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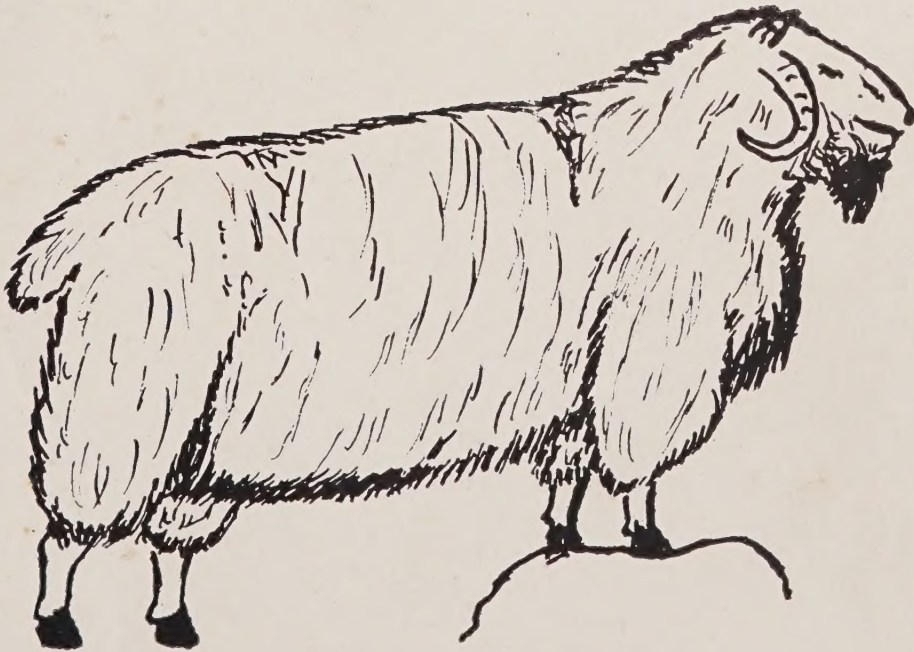
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THE SENIOR CLASS
of The
MARY POTTER ACADEMY
Oxford, North Carolina
Presents
THE RAM
Volume VII
1953



Dedication

In appreciation of the faithful endeavor of our mothers and fathers to secure an excellent high school education for their children, the Senior Class has dedicated its 1953 annual to the parents of Mary Potter High School students. We hope that in looking over this year book, they will perhaps recapture some of the glamour of their own school days. For this reason and because we know that our family life and our school life are closely linked, we affectionately dedicate our 1953 annual to our parents.

The Faculty



Reading from left to right: First Row

Mr. G. R. King, A. B., Lincoln U., Pa.—Science.
 Mr. W. T. Moten, B. S., N. C. College—General Science, Physical Ed.
 Mr. R. L. Bass, B. S., A. & T. College—Mathematics.
 Miss M. R. Debnam, B. S., A. & T. College—Dietician.
 Dr. H. S. Davis, A. B., S. T. B., D. D., Johnson C. Smith U., Northwestern U.—Principal and Latin.

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Mr. H. K. Gilreath, B. S., Fayetteville State—Eighth Grade and Mathematics.
 Mrs. A. M. Gillespie, A. B., Shaw U., M. A., Columbia U.—English.
 Miss M. C. Morris, B. S. C., N. C. College—Commercial Education.
 Mrs. M. H. Shepard, A. B., Shaw U.—Eighth Grade.

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 Mrs. M. H. Scott, A. B., Bennett College—Social Science.
 Mrs. E. J. McGhee, A. B., Shaw U.—French and English.
 Mrs. R. E. Howell, A. B., Johnson C. Smith U., M. A., Michigan U.—French and English.

Fourth Row

Mr. R. A. Lewis, B. S., A. & T. College—Vocational Agriculture.
 Mrs. M. J. Holt, A. B., Fayetteville State—House Directress
 Mrs. S. S. Mebane, Fayetteville State Normal—House Directress.
 Mr. R. J. McNeil, B. S., A. & T. College—Industrial Arts.
 *Miss P. M. Anderson, B. S., St. Paul's Poly. Inst.—Secretary and Registrar.
 *Miss J. D. Scott, B. S., Virginia State College—Bookkeeper.
 *Mr. C. C. Powell, A. B., Johnson C. Smith U.—Eighth Grade and Music.
 *Mrs. M. J. Holley, B. S., Virginia State College—Home Economics.
 *Mrs. V. T. Moore, B. S., M. S., N. C. College—Biology and Physical Ed.
 *Mrs. A. J. Anderson, A. B., St. Augustine College, B. L. S., N. C. College—Librarian.

*Not present when picture was made.

Our Principal



“Principal’s Message to Graduating Class and Alumni Association”

We congratulate the class of 1953 and the Sponsors for this splendid edition of the Annual. The photographs included indicate to some extent the extra-curricular activities which engage the minds and bodies of our students. These activities are carefully guided and we believe add greatly to the personalities of our students and adequately prepare them for post-graduate wholesome experiences.

TO THE GRADUATES

We are deeply gratified that you have completed the requirements for graduation. We trust your graduation will not quench your thirst for knowledge, but will become a greater incentive for the acquisition of truths, skills and knowledges that will enable you to live acceptably and productively in your chosen community. The staff will follow you with the keenest interest. Your successes will be our successes.

FROM PRIVATE TO PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Earlier this year announcements were made by the local Board and the Board of National Missions that the properties that for sixty-four years have belonged to the Board of National Missions would be bought by the County Commissioners of Granville County. This will change the status from a private to a public school.

We believe it is highly possible to continue the great traditions of the school in developing students of character, industry, and scholarship. In these areas we believe the school has excelled to a large extent.

APPEAL TO ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Through the many years of the history of the school we have had a loyal and cooperative Alumni Association. The achievements of the school and the services it has been able to render, have been through the deep seated loyalty and inspiration of the Alumni Association. Their awards for scholarship have enabled our students to look beyond high school days to fruitful vocations and professional study and to active, sustained and purposeful relationships to their several communities.

In the days that lie immediately ahead in this period of transition we shall rely on the wisdom and loyalty of the Alumni Association. We want to make those adjustments in our plans and curricula that will adequately meet the needs of growing children, as well as the needs of adult life by way of an expanded program in this area.

Senior Advisers

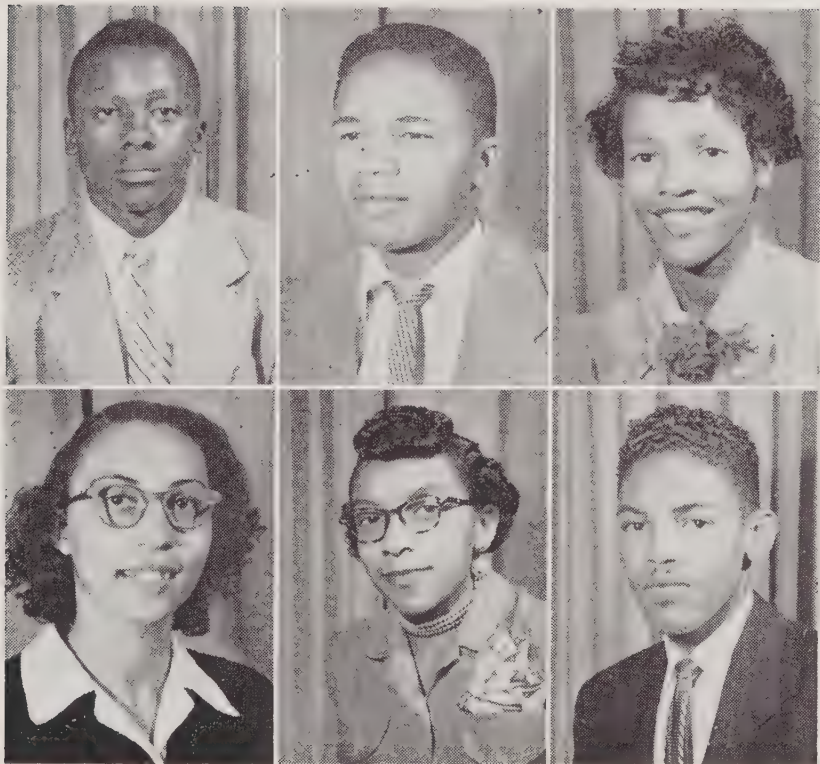


MRS. R. E. HOWELL

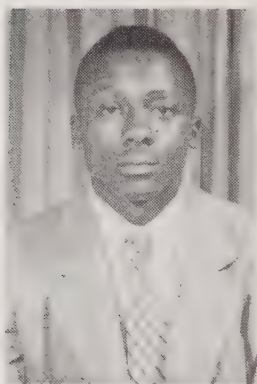


MR. G. R. KING

Senior Class Officers



- President
- Vice-President
- Secretary
- Assistant Secretary
- Treasurer
- Reporter
- Claude Allen
- Cecil V. Clarke
- Bettye Davis
- Dorothy Goode
- Ila Harris
- James Ratliff



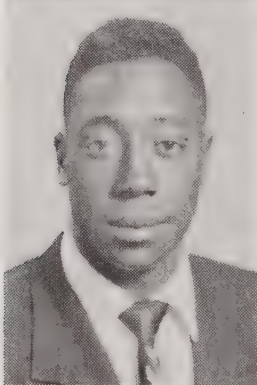
CLAUDE ALLEN "Pig" Oxford, N. C.

"The past is gone; forget it Tomorrow is not promised; don't think about it. Today is here; use it."

Hi-Y, Football, N. F. A., Industrial Arts Club, Intra-mural Basketball, "M" Club.

Athletic Coach

"Football"



CORNELIUS ALLEN "Neil" Oxford, N. C.

"Always be prepared"

Crown and Scepter, Industrial Arts Club, Intra-mural Basketball.

Radio-Television Technician

"Sports"



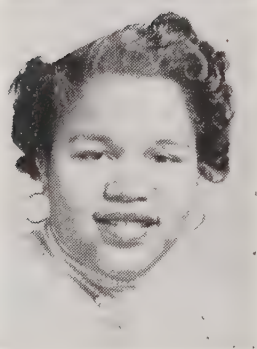
VINELLE GLORIA ALLEN "Bunny" Oxford, N. C.

"Life's battles don't always go to the stronger or faster man; but soon or late the man who wins is the man who thinks he can."

Y-Teens, Glee Club, Photography Club, Basketball, Industrial Arts Club.

Commercial Education Instructor

"Basketball"



RUTHE ALSTON "Bae" Oxford, N. C.

"Be good today so you can say what a wonderful yesterday."

N. H. A., N. F. A.

Stenographer

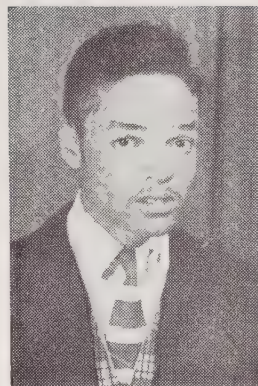
"Dancing"

LEE PAGE AMOS "Red" Oxford, N. C.

"It is a pity how much we have to learn, before we realize how much we know."

Hi-Y, Industrial Arts Club, Intra-mural Basketball,
N. F. A.

Doctor "Sports"



YVONNE BARBOUR "Yon" Harrisburg, Pa.

"My aim is success; my hope is to win."

Carver Chem Cam, History Club, Y-Teens, Glee
Club.

Laboratory Technician "Clowning"



THELMA LOUISE BASS "Lulu" Oxford, N. C.

"Quiter never wins, and a winner never quits."

N. H. A.

Nurse "Reading"

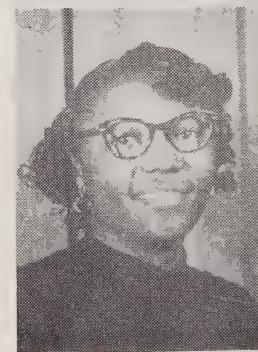


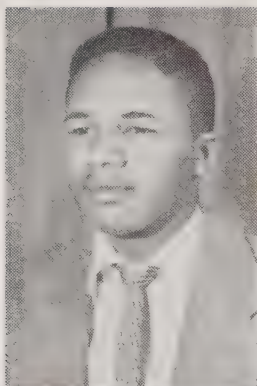
LAURA REBECCA CHEATHAM "Tate" Oxford, N. C.

"Do not put off until tomorrow what you can do today."

Y-Teens, N. H. A., Glee Club, N. F. A.

Nurse "Singing"



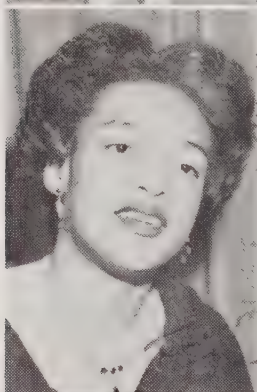


CECIL V. CLARKE "Ces" Bermuda

"A vain man says, I could have done. But a wise man says, I have done."

Hi-Y, Commercial Co-ed, Library, Dramatics.

Lawyer "Reading—Argueing"



GLORIA GLOSCOE COOPER "Texas" Raleigh, N. C.

"Don't trouble trouble until trouble troubles you."

Y-Teens, Carver Chem Cam, Photography Club, Glee Club.

Elementary Teacher "Drawing"

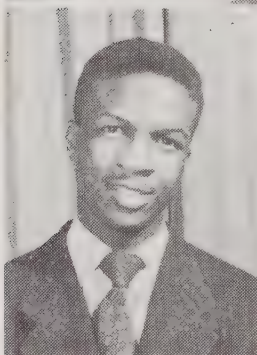


PATRICIA RENAY COOPER "Good Time Mollie" Newark, N. J.

"All that I am and all that I hope to be, I owe to my dear mother."

Commercial Co-ed, Photography Club, Cheering Squad, Basketball, Glee Club, Carver Chem Cam, Y-Teens, Library, Gazette Staff, History Club.

Commercial Education Teacher "Eating and Talking"



ROLAND F. COOPER "Coop" Oxford, N. C.

"Do unto others as you would have them do unto you."

Hi-Y, Carver Chem Cam, N. F. A., History Club, H. S. Davis Ensemble, Basketball, Football, Glee Club.

Physical Education Instructor "Sports"

ROSE MARIE CURRIN "Rosie" Oxford, N. C.

"Rather to be than to seem."

Y-Teens, Commercial Co-ed, Crown and Scepter,
Library, Photography Club, Speech.

Stenographer "Letter Writing"



BETTY DAVIS "Bet" Somerville, Mass.

*"People seldom improve when they have no one
but themselves to copy after."*

Dramatics, Library, Glee Club, Crown and Scepter.

Teacher "Singing and Eating"

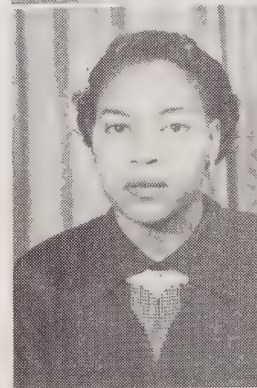


DEBORAH MAE DAVIS "Dimple" Oxford, N. C.

*"Judge a person by what he does and not by what
he says."*

N. F. A., N. H. A.

Home Demonstration Agent "Reading"



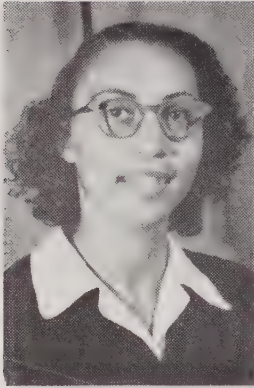
QUEEN ELIZABETH DOWNEY "Queenie" Oxford, N. C.

"We learn not for school but for life."

N. H. A., N. F. A.

Elementary Teacher "Reading"





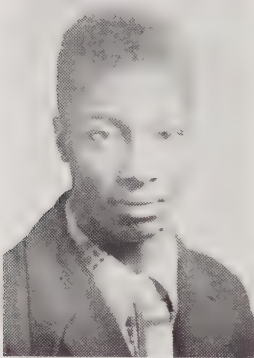
DOROTHY JEAN GOODE "Chick" Oxford, N. C.

"That which is beautiful is not always good; but that which is good is always beautiful."

Y-Teens, Glee Club, Crown and Scepter, N. H. A.

Teacher

"Piano"



VERNON GREENE Oxford, N. C.

"We have climbed the hill; but the mountain lies before us."

N. F. A., Football, H. S. Davis Ensemble, Glee Club, Intra-mural Basketball.

Physical Education Instructor

"Sports"



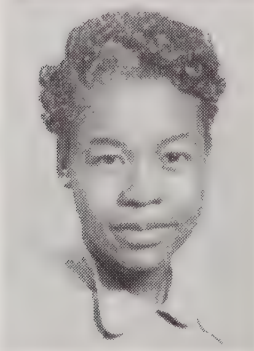
JACQUELINE ELIZABETH HALL "Jackie"
Shelly Bay, Bermuda

"Lives of great men reached and kept, were not obtained by sudden flight, but they while their companions slept, were toiling upward in the night."

Y-Teens, Carver Chem Cam, History Club, Cheer-ing Squad, Glee Club.

Nurse

"Collecting Stamps and Swimming"



BURMADINE HARRIS "Sweetie" Oxford, N. C.

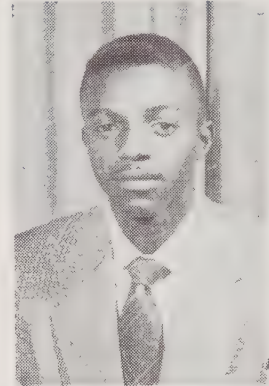
"To be rather than be seen."

N. F. A., N. H. A.

Stenographer

"Smiling and Riding"

CLARENCE HARRIS "Sweet Daddy" Oxford, N. C.
"Learn not for school but for life."
 N. F. A., Industrial Arts Club, N. H. A.
 Doctor "Dancing"



DOROTHY M. HARRIS "Dot" Oxford, N. C.
*"The way we do things, not the way we say things,
 is the true measure of our sincerity."*
 N. F. A., N. H. A.
 Nurse "Reading and Sewing"

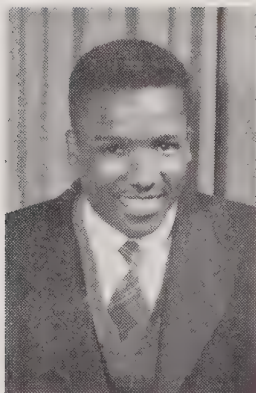


ILA PEARL HARRIS "Pearlie" Oxford, N. C.
"We learn not for school but for life."
 Photography Club, Y-Teens.
 Nurse "Swimming"



PORTIA PAULINE HARRIS "Twiller" Oxford, N. C.
"We learn not for school but for life."
 Y-Teens, N. H. A., Intra-mural Basketball, Glee Club.
 Physical Education Teacher "Basketball"





CHARLES HAWKINS "Hawk" Oxford, N. C.

"Labor conquers all things."

Hi-Y, Glee Club, H. S. Davis Ensemble, N. F. A.,
Football, Basketball, History Club, Carver Chem
Cam, Patrol.

Coach "Basketball"

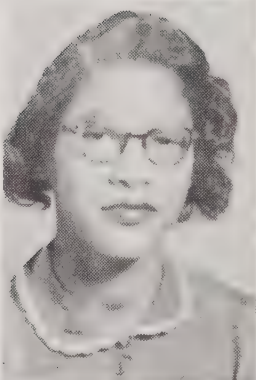


JEAN ELIZABETH BURTINA HILL "Sugar"
Raleigh, N. C.

*"All that I am and hope to be, I owe to my loving
mother."*

Y-Teens, Photography Club, Library, Carver Chem
Cam, History Club, Glee Club, Cheering Squad,
N. H. A.

Social Service Worker "Dancing"



WILLIA BERNICE HOBGOOD "Niece" Oxford, N. C.

"Do not turn back when you are just at the goal."

N. H. A., N. F. A.

Physical Education Teacher "Visiting"



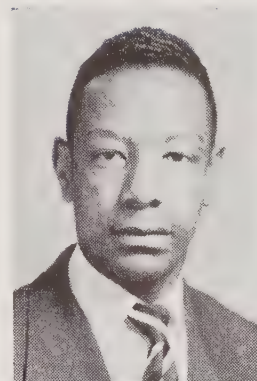
ROLAND HOWELL "Slick" Oxford, N. C.

*"I envy no man who knows more than I, but I pity
him who knows less."*

N. F. A., N. H. A., Industrial Arts Club.

Psychiatrist "Baseball"

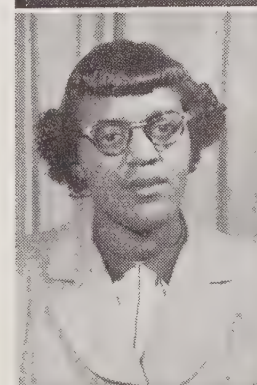
ROGER HUNT "Duck" Oxford, N. C.
"Be able to give and to take."
 N. F. A., H. S. Davis Ensemble, Football.
 Mortician "Sports"



THERESA JOYCE HUTCHERSON "Red" Oxford, N. C.
"A man wrapped up in himself makes a very small bundle."
 N. H. A., Basketball.
 Stenographer "Basketball"

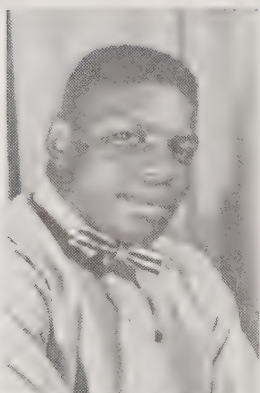


ROSA JONES "Cortella" Oxford, N. C.
"It is better to give than to receive."
 N. H. A., N. F. A.
 Nurse "Reading"



ELOISE LUCAS "Lukie" Suffolk, Va.
"Success comes not from but from doing."
 N. H. A., Carver Chem Cam, Commercial Co-ed,
 Photography Club, Glee Club.
 Commercial Education Teacher "Collecting Shells"





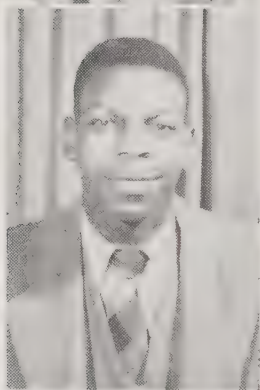
RICHARD VENERABLE MANGUM "Chum" Oxford, N. C.

"To win you must have a burning desire."

Hi-Y, Carver Chem Cam, Patrol, Football.

Coach

"All Sports"



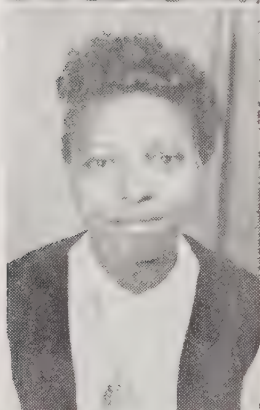
GODFREY E. MAYNOR "Dribble Joe" Oxford, N. C.

"Try until you succeed. If you never succeed keep on trying because the future is still waiting for you."

"M" Club, Hi-Y, History Club, N. F. A., H. S. Davis Ensemble, Patrol, Glee Club, Basketball, Football.

Electric Wiring and Radio

"Basketball"



CATHERINE MOORE "Peaches" Oxford, N. C.

"It is better to be what you are than try to be what you are not."

N. H. A., Library, Y-Teens, Glee Club.

Nurse

"Dancing"



LEOLA NUTALL "Skinny" Oxford, N. C.

"The time to be happy is now; the place to be happy is here; the way to be happy is to make others happy."

N. F. A., N. H. A., Intra-mural Basketball.

Nurse or Social Service

"Riding"

SHIRLEY O'NEILL PARKER "Toenail" Kittrell, N. C.
"Keep striving and success is yours."
 Y-Teens, Commercial Co-ed, Carver Chem Cam,
 Library, Photography Club, Speech.
 Commercial Education Teacher "Sight Seeing"



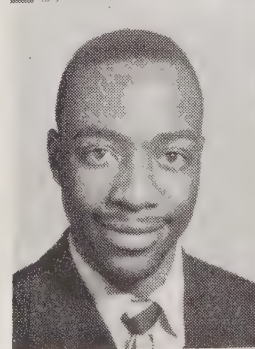
MABLE DELORES PETTIFORD "Sweet Pea" Oxford, N. C.
"No one knows what he can do until he tries."
 N. H. A., N. F. A.
 Nurse "Dancing"

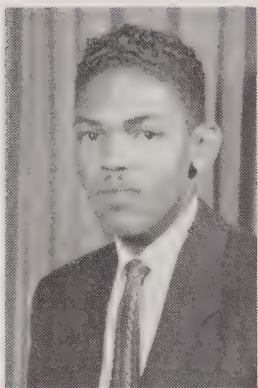


JOAN MARIE PHILLIPS "Jo-Jo" Fredericksburg, Va.
"All that I am and hope to be I owe to my dear parents."
 Carver Chem Cam, History Club, Y-Teens.
 Registered Nurse "Reading"



BERNARD ALEXANDER POTEAT "Mickey Mouse" Danville, Va.
"You never miss a good thing until it is gone."
 History Club, Intra-mural Basketball.
 Minister "Ping Pong"





JAMES D. RATLIFF, JR. "Rat" Manhattan, N. Y.

"No matter what you are, be the best."
N. F. A.

Radio and Television Technician "Baseball"

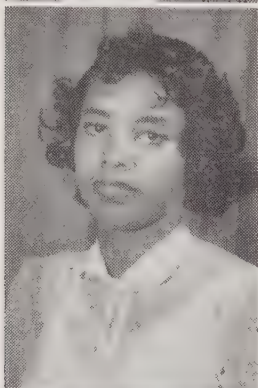


EUNICE M. RICKS "Eunasty" Elm City, N. C.

*"Keep your face toward the sun and the shadows
will fall behind you."*

Dramatics Club.

Missionary Worker "Dancing"

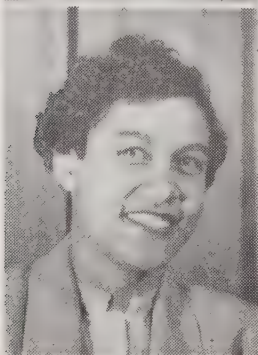


BETTYE L. ROBERTS "B. A. B.'s"
Mount Hill, Pembroke, Bermuda

*"Do unto others as you would have them do unto
you."*

Carver Chem Cam, History Club.

Stenographer or Nurse "Swimming"



NANNETTE ROBINSON "Candy" New York, N. Y.

"To mind my business."

N. H. A., Carver Chem Cam, Commercial Co-ed,
Photography Club, Speech.

Physical Education Teacher "Dancing"

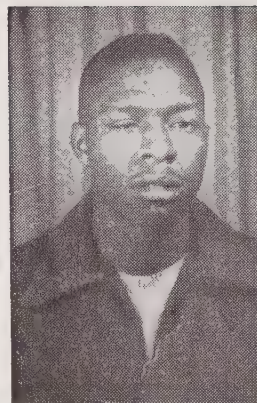
DAVID SEAGRAVES "Little Pete" Oxford, N. C.

"We learn not for school but for life."

Hi-Y, N. F. A.

Radio Engineer

"Baseball"



BARBARA G. SMITH "Babs" Bermuda

"All that I am and hope to be, I owe to my parents."

N. H. A., Carver Chem Cam, Speech, Library,
Photography Club, Commercial Co-ed, Patrol,
Glee Club.

Stenographer

"Swimming"



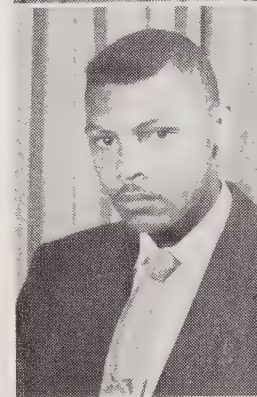
JAMES SMITH "Smitty" Oxford, N. C.

*"The ball is snapped; the play is on, and I am
touch down bound."*

"M" Club, Football, H. S. Davis Ensemble, N. F. A.

Engineer

"Sports"



FANNIE BELL SPENCER "Sugar" Oxford, N. C.

*"Our greatest glory is not in never falling, but in
rising every time we fall."*

N. F. A., N. H. A., Industrial Arts Club, Y-Teens,
Photography Club.

Elementary Teacher

"Typing Letters"





KATHLEEN SPENCER "E-one" North Shore, Pembroke, East Bermuda

"I envy no man who knows more than I, but I pity the one who knows less."

Y-Teens, History Club, Library, Carver Chem Cam.
Nurse "Swimming"



EVA ELIZABETH STEWART "Little Beaver" Wilson, N. C.

"My aim is success, and my hope is to win."

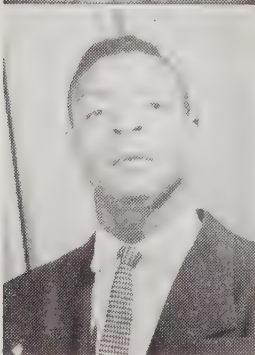
History Club, Carver Chem Cam, Glee Club, N. H. A.
Social Service Worker "Baseball"



BETTY JEAN STRATER "Bootsie" Oxford, N. C.

"I envy no man who knows more than I, but I pity the one who knows less."

Y-Teens, Glee Club.
Stenographer "Typing"



LEO THORPE "Lion" Oxford, N. C.

"Do your best."

N. F. A., H. S. Davis Ensemble, Football.
Doctor "Sports and Dancing"

MARY HAYES THROCKMORTON "Doll Baby"
Oxford, N. C.

"So a man lives so he dies; so a tree falls so it lies."

N. F. A., Y-Teens, Patrol, Glee Club, N. H. A.,
History Club.

Nurse "Reading"

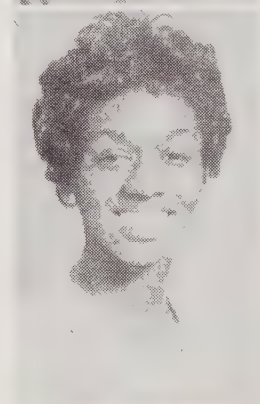


EDNA JUANITA UMSTEAD "Neet" Oxford, N. C.

"Labor conquers all things."

N. H. A., N. F. A.

Nurse "Dancing"

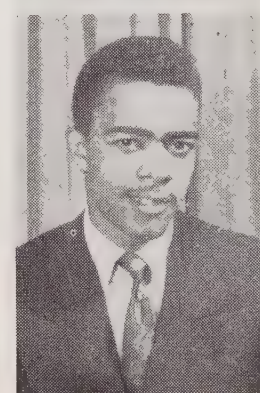


CHARLES VENABLE Oxford, N. C.

"Either to conquer; or to die."

N. F. A.

Aeronautic Engineer "Swimming"



LAURETTA WALKER "Lau" Durham, N. C.

"Climb upward."

Y-Teens, Carver Chem Cam.

Nurse "Basketball"





JOAN C. WEEKS "Jo" Goldsboro, N. C.

"Do to-day's to-day."

N. H. A., Commercial Co-ed, Carver Chem Cam,
Library, Photography Club, Glee Club, Crown and
Scepter.

Nurse

"Sewing"



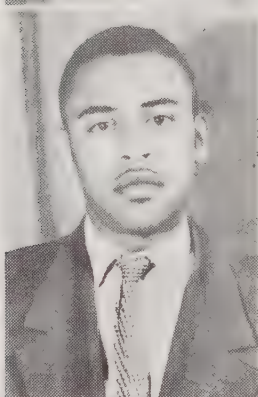
JOYCELYN MARIE WILSON "Joyce"
Devonshire, North Bermuda

"God helps those who help themselves."

Y-Teens, History Club, Cheering Squad, Carver
Chem Cam, Glee Club.

Nurse

"Swimming, Skating, Movies"



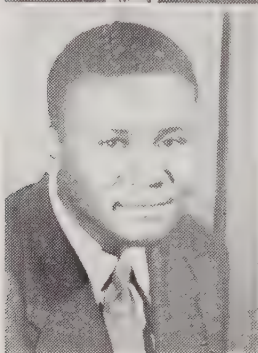
MARVIN THOMAS WILSON "Push" Oxford, N. C.

"Labor conquers all things."

N. F. A.

Lawyer

"Swimming and Football"



WILLIAM T. WILSON "W. T." Oxford, N. C.

*"Do unto others as you would have them do unto
you."*

N. F. A., Industrial Arts Club.

Lawyer

"Driving"

Class Song

Tune of "Red Sails in The Sunset"

Good-bye Alma Mater
Now we're leaving you
But we carry with us
A love that is true
The days in the Class-room
We'll never forget
By what you have taught us
Our standards we've set

Good were our teams
And ensembles too
There never came
A time that we were blue

And so in our parting
Dear school now we raise
Our voices in singing
To you words of praise.

By
Cecil V. Clarke

Class Poem

Mary Potter, we leave you, but we depart in sorrow
To go into the world of sweet tomorrow.
Life was grand in this dear school
Because we obeyed the "golden rule."
But the time has come and we must go
Into another world which we do not know.

Our pencils and books we shall put away
Until we need them another day.
No more studying for us here and
No more seeing our teachers dear:
But as we go onward toward our goal
We'll remember the good that they tried to unfold.

Kind teachers, you were grand. Parents, so were you.
Without your help what could we do?
We love you and we regret to leave
But our diplomas we shall soon receive.
So, loved ones dear, we shall soon depart
We will miss you greatly within our hearts.

We have come to the end of this long trail
Over which we struggled four years to prevail.
We leave our thoughts so you can tell
We love you dear school oh! so well!
So, good-bye dear friends, and teachers too.
All that we are, we owe to you.

By
Doris Kathleen Stokes

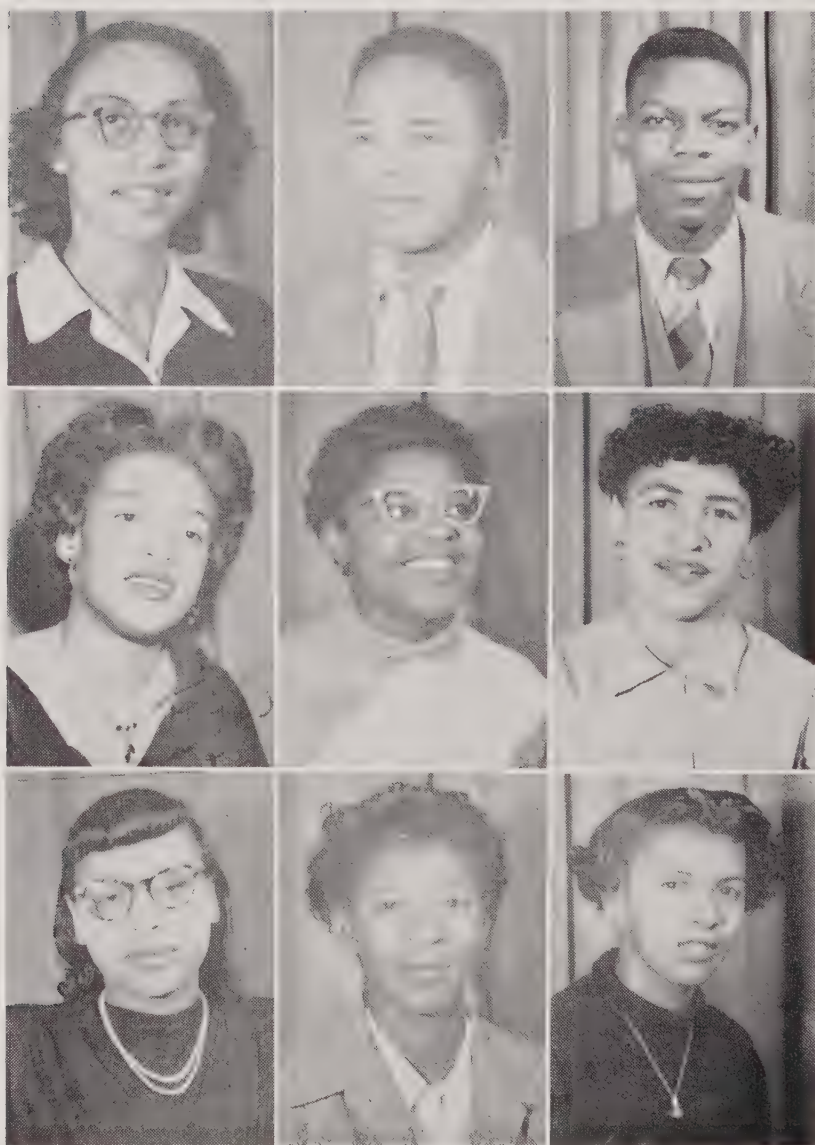








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Carver Chem Cam Club

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The Gazette has served as a link between the school and the Public. It has strengthened the relationship between the school and community by carrying to the citizens the activities of the school and publishing local articles that are in some way connected with the school.

The paper has a large circulation extending to many towns and states, thus making it possible for those who cannot see us at work to share in our experiences by reading our articles. We are continually attempting to improve our paper in order that we may satisfy our reading public.

Library Club



Motto: *Next to acquiring good friends, the best acquisition is good books.*—Colton

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The purpose of the Library Club is to make its members familiar with the Library and its materials, so that they will be able to encourage and stimulate others of the importance and information obtained through the School Library. The club serves as a connecting link between the teachers and student body in revealing information and giving related services when necessary. The club strives to present its materials and services that will be Informational, Inspirational and Recreational to the members as well as to the entire student body.

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The Commercial Co-ed Club



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Flower—Carnation

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A Retrospect of The Commercial Co-ed Club

It was seven years ago when an ambitious young teacher, fresh out of North Carolina College with a B. S. Degree in Commercial Education came to Mary Potter to organize a Commercial Department.

This teacher, Miss Margie C. Morris, full of new ideas and motives to portray an added atmosphere of cultural refinement and to give a practicable use for the classroom instructions, established a club, and it was given the befitting name of "The Commercial Co-ed Club."

The charter members of the Club established its activities by publishing two issues of "The Black and White Dispatch." The ambitions of the members were not satisfied until they sponsored a "Manless Wedding" and a play entitled "A Day In An Office," written by members of the Club. Toward the close of that school year, the members realized that some recognition should be given to the most industrious and ambitious student in the organization. After determining specific qualities, the member was selected to become recipient of their scholastic award. That year also marked the beginning of the traditional Spring hike at the home of Mrs. Elizabeth R. Chavis, proclaimed the Mother of the Club.

The ensuing year was more or less a repetition of the first. That year, the "Manless Wedding" was supplanted by a "Womanless Wedding."

Very few of us were here when the C. C. C's. presented to the faculty and student body an original play entitled "A Night In The Dormitory," typifying scenes of boarding school life. In checking our treasured memoirs, we find that this event dates back to the senior class of 1948-49, which is—this year—the class graduating from college. That class was quite talented in originality for it was they who demonstrated, in eight scenes, "The Incorrect and Correct Thing To Do," in the theater, church, dining hall, and school.

Many thought that some one was due to have some praise, and since Miss Morris was continually being patted on the back because of the increasing successful endeavors of the club, it was unanimously decided to thank our mothers with a "Mother's Day Program." During that year, there was quite a debate in the minds and hearts of many as to which program was taken more serenely, the Mother's Day or the Thanksgiving. The first related gratitude and praise to cherished mothers, and the latter reviewed the origin of the occasion. Both served the momentous times flawlessly. It was also during that year that personalized Christmas greeting cards were introduced within our folds.

Just as mortgages are burned in thankfulness when the final debts on real property are paid, so did the Club celebrate their thankfulness when they buried the devil during a colorful ceremony referred to as "The Devil's Funeral." Unlike anything ever presented here, The Devil's Funeral was quite an attraction for the adults as well as the students. We all rejoiced in knowing that Old Satan or better known as "Lucifer Redhorn Devil" could no longer torment those with good intentions of walking the straight but narrow path. The close of that eventful year was met in the form of a "School Closing Program." We will always associate the graduates in the class of 1950-51 with these two particular activities.

Very few students of Mary Potter—and the C. C. C's. included—knew anything about St. Patrick and March 17 which is proclaimed his day. That we might not continue to live in ignorance of the miraculous performances of this great Saint, the Commercial Co-ed Club joined hands with the Irish throughout the world in observing St. Patrick's Day. Emerald green being the color of the day, all members were attired in green with the shamrocks decorating the lectern and stage. A chronological account of St. Patrick's life was reviewed in this program. To date, the tradition of presenting at Commencement a scholastic award to the notorious senior of the Club has not been broken.

The organization was characterized with the publication of a "Black and White Dispatch," with designs in the enclosure that added to the expositories. The members of the 1951-52 term wanted to appear different without dwindling away from the traditions set by their predecessors. That meant that they would have to add features rather than extract them. With that, the idea of presenting our material in columns and having a variety of colors in our Easter Edition was inaugurated. However, this was not done at the sacrifice of our traditional Mother's Day issue. The paper that year honored all mothers in general and Mother Chavis in particular. The assembly program presented on the Wednesday morning leading up to Mother's Day was so conducted with sincerity and reverence that tears were seen on the cheeks of many. It is nothing unusual for a program of this nature to bring tears to the eyes of the adults and guests, but it also touched the hearts of many students that their eyes too, glittered with tears. Mother Chavis will remember this particular class by the Lily White Bible with the gold inscription "Mother Elizabeth R. Chavis" on the front cover and the orchid which we presented her after she delivered that challenging message to the parents of the next generation entitled "Tribute to Mothers of Today." Again that year we were the guests of Mother Chavis when we had our Spring outing at her home. So, the curtains fell on what we considered a very fruitful and happy year in the C. C. C.

In the absence of our advisor, Miss Margie C. Morris, the Commercial Co-eds were somewhat bewildered when school reopened. The task of maintaining the Club and the spirit until she returned was left in the hands of a few capable and willing members. Nevertheless, with the strong determination that the Commercial Co-ed Club should not die while under our heads, we struggled for three months without her to keep it alive. The major activity during this time was a float in the annual Homecoming parade. Upon her return, we published as usual, the Christmas issue of our paper. Endeavoring earnestly to present varied programs that are both informative and entertaining, we reviewed the History of Mary Potter School in observance of National Negro History Week in February. Again, we commemorated St. Patrick's Day with an informal observance among the Club members. This year, we were again the guests of Mother Chavis when we had our annual Spring outing at her home which climaxed the activities for the year. Notwithstanding our back sets caused by illness of our vivacious advisor, we feel sure that our activities counter-balanced our dormancy.

—Cecil Vernon Clarke

The New Homemakers of America



Motto: Better Homes For A Better Nation

Colors: Navy Blue and White

Flower: Red Rose

President	Bernice Allen
Vice-President	Barbara Smith
Treasurer	Lillie Allen
Reporter	Edith Sutton
Chairman of Program Committee	Mary Jordan
Adviser	Mrs. M. J. Holley

Our Calendar for Celebrating N. H. A. Week (April 12-18) was as follows:

Sunday—Attended First Baptist Church.

Monday—Assembly Program.

Tuesday—Theater Party.

Wednesday—Gave elderly members of the community a basket of fruit and a card shower for a sick club member.

Thursday—Faculty Tea.

Friday—Semi-Formal Ball.

Saturday—Attended the State Rally at North Carolina College.

By making and selling nylon flowers we raised money to send our delegate, Grace Davis, to Praire View, Texas (May 24-30).

N. F. A.



The Vocational Agriculture Department has an enrollment of seventy students this year. The students of Agriculture are taught how to appreciate the farm and the many advantages and opportunities that come to a boy or girl who is exposed to farm living and training. All students enrolled in Agriculture are encouraged to carry out a supervised farm practice program. This program consists of livestock, crops and home beautification under livestock, such projects as raising chickens for fryers or layers, and swine project-producing pigs for breeding and marketing purposes.

Emphasis is placed on vegetable growing and conservation of vegetables to show their importance, as a means of producing ample food supplies for the home during the year.

The New Farmers of America is an organization composed of Agriculture students. This organization teaches the correct procedure in conducting and carrying out meetings. It also sponsors contests on local, districts and state levels. There are contests of public talent, officers ability, quartet singing, and quizzing.

Annual banquets are held each year as a means of social activity. Also, these banquets give an opportunity for the parents to hear some of the accomplishments of the Agriculture Department.

PURPOSES OF THE NEW FARMERS OF AMERICA

1. To develop competent, aggressive, agricultural and rural leadership.
2. To encourage intelligent choice of farming occupations.
3. To encourage members in the development of individual farming programs.
4. To encourage members to improve the home, the farm and surroundings.
5. To participate in worthy undertakings for the improvement of agriculture.
6. To practice and encourage thrift.
7. To develop character, train for useful citizenship, and foster patriotism.
8. To participate in cooperative effort.
9. To provide and encourage the development of organized rural recreational activities.
10. To strengthen the confidence of farm boys and young men in themselves and their work.
11. To create and nurture a love of country life.
12. To encourage improvement in scholarship.

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The History Club



Motto—Labor Conquers All Things
Colors—Blue and White.

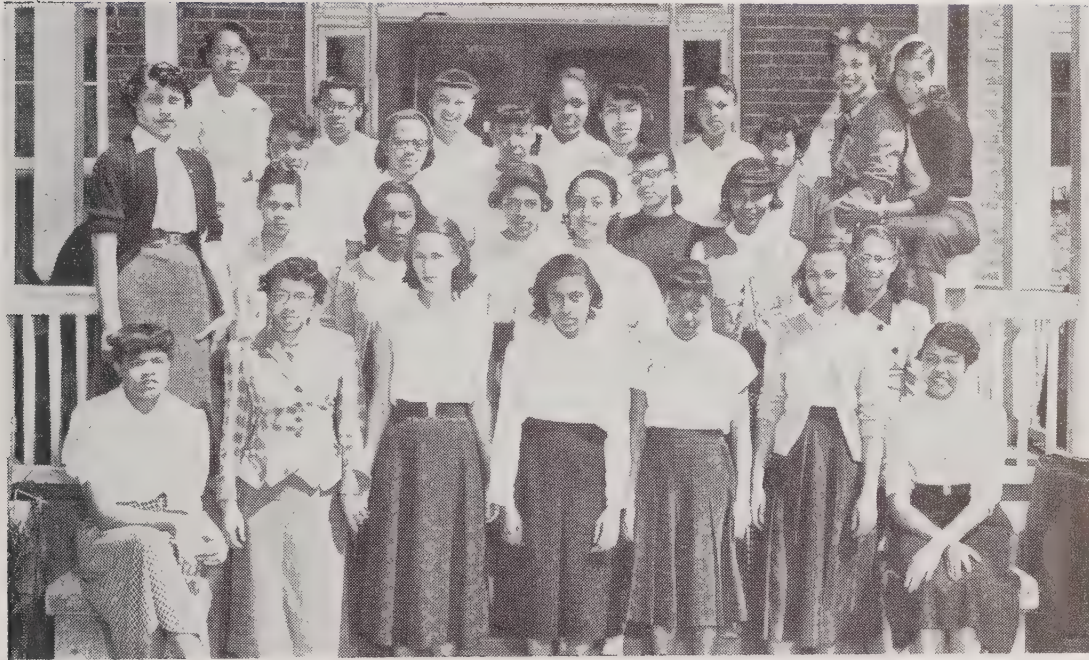
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Roland Cooper	Bette Roberts
Patricia Cooper	Doris Stokes
Jacqueline Hall	Eva Stewart
Charles Hawkins	Edward Tyler
Godfrey Maynor	Joycelyn Wilson

The Y-Teens



Colors—Blue and White

Flower—White Carnation

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Garrett, Janie	Parker, Jean	Wilson, Joycelyn
Goode, Dorothy	Parker, Marion	Yancey, Nannie R.
Graham, Arthiena	Parker, Shirley	

During this year the Y-Teens have made rapid progress in their club. Some of the objectives they have met this year are:

1. Visiting a church of the community and making a tangible contribution each Sunday.
2. Presentation of assembly programs at school and
3. Sending chocolate to the underprivileged in Cannes, France for Christmas.

Carver Chem Cam Science Club



Motto: To strive for better living through Science

Colors: Pink and White

Flower: Pink Sweet Pea

President	Joan Weeks
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Joycelyn Wilson
Godfrey Maynor

The Carver Chem Cam Club was organized in 1943. It is affiliated with the National Organization, Science Clubs of America.

A lecture, the presentation of a Science Quiz program and a Christmas Social were the outstanding projects of the school year, 1952-1953.

Homecoming



Miss Mable Lou Davis of 8th. C Class and her attendants, Miss Clara Parker (8th. B Class) Miss Betty Bailey (11 B Class)

Rams



<i>Backs</i>	Norven Baskerville	James Smith
Claude Allen (Co-Captain)	William Baskerville	Edward Spruill
Oscar Boyd	Edward Bodison	Wesley Walker (Co-Captain)
Roland Cooper	Mack Bowden	
Charles Hawkins	Alonzo Greene	<i>Coaches</i>
Leonard Norman	Randolph Hester	G. R. King
Alphonso Satterfield	Robert Hunt	W. T. Moten
Leo Thorpe	Roger Hunt	R. J. McNeil
Robert Thorpe	Robert Mallory	
Edward Tyler	Richard Mangum	<i>Trainers</i>
Otha Wilkins	Carl Martin	Frank Smith
Dorsey Womble	Godfrey Maynor	McKinley Jeffers
	Arthur Plummer	Nicholas Parker
<i>Linemen</i>	Harold Rollins	Otha Morgan
Robert Allen	Joseph Satterfield	

Majorettes



Varsity Basketball



The members of the Girls basketball squad for the year 1952-53 were as follows:

Sally Graham

Marion Parker

Mary Anna Hawkins

Joyce Hutcherson

Jean Mallory

Sophie Ward

Catherine Bass

Patricia Cooper

Isabel Chavis

Sylvia Mallory

Betty Bailey

Lillie Elkerson

Gwendolyn Steele

Marion Newell

Clara Smith

Mary Spencer

Thelma Umstead

Forestine Pannel

Judy Thomas—Trainer

Mr. H. K. Gilreath—Coach

Co-Captains



Godfrey Maynor and Charles Hawkins

Varsity Basketball



Runner-Up—Fall Line Conference Tournament and Raleigh-Durham Center (AAA) of State Athletic Association.

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Joseph Chandler
Angus Cooper
Roland Cooper
Matthew Couch
John Dixon

Robert Graham
Roy Hargrove
Charles Hawkins (Co-Captain)
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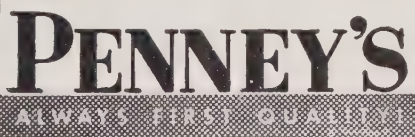
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