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The Senior Class Of

CHINA GROVE HIGH SCHOOL

China Grove, North Carolina

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

TO THE SENIORS

We the faculty sincerely hope that your years spent here at China Grove High School have been both profitable and pleasant. Our wishes for your continued success will always go with you. We shall always be ready to help you in any way we are able.

By graduating from high school you have achieved beyond that of the average; therefore your responsibility is greater. The greater the service you render the greater your satisfaction. Our God and our Country have given us so much. Be true to Both.

Jesse C. Carson, Jr.

JESSIE C. CARSON
A. B. Guilford College
M. A. U. N. C.





The spotlight focuses upon the director of our splendid Commercial Department. Her genial disposition, her pleasing personality, and her very efficient instruction give her a choice place in the hearts of her students and fellow-teachers. Therefore, we, the senior class of 1954 wish to dedicate this year's Parrot to Miss Margaret Roseman as a token of appreciation for her splendid work of appreciation for her splendid work.

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Flower: American Beauty Rose

Colors: Lavender and White

Class Motto:

Forward Forever! Backward Never! In Ourselves Our Future Lies!



Johnny Safrit





Vicki Beaver







ROBERT FRANKLIN ALBRIGHT "Frank"

"You may get the town in



ANNE ABERNATHY
"Anne"
"A capable gal, willing
and neat."

me, but you can't get the country out of me."

SARAH JOYCE ADAMS
"Sakie"
"Wit is as quick as a grey hound's mouth;

LEWIS A. ALDRIDGE
"Lou"
"Happiness is a great gift."

NORMAN BEAVER
"Bulldog"
"Yes, I was only flirting."

it catches all."

THOMAS PARKER BARBER
"Tom"
"Leaders are born not
made."

GAYNELL BAGWELL BILLINGS
"Gay"
"Winning Personality;
result, Marriage."

MARY ANN BENSON
"Bense"
"Ability plus a delightful
personality, genuine, one
of our best."

















CAROLYN FRANCES BLACKWELDER "Carol" "Good nature is the very air of a good mind."

CAROLYN ELIZABETH BRINKLEY "Carolyn" "Her voice was ever soft, gentle and low, an excellent thing in a woman."

CARL GORD AN CARTNER "Dumb" "My bonnie lad is young, but he's a-growing yet."

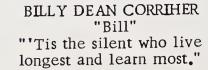
VONCILE SHUFFLER CASEY "Von" "To know her is to love her."

DORIS ANN CORRELL "Doris" charms, queen-like beauty."

HELEN JOSEY CASTOR "Josey" "She believes in the joy of life."

"A girl of many talents and

LILLIAN NELL CORRIHER "Nellie" "Laugh and the world laughs with you."



















BILLY CRESS
"Billy"
"Tall, lean, and lanky."

JOYCE ANN CRISP
"Joyce"
"I had to laugh."

BARBARA ANN CROOK
"Bo"
"Men may come, men may go,
but I go on forever."

DORIS MAE DYSON
"Doris"
"Still water runs deep."

HAZEL LA VERNE ELLIOTT
"Shorty"
"Neatness makes her
character."

LAURA LOUISE EARLE
"Lou"
"Leave silence to the saints,
I am but human."

WILLIAM E. FAGGART
"Bill"
"Eat, drink, and be merry
for tomorrow you may die."

JIMMY RICHARD FAGGART
"Jimmy"
"All precious things do not come
in small packages."





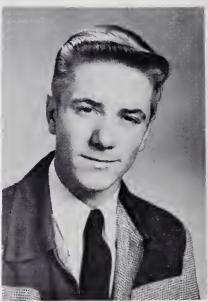












ELIZABETH FRYE
"Liz"
"And her eyes smiled with
her lips."

COSBY GLENN
"Cob"
"I am master of my own soul."

CLYDE GRAEBER, JR.
"Junior"
"Happy am I, from care
I'm free, why aren't they
all contented like me."

JACKIE RICHARD HALL
"Jack"
"Halls are deep, halls
are long, but never a
little hall quite so strong."

CHAD NEIL HENDRICKSON "Chad"
"Silence gives consent."

JERRY MICHAEL HENRICHSON
"Jerry"
"Manners--the final and
perfect flower of noble
character."

LUCY ELIZABETH HENDERSON
"Lou"
"A mighty spirit fills that
tiny frame."

JANETTE FRANKS HENRICKSON
"Janette"
"A beautiful face is a
silent commendation."

















DENNIS HOLDSCLAW
"Dennis"
"It is not where we are but what we are that makes our happiness."

"Kat"
"Sweet, true, and kind."

KATHYRNE LELA JORDAN

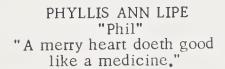
CAROLYN EARNHARDT JOHNSON
"Carolyn"
"Where there's love there's
Carolyn,"

JULIA ANN KIMBALL
"Julia"
"A girl like this you seldom find."

FRANKLIN DAVID KOON
"Frank"
"Great farmer--cheerful,
a go-getter."

JAMES FRANKLIN LITAKER
"Take"
"Not too serious, not too
gay, but a rare good fellow
when it's time to play."

FRANCES DELMA KOON
"Susie"
"Anything worth having
is worth working for."





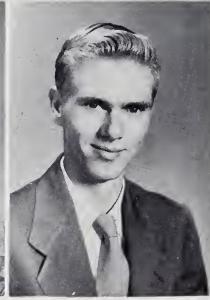














JAMES EDWARD LUTHER
"Jimmie"
"All I ask is the heaven
above, and the road below
me."

JOYCE BYRD LUTHER
"Sue"
"Some think the world was
made for fun and frolic
and so do I."

RAY MARTIN
"Ray"
"His quiet nature makes him
a most desirable friend."

CHARLES LEWIS MAULT
"Bobby"
"Blessed is he who has
the gift of making friends."

JOHNNY MAYHEW
"Johnny"
"An athlete true, his
virtues high."

JIMMY MEISMER
"Jim"
"Speech is silver, but
silence is golden."

HAROLD DAVID MILLER
"Muscles"
"Little but loud."

MARY EMILY MEISMER
"Meisy"
"She's bonny, blooming,
straight, and tall; always
plays a good game of ball."

















ANNIE LOUISE MILLER "Louise" "Her heart is full of kindness."

JAMES LEWIS MOOSE "Sonny" "He is a king in his own heaven."

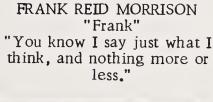
SHIRLEY DEAN MILLS "Dinkie" "The world's not better if we worry; life's not longer if we hurry."

MARY FRANCES MORRIS
"Pee Wee" "Laugh thy girlish laughter, tiny girl so sweet."

FRANCES V. MORTON "Frances" "Her heart is in the highlands."

RACHEL ANN PATTERSON "Ann" "Charm, ability, personality, plus."

SUSIE ALICE PARKS
"Susi e" "A woman's crowning glory is her hair."



















GRACIE ANN RECTOR
"Gracie"
"Quiet and Amiable."

WILLIAM VERNON RITCHIE
"Bill"
"Without music life would
be a mistake,"

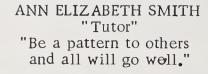
DONALD LYNN SAFRIT
"Don"
"'Tis what I love
determines how I love."

BILL REID SHEPPARD
"Shep"
"Not too sober, not too
gay, but a jolly good
fellow in every way."

RACHEL VIRGINIA SHILLINGLAW
"Red"
"True love should be
cherished."

LARRY KEITH SHEPPARD
"Brother"
"Wine, women, song-don't get Keith wrong."

DON SPEIGHT
"Don"
"Never a word out of turn."

















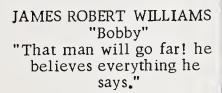


SHIRLEY ANN STILLER "Peanut" "Full of laughter, full of pep, never still-that's her rep."

GLENN TREXLER "Glenn" "Happy go-lucky gadget fixer."

"Buckie" "Sincerity and truth are

MARGIE LOUISE WALTER ARTHUR WAYNE WILHELM " Art" "He preferred to be good the basis for every virtue." rather than to seem so."





FRANCES GENELL WRIGHT "Genellie" "Silence is as deep as Eternity, speech is as shallow as time."

DAISY LOUISE YOST "Daisy Mae" "Her eyes hold a flirty twinkle."

SALLIE ILENE YOST "Ilene" "Quiet, cheerful, and content."

MARGARET IRENE YOST "Irene" "Cheerful looks make every dish a feast."

PAUL WAYNE YOST "Paul" "A dreamer lives forever but a toiler dies in a day."









BEST DRESSED

Hazel Elliott Johnny Mayhew

SUPERLATIVES



BEST LOOKING Janette Henrickson Tom Barber



MOST ATHLETIC Mary Emily Meismer Norman Beaver



Louise Earle Clyde Graeber, Jr.



MOST LIKELY TO SUCCEED Ann Patterson Jimmy Faggart



MOST FRIENDLY Sarah Joyce Adams Bill Faggart

MOST TALENTED
Sarah Joyce Adams
Bill Ritchie

SUPERLATIVES



MOST POPULAR

Mary Frances Morris
Tom Barber



BEST ALL-ROUND

Mary Frances Morris
Clyde Graeber, Jr.



MOST STUDIOUS Genell Wright Arthur Wilhelm



MOST TALKATIVE

Louise Earle
Harold Miller



Frances Morton Paul Yost

STATISTICS

ANNE ABERNATHY

F. H. A. 1,2,3; Bible Club 4; Dramatics Club 3,4; Choir 3,4; French Club 3; Library Staff 4; Band 3,4; Canteen 4.

SARAH JOYCE ADAMS

F. H. A. 1,2,3,4; President 3; Song Leader 4; Latin Club 3; Vice President 3; Choir 2,3,4; Chief Marshall 3; Beta Club 3,4; Commercial Club 4; Newspaper Staff 4; Miss China Grove High 4; Dramatics Club 3,4; Bible Club 4; Most Friendly 4; Most Talented 4; Student Council Nominating Committee 3.

ROBERT FRANKLIN ALBRIGHT

F. F. A. 1,2,3,4; Vice President 4; Bus Driver 3,4;

LEWIS A. ALDRIDGE

F. F. A. 3; Football 2,3,4; Bus Driver 3.

THOMAS PARKER BARBER

Class President 2,4; Class Vice President 3; F. F. A. 1,2,3; Reporter 3; Dramatics Club 4; Student Council 3,4; Commercial Club 4; Monogram Club 4; Beta Club 3,4; President 4; Chief Marshall 3; Cheerleader 3,4; Chief 4; Most Popular 4; Best Looking 4; French Club 3; Business Manager of the Newspaper 4.

NORMAN BEAVER

Class Treasurer 1; Football 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Baseball 1,4; F. F. A. 1,2; Choir 3; Dramatics Club 3,4; Vice President 3; President 4; Canteen 4; Monogram Club 1,2,3,4; Student Council 3; Tri-County All Star Football Team 2.

MARY ANN BENSON

Commercial Club 4; Vice President 4; Dramatics Club 3,4; Newspaper Staff 4; News Editor 4; Beta Club 3,4; F. H. A. 1,2,3,4; Treasurer 3; Bible Club 4; Secretary 4; Monogram Club 3,4; French Club 3; Basketball 2,3,4; Annual Staff 4; Class Lawyer 4; All County Tournament Basketball Game 3.

GAYNELL BAGWELL BILLINGS

F. H. A. 1,2; Choir 3,4; Beta Club 3,4; Reporter 4; Bible Club 4; Dramatics Club 4; Commercial Club 4; President 4.

CAROLYN FRANCES BLACKWELDER

F. H. A. 1,2,3; French Club 3,4; Choir 4; Dramatics Club 3,4; Library Staff 3; Office Staff 4; Canteen 1,2.

CAROLYN ELIZABETH BRINKLEY

F. H. A. 1,2,3; Latin Club 3; Choir 4; Dramatics Club 4; Library Staff 4.

CARL GORDON CARTNER

Dramatics Club 3,4; Bible Club 3,4; Canteen 2,4.

VONCILE SHUFFLER CASEY

F. H. A. 1,2,3,4; Bible Club 4; Dramatics Club 4; Basketball 2,3.

HELEN JOSEY CASTOR

F. H. A. 1,2; Lunchroom 3; Librarian 4.

DORIS ANN CORRELL

F. H. A. 1,2; Reporter 2; Bible Club 4; Commercial Club 4; Newspaper Staff 4; Editor of THE TRIDENT 4; Dramatics Club 3,4; Choir 3,4; Homecoming Queen 4.

BILLY DEAN CORRIHER

F. F. A. 1,2,3,4; Vice President 3; President 4; Bus Driver 3,4.

LILLIAN NELL CORRIHER

F. H. A. 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Co-Captain 4; Monogram Club 2,3,4; Newspaper Staff 4; Commercial Club 4; Secretary-Treasurer 4; Dramatics Club 4; Bible Club 4; Business Manager of the Annual 4; All-County Tournament Basketball 2,3,4; Student Council Nominating Committee 3.

