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Mr. Williams
I have certainly
enjoyed being in
your home room
this year. Best
of luck to one
of the best
teachers I've ever

known
Here wishing you
the best of luck.
always. You are one
of the best teachers
I have known.

Mr. Williams
You are a wonderful
teacher. I will have
all your friends and
remember you and
to you and future
years!
Jean Dodson
a student
English
1st class

Best of luck
to the best
teacher I have
Benny

Mr. Williams
I have enjoyed being in
your history class with you
this year and look forward
to next year to be as happy
and good as this one. I wish
that I could be in
with you.

Mr. Williams
You are one of the best
teachers at this school.
I have enjoyed being in
your class. May God bless you
always. Shonda Cole

Best of luck to such
a swell person. May
you find someone that
will love you.
Bobby J.

Mr. Williams,
I have enjoyed being in
your study hall this year,
especially when we talk
about Sally!! I wish
both of you good luck,
and please hurry up and
pop the question to her,
because you know she
is so sure of you.
Please come back to see
us, Mr. & Mrs. Thomas
both of you live happily
ever after. You'll make
a wonderful couple, and
because you both are
nice, every girl who
you are a swell teacher,
and I will miss you
when I finish high
school. May God bless
you and your wife!
Sara M.

Mr. Williams,
I wish you
all the best and
good luck in your study
hall. I wish you
and your wife
a happy life.
Dandra W.

Mr. Williams,
Here's wishing you
the **best** in Life.
May you always have
that life can have for you.

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I know you are a short time,
I think you are a wonderful
person. Start wishing because you look so
of luck really deserve it. Love you
Mr. Williams, I have
Altho' you are a short time,
I think you are a wonderful
person. Start wishing because you look so
of luck really deserve it. Love you

always,
Ella
Lae.
Justice

Mr. Williams,
you have been
a good teacher in
I hope you like to be
Lae

Love you
Family Jupp

Mr. Williams,
I have enjoyed the last
two years in class of
you, and I hope to be
in your class for the
remaining year to
come.

Jack "Butt"
Brown

you've been one of the
best teachers I've had
in my "School Career"
Donny White

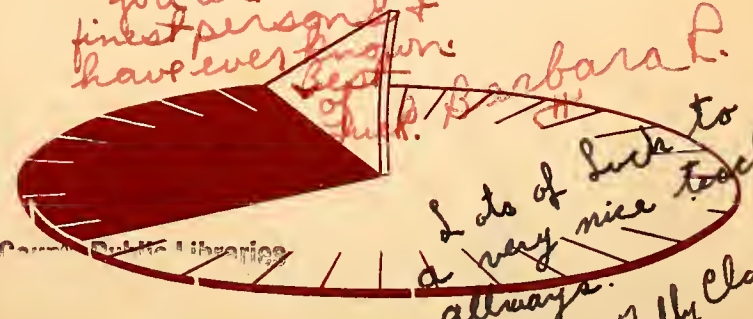
I enjoyed you as
a teacher most of all
Donald Dixon

Best luck and
wishes to one
of the best
teacher in
school, Love,
Jack
Honey

Mr. Williams
I have enjoyed being a pupil
of yours. Your life has been an
inspiration to me. Good luck
and best wishes.
Barbara Henderson

Mr. Williams
you are one of the
finest persons I
have ever known.
Best of luck.
Barbara P.

Curly,
It has been good
to be in school
with you. Hope
you grow some hair
in the future
Jony B.



Lots of luck to
a very nice teacher
always.
Dolly Clark

T.M.W.

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Mr. Williams,
I have really enjoyed
knowing you and having
you for a teacher. You are
a swell guy and one of the best
teachers in the whole school. I hope
you will come back next year. May
the best of everything come to you throughout
the coming years because you certainly deserve
it.

J. E. Johnson

Mr. Williams,
I have enjoyed this year
very much. If it wasn't for
your pushing me along I would
have made worse grades than
I have. You are the best teacher
I have ever known. Thanks a lot
for all of your help. Always a lot

Larry Chappell

Mr. Williams
I have had a lot of fun being in your
homeroom these 2 years but now it is time
I started to work. You are a very
good teacher but watch out for
Mr. Miller he will learn you bad
habits

yours truly
Freddie F.

Mr. Williams,
I have enjoyed
having you as
a teacher this past
year. I hope you
will have many
happy years to come
Andy

To a wonderful
teacher and
kind.
Love "^{Jo}Jo"
Dunn

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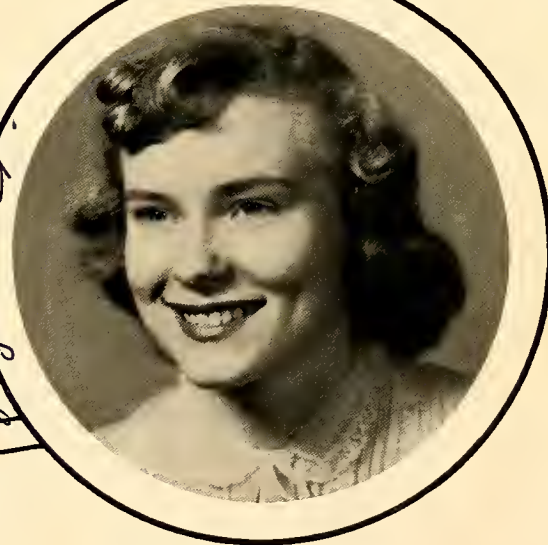
Presented
By the Students of

ALEXANDER WILSON HIGH SCHOOL

GRAHAM, NORTH CAROLINA

Mr. Williams,
it looks like the
school year is over
and I just want
to tell you that
I think you are
the best teacher
I've ever had.
We have had
some times in
study hall this
year, I thought
I might tell you,
I've enjoyed it.

Remember me
Jean Hayes



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Foreword

Many years from now when you leaf through your annual, the staff sincerely hopes that the *Wilsonian* will help you relive your high school days—the good times and the bad, the pleasures of tasks well done, the fellowship in studies and play, the competition on athletic fields—all of these have found a place in our book.



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Dedication



TO MRS. CLAY DWIGHT BRITTAIN, SR.

Who has so willingly given of her effort and time in Christian guidance; who by her sincerity and friendliness has won the love and respect of her students; who with personal poise and professional dignity has encouraged and inspired us when we were discouraged, we sincerely dedicate this 1954 edition of the *Wilsonian*.

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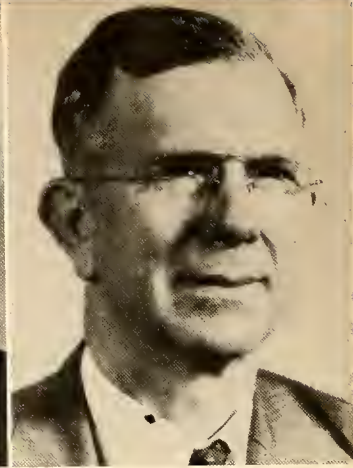
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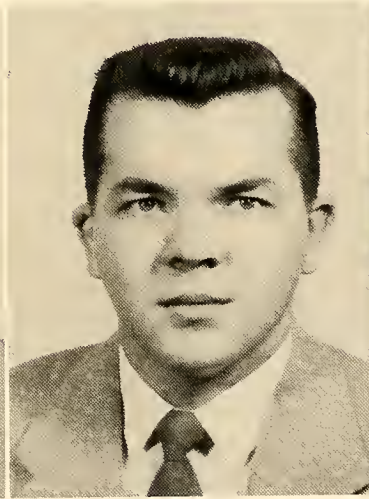
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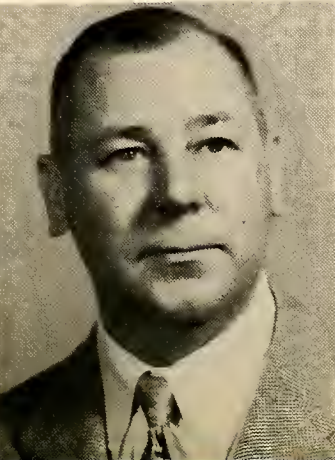


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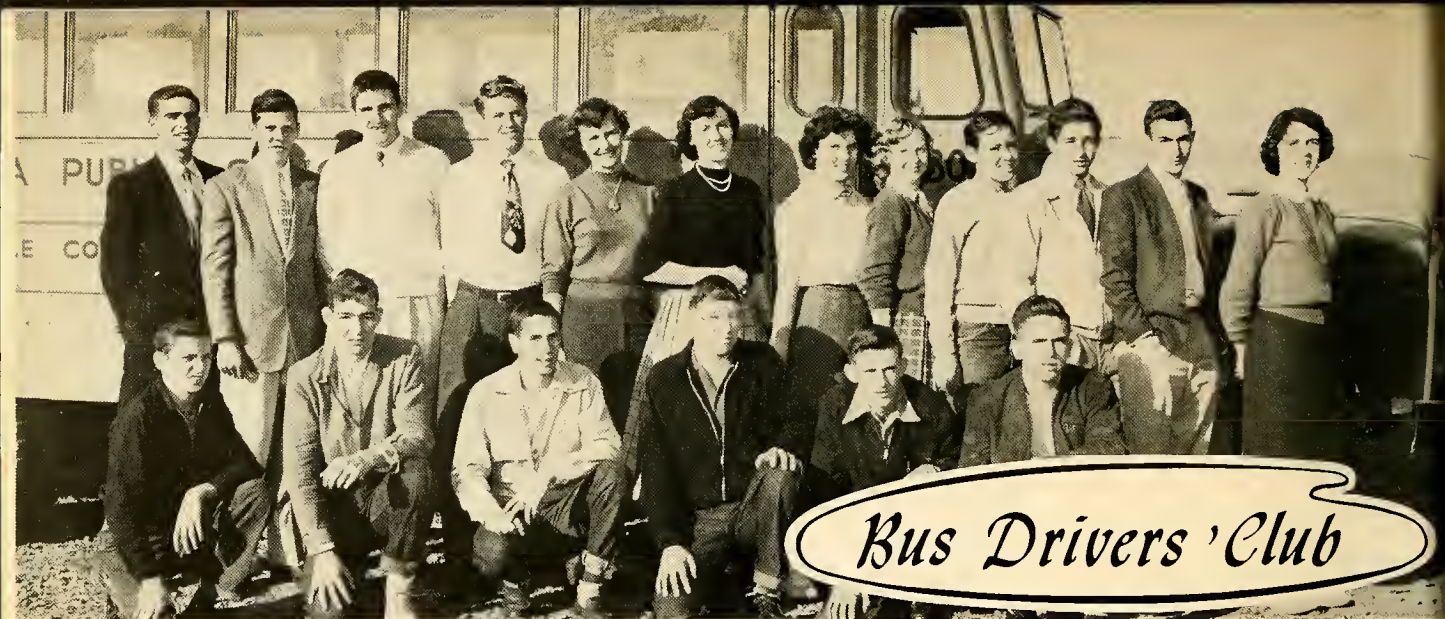
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Our



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Classes

Senior Class



Farmer, Dillard, Fenton, Petty

OFFICERS

BEN DAVIS FARMER, JR. *President*
 WILLIAM RICHARD PETTY *Vice President*
 MARY JANE FENTON *Secretary*
 NANCY ALVA DILLARD *Treasurer*

MOTTO—"Not Finished, Just Begun"

COLORS—Baby Blue and White FLOWER—White Rose



Mascots
 RANDY TAPP
 DONNA SUE ISLEY



CHARLES COLON ALBRIGHT
"Coconut"

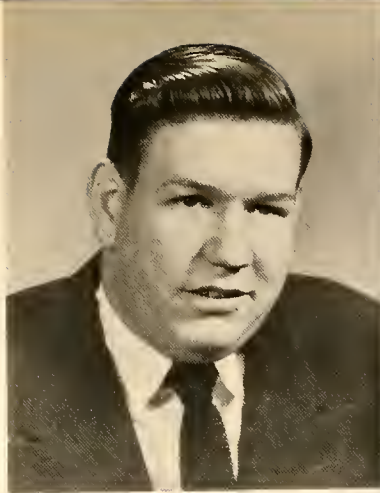
"A quiet, unobtrusive boy, but a friend to all."

Football 1; 4-H Club 1, 2, 3, 4; FFA Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Superlative.

SHIRLEY ANN ANDREWS
"Brack"

"Of all the joys that I recall, being in love is best of all."

Treasurer 1; Glee Club 1, 2; FHA Club 1; 4-H Club 1, 2, 3; Marshal 3; Transfer from Eli Whitney School 4.



VERNELL VESTAL ASHLEY
"Dilly"

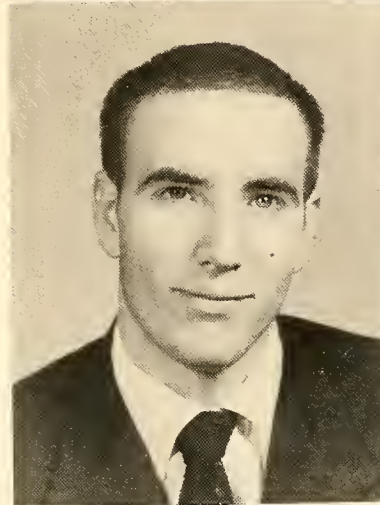
"All great men are dead and I don't feel so well myself."

Basketball 1, 2, 3, Co-Captain, 4 Captain; Football 4; Baseball 2, 3, 4; 4-H Club 1; Glee Club 3, Treasurer 1; FFA Club 3; FTA Club 5; Monogram Club 1, 2, 3, 4, 5; Class Testator; Superlative.

BETTY JEAN BISHOP
"Betty"

"A girl that's friendly, one that's gay, a girl you can love from day to day."

4-H Club 1, 2; Hootin' Owl Staff 4, Art Editor; Class Poet; Superlative.



NAOMI SARAH BLACKWELL
"Naomi"

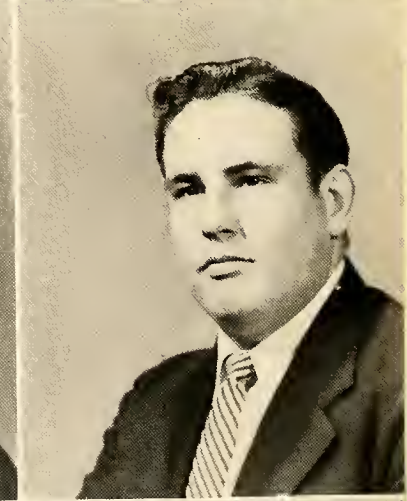
"A friendly smile, a merry life, moments with her all quickly pass."

Glee Club 3; 4-H Club 1, 2.

BOBBY HUNTER BOLDEN
"Bobby"

"He occupies a large space in our hearts."

FFA Club 1, Treasurer 2, 3, 4; Football 1; Superlative.



HARRY WILLIAM BRADY, JR.
"Harry"

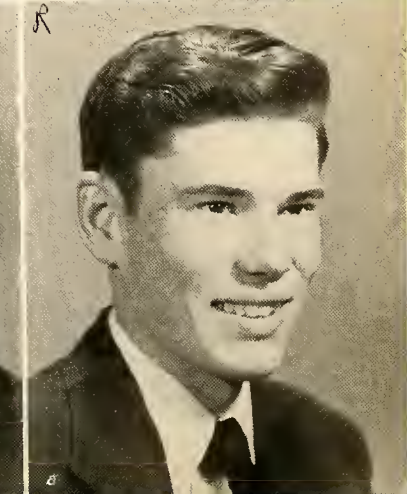
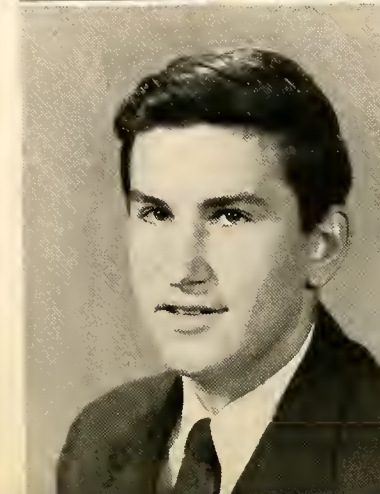
"Men of few words are the best men."

Hootin' Owl Staff 4, Business Manager; Wilsonian Staff 4, Sports Editor; FFA Club 1, 2, 3; Marshal 3; Superlative.

JERRY RONALD BROOKS
"Jerry"

"Happy am I, from care I'm free, why can't they all be happy like me?"

FFA Club 1, 2, 3, 4; 4-H Club 3, 4; Monogram Club 4; Basketball 3; Baseball 2, 3.





REBECCA ANN BROWN
"Becky"

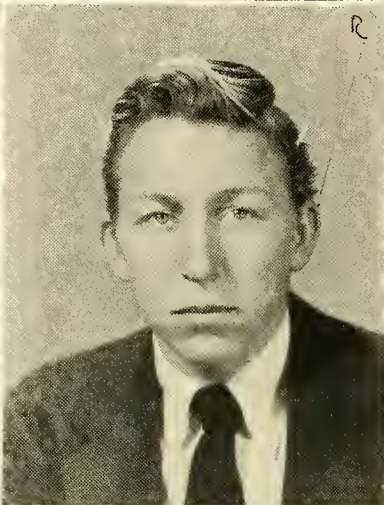
"Efficient, sweet, and sincere; good at sports from all we hear."

Secretary 1, 2; Student Council 3, Secretary; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4, Captain; Monogram Club 1, 2, 3, 4; FHA Club 2; Glee Club 3; Marshal 3; FTA Club 3, Secretary, 4 President; Softball 2; Hootin' Owl Staff 4, Sports Editor; Wilsonian Staff 3, Assistant Advertising Manager 4, Advertising Manager; Bus Drivers' Club 4; Superlative.

SHIRLEY FAYE BROWN
"Shirley"

"Her air, her smiles, her notions tell of womanly completeness."

Vice President 1; 4-H Club 1, 2, 3; Glee Club 3, 4; Hootin' Owl Staff 4, Society Editor; Wilsonian Staff 4, Typist; Superlative.



ELSIE JEAN CHURCH
"Elsie"

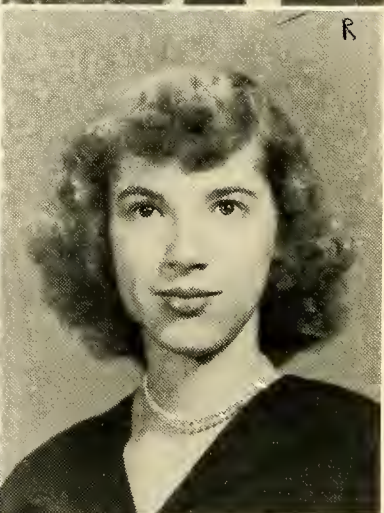
"A bright little girl with prim ways. When Elsie is your friend, your friend she stays."

4-H Club 1, 2; Hootin' Owl Staff 4, Proofreader; Vice President 2; Wilsonian Staff 4, Typist; Superlative.

RONALD TALMADGE CLAPP
"Bull"

"Dignity, good character, and a cheerful disposition, happily combined."

Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3; Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4; President 1, 2; Monogram Club 2, 3, 4; FFA Club 4; Glee Club 3; Superlative.



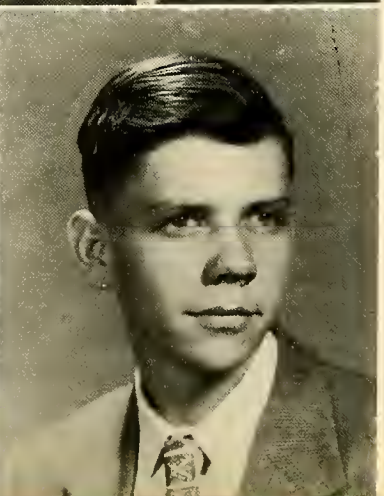
AUSTINE COOK
"Austine"

"A quiet mind is richer than the crown."

BARBARA JEAN CRAWFORD
"Barbie"

"The charm of her presence was felt wherever she went."

Secretary 1; FHA Club 1, 2, 3, 4, Secretary; 4-H Club 1, 2; Glee Club 3; Basketball 2; Student Librarian 4.



DINA LEE CRENSHAW
"Captain"

"Above all things, be carefree, gay, and lighthearted."

4-H Club 1; Glee Club 3; Basketball 2, 3, Captain, 4 Co-Captain; Softball 3; Monogram Club 1, 2, 3, 4; FTA Club 3; Superlative.

THOMAS GLENN CRUTCHFIELD
"Tom"

"A gentleman, and always willing to oblige."

Bus Drivers' Club 2, 3, 4; FFA Club 1, 2, 3, 4.

HAROLD PICKETT CURTIS
"Pick"

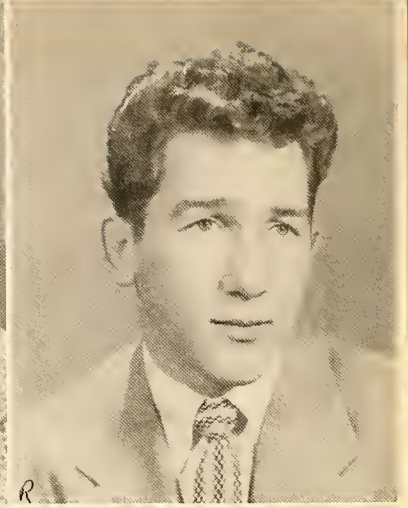
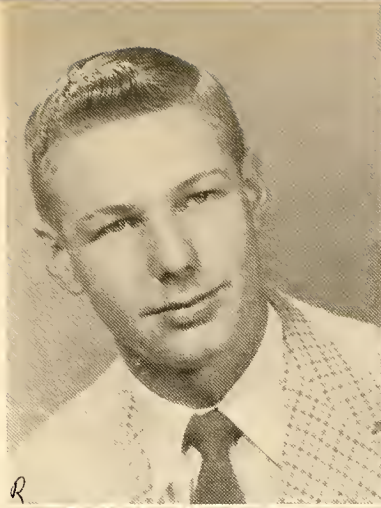
"Not that I like study less, but that I like fun more."

FFA Club 1, 2, 3, Vice President, 4 President; 4-H Club 1, 2, 3, President 4; Monogram Club 2, 3, 4, President; Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4; Treasurer 3; Hootin' Owl Staff 4, Typist; Superlative.

MACK DEAN DAVIS
"Mack"

"So far as my coin would stretch; and where it would not, I have used my credit."

FFA Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Superlative.



NANCY ALVA DILLARD
"Dinky"

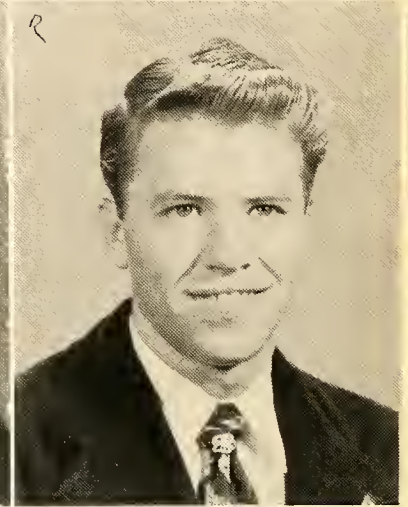
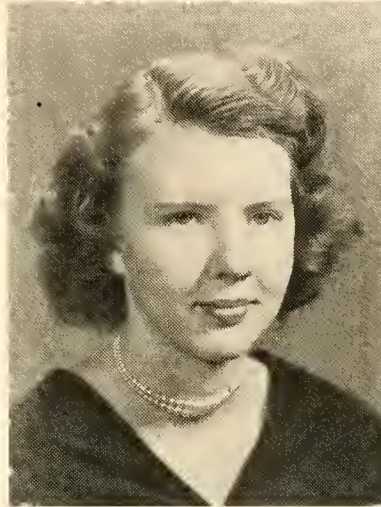
"When she will, she will, and you can depend on that."

Student Council 1, 2; FHA Club 1, 2, 3, 4; 4-H Club 1, 2; Glee Club 4; Vice President 3; Treasurer 4; Hootin' Owl Staff 4, Proofreader; Superlative.

DONALD WILKINS DIXON
"Dixie"

"He doesn't worry; he doesn't fret, the kind of boy we'll never forget."

FFA Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Bus Drivers' Club 3, 4; 4-H Club 1, 2, 3.



BILLY REID DODSON
"Bill"

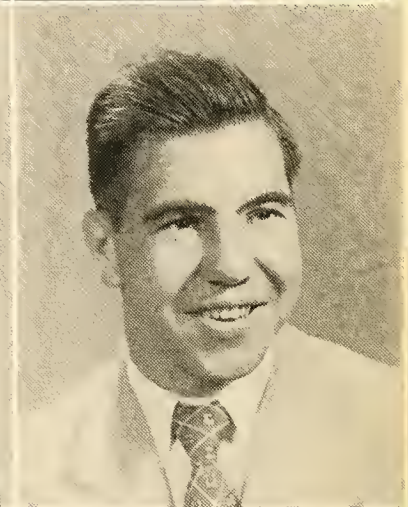
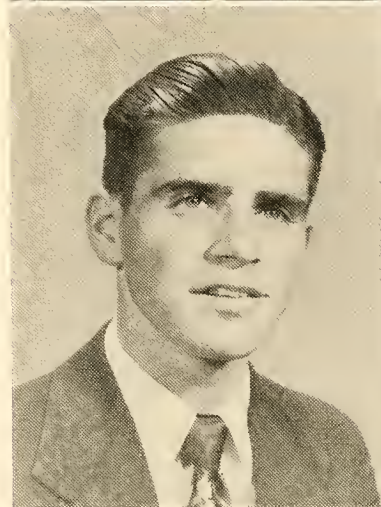
"His good humor, sunny smile, and good sense make him worthwhile."

FFA Club 1, 2, 3, 4; 4-H Club 2, 3, 4; Bus Drivers' Club 2, 3, 4.

BEN DAVIS FARMER, JR.
"Ike"

"A boy who is fun when fun is due; when there's work to do, he'll do it, too."

Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4; Football 1, 2, 3, 4, Co-Captain; Basketball 2, 3, 4; Vice President 2; President 3, 4; Monogram Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 3; Superlative.



MARY JANE FENTON
"Fenton"

"She is just what she is, what better report, a girl, a friend, a student, and a good sport."

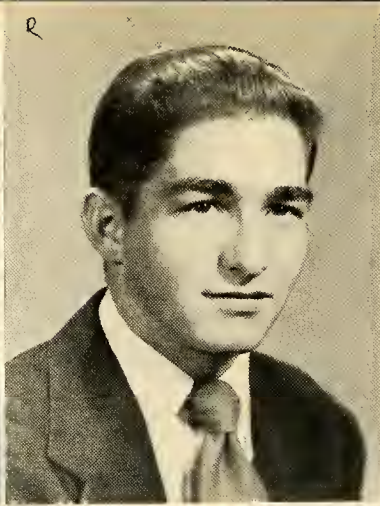
FHA Club 1, 2; Glee Club 2, 3, 4; Basketball 1, 2; Treasurer 2; Secretary 3, 4; 4-H Club 1; Bus Drivers' Club 4; Marshal 2, 3; Hootin' Owl Staff 4, Typist; Superlative.

BETTY JEAN HEDGEPEETH
"Betty"

"A rare compound of quality, noble and true, with plenty of sense and humor, too."

FHA Club 1, 2; 4-H Club 1, 2; Treasurer 2; Dramatics 1, 3; Hootin' Owl Staff 4, Editor; Glee Club 3; FTA Club 4; Superlative.





BARBARA THOMPSON HILL

"Bobbie"

"Happy is she who is content."

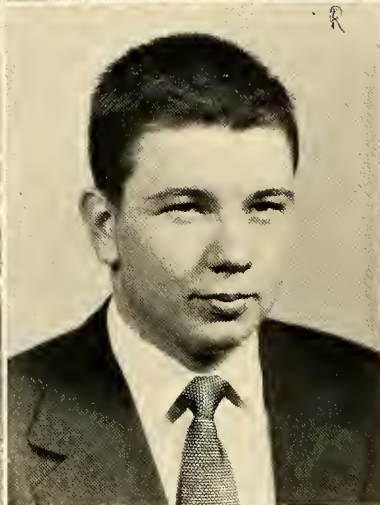
FHA Club 1, 2; 4-H Club 1, 2; Glee Club 4.

KENNETH LEE ISLEY

"Kenney"

"Pleasure fills our youthful years, why study if it interferes?"

Bus Drivers' Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Baseball 1, 2, 3; 4-H Club 1, 2, 3, 4; FFA Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Monogram Club 3, 4.



SALLY FRANCES LONG

"Sally"

"A modest girl in words and ways; she justly earns her classmates' praise."

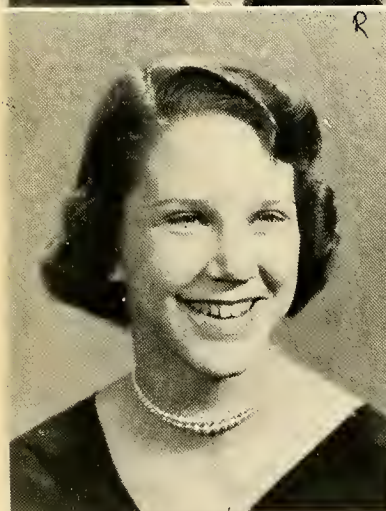
Treasurer 1; Wilsonian Staff 4, Art Editor; Superlative.

ROBERT KENT MANN

"Dick"

"A jolly good sport and an all-round guy, such a pal as no money can buy."

Football 1, 2, 3, 4, Captain; Baseball 1; Basketball 4; Monogram Club 1, 2, 3, Vice President 4; 4-H Club 1, 2, 3, 4, President; President 2; Student Council 3, 4, President; Marshal 2, 3, Chief; Wilsonian Staff 4, Business Manager; Hootin' Owl Staff 4, Assistant Editor; Superlative.



DORA ANNE PARIS

"Ann"

"Happy-go-lucky, jolly as can be, gay as a sunbeam and just as free."

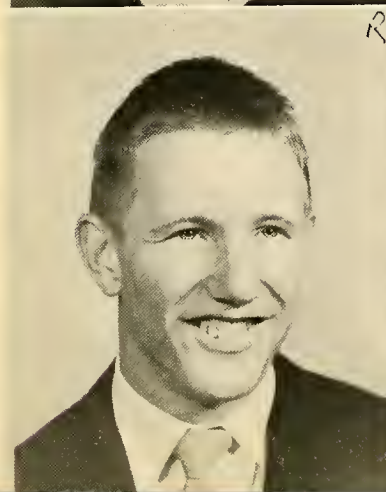
Transfer from Colfax School 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; FHA Club 2, 3, Parliamentarian; Glee Club 1, 2, 3; Softball 2, 3; 4-H Club 1, 2; Treasurer 2; Monogram Club 4; Beta Club 3; Superlative.

MARY ANNE PARIS

"Anne"

"The reasons for her popularity are not hard to define; she's sincere and friendly with an excellent mind."

Student Council 1, 2, Secretary 4; Monogram Club 2, 3, 4; 4-H Club 1, 2, 3; Cheerleader 2, 3, 4; Dramatics 2, 3; FTA Club 4, Secretary; Glee Club 3, 4; Hootin' Owl Staff 4, Typist; Wilsonian Staff 3, Assistant Editor, 4 Editor; "Miss Alexander Wilson" 4; Superlative.



JAMES MACK PAYNE

"Doc"

"Athletic, witty, and full of fun, he's made a friend of everyone."

Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Football 3, 4; Glee Club 3; FFA Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Monogram Club 2, 3, 4, Vice President; Hootin' Owl Staff 4, Sports Editor; Superlative.

PATRICIA ANN PEARSON

"Patti"

"Here's to a girl with a great big heart, one with whom we hate to part."

4-H Club 1, 2; FHA Club 1, 2, Songleader; Basketball 1, 2; Wilsonian Staff 3, Assistant Business Manager, 4 Snapshot Editor; Glee Club 3; Superlative.

WILLIAM RICHARD PETTY
"Little Willie"

"From all his worthy qualities, t'would be a task to pick his best."

President 1; Vice President 4; Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Monogram Club 2, 3, 4, Treasurer; Basketball 3, 4; Glee Club 3; Bus Drivers' Club 3, 4; Marshal 2; Class Prophet; Superlative.

BETTY JO RAY
"Betty"

"The world always has a place for the person who can be depended upon."

4-H Club 2; Secretary 2; Hootin' Owl Staff 4, Business Manager; Wilsonian Staff 4, Art Editor; Superlative.

FAYE DEAN RONEY
"Dean"

"Not too serious, not too gay, a likable girl in every way."

Basketball 2, 3, 4; Softball 2; 4-H Club 1, 2; Glee Club 3; Monogram Club 4.

WILLIAM LEONARD SCARLETT
"Snooky"

"A hearty, mischievous smile, makes for him a life worthwhile."

FFA Club 1, 2, 3, 4, Secretary; FTA Club 4, Treasurer; Bus Drivers' Club 2, 3; Monogram Club 4; Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 2, 3, 4; Hootin' Owl Staff 4, Humor Editor; Superlative.

EMILY JANE TAPP
"Emily"

"A smile for all, a greeting glad, an amiable jolly way she had."

Student Council 3, 4; Dramatics 3; 4-H Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Wilsonian Staff 4, Associate Editor; FHA Club 1, 2, 3, 4; FTA Club 3, 4; Superlative.

BOBBY DANIEL TEER
"Buck"

"A witty tongue and a ready will, whatever you want, this boy can fill the bill."

FFA Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Bus Drivers' Club 2, 3, 4.

NELLIE MAE TINGEN
"Nellie"

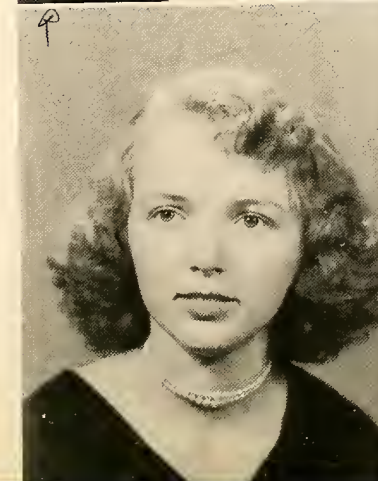
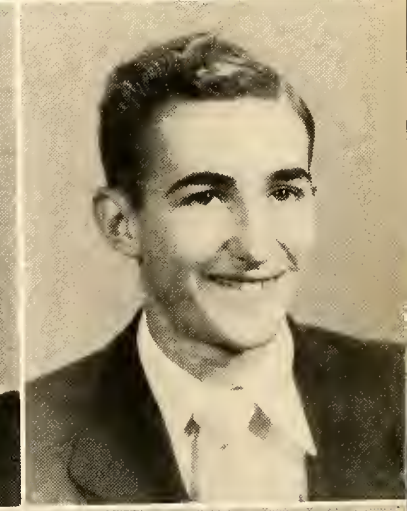
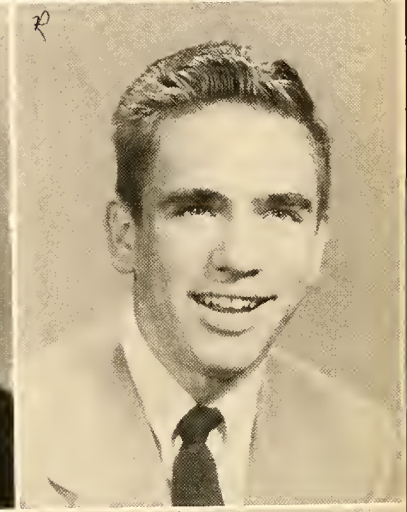
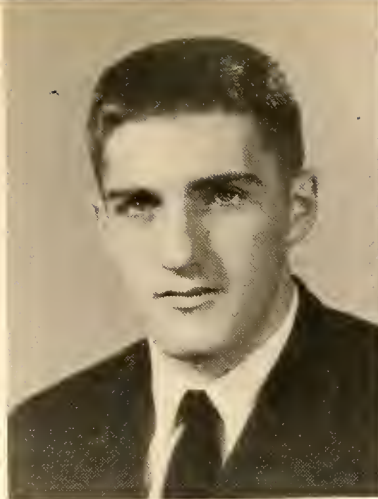
"Her smile is not more sunny than her hair."

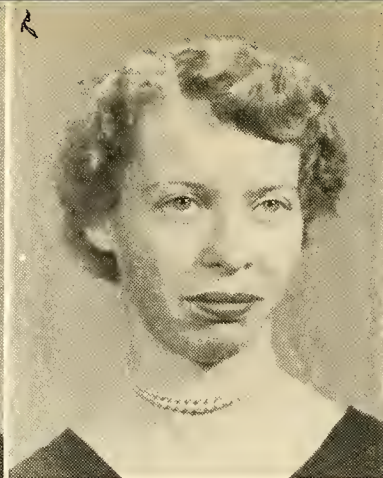
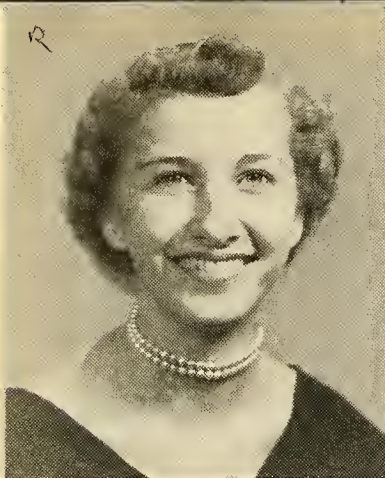
Cheerleader 2; Monogram Club 2, 3, 4; Hootin' Owl Staff 4, Art Editor; Superlative.

LOIS JEANETTE WAGONER
"Billie"

"She may be small, but she does her work well or not at all."

Transfer from Burlington 1; Basketball 1; Softball 2; Glee Club 3, 4; Wilsonian Staff 4, Sports Editor; Dramatics 2.





VIRGINIA ANN WILLIAMS
Gina

"Laughter is the best medicine."
Glee Club 3; 4-H Club 1, 2; Superlative.

PEGGY JEAN WOOD
"Peg"

"A kind-hearted, good tempered girl."
4-H Club 1, 2, 3.

Not pictured:
JACK JENKINS
MAUDE EVELYN TINGEN

SENIOR CLASS POEM

As I sit dreaming of the past,
I think of all our happy years together.
First, when we were freshmen, so carefree and gay,
With seldom a worry from day to day,
But when we became sophomores so wise,
The importance of work we had begun to realize.
Then we no longer tried to shirk,
But settled down and began to work.
Soon another year had passed,
And Juniors we had become,
Faced with many responsibilities ahead,
So our teachers very often said.
But the wonderful experiences are so dear to our hearts,
And we can never forget our early start.
All the years of learning so quickly have flown,
How different they might have been had we only known.
Now the time has come for us seniors to journey on,
As those before us have done.
We realize our work is "Not finished, but just begun."
But with the strength to do, and the will to dare,
And the courage to find our places in the world of to-
morrow,
Let us strive to do our best,
As we bid our Dear Wilson Adieu.

BETTY JEAN BISHOP
Poet



Class History

Twelve years ago, we sixty-six mischievous little boys and girls, under the able leadership of Mrs. Garrett and Miss Crowell, began our long journey to obtain an education. Of course, we had many pleasant and unpleasant experiences along the way; yet we never completely gave up, because our helpful teachers encouraged and inspired us to higher learning.

By the time we had reached the eighth grade we began to see ourselves as future men and women of the world, especially when we had had the pleasure of receiving our eighth grade certificates.

In the ninth grade we were, as tradition would have it, green freshmen, but we had two excellent home room teachers, Mrs. G. B. Robbins, who had section I, and Mrs. Malcolm Gourley, who had section A, to work with us. Ronald Clapp, Anne Scott, Rebecca Brown and Sally Long were the officers of Mrs. Robbins' section, and Billy Petty, Shirley Brown, Barbara Crawford and Buddy Isley were the officers of Mrs. Gourley's section. Our freshman year was spent in learning the routine of high school, and in buckling down to hard work.

After a much needed vacation we started our sophomore year by electing Ronald Clapp, Ben Farmer, Rebecca Brown, and Mary Jane Fenton, as the officers of Mrs. Gourley's section, and Kent Mann, Elsie Church, Betty Jo Ray, and Betty Hedgepeth as the officers of Miss Thelma Cates' section.

This year was spent in following the regular schedule of work and learning more about the extra activities of high school life.

Under the efficient sponsorship of Mrs. S. C. Burke, we juniors began the third mile of our journey. Realizing that capable and responsible class officers are an asset to any group, we chose Ben Farmer, President; Nancy Dillard, Vice President; Mary Jane Fenton, Secretary; and Harold Curtis, Treasurer.

Not many months elapsed before it was time to order class rings, and naturally, we were overjoyed at the idea.

Then the next important event was the Junior-Senior Banquet, the theme of which was "Starlight." Much planning and preparations were made for the big occasion, which was a very festive event. The absence of our faithful sponsor, Mrs. Burke, recovering from an operation, saddened our hearts.

The remainder of our junior year was spent studying, planning, and participating in the different clubs and organizations, and attending parties. Receiving our class rings and passing our examinations ended the highly successful junior year. Long will the class remember the patience and splendid leadership of Mrs. Burke.

Forty-five boys and girls entered an attractive classroom on September 3, 1953, at which time Miss Davis, our beloved English teacher, became our advisor. This, our fourth year, was to be a very important one in our lives; so we needed alert and responsible leaders. Very soon Ben Farmer was elected President; Billy Petty, Vice President; Mary Jane Fenton, Secretary, and Nancy Dillard, Treasurer.

High hopes and ambitions filled our minds as we started our last mile, and it was not long until we were well represented in the Council, for Kent Mann was President, and Mary Anne Paris and Emily Tapp, also seniors, ably assisted in the work of the organization.

Next came the work of the Newspaper Staff, consisting of seniors, who very diligently worked in publishing the "Hootin' Owl," each time, and last, was the WILSONIAN, the school yearbook, in which the seniors and juniors assumed much responsibility in compiling.

In the midst of our work, we took enough time out to choose our mascots, Donna Sue Isley and Randy Tapp, two charming children.

Now we are beginning to realize how much the faculty and our friends really mean to us; therefore, our gratitude to them can never be expressed too strongly.

REBECCA BROWN
Historian



Best All-Round

HEDGEPEETH
MANN



Best Looking

TINGEN
DAVIS



Cutest
CHURCH
CURTIS

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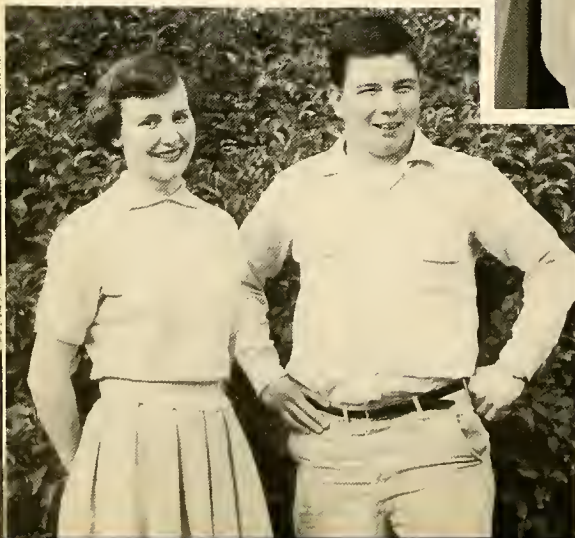


Most Popular

CURTIS
PARIS

Most Likely to Succeed

MANN
BROWN



Best Dressed

RAY
CLAPP





Friendliest

FARMER
PARIS



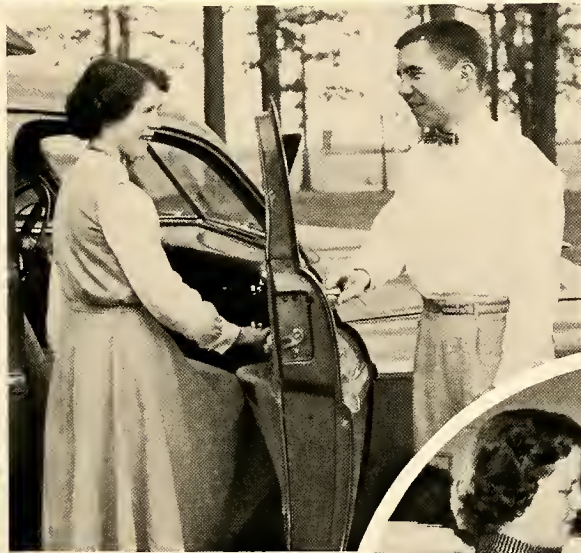
Most Intellectual

PETTY
BROWN



Biggest Flirts

WILLIAMS
ASHLEY



Most Courteous

FENTON
FARMER

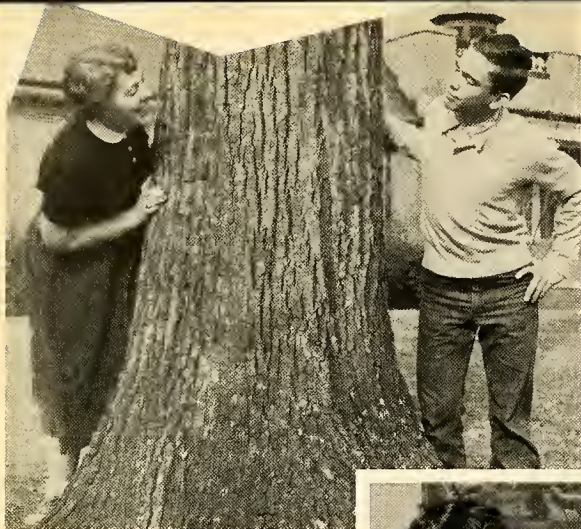
Most Studious

DILLARD
BRADY



Most Dignified

BRADY
PEARSON



Quietest
LONG
ALBRIGHT



Wittiest
TAPP
SCARLETT



Most Talented
BOLDEN
FENTON



Most Original
BISHOP
PETTY

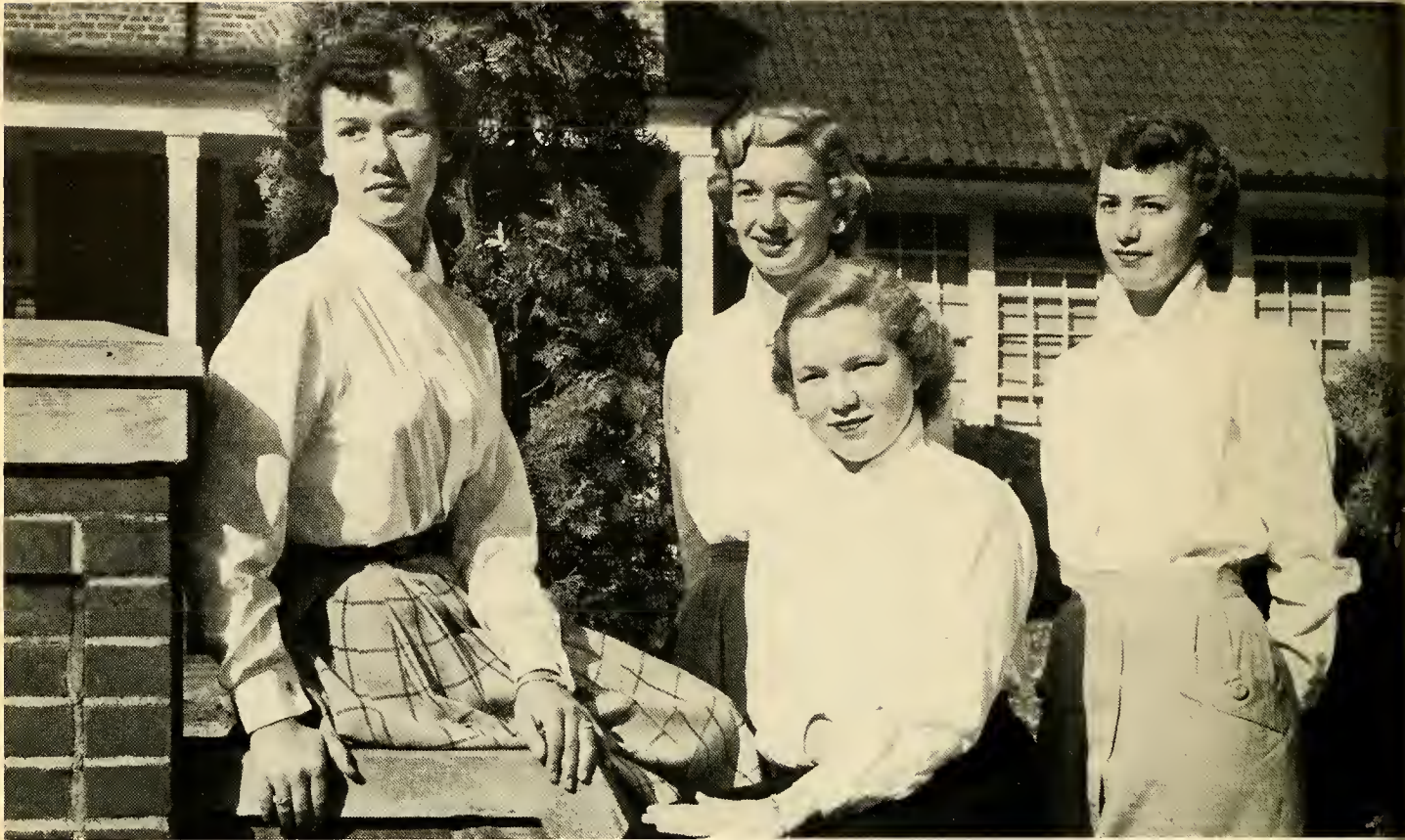
Most Mischievous
TAPP
SCARLETT



Most Athletic
CRENSHAW
PAYNE



Junior Class



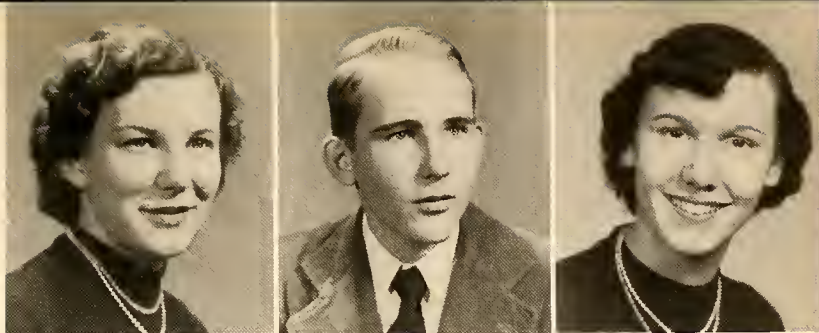
Bowman, Cox, Cates, Draughn.

CLASS OFFICERS

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MARY EVAN CATES *Vice President*
LORANDA GAIL COX *Secretary*
CARRIE LUCILLE DRAUGHN *Treasurer*



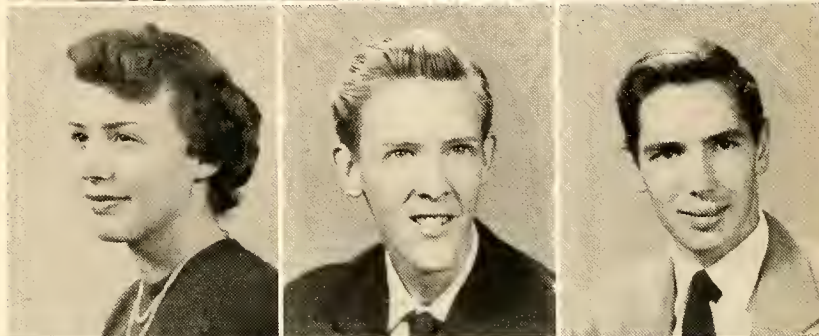
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George Stanford Bason
Judy Starr Bowman



Nancy Jeanette Bradshaw
Carolyn Marie Burke
Gloria Ann Carden



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Charles Milton Crawford
Margaret Anne Crawford
Robert Holt Davis

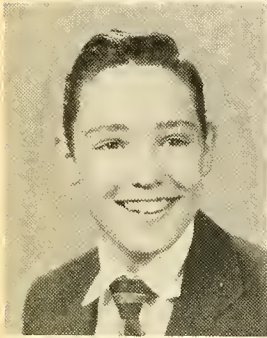


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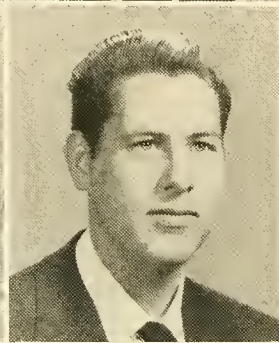
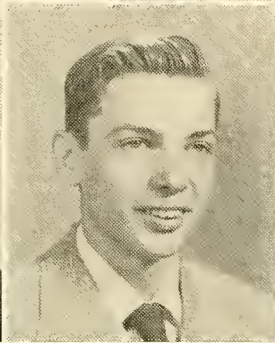




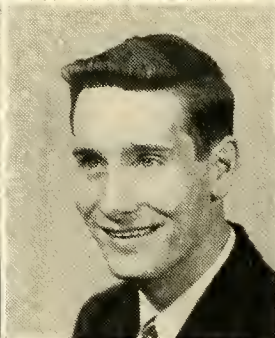
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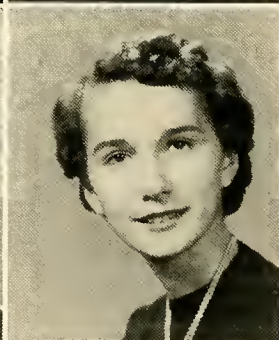
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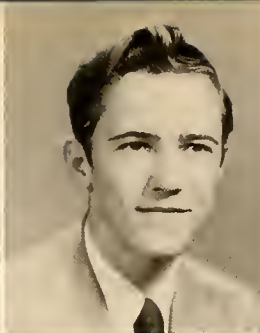


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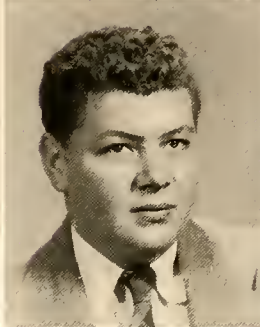


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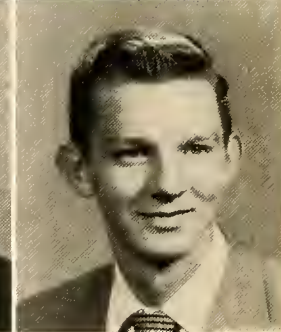
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Bennie Harold Quakenbush
Mabeline Riddle



Martha Sue Roberson
Barbara Jean Rowland
Joanne Scott



Alma Eudell Sharpe
Rita Sonjia Steele
John Ruffin Tingen



Sara Lane Wells
Sandra Jane Whittemore
Not pictured
Marco Manolo Mora
Katie Odell



Sophomore Class



Seated, left to right, front row: Wood, Allen, Barnes. Second row: Justice, Snipes. Third row: Abercombie. Standing: Cates, Coble.



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WALLACE CLAYTON SNIPES *President*
 JACK KENNETH BARNES *Vice President*
 JEAN CAROLYN CATES *Secretary*
 EVELYN MAE ALLEN *Treasurer*

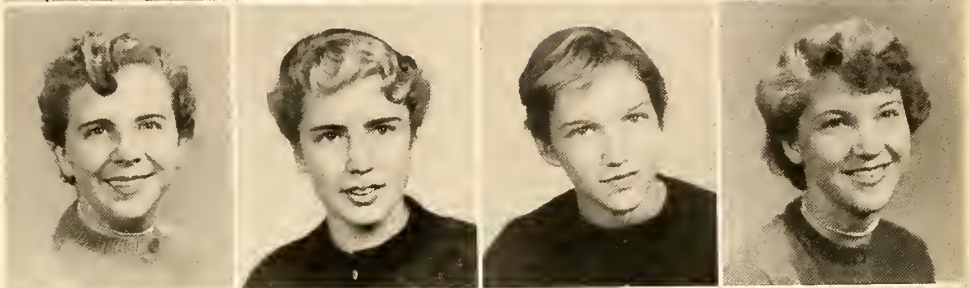
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 LARRY DAVID WOOD *Vice President*
 DOLLY DEANNA COBLE *Secretary*
 FRED ERNEST ABERCROMBIE *Treasurer*

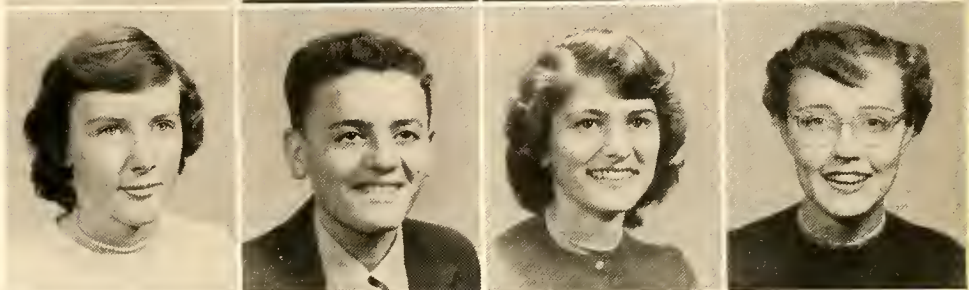
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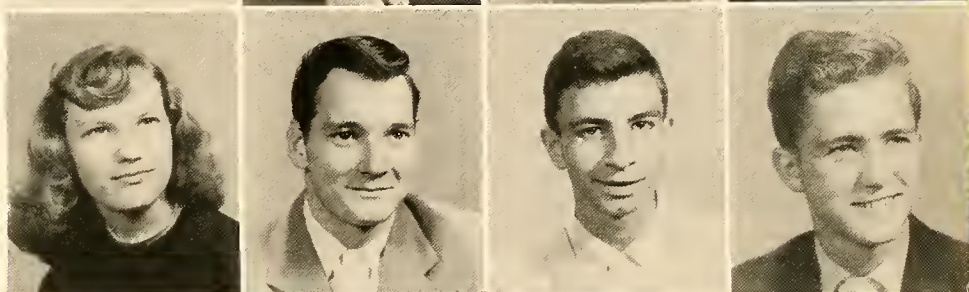
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 Jean Carolyn Cates



Gratha Mae Caviness
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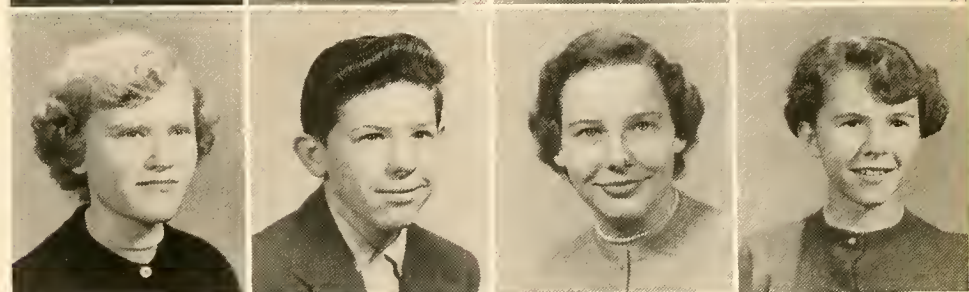
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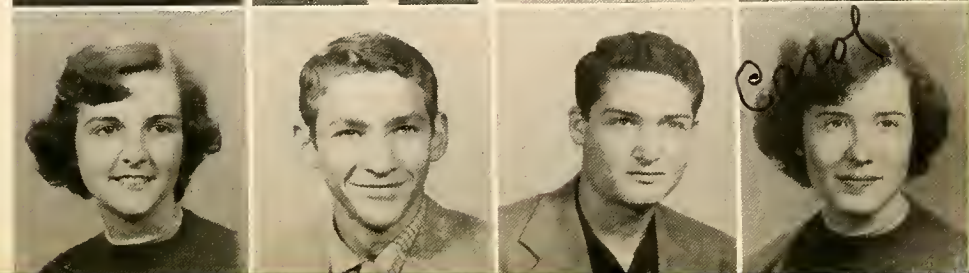
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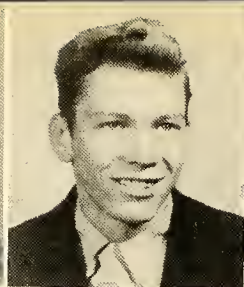


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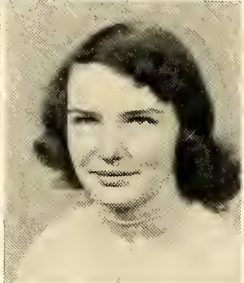


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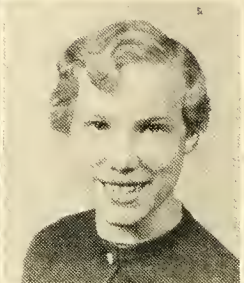
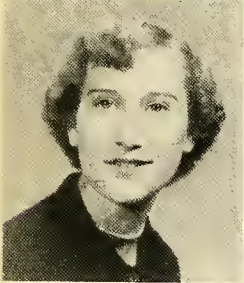




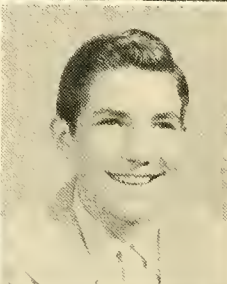
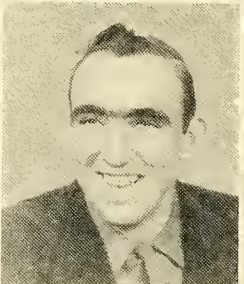
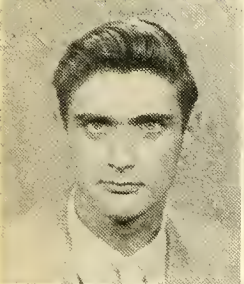
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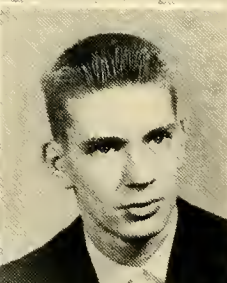
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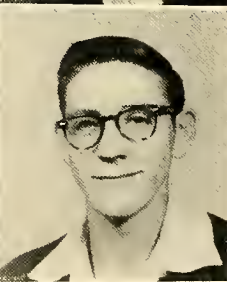
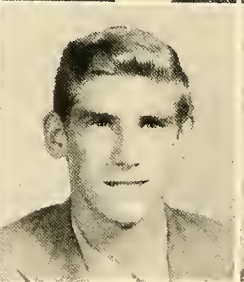
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Rosa Ann Stanley
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 Thomas Edison Strickland
 John Alvis Webster



Nancy Carroll Webster
 Connie Lou Williams
 Carolis Omar Wood
 Larry David Wood



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Freshman Class



Seated, left to right: Rice, Doss. Standing: Brown, Mangum, Paris, Reynolds, Henderson, and Dodson.

OFFICERS

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 MARY ELLEN BROWN Secretary
 DUKE BRYANT PARIS, JR. Treasurer

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 JOYCE ANN MANGUM Secretary
 CLARA JEAN DODSON Treasurer

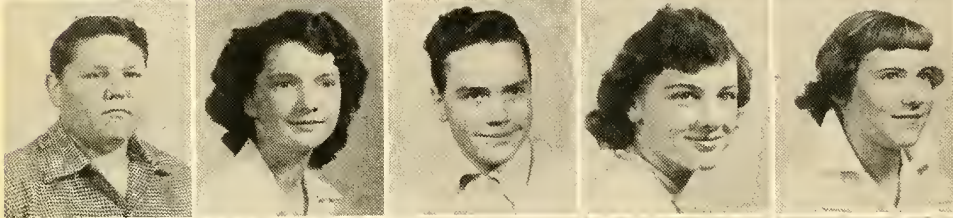




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 Mary Ellen Brown
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 Marvin Lee Coble



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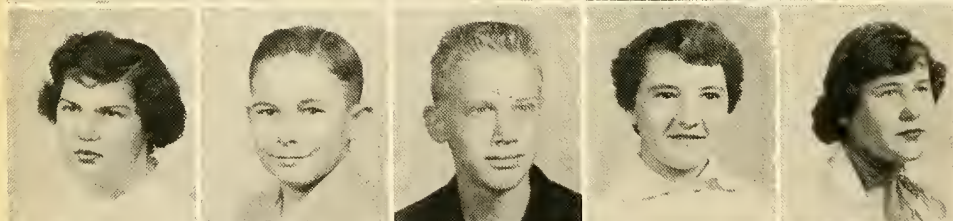
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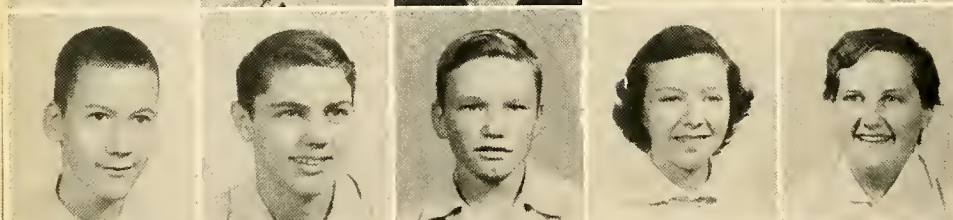
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Shelby Jean Murchison
 John Allen Murray
 Duke Bryant Paris
 Peggy Maxine Pass
 Jean Gray Payne



Lonnie Clayton Reynolds
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Sonny Simmons
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Tommy Wilson White





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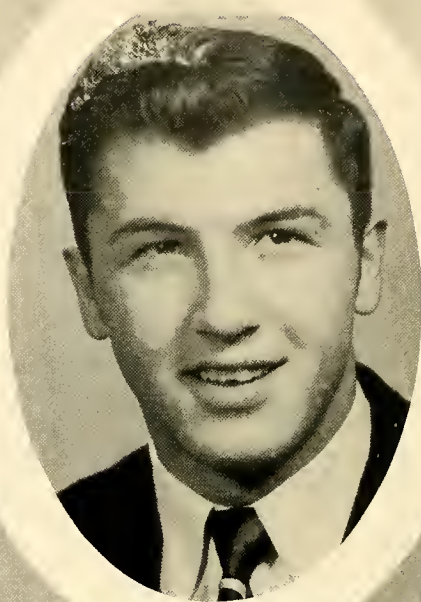
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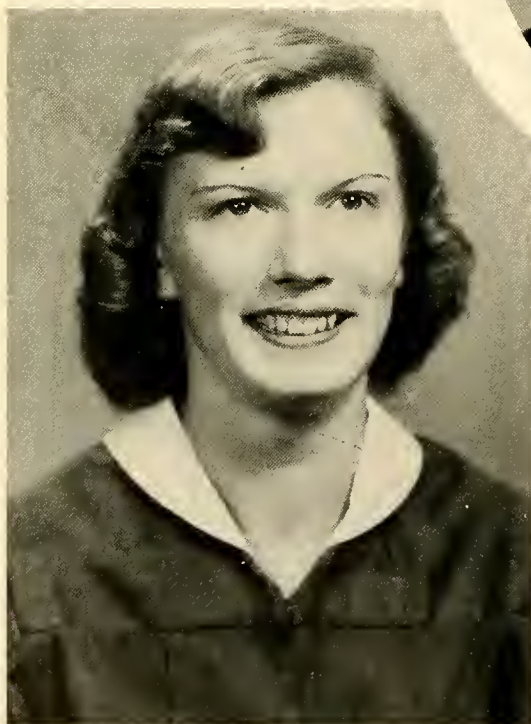
GