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To Our Principal
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No words of tribute can adequately express our esteem for a chief such as ours. Truly he is a good man! He has directed our footsteps in right pathways through example. His kindness, his belief in us, and his ceaseless efforts to make our school a tower of strength and learning will long be remembered and appreciated.



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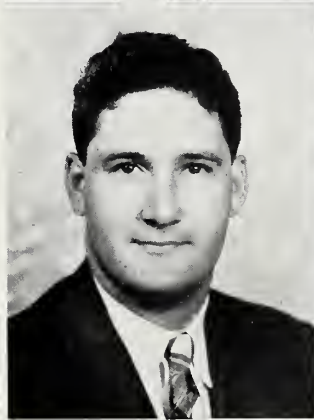
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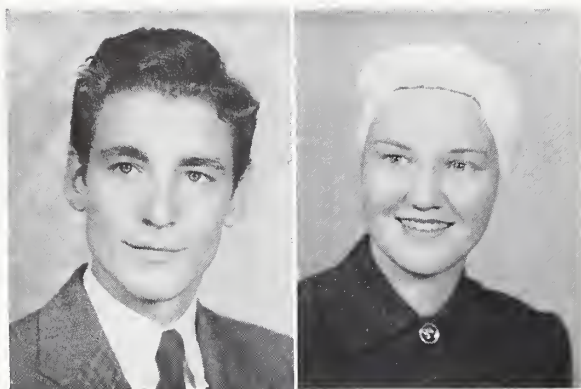
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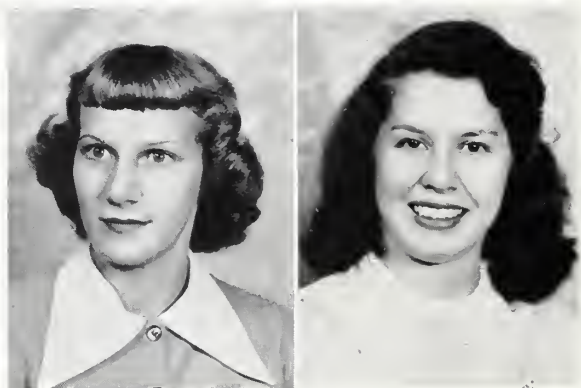




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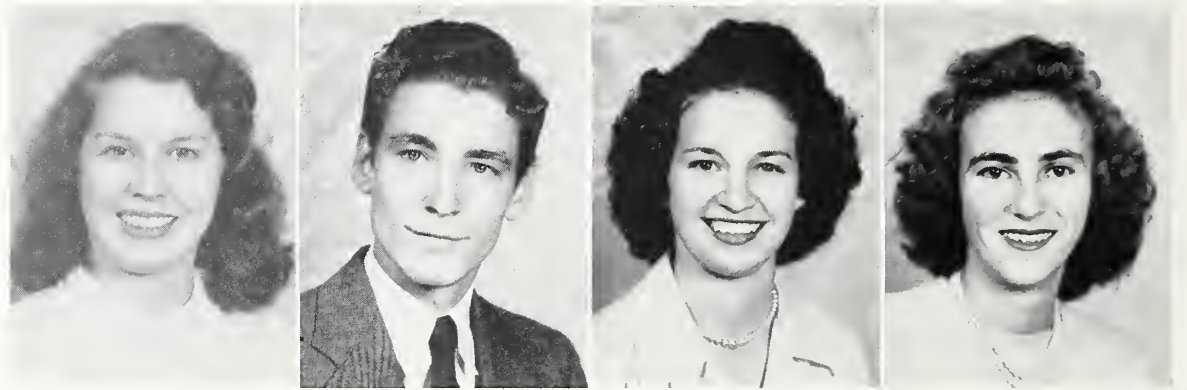
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daughter of
Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Ferrell

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son of
Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus G. Grubbs



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"ED"

I have laid aside business and gone a'fishin'.

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"MONKEY"

Fair words never hurt the tongue.

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"SUG"

My memory is so bad that many times I forget my own name.

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"HECTOR"

Few are happier than I.

Basketball 4; Beta Club 4; MEMORIES Staff.

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"BUDDY"

As upright as the cedar.

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PEGGY LOU COLE
"PEG"

No square peg this one.

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"PAT"

The flame is small but the glow is warm.

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LEO DOYLE CORNELISON
"ELI"

We easily believe that which we wish.

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

DAVID ARLEN BUFF
"ZOOZ"

Faint heart ne'er won fair lady.

F.F.A. 1; Glee Club 3, 4.

TOMSIE SMITH EFIRD
"TOMMY"

Act well your part; there all the glory lies.

F.H.A. 3, 4; Glee Club 3, 4; Softball 3; Class Reporter 4; Bus Driver 3, 4.

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"DOLLY"

All the world's a bubble.

Glee Club 3, 4; Dramatics Club 4; Office Page 3, 4.

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"SAINT"

As he thinketh in his heart, so is he.

Cheerleader 1; Monogram Club 2, 3; Class President 3.

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"HANK"

Peace is happiness digested.

Glee Club 3, 4.

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"DADDY"

Things are not always what they seem.

Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4; Monogram Club 1, 2, 3; Basketball 2, 3, 4.

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"BABY"

Wisdom is better than rubies.

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"ENGLISH"

His bark is worse than his bite.

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"NUT"

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

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GLENN WALLACE FERRELL
"BUDDY"

As good natured a soul as e'er trod on shoe of leather.

F.F.A. 1; Softball 3.

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"MAC"

She is rich in good works.

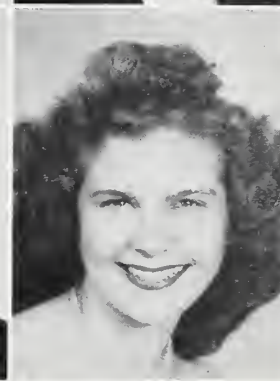
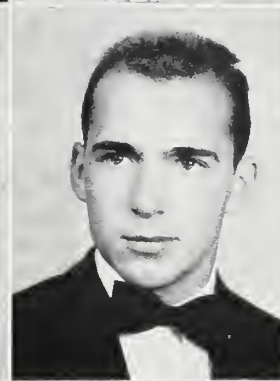
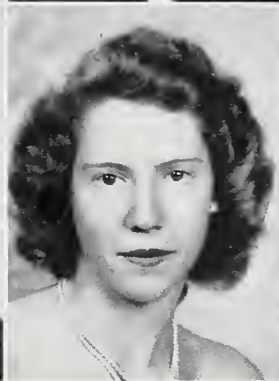
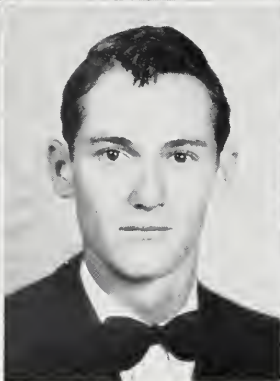
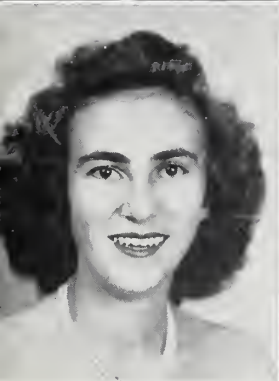
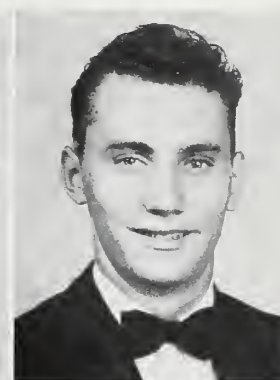
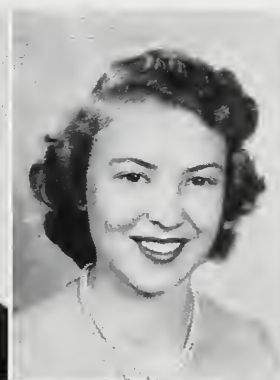
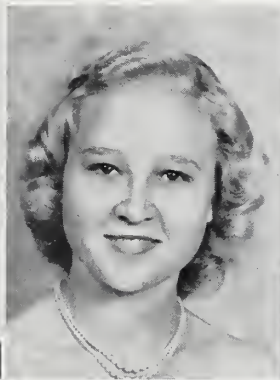
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MALVIN COMMACK GARRISON
"GOAT"

Men of few words are the best men.

F.F.A. 1, 2; Bus Driver 4.

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FRED LARDNER GIBBON, JR.
"GIB"

Everyone complains of his memory, and no one complains of his judgment.

F.F.A. 2, 3, Secretary 1, Vice-President 4; Bus Driver 2, 3, 4; Crop Judging Team 1, 2, 3, 4; Dairy Cattle Judging Team 2, 3, 4.

NANCY CAROLYN LITTLE
"CAROL"

Great persons are able to do great kindnesses.

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ALICE ELAINE JOHNSON
"BLONDIE"

The very flower of youth.
Glee Club 3, 4.

CALVIN EUGENE MASON
"PETE"

Closed mouth catches no flies.
F.F.A. 1, 2, 3, 4.

LLOYD FRANKLIN HAGLER
"BUCK"

You patched up your excuses.

Glee Club 4; MEMORIES Staff; Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4; Dramatics Club.

BETTY JO MASON
"JO"

Virtue is like a rich stone—best plain set.
Glee Club 3; Office Page 4.

PEGGY MARIE KEITH
"PEG"

There's language in her eye, her cheek, her lip.

F.H.A. 4, Treasurer 3; Glee Club 3, 4; Library 1; *Derita Hi-Lights* Staff; MEMORIES Staff; Softball 1, 3; Cheerleader 3, 4.

RONALD MILO MCGRAW
"MAC"

He has the strength of twenty men.

F.F.A. 1, 2, 3; Baseball 2, 3, 4; Bus Driver 4; Monogram Club 2, 3.

HOYLE NELSON HOLLAND
"PERCIVAL"

Make hay while the sun shines.

F.F.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 3, 4; Bus Driver 3, 4; Crop Judging Team 1, 2, 3, 4.

MYRTLE VICTORIA MCGINNIS
"MYRT"

Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Dramatics Club; MEMORIES Staff; *Derita Hi-Lights* Staff.

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HATTIE LEE OVERCASH
"LEE"

A good name is better than riches.

Glee Club 3, 4; Beta Club 4; Librarian 4; Office Page 1, 2, 4; Basketball 3, 4; MEMORIES Staff; Derita Hi-Lights Staff.

PHILIP LANE SNIDER
"PHIL"

He was wont to speak plain and to the purpose.
Bus Driver 4.

FREDDIE JAY MORROW, JR.
"FRUITY"

Plain as the nose on a man's face.

OLA JANE THOMPSON
"SHORTY"

Good words are worth much and cost little.
Glee Club 3, 4.

BETTY ANN SMITH
"BETSY"

A merry heart doeth good like a medicine.

Beta Club 4; Glee Club 3, 4; Class Secretary 4; Derita Hi-Lights Staff, Editor.

WILLIAM GAINAY TURTON
"BILL"

No good man ever got rich at once.

ELBERT LEROY PADGETT
"PECO"

Speech is a mirror of the soul: As a man speaks, so is he.
MEMORIES Staff; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Monogram Club 3.

BETTY ANN WARWICK
"BET"

True as the dial to the sun.

Glee Club 3, 4; Librarian 4; Office Page 4; Beta Club 4; MEMORIES Staff, Assistant Editor; Derita Hi-Lights Staff; Basketball 3, 4.

BETTY JEAN STEWART
"STEWART"

Fleet the time carelessly, as they did in the golden world.
Glee Club 3, 4; Derita Hi-Lights Staff; Softball 2.

JOSEPH CECIL TUTTLE
"JOE"

Mingle your joy sometime with your earnest occupation.
MEMORIES Staff; Derita Hi-Lights Staff.

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CORNELIA ANN WOOTEN
"SQUIRT"

The daintiest last to make the end most sweet.
F.H.A. 3, President 4; Librarian 2; Glee Club 4; Basketball
4; Derita Hi-Lights Staff.

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Most Bashful

EUGENE MASON—BETTY MASON



Most Dignified

ANN WOOTEN—PHILIP SNIDER



Best Dressed

LLOYD HAGLER—PEGGY COLE

Senior

Biggest Flirts

WALLACE FERRELL—PEGGY KEITH

Most Talented

HOYLE HOLLAND—MYRTLE MCGINNIS

Most Athletic

BILL PADGETT—BARBARA JO HUNTER





Best All-round

RONALD MCGRAW—ALTA IVESTER



Laziest

PEGGY KEITH—JOHN DICKSON



Most Popular

ED BLACK—DELORES HAILEY

Superlatives

Prettiest and Most Handsome

BETTY JEAN STEWART—WALLACE FERRELL

Most Co-operative

BOYD BROOME—BETTY SMITH

Most Original

BARBARA JO HUNTER—CHARLES ENGLISH





Cutest

BEN BYE—CAROLYN LITTLE



Best Personality

HELEN BROWN—ED BLACK



Most Courteous

PHILIP SNIDER—ALTA IVESTER

Senior Superlatives

Wittiest

FRED GIBBON—MYRTLE MCGINNIS

Most Likely to Succeed

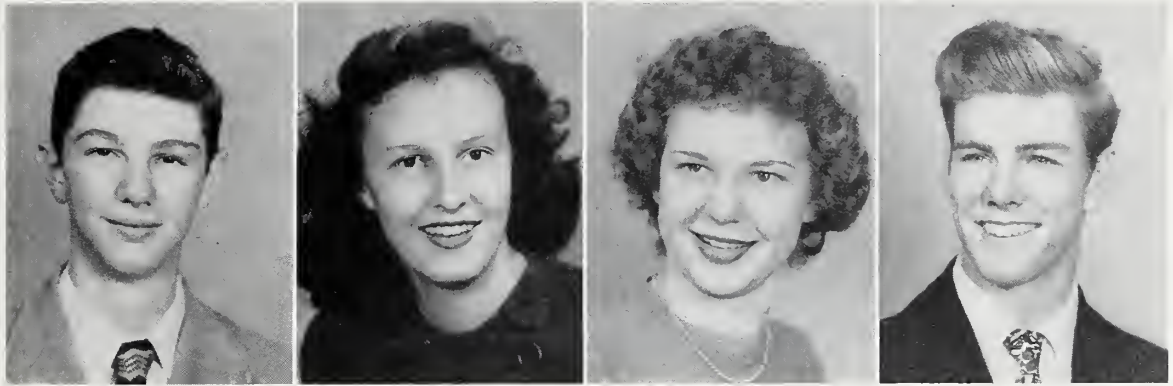
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BILL PADGETT—BETTY WARWICK



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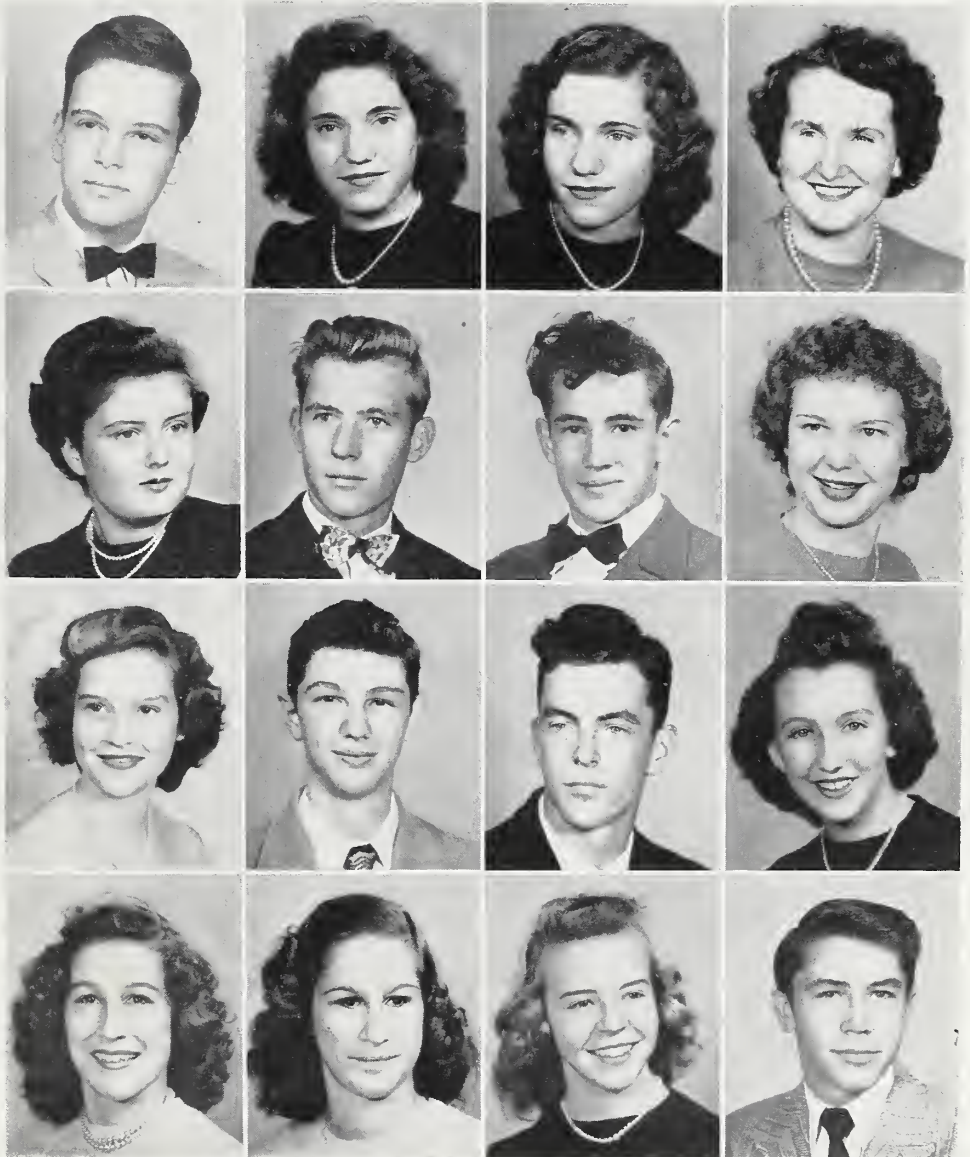
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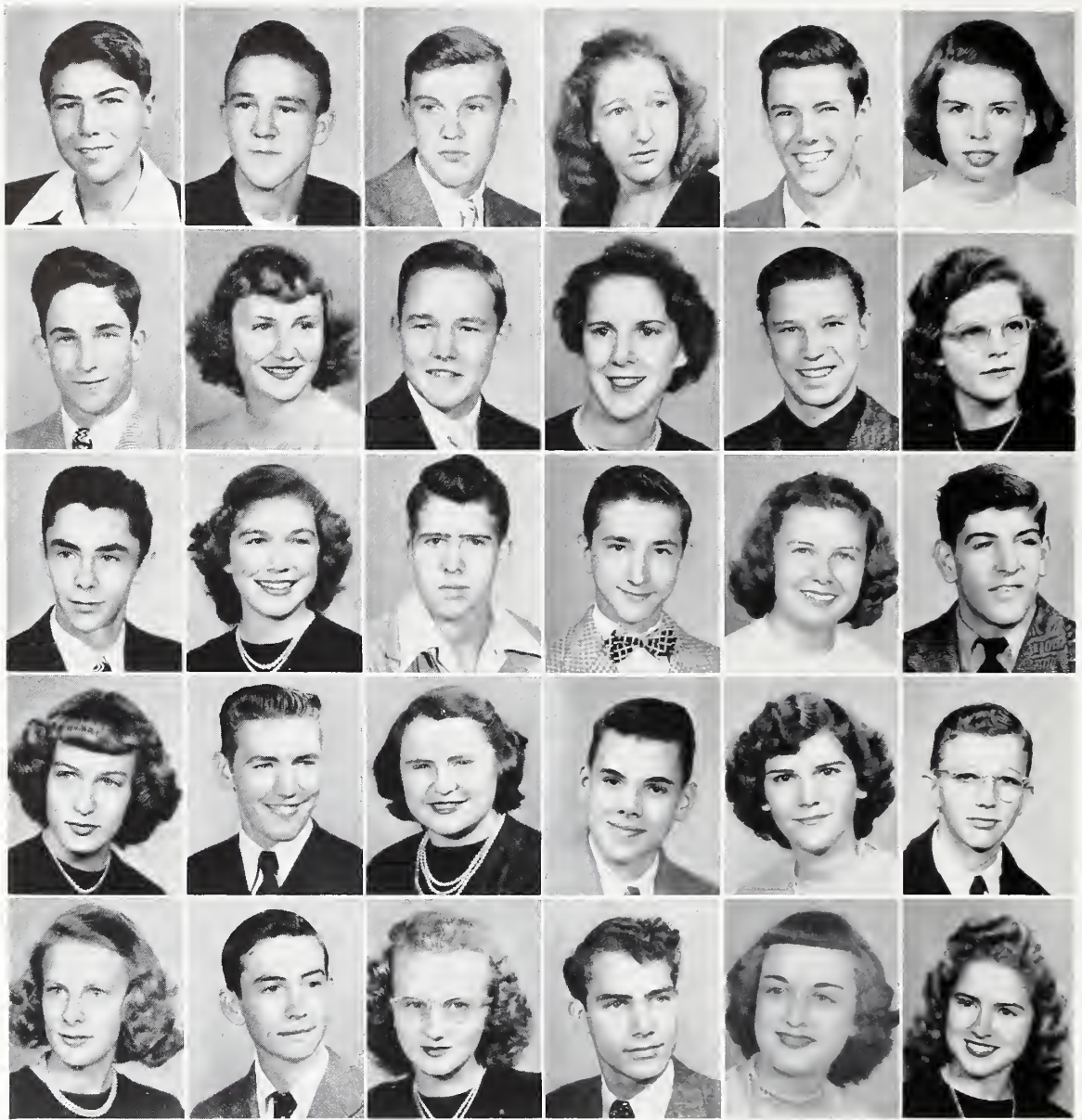
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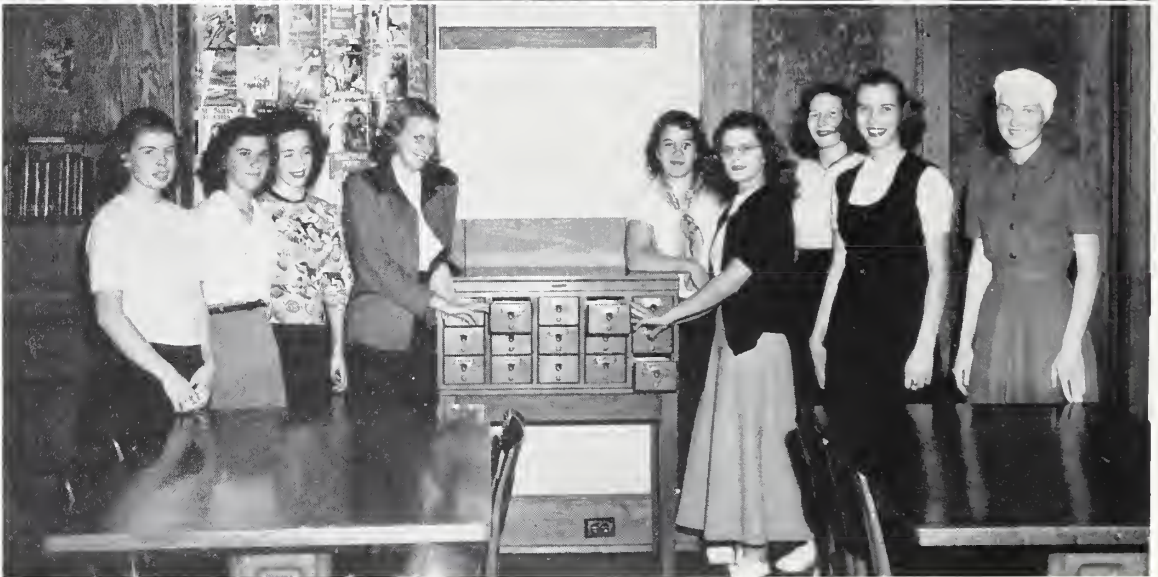
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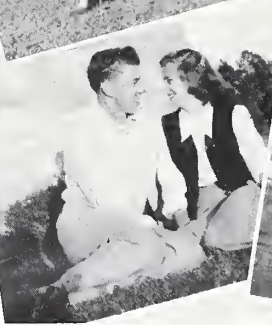
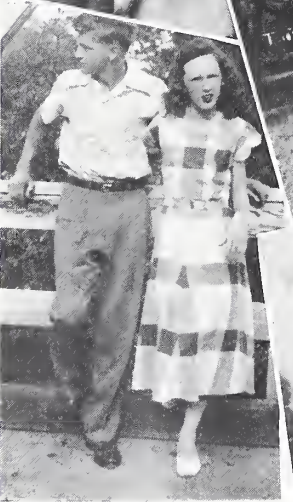
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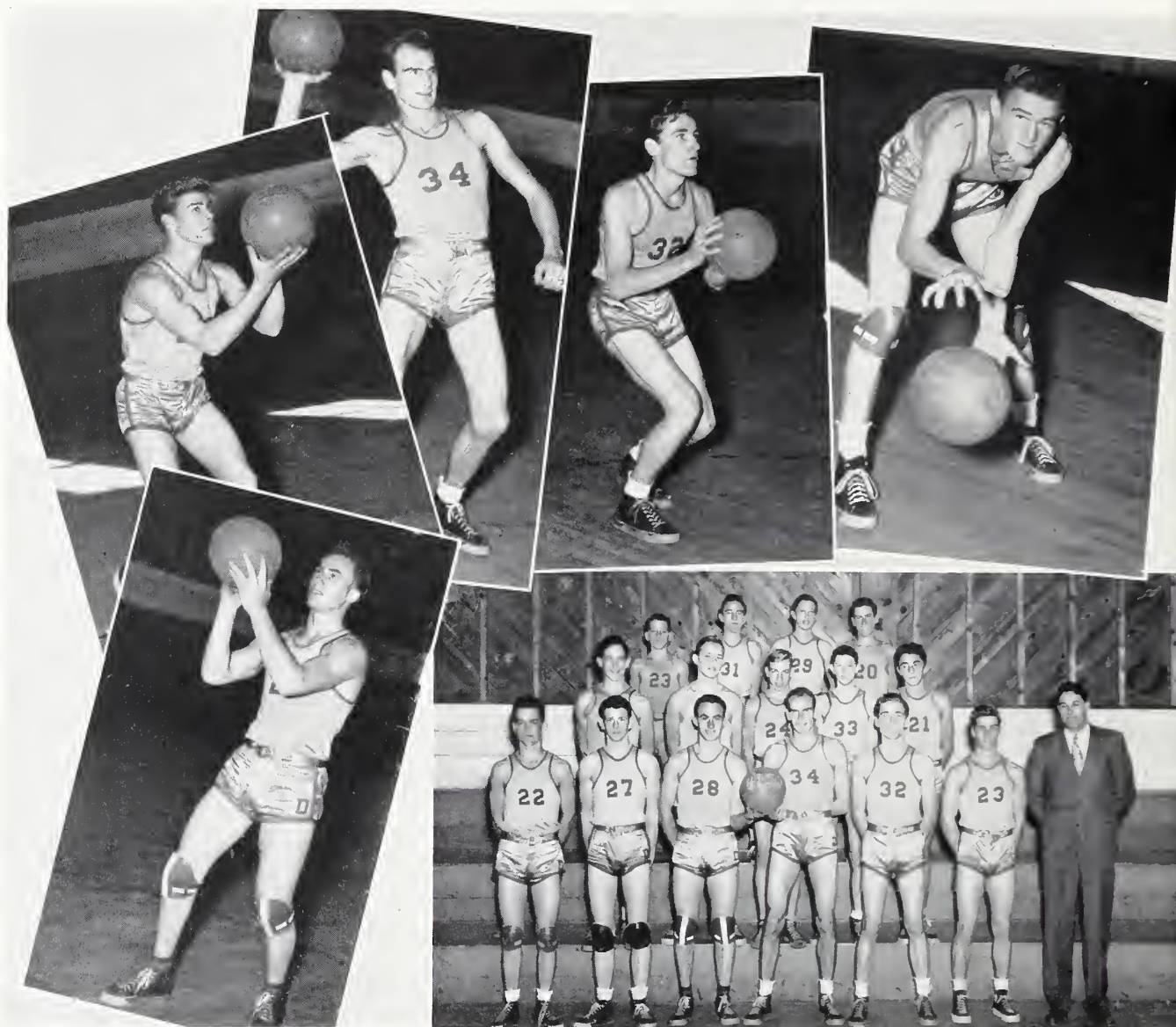


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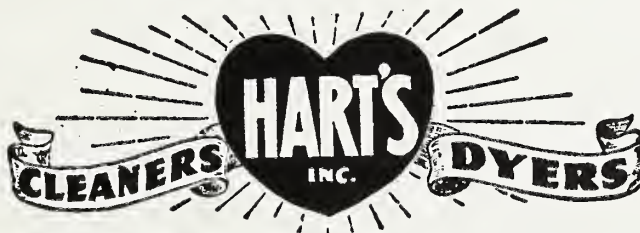


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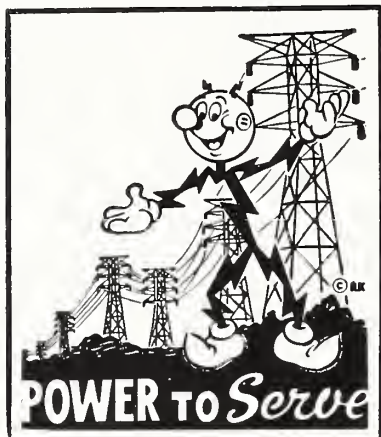
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