BILLY CRESS

Basketball 2,3,4; Bible Club 3.

JOYCE ANN CRISP

Band 1,2,3; F. H. A. 1,2; Choir 4; Canteen 4; Dramatics Club 4; Bible Club 4.

BARBARA ANN CROOK

Monroe High School 1; F. H. A. 1,2,3; Commercial Club 4; Choir 3,4; Newspaper Staff 4; Best Dressed 4.

DORIS MAE DYSON

F. H. A. 1,2,3,4; Bible Club 4; French Club 3; Commercial Club 4; Lunchroom Staff 2,3,4; Basketball 4.

LAURA LOUSE EARLE

F. H. A. 1,2; Monogram Club 2,3; Basketball Manager 2,3; Bible Club 3,4; Dramatics Club 3,4; Most Talkative 4; Most Original 4; Office Staff 4; Choir 4.

HAZEL LA VERNE ELLIOTT

Dramatics Club 3,4; F. H. A.1,2,3,4; Office Staff 3; Bible Club 4; Commercial Club 4; Choir 3,4; Newspaper Staff 4; Best Dressed 4.

STATISTICS

JIMMY RICHARD FAGGART

French Club 3,4; President 4; Bible Club 4; Beta Club 3,4; Class President 3; Commercial Club 4; Junior Representative to Annual 3; Student Council President 4; Most Likely to Succeed 4.

WILLIAM E. FAGGART

Monogram Club 1,2,3,4; Football 1,2,3; Assistant Coach 3; Basketball Manager 1,2; Dramatics Club 4; Navy-4 years.

ELIZABETH FRYE

Commercial Club 4; Beta Club 4; Newspaper Staff 4.

COSBY GLENN

Football 2,3,4; All-Star Football Game 4; Football Co-Captain 4; Basketball 2,3,4; French Club 3; Dramatics Club 4; Canteen 3,4; Student Council 4; Baseball 4; Monogram Club 2,3,4; Basketball Co-Captain 4.

CLYDE GRAEBER, JR.

Football 1,2,3,4; Baseball 4; Bible Club 3,4; Treasurer 4; Dramatics Club 3,4; Vice President 4; Canteen 1,2,4; Senior All-Star Football Team 4; Student Council 3; Choir 2,3,4; Most Original 4; Best All-Round 4; Giftorian 4; Monogram Club 2,3,4.

JACKIE RICHARD HALL

F. F. A. 1,2; Bus Driver 3; French Club 3; Bible Club 4.

LUCY ELIZABETH HENDERSON

F. H. A. 1,2,3; Historian 2; Bible Club 4; Dramatics Club 3,4; Choir 3,4; French Club 3,4; Cheerleader 4; Attendant to Homecoming Queen 4; Canteen 1,2,4.

CHAD NEIL HENDRICSON

Bible Club 3; Football 1,4; Baseball 3; Monogram Club 3,4.

JANETTE FRANKS HENRICKSON

Beta Club 3,4; Vice President 4; F. H. A. 1,2,3; Bible Club 3; Best Looking 4; Newspaper Staff 4; Commercial Club 4.

JERRY MICHAEL HENRICKSON

Baseball 1; Boyden 2,3; Football 1; Monogram Club 1,4.

DENNIS HOLDSCLAW

F. F. A. 1-4; Reporter 4; Dramatics Club 3; Bus Driver 3; Commercial Club 4; Newspaper Staff 4.

CAROLYN EARNHARDT JOHNSON

F. H. A. 1,2; Beta Club 3,4; Commercial Club 4; Choir 4; Library Staff 3.

KATHYRNE LELA JORDAN

F. H. A. 1-4; Bible Club 4; Dramatics Club 4.

JULIA ANN KIMBALL

F. H. A. 1-3; Choir 2,4; Band 2,3,4; French Club 3,4; Beta Club 3,4; Dramatics Club 3,4; Library Staff 3.

FRANCES DELMA KOON

F. H. A. 1,2; Lunchroom Staff 1,2,3.

FRANKLIN DAVID KOON

F. F. A. 1-4; Bus Driver 4.

PHYLLIS ANN LIPE

F. H. A. 1-4; Parlimentarian 3; Treasurer 4; Bible Club 4; French Club 3,4; Choir 3,4.

JAMES FRANKLIN LITAKER

Bible Club 3; F. F. A. 1,2,3,4.

JAMES EDWARD LUTHER

Football 1,2,3,4; Monogram Club 2,3,4; Dramatics Club 3,4; Bible C ub 4; Canteen 1,2,3; Baseball 1,2,3,4; Senior All-Star Football Team 4; Captain 4;

JOYCE BYRD LUTHER

Class Secretary 1; Class Reporter 2; F. H. A. 1-3; Librarian 3; Dramatics Club 3,4; Secretary 3,4; Commercial Club 4; Class Historian 4.

RAY MARTIN

Bus Driver 3,4; Commercial Club 4; Reporter 4.

CHARLES LEWIS MAULT

Bible Club 3; Football 2; Class President 1; Class Treasurer 4.

JOHNNY MAYHEW

Class Reporter 1; Monogram Club 2,3,4; Football 1,2,3,4; Co-Captain 4; Bible Club 3; Best Dressed 4.

MARY EMILY MEISMER

F. H. A. 1,2,3,4; Dramatics Club 4; Newspaper Staff 4; Commercial Club 4; Canteen 1,2,4, Monogram Club 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Co-Captain 3,4; All-County Basketball Team 1,3; American Legion All Tournament Basketball Team 1; Most Athletic 4; Class Vice President 4;

STATISTICS

HAROLD DAVID MILLER

Football 1-4; Basketball 1-4; Baseball 1-4; Captain 4; Monogram Club 1-4; Dramatics Club 3,4; All-County Baseball Team 3; Most Talkative 4.

ANNIE LOUISE MILLER

F. H. A. 1,2; Bible Club 3; Choir 3,4. SHIRLEY DEAN MILLS

F. H. A. 1,2; Lunchroom Staff 1,2,3; Bible Club

JAMES LEWIS MOOSE

French Club 3; Bible Club 4; Canteen 1,2,4.

MARY FRANCES MORRIS

F. H. A. 1,2,3; Bible Club 4; Dramatics Club 4; Co-Reporter 4; Assistant Editor of THE PARROT 4; Student Council 3,4; Class Secretary 3; Basketball 1,2; Cheerleader 4; Monogram Club 4; French Club 3,4; Canteen 3,4; Most Popular 4; Best All-Round 4.

FRANK REID MORRISON

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

FRANCES V. MORTON

F. H. A. 1,2,; Newspaper Staff 3; Commercial Club 4; Beta Club 3,4; Most Romantic 4.

SUSIE ALICE PARKS

F. H. A. 1,2; Beta Club 3,4; Office Staff 4; Cafeteria Staff 1,2,3.

RACHEL ANN PATTERSON

Basketball 2,3,4; Monogram 3,4; F. H. A.1,2,3; Beta Club 3,4; Newspaper Staff 2; Latin Club 3; Dramatics Club 3,4; Canteen 1,2,4; Choir 3; Student Council 4; Most Likely to Succeed 4.

GRACIE ANN RECTOR

Beta Club 3,4; F. H. A. 2,4; Commercial Club 4; Newspaper Staff 4.

WILLIAM VERNON RITCHIE

Bus Driver 3,4; Most Talented 4; French Club 3; Canteen 4.

DONALD LYNN SAFRIT

Marshall 3; Football 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Monogram Club 2,3,4; Canteen 1,2,4; Latin Club 3; Student Council Organizer 2; Vice President 3; Dramatics Club 3,4; Reporter 3; Choir 3; Bible Club 4; Vice President 4; Senior All-Star Football Team 4; Assistant Business Manager of THE PARROT 4; Tri-County Football Team 2.

BILL REID SHEPPARD

Football 2,3,4; Monogram Club 2,3,4; Bible Club 3; French Club 3; Canteen 4; Dramatics Club 4; County All-Star Football Game 4.

LARRY KEITH SHEPPARD

Football 1,2; Army-4 years; Monogram Club 1,4;

RACHEL VIRGINIA SHILLINGLAW Lunchroom Staff 1; F. H. A. 1,2,3,4; Dramatics Club 4; Bible Club 4; Commercial Club 4; Newspaper Staff 4; Librarian 4; Class Secretary 4.

ANN ELIZABETH SMITH

Granite Quarry High 1; F. H. A. 2,3; Commercial Club 4; Basketball 2,3,4; Dramatics Club 4; News-paper Staff 3.

DON SPEIGHT

SHIRLEY ANN STILLER

F. H. A. 1,2; French Club 3.

GLENN TREXLER

Bus Driver 3,4; Bible Club 3.

MARGIE LOUISE WALTER

F. H. A. 1,2,3; Lunchroom Staff 2,3,4; Office Staff 4; Commercial Club 4; School Store 4; Bible Club 3,4.

ARTHUR WAYNE WILHELM

Class Reporter 3; Marshall 3; Choir 2,3,4; French Club 3,4; President 3; Reporter 4; Beta Club 3,4; Treasurer 4; Candidate for Student Council President 3; Dramatics Club 3,4; Bible Club 4; President 4; Most Studious 4; Cheerleader 4; Editor-in-Chief of THE PARROT.

JAMES ROBERT WILLIAMS

Football 2,3,4; Basketball 3,4; Monogram Club 1,2,3,4; Dramatics Club 3,4; French Club 3,4; Choir 4; Baseball Manager 1.

FRANCES GENELL WRIGHT

F. H. A. 2,3,4; President 4; Latin Club 3; President 3; Student Council 3; Marshall 3; Beta Club 3,4; Secretary 4; Commercial Club 4; Class Treasurer 3; Most Studious 4; Scholarship Award 1,3; Class Prophet 4; Store 3,4.

DAISY LOUISE YOST

Office Staff 3,4; F. H. A. 1,2,3,4; Bible Club 4; Dramatics Club 3,4; Choir 3,4; Commercial Club 4; Canteen 4.

SALLIE ILENE YOST

F. H. A. 1,2,3,4; Choir 2,3,4; Dramatics Club 4; Bible Club 4; Commercial Club 4; Newspaper Staff 4.

MARGARET IRENE YOST

F.H.A. 1,2,3,4; Dramatics Club 4; Commercial Club 4; Bible Club 4; Choir 2,3,4; Newspaper Staff 4.

PAUL WAYNE YOST

F.F.A. 1.2,3,4; Most Romantic."



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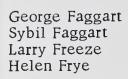












