understanding and sympathetic help during our four years in high school.

#### ARTICLE II

We, the Seniors, leave to the Juniors our many money making projects which we know will be needed as Seniors.

We, the Seniors, leave to the Sophomores our love for Clayton High School and the many happy hours we spent here.

We, the Seniors, leave to the Freshmen all of our notes, paper, and used books.

#### ARTICLE III

Individual Bequeaths.

- I, Annie Hogg, leave my short hair style to Anne Mitchell.
- I, Robert Holt, bequeath to Bobby Jones my singing ability.
- I, Barbara Johnson, leave to Janey Lee my special seat in study hall. Remember, Janey, this is supposed to keep you from talking.
- I, Duba Morgan, bequeath my typing ability to Jimmy Lassiter.
- I, J. W. Faison, bequeath my studious ways to Butch Ragland.
- I, Betty Jean Pounds, leave my supply of chewing gum to Claudette Harrison.
- I, Janice Wall, leave my ability to laugh anytime, anywhere and at anything to Anna Laura Stephenson.
- I, Robert Hamilton, leave 100 pounds to Johnny Ellis so that he can play football next year.
- I, Billy Mahaffey, leave my typewriter to Robert Adams. Go easy, Robert, It's had a lot of rough treatment.
- I, Anna Ross Jones, bequeath my neat ways to Rosa Ellis.
- I, Imogene Coats, bequeath my sweet disposition to Elizabeth Cooper.
- I, Douglas Dean, leave my like for the Junior Class to the Sophomores.
- I, Rex Godwin, leave my courting corners to Thomas Wood.
- I, Nelson Jones, bequeath my "gossipy" ways to Jimmy Turner.
- I, Thomas Woodell, leave my curly hair to Sherwood Davis.
- I, Shelby Hill, leave my position as editor of the annual to Johnny Benson.
- I, Glenda Davis, bequeath my place in the Beta Club to Bessie Williams.

- I, Bobby Adams, bequeath my witty ways to Gene Clemmons.
- I, Billy Daughtry, leave my bus route to Jimmy Stevens.
- I, Sybil Atkinson, bequeath my ability to eat without getting fat to Linda Pittman.
- I, Aubrey Ellis, bequeath my place in the Glee Club to Lewis Gower.
- I, Rosie Dupree, bequeath my ability to keep one boy's interest to Pat Faison.
- I, Karen Cobb, leave to my sister Gwenda memories of four happy years in high school.
- I, Jennings Gower, bequeath my ability to play all three sports to Marshall Duncan.
- I, Bucky Coats, leave my ability to get along with everyone to Paeton Stallings.
- I, Ila Dean, bequeath my quiet ways to Mary Ellen Lee.
- I, Emma Lee Brady, bequeath my dependable ways to Patricia Dean.
- I, Sherwood Hill, leave my "possum" ways to Roger Ellis.
- I, Jerry Capps, bequeath my ways of always winning an argument to Butch Beard.
- I, Mary Bledsoe, bequeath my like for "pepsi colas" to Betty Bain.
- I, Jack Gulley, bequeath my mischievous ways to Ronald Jones.
- I, yours truly, leave my position as forward on the basketball team to Frances Ross.

Katherine Poole, Class Testator

#### Class Poem

For twelve long years this class has endured— The struggles and hardships, the good will and cheer Of a school so great, with it's memories so fine, Will ne'er be forgotten through ages of time.

Soon we'll be departing, to return no more; To study those lessons we first came here for. But we'll always remember all the glorious days, We recall together each in his own way.

To separate, to follow the different paths that we choose, Requires advice that each classmate can use. And for help and ideas we know where to turn, To the dear old faculty, willing and stern.

So as each of us travel down the hard road of life--We can remember all these things whether of joy or of strife. But as we are leaving, we would each like to say--Farewell, and thanks for brightening our day.

> Janice Wall Class Poet

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#### Class Prophecy

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Dear Miss McMillan.

I'm glad that you have written and asked me about the reunion of the Class of 1956. As there has been no possible chance of a reunion before, we are planning to meet on May 28th of this year.

You ask about the members of our class. I sincerely hope this bit of information I have will help you, since you left Clayton immediately after our graduation.

Rex Godwin and Bobby Adams are co-owners of Steer-In-Grill.

Janice Wall has really gone places! She is employed as script girl for the Dean Martin and Jerry Lewis shows.

I was really supprised to find Mary Bledsoe teaching English at Smithfield. It took her 3 years to pass English II, remember?

Thomas Woodell has his own beauty salon. His capable assistant is Nelson Jones.

I guess "Tafon" really works. Robert "Hambone" Hamilton is now feather-weight boxing champion of the world. But, of course, you have seen that in the papers.

You know too, that Sybil A. Eakes has just been selected "Mrs. North Carolina" and will soon compete for "Mrs. America."

Jerry Capps, whom we thought had such a promising football career, is a jet pilot in the Navy.

The former Annie Hogg has just been granted her third divorce. Rumors are that she will next marry Clark Chandler.

Robert "Teeny" Holt is acting as a replacement for Nat King Cole since the "King" recently lost his voice. Teeny's first record is now on sale.

After winning \$64,000 on the program, \$64,000 Question, Katherine Poole became interested in TV. She will next star on the "Howdy Doody" show.

Imogene and Bobby Davis have opened their own "Stuckey's Station" in Key West, Florida.

A new speed law has been passed in North Carolina since Aubrey Ellis and Billy Daughtry were elected to the State Highway Patrol. The speed limit now is 70 miles per hour.

Anyone buying Mademoiselle magazine will delight to discover toprated model, Anna Ross Jones, wearing a new creation by designer, Karen Cobb.

Remember how informative Billy Mahaffey always was? He is on the way of being one of the world's top scientists. Watch for big things!

Shelby Hill deserves congratulations. She has just received her fourth stripe in the WAC's. The Armed Forces are lucky!

Celebrating their tenth wedding anniversary recently, Rosie, Grallon, and children were guests of Barbara (Johnson) and her husband, a former pen pal.

Sherwood Hill has his own "Casino" in Las Vegas. No more matching for "Possum!"

You can be sure the Brooklyn Dodgers will win their fifth consecutive World Series since Jennings Gower is beginning his fifth year as the Dodgers' pitcher.

Clayton School will really progress now with J. W. Faison as principal, and Ila Dean as his secretary.

Emma Lee Brady has become Clayton's first woman policeman. Her main assignment is to keep order at the Pool Room and Steer-In-Grill.

Democratic candidate for President of the U.S., Jack Gulley is still enjoying his position as chairman of the Johnston County Board of Education because he can use his powerful influence to have his former teachers at Clayton fired.

Sailing smoothly on the sea of matrimony are: Duba and Bucky Coats, Betty and Douglas Dean, and Betty Jean and Leon Daughtry.

It seems everyone has done very well indeed, doesn't it?

I am looking forward to having everyone at my home for the class reunion. It would be wonderful to have you with us.

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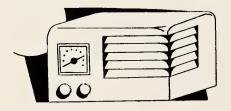
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