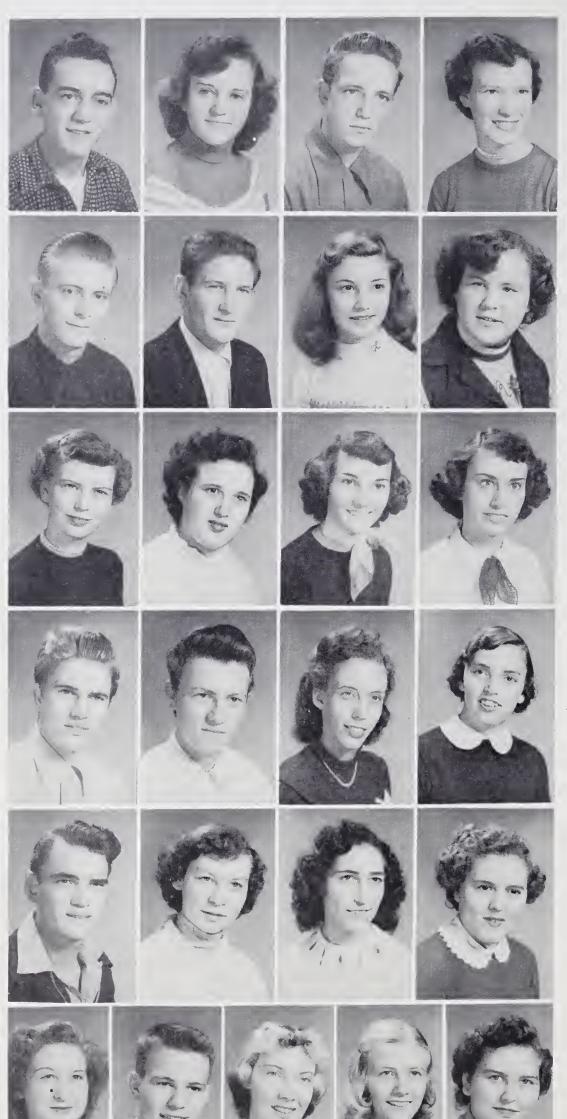


Carolyn Harris Betty Helms Jeannette Holdsclaw Louise Honbarger

Wayne Hooks Johnny Houston Dorothy Jennings Doris Karriker

Paul Karriker Barbara Lentz Loretta Lentz Velma Martin

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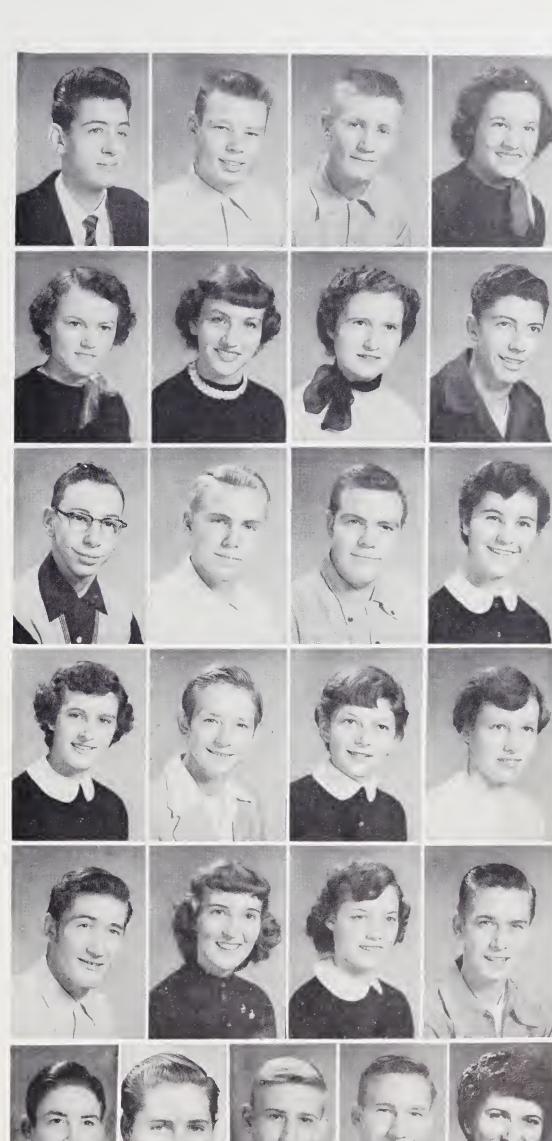
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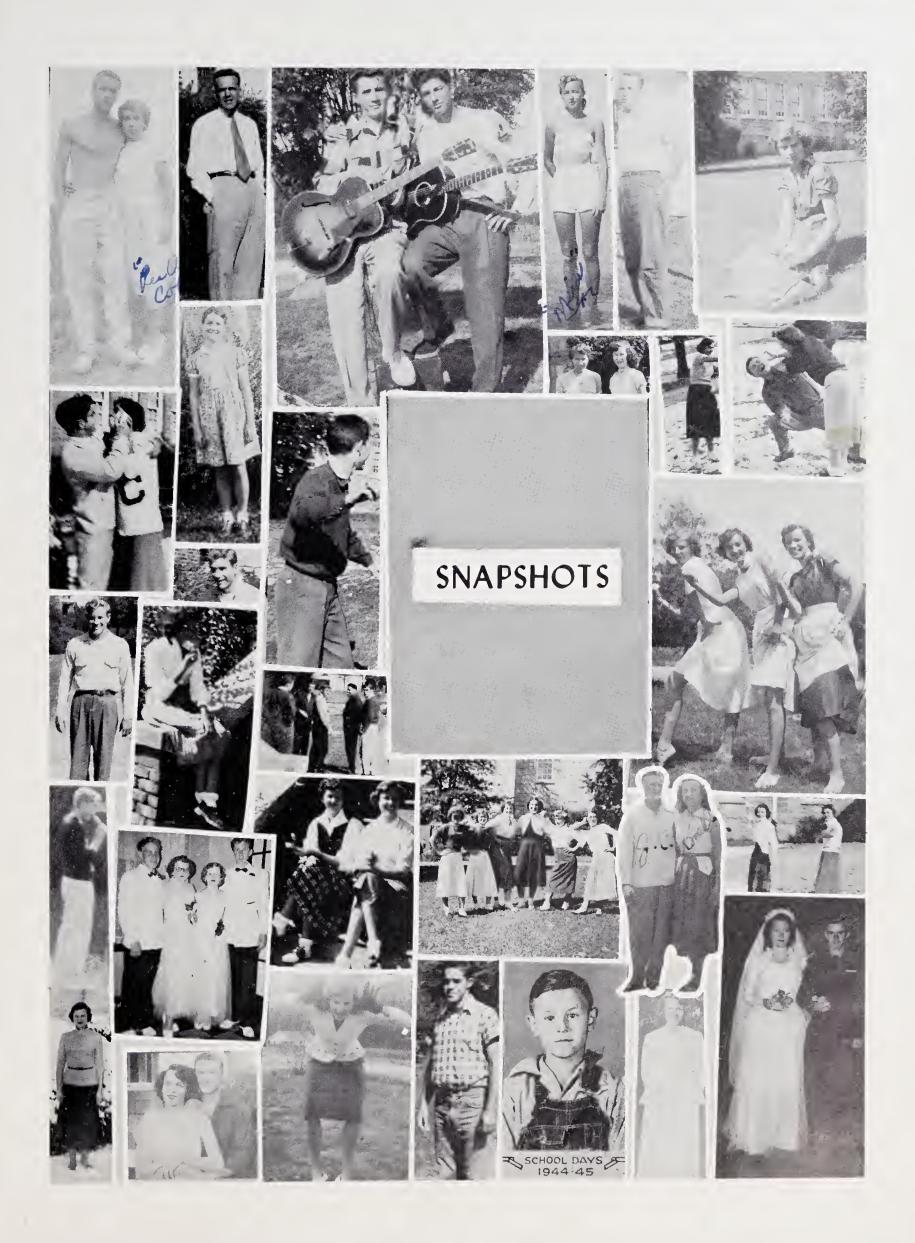
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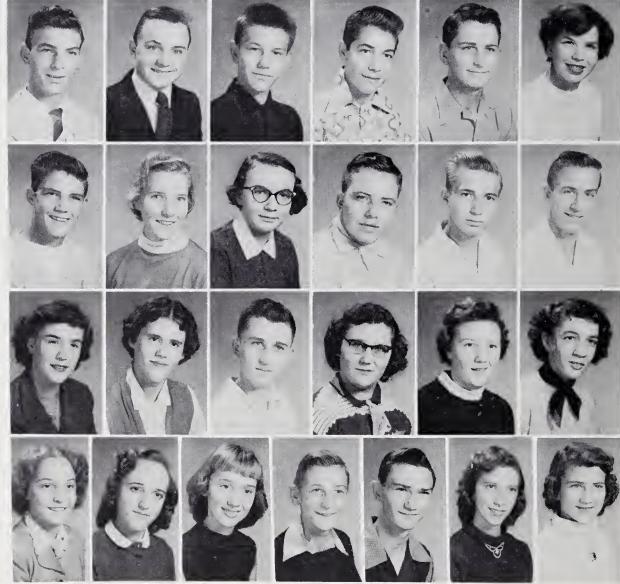
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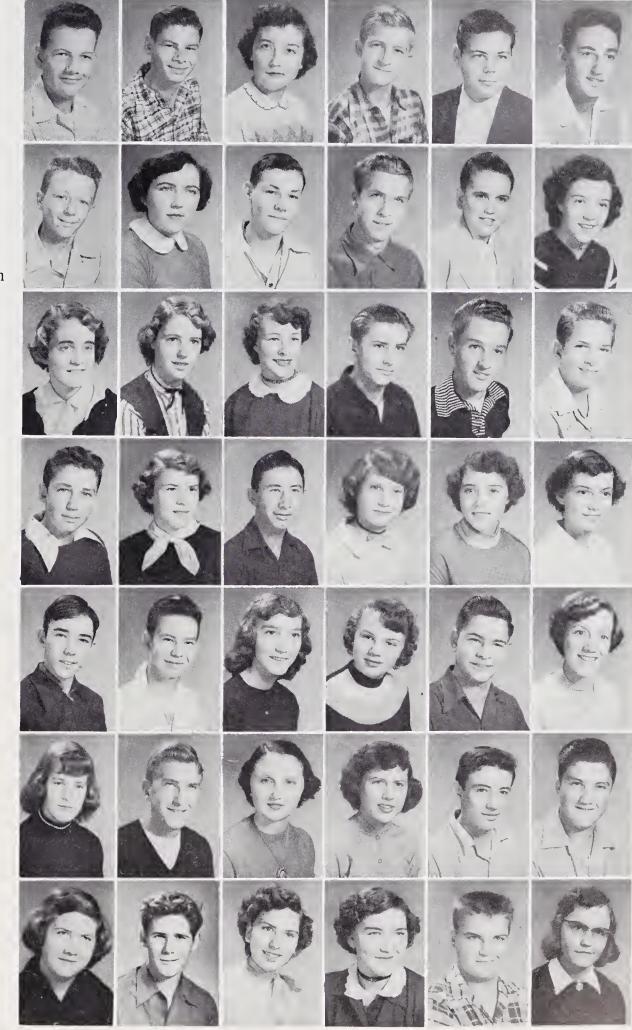
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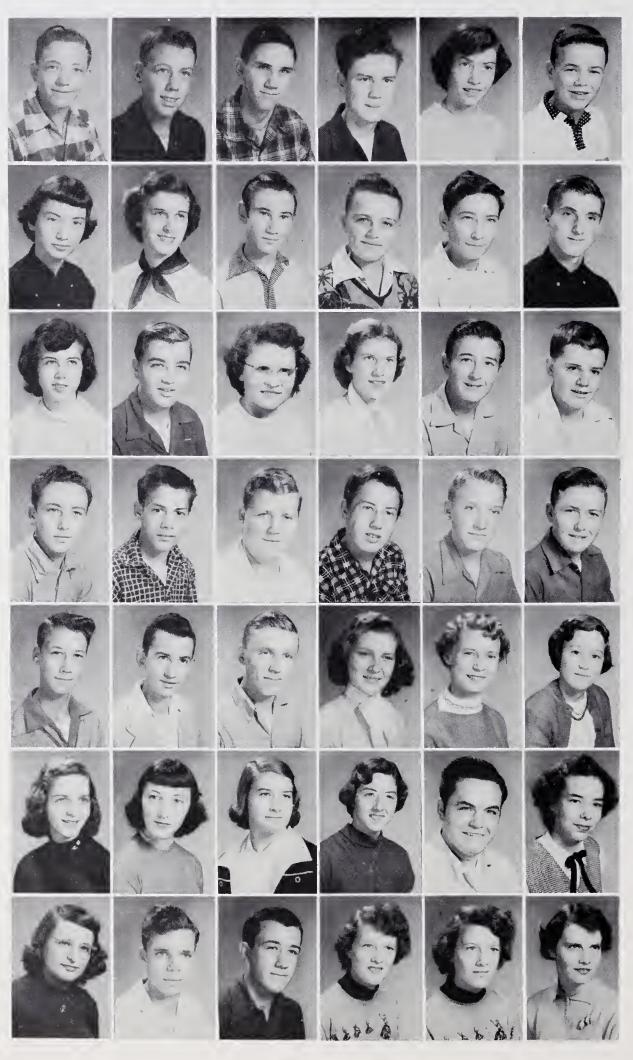
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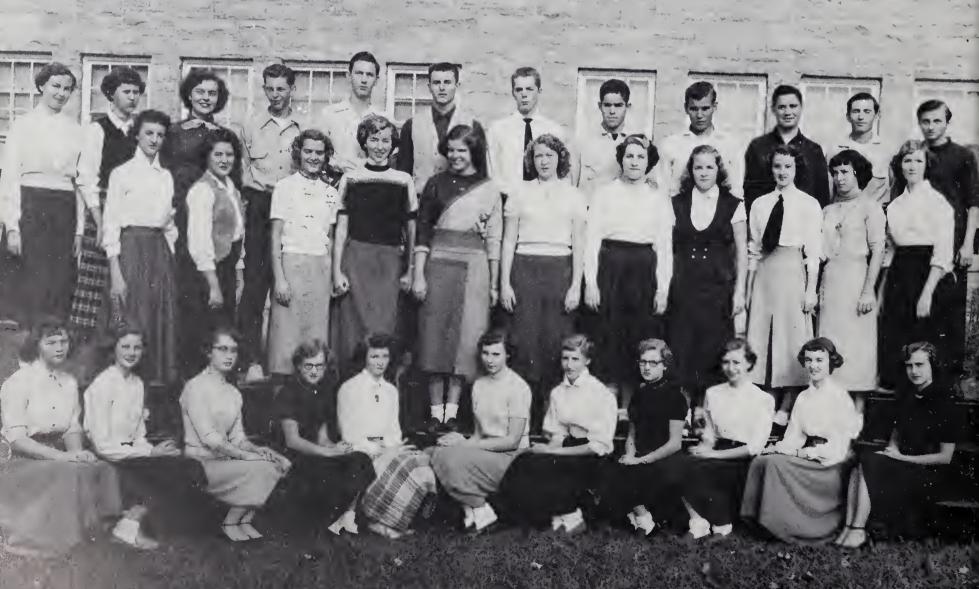














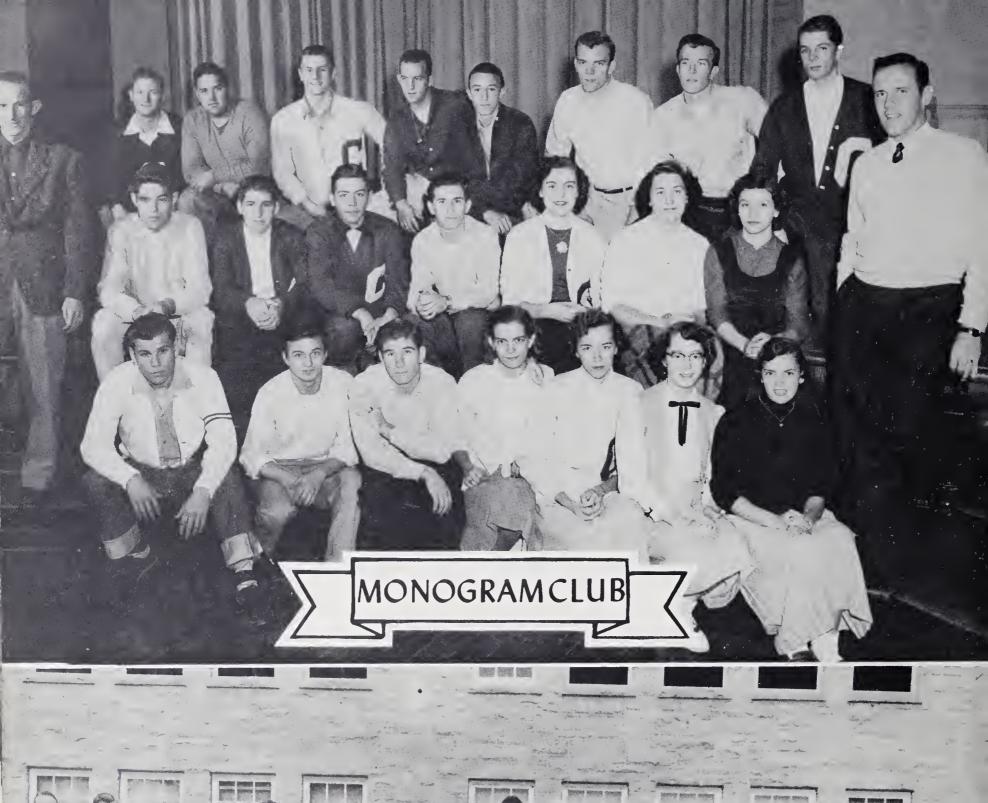




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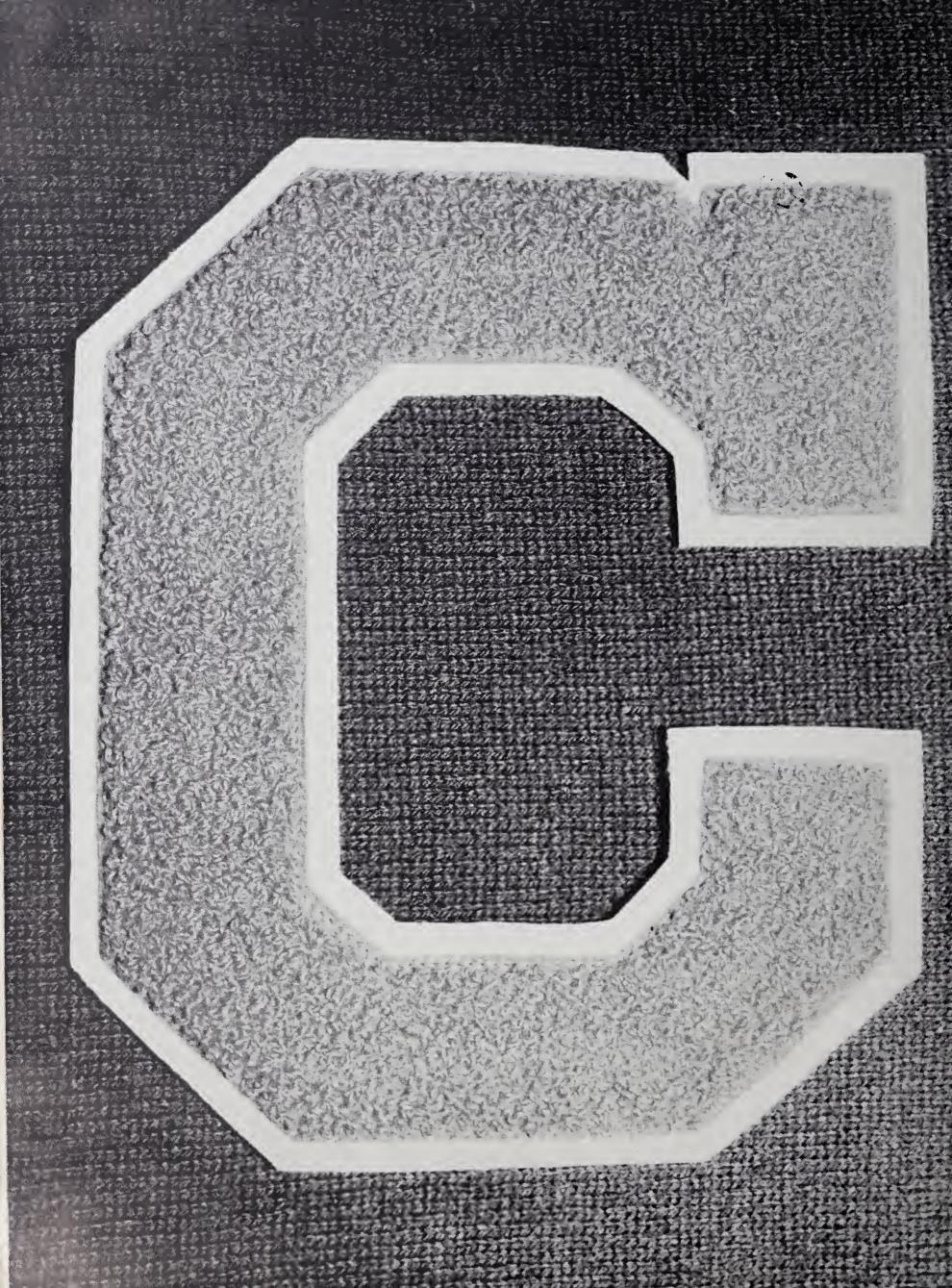




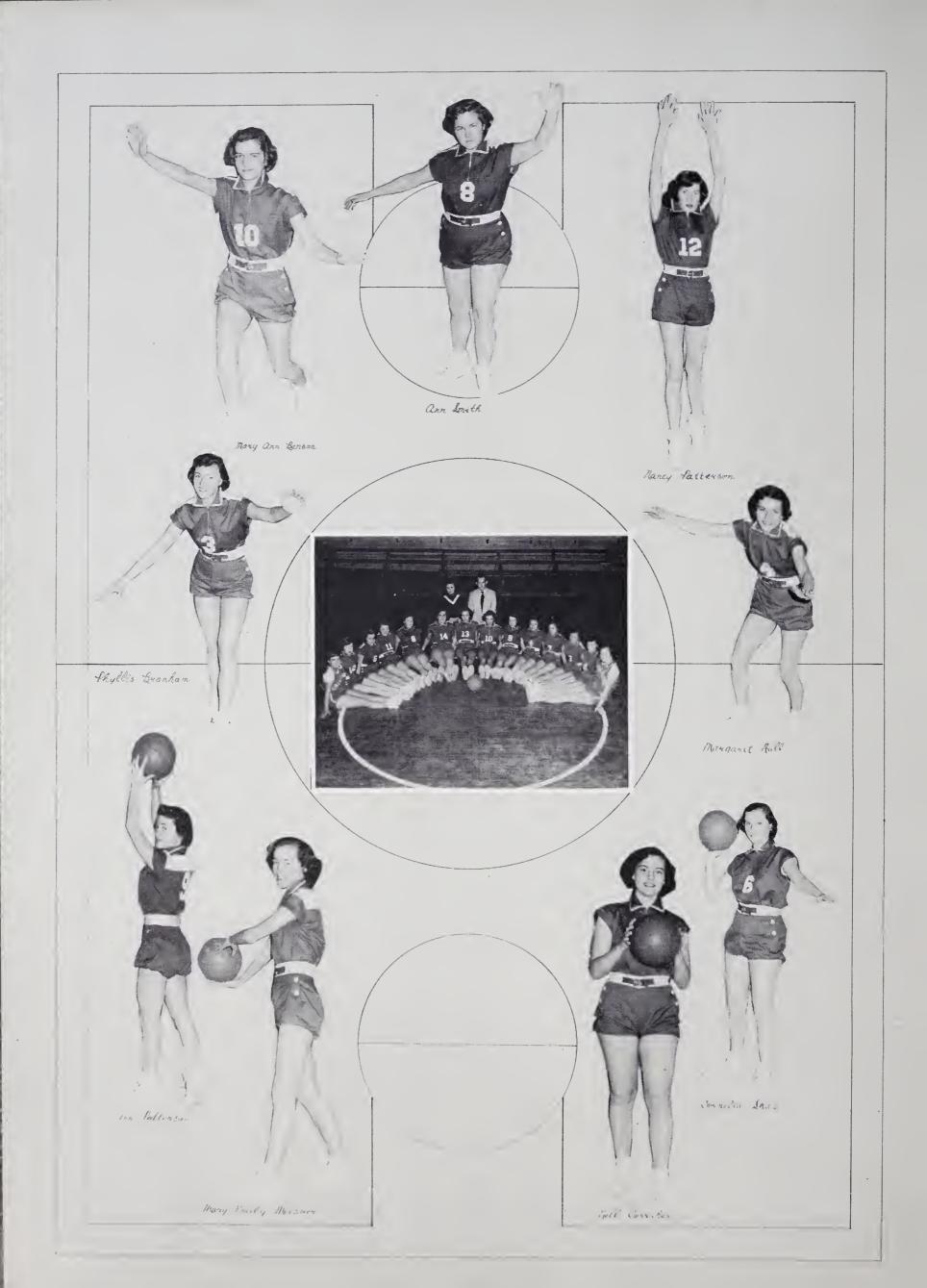


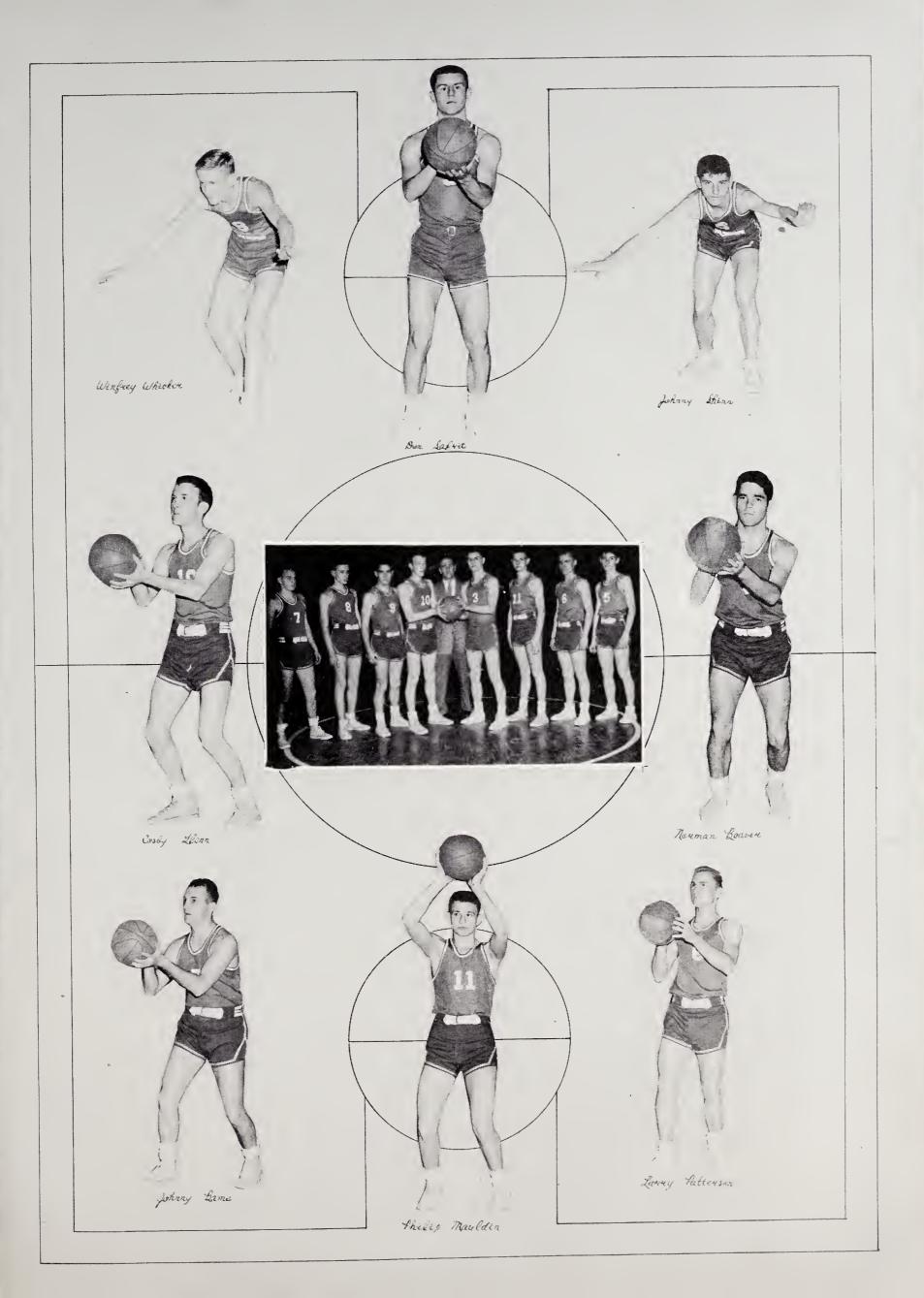
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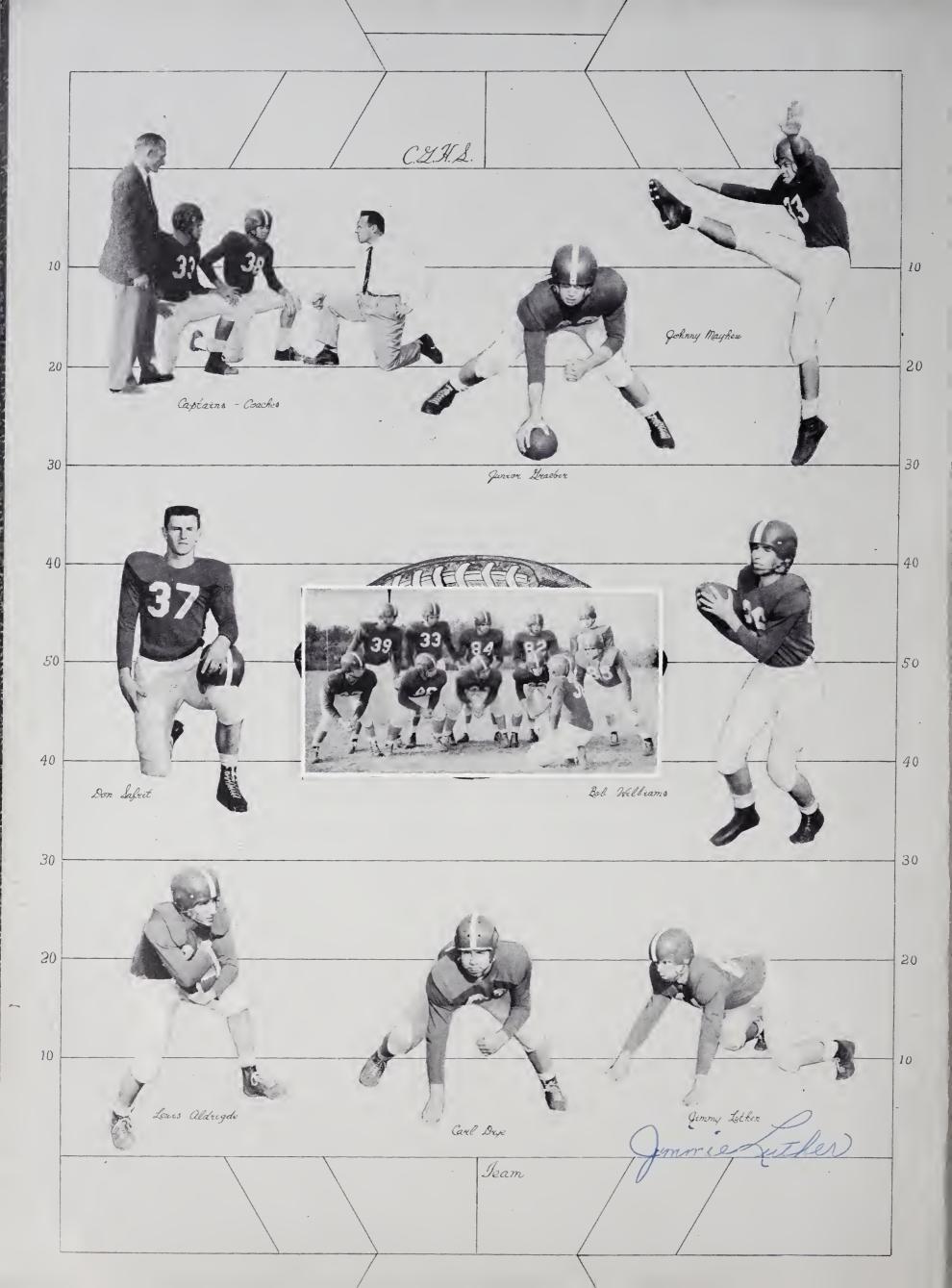


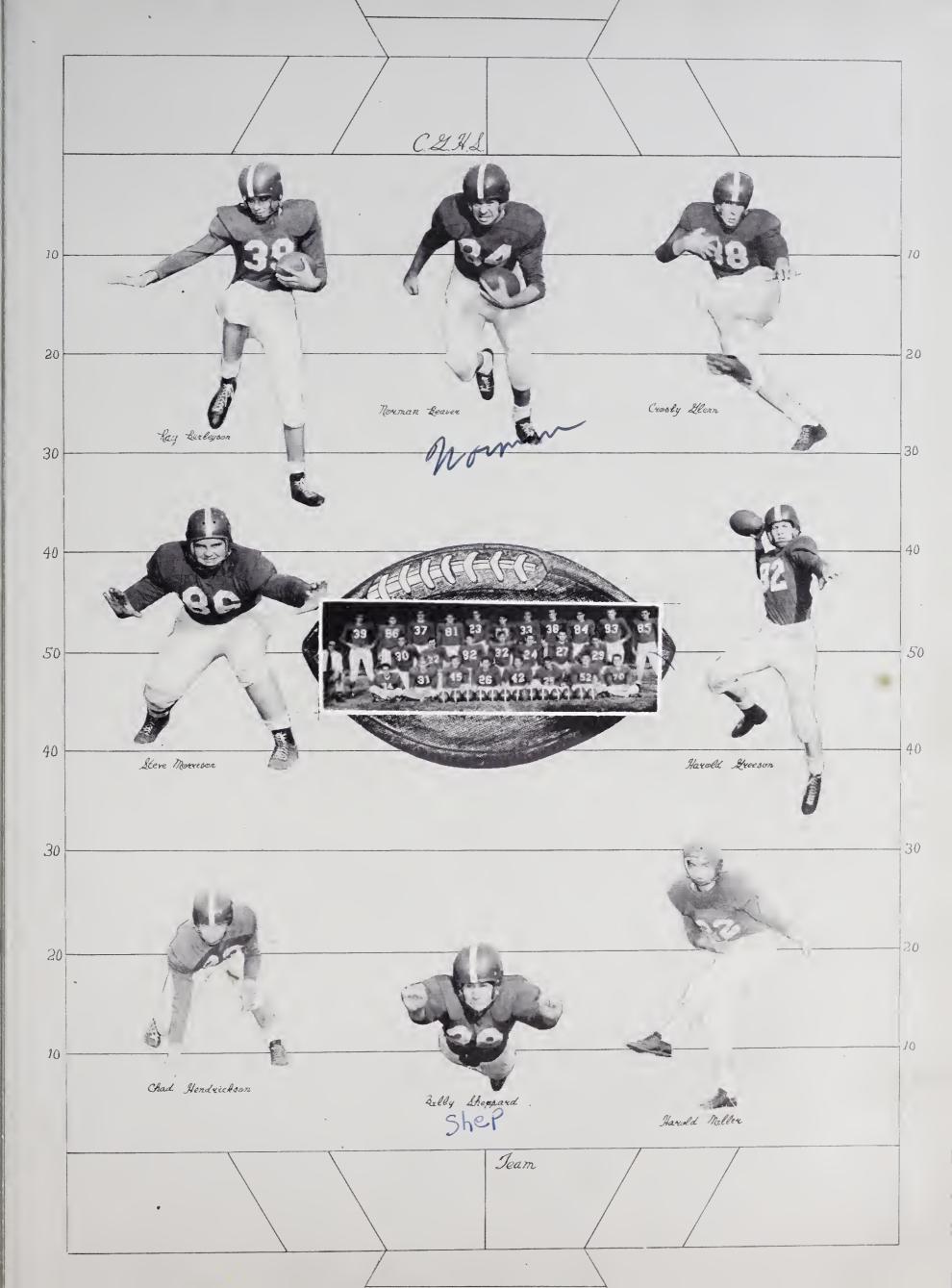


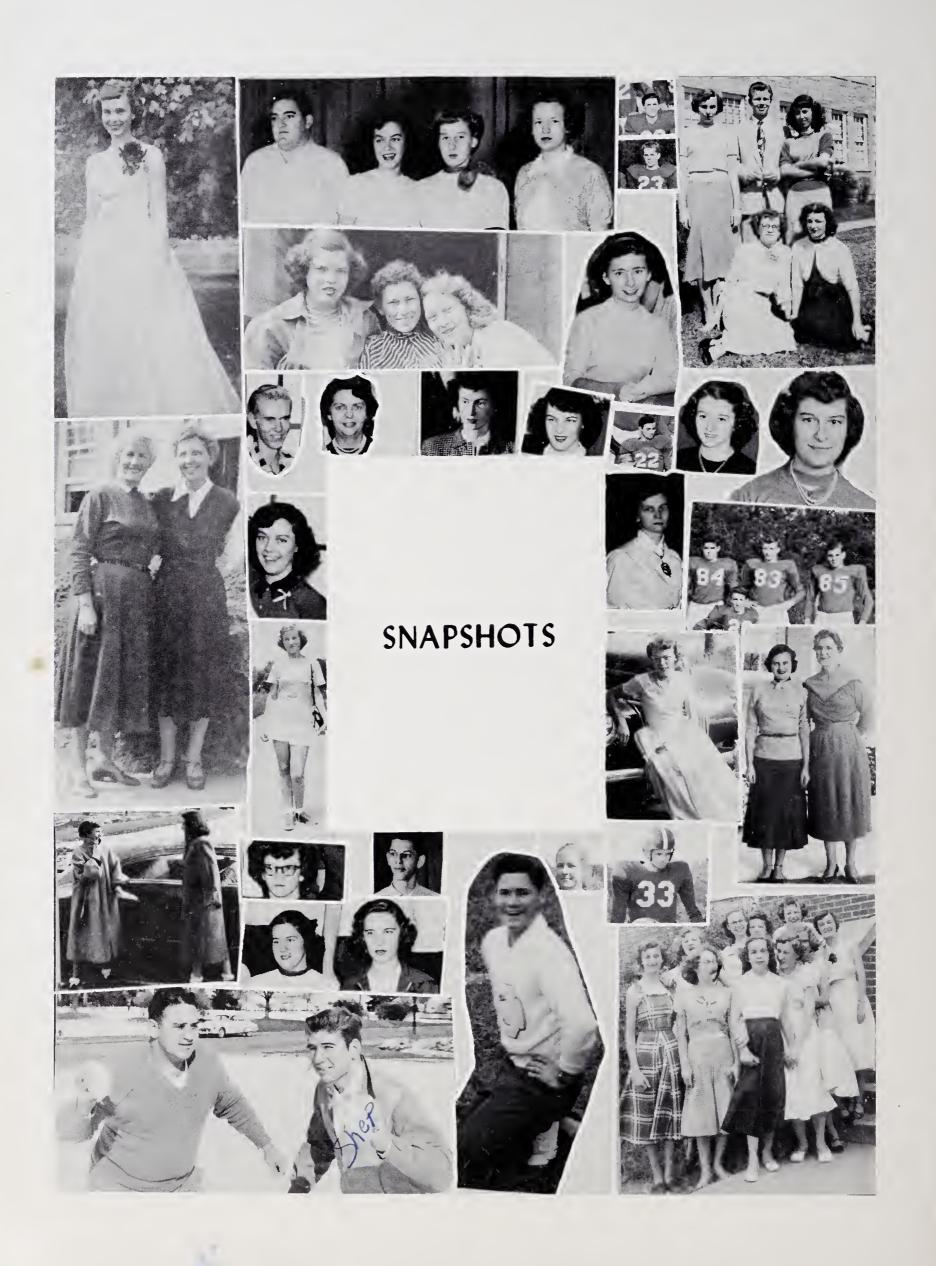














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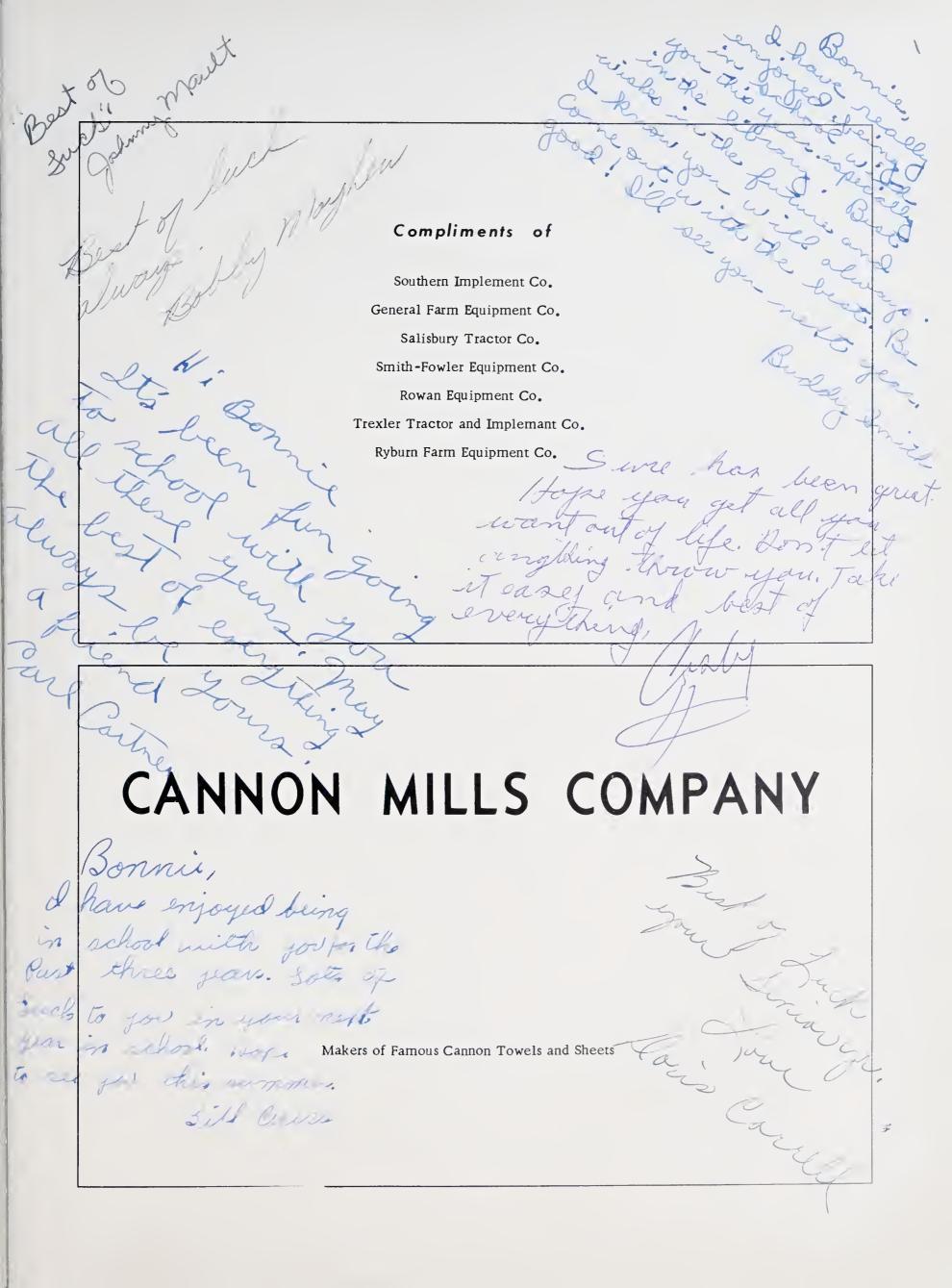
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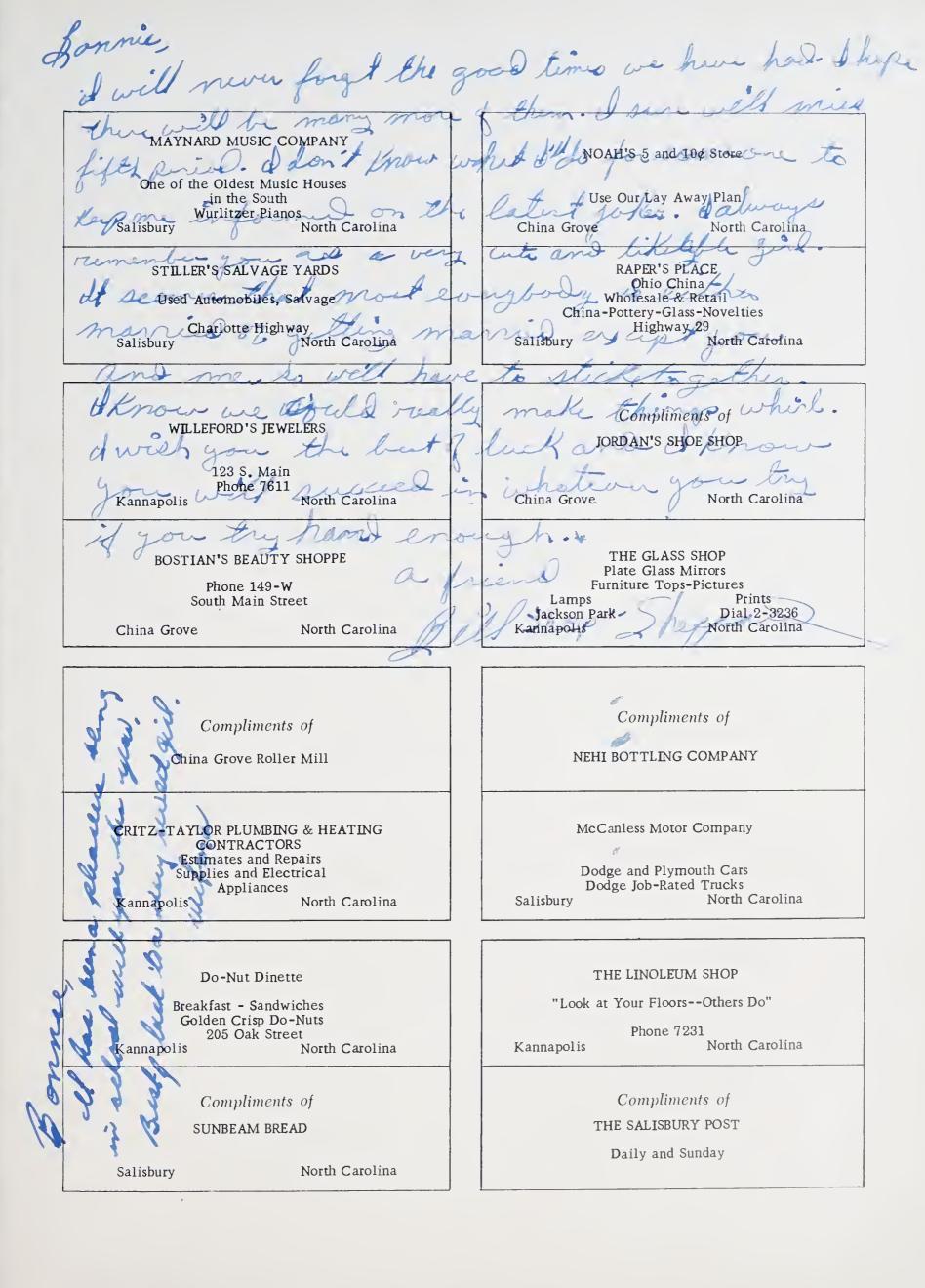


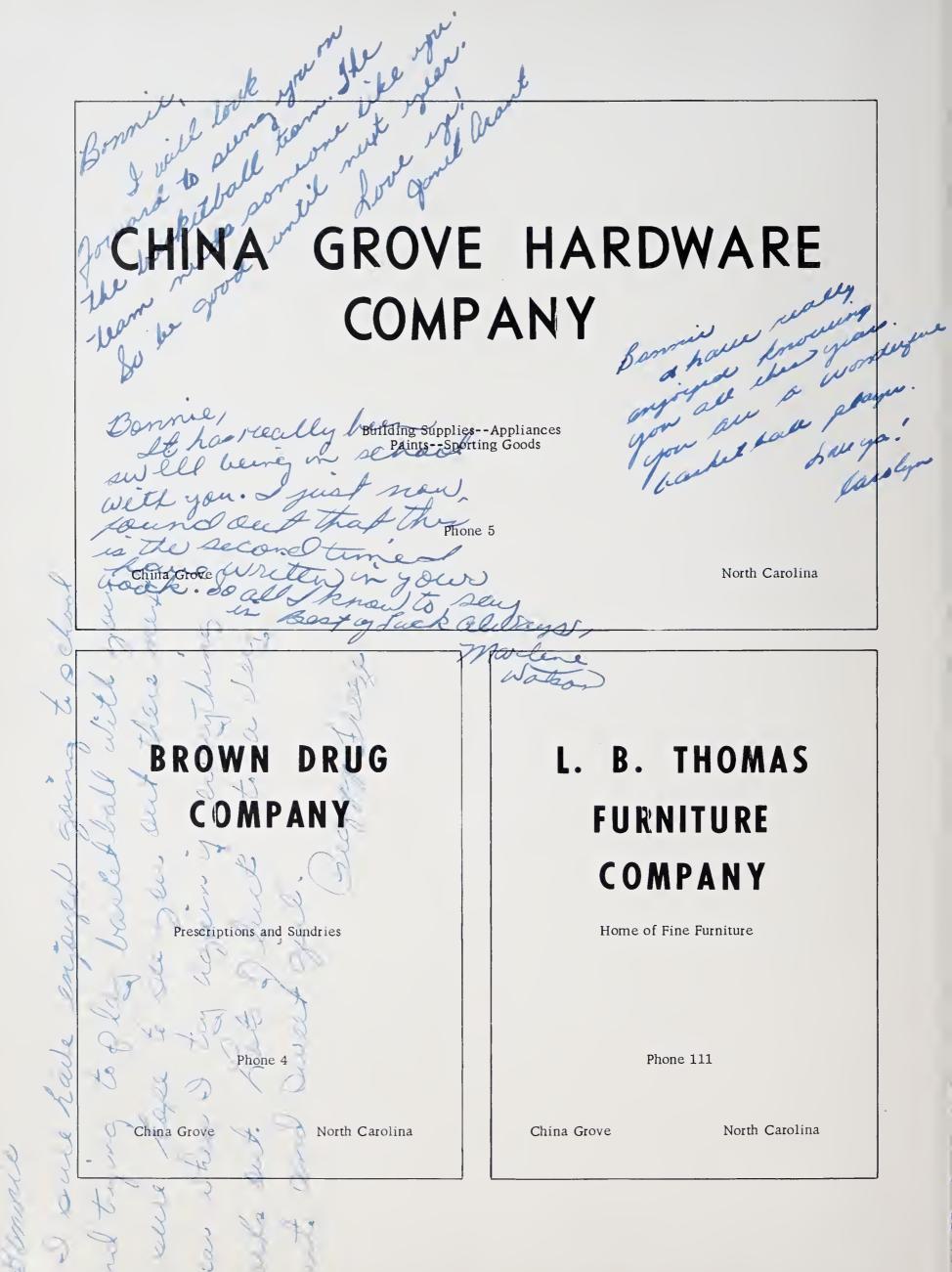
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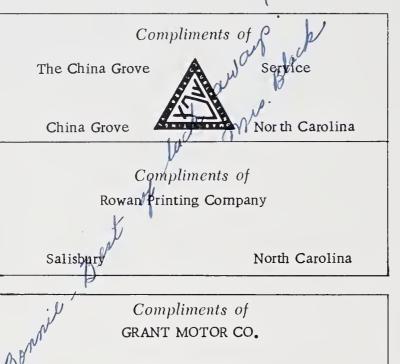
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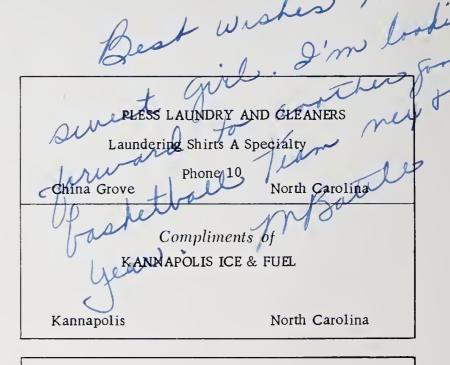
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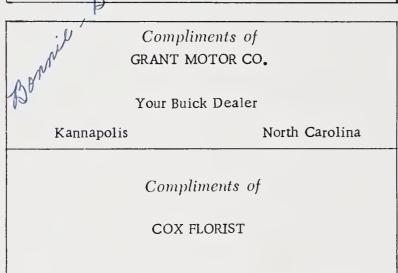




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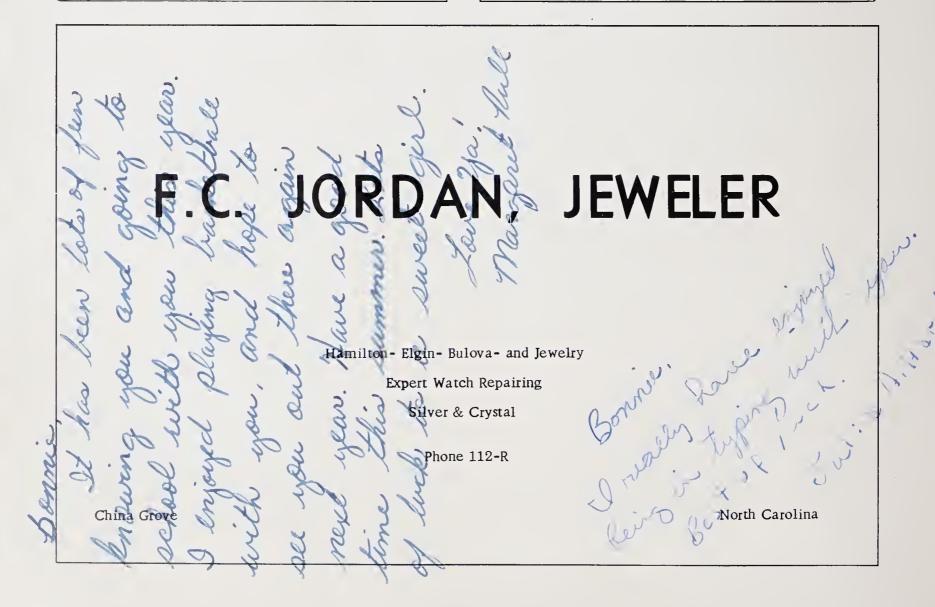
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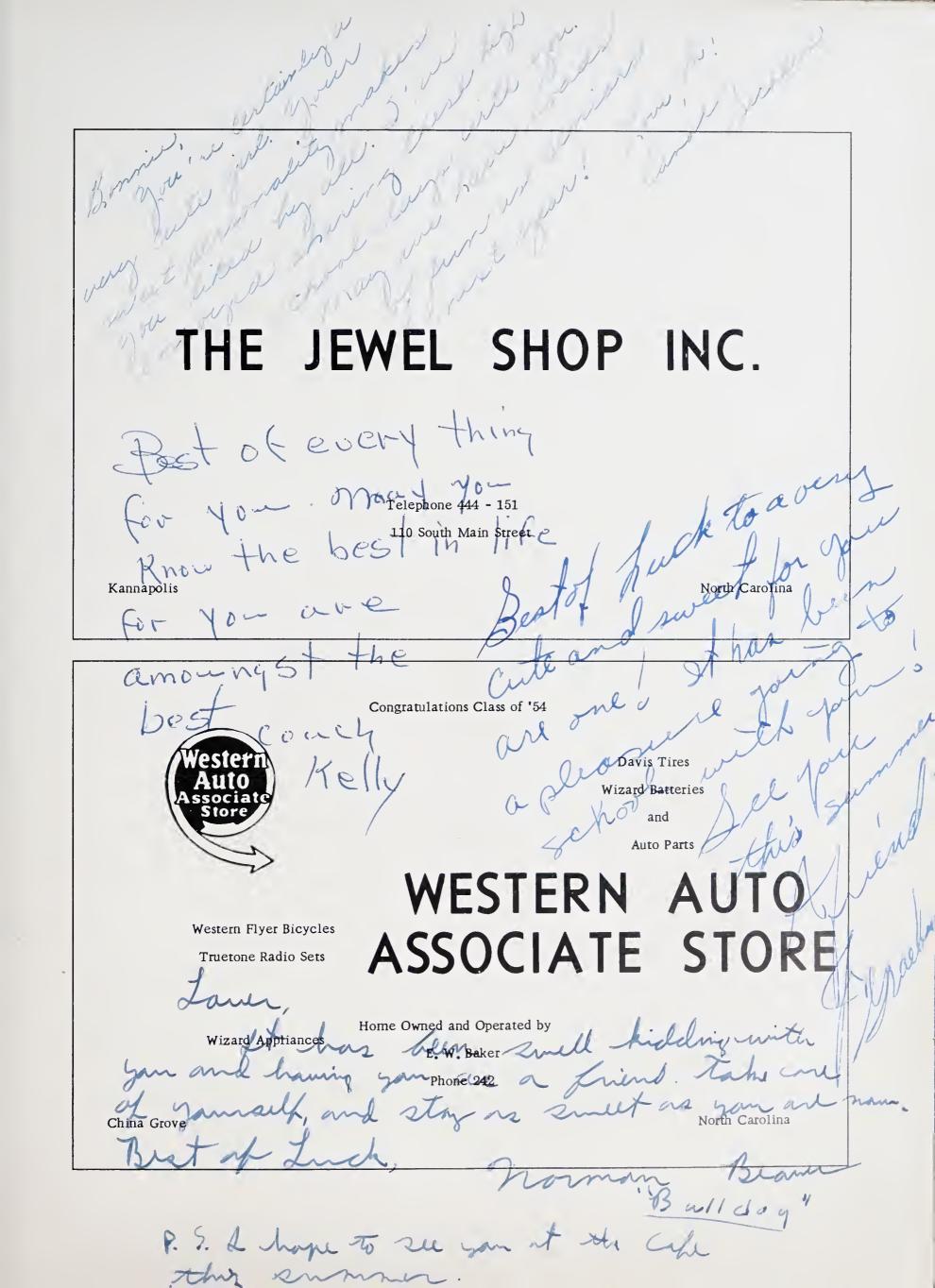
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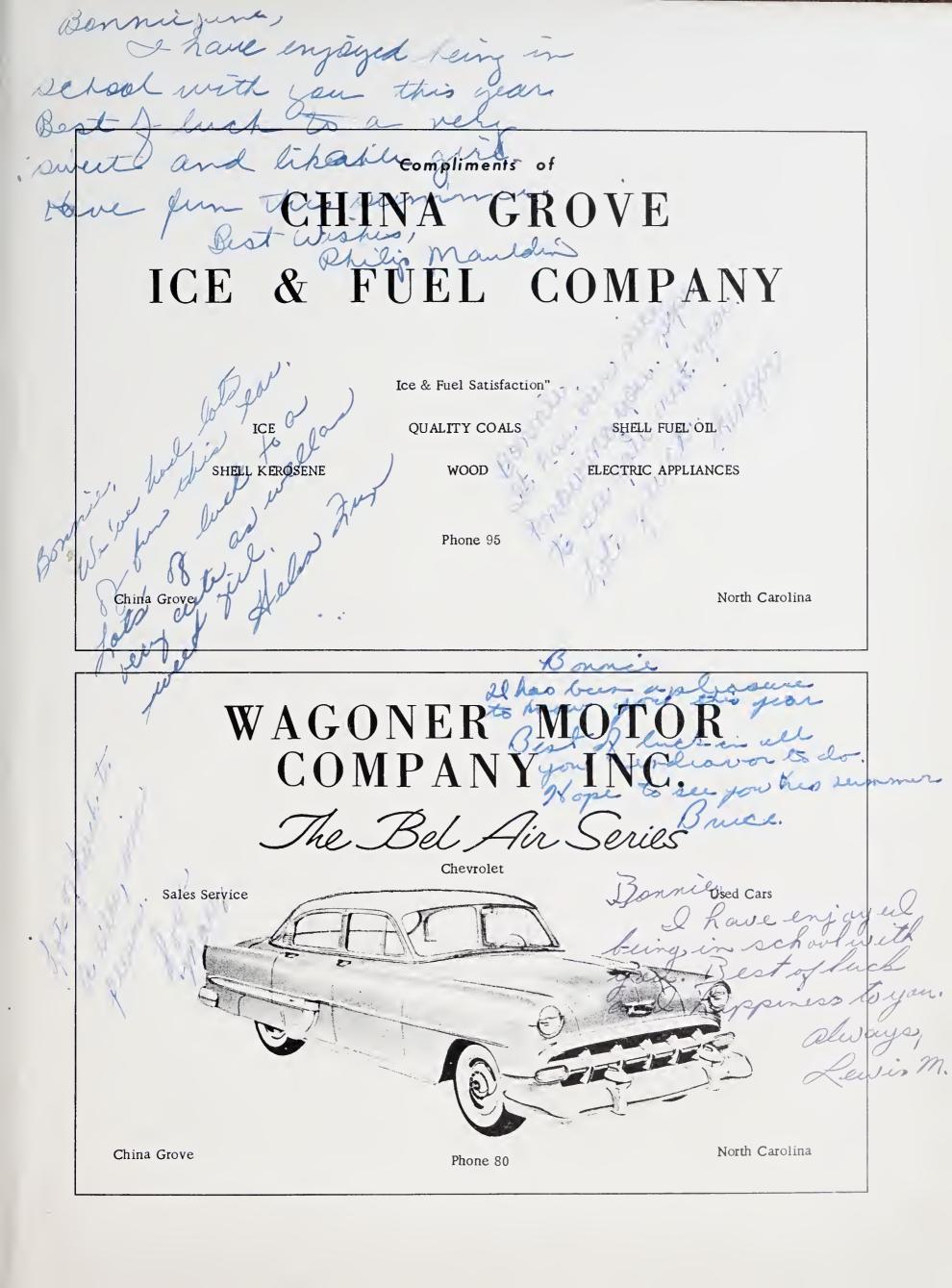




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CLASS HISTORY

Semetimes there are things we like to forget. However, we should like to recall some of the main events of the past four years in high school.

When we first began our glorious four-year span we were frightened and doubted whether we would appreciate our high school career. There were one hundred thirty-two Freshmen when we entered. Our president was Bobby Mault.

As we entered the tenth grade we found that we liked high school much better. Our class numbered one hundred one. Our president was Tom Barber. This Sophomore year wasn't as full of events as our next two, although it was successful.

In our Junior year the events came one after another. Our president, Jimmy Faggart, led us through them prosperously. First came the magazine sale; then our Halloween carnival; next the dancing lessons for the banquet which turned out to be a wonderful bit of entertainment at the Hotel Concord. Our class rings came and thus ended another year for our eighty-nine Juniors.

This year has been best of all. Our president, Tom Barber, has presided at our class meetings with great ease. We returned in the fall with seventy-four members of our Senior class. Rebecca Deal Lyerly went to join her husband in the Army, but continued her school work in Derita, Louisiana, and will return to receive her diploma. So we are still seventy-four—the largest class ever graduated from China Grove High.

Our Senior play, "Seventeenth Summer," was presented in March. Nell Corriher was chosen business manager of our annual staff with Arthur Wilhelm as editor. We have produced the annual in hopes that it will mean as much to the other students as it does to us. The Junior class gave us a very nice banquet at the Hotel Concord this year. The last of April brought the class a trip to Washington for four days of sightseeing. And in May we have fully enjoyed a week of Senior privileges.

The fate of this class lies in the early future. We believe the wonderful and mindful guidance of our parents, teachers, and our principal will help make this fate a successful one. We leave the school bearing in mind our class motto, "Forward ever, backward never—in ourselves our future lies."

SUE LUTHER Class Historian

Lots of buck to a wonduful girl. Phyllio B.

LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT

We, the Senior Class of 1954, of the town of China Grove, state of North Carolina, being of sane mind and realizing that our school life at China Grove High is drawing to a close, would like to rid ourselves of our few possessions.

To our parents we give our love, thankfulness, and appreciation for making it possible for our training.

To our principal, Mr. Carson, we give our sincere appreciation for all the interest, help, and guidance he has shown in our behalf.

To the faculty we give our undying gratefulness for helping us reach our greatly desired goal.

To our class advisors, Mrs. Odell and Mrs. Corriber, we leave our love for their never-ending efforts and lasting patience in making our senior year a success.

To the school board we give our gratefulness for the work they have done in our behalf.

To our mascots, Vicki Beaver and Johnny Safrit, we give our thanks for the part they played in making our senior year a success.

Carolyn Blackwelder, Carolyn Brinkley, and Joyce Crisp leave their love for Salisbury to Frances Crisp, June Blackwelder, and Patsy Eller.

Carl Cartner, Billy Corriher, and Frank Morrison leave their quiet ways to Jerry Rape, Glenn Patterson, and Jerry Ritchie.

Phyllis Lipe, Sue Luther, and Ann Smith leave their ceaseless chatter, happy-go-lucky ways, and friendliness to Patsy Safrit, Anne Whicker, and Phyllis Arthurs.

Bobby Mault, Jimmy Meismer, and Don Speight leave their ability to work and come to school to any three freshman boys who need it.

Sarah Adams, Barbara Crook, and Lucy Henderson leave their cheerful and friendly ways to Carol Corriber, Patsy Faggart, and Barbara Carter.

Norman Beaver, Keith Sheppard, and Bill Faggart leave their ability to have fun in school to anyone who will enjoy it as much as they did.

Elizabeth Frye, Kathryne Jordan, and Voncile Casey leave their quiet ways to Sybil Jordan, Rebecca Kimball, and Ann Yost.

Jimmie Luther and Johnny Mayhew will their ways of playing football to anyone who can get by with it.

Margie Walter and Genell Wright will their position in the store and their sales ability to Bruce Goodnight.

Janette and Jerry Hendrickson will their happy married life to Peggy Russell and Nathan Adams.

Hazel Elliott and Rachel Shillinglaw will their happy-go-lucky ways to Carol Sue Smith and Norma Fleming.

Mary Emily Meismer and Nell Corriber will their love and ability to play basketball to Cornelia Shaw.

Louise Miller and Shirley Stiller will their friendly ways to Melba Beaver and Shirley Walker. el houre you alway

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Bonnie re-11. Ins Ilene and Irene Yost will their ability to dress alike through high school to the Wise Twins. Mary Frances Morris and Cosby Glenn will their love for each other to Harold and Avice. Frances Koon and Shirley Mills will their ability to talk in studyhall to any two freshman girls. Frances Morton and Paul Yost will their position as Most Romantic to Claudette Overcash and Phil Ray McCorkle. though The following seniors bequeath these items to the students hereafter Don Safrit his bad luck in sports to Landis Hi. Gaynell Billings her ability to become a Beta member to her sister Yvonne. Bill Sheppard his ability to play "hookey" from school to Jimmy Smith. Doris Correll her luck to be homecoming queen to anyone who can be so lucky. Romen Louise Earle her talkative ways to Doris Stiller. Anne Abernathy her happy-go-lucky ways and talkativeness to Pat Wright. Glenn Trexler his third year of English under Mrs. Smith to any sophomore. Susie Park her red hair to anyone who can put up with it. Harold Miller his ability in sports to Larry Patterson. Gracie Rector her four classes under Miss Roseman to anyone Miss Roseman will be willing to put up with. Carolyn E. Johnson her ability to drive '52 Fords to Shirley Ann Walker. Bill Ritchie his talent and love for music to Coach Kelly. Jimmy Faggart his good school record to his brother George. Franklin Koon his bus and busload to anyone who can manage it. Bobby Williams his love for sports to Johnny Bame. Doris Dyson her ability to make an A in B. A. to her nephews, Bobby and Jerry Cottingham. Chad Henrickson his position on the football team to Philip Mauldin. Jackie Hall his ability to work and go to school to Carl Bare. Ray Martin his bus to anyone who can handle it. Helen Josey Castor her place on the library staff to Peggy Beaver. Bill Cress his height to Butch Faggart. Frank Albright his bus to Perry Upright. Dennis Holdsclaw his ability to wreck new Fords to Reid Bassinger. Arthur Wilhelm his chemistry book to Kern Freeze, hoping Kern will get more from it than he did.

Julia Ann Kimball her position as first saxophonist to Steve Whicker in hopes he can do more with it than she did.

Junior Graeber his position on the football team to anyone who has head and intelligence enough to play it.

Daisy P. Yost her position in the office to Margaret Null.

Lewis Aldridge his ability to talk to pretty nurses to any of the boys who have to go to the hospital.

Ann Patterson her dramatics ability to Gail McSwain.

Lewis Moose his seat in Biology to anyone who wants to take it three years.

Frank Litaker his curly hair to Glenn Bell.

Tom Barber his place as chief cheerleader to Mildred Burrell.

I, Mary Ann Benson, have nothing to leave but my love for school will take all the knowledge and wisdom with me that I can.

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MARY ANN BENSON

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Bonnie. It really has her as alway CLASS PROPHECY have 1953 - 1954 Than any The other night as I lay in bed, a strange haze enveloped me, and I found myself transported twenty years into the future into the year 1974 A.D. I discovered that the world had undergene a great change, Although with regularly-scheduled rocket flights being made between Earth and Mars, Venus, and Jupiter. The proprietors of the flight between Earth and Mars are those two celebrated spacemen and compatriots, KEITH SHEPPARD and JIMMY LUTHER. At the nearest car lot, owned and operated by FRANK MORRISON, I bought the newest sensation on the highway, the stap-indous robot-controlled Red Devil, invented and perfected by those two automotive geniuses, COSBY GLENN and NORMAN BEAVER. My first stop was our own Rowan County, where I visited a 200-acre ranch, owned by BILLY CORRIHER and RAY MARTIN, who specialize in raising white-faced beef cattle. They brought me up to date on the latest gossip concerning our former classmates. For instance—DAISY PROPST and her husband are now living in South America, where he is drilling for oil. BOBEY MAULT and Ruby are living presently in France, where Bobby makes his living by serving as a loreign correspondent for the Associated Press. The former CAROLYN EASNHARDT is author of that current best-seller, How to Smoke in Bed Without Igniting the "Kivers." MR. and MRS. JERRY HENRICKSON are living in Brooklyn, where Jerry is manager of the Brooklyn Dodgers. They have won the World Series for the last five consecutive years. On my sojourn through Rowan County, I passed in view of the spacious mansion of retired millionaire, CLYDE GRAEBER. It seems that he became a dealer in hot rods and made a fortune from a hobby. He became popularly known as "the slightly-used hot-rod king." I also passed the famed China Grove University, which boasts of such eminent faculty members as: BILL FAGGART, Professor of History; FRANCES MORTON, Head of the Mathematics Department; SUE LUTHER, Professor of Biology; and BOBBY WILLIAMS, Head of the Physics Department. After this exciting visit to my old home town, I soon found myself heading toward the hearthstone of the nation, Washington, D. C., where a heated campaign is being waged for the presidency of the United States. The two candidates are MARY ANN BENSON, running on the Democratic ticket, and TOM BARBER, running on the Republican ticket. Mary Ann's campaign manager is that prominent and fashionable heiress, JULIA ANN KIMBALL. Tom's campaign manager is CARL CARTNER, current owner of Wall Street and a Democrat hater. At a reception given by Senators PAUL YOST and JIMMY MEISMER, I met JIMMY FAGGART, former chairman of the National Democratic Convention, and SARAH ADAMS, current ambassador to Russia. After cocktails I again started out in my robot-controlled Red Devil, my immediate destination being Hollywood. However, my plans were disrupted when the atomic-splitter in my Red Devil started giving trouble. I was detained an hour at GLENN TREXLER'S service station, but the time was well spent. From him I learned the fate of others of my classmates. JOHNNY MAYHEW, MARY EMILY MEISMER, and NELL COR-RIHER are on their way to Madrid, Spain, where they will participate in the Olympics, now held annually at spots all over the world. GRACIE sweet and wonderful girl.

RECTOR, SUSIE PARK, and FHYLLIS LIPE are currently employed in the research department of the American Cancer Society at Chicago, Illinois. The former VONCILE SHUFFLER is living with her husband and ten children in a fashionable apartment on Park Avenue in New York. MES. HAZEL ELLICTT has just returned from a trip to Europe, because her husband's business takes him abroad frequently.

New York, melting pot of the races and fabulous city of drama, travel, splendor, and squalor, was one of my stops on the way to California. I visited the famous Brinkley-Blackwelder Clinic, located in the poor section of New York and owned by CAROLYN BRINKLEY and CAROLYN BLACKWELDER. They are proud to have on their staff DR. ARTHUR WILHELM, the famous brain specialist. While in New York I attended the world premier of a current Broadway show that many predict will have as long a run as "South Pacific." The name of the show is "Summer Glory," and after the performance I was privileged to meet the co-stars, DORIS CORRELL and LEWIS MOOSE. I really had a wonderful time in New York especially at the baseball game between the New York Yankees and the Philadelphia Phillies at Ebbett's Field. The umpire's voice sounded strangely familiar, so after the game I went out on the field to meet him. Surprise and awe overwhelmed me when I found myself shaking hands with HAROLD MILLER, the former "muscle mouth" from C. G. H. S. My stop at New York was completed with a visit to the Metropolitan Opera House, where I saw the newest singing sensation, the fabulous Yost Twins, IRENE and ILENE, who sang one of their world-acclaimed duets.

After a few hours of riding, I soon left the east coast behind and then found myself captivated by the beautiful scenery of the midwestern states. My journey to Hollywood was interrupted by only one more stop. In St. Louis, Missouri, I visited the beautiful suburban home of REVEREND DONALD SAFRIT, Pastor of the Lutheran Church of the United Lutheran Synod of Missouri.

My fondest dreams were finally realized when at last I reached Hollywood, California, home and workshop of the world's most glamoreus people. A stop at Paramount Studios brought me into contact with the glamorous MISS LUCY HENDERSON, famous fashion designer for Paramount Pictures. She also trains models—her most successful students having been BARBARA CROOK, MARY FRANCES MORRIS, and SHIRLEY STILLER. At M. G. M. Studios I met the two newest heart-throbs in the nation, RACHEL SHILLINGLAW and FRANK LITAKER, who have taken the places of Ester Williams and Jeff Chandler in the hearts of thousands of movie-goers.

In beautiful Beverly Hills I visited the spacious residential home of versatile LOUISE EARLE, who is television's answer to a second Martha Ray. Living next door to her is the King of the Cowboys, BILLY RITCHIE himself, who has taken Roy Roger's place in the hearts of the American people. It seems that Roy got a little too old for the rigorous task of roping cattle. I completed my tour of California with a visit to the Mount Wilson Observatory just outside of Los Angeles. Thera I met the two most renowned scientists in the world, astronomers DENNIS HOLDSCLAW and FRANKLIN KOON, who showed me the most recently discovered planet in our solar system.

I thoroughly enjoyed my tour of California, but too soon it was time to leave; so after one last look at the Golden State, I started on my trip across country toward the Old North State. A brief stop-off at Madison, Wisconsin, brought me into contact once again with SHIRLEY MILLS and FRANCES KOON, two former classmates who are joint-owners of an Old Maids' Home. Next door is an Old Bachelors' Home under the joint-ownership of FRANK ALBRIGHT and BILLY CRESS.

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Bonnie, It re 11. Ins as alway year with Soon Washington, D. C., was within sight once again, and I made it a point to stop at that most fascinating building, the Pentagon. There I was fortunate enough to meet the Chairman of the Joint-Chiefs of Staff, ADMIRAL CHAD HENDRICKSON, and his charming secretary, have enjoy MISS ANNE ABERNATHY. Than any In Virginia I visited MRS. GAYNELLE BILLINGS and MRS. HELEN CASTOR. They are living in beautiful apartments at Camp Pickett, where their husbands, who are high-ranking officers, are helping to train service men for active duty. While in Virginia, I also visited DON SPEIGHT and JACKIE HALL, who are now living in Copeland Park in Although Newport News. They are welders in the shipyard out there. Soon I was in North Carolina once again, heading toward Duke University. While there, I interviewed the coach of the famed Duke Blue Devils, LEWIS ALDRIDGE, and his worthy assistant, BILLY SHEP-PARD. In the famous Duke Clinic I became acquainted with the Supervisor of Nurses, ANN PATTERSON, and two of her most capable aids, JOYCE CRISP and ANN SMITH. I felt very honored indeed when a distinguished member of the Duke staff, MISS MARGIE WALTER, Research Professor in Family Life, asked me for tea in her dormitory. Later that night I attended the 1974 Ice Follies in Raleigh and saw a sensational demonstration of figure skating by a world-famous trio, composed of ELIZABETH FRYE, KATHRYNE JORDAN, and LOUISE MILLER. Late the next day I, Rip Van Winkle, the second, having completed a whirlwind tour of the nation, reached the suburbs of China Grove and parked my car in front of a little brick building. I climbed up the steps and opened a door on which a sign read: "DR DORIS DYSON, Obstetrician." I entered the building, slipped quickly into a nurse's uniform, took my position at an old oaken desk, and prepared for a routine day of work as nurse to a small-town doctor. Signed GENELL WRIGHT Class Prophetess Love Phyllio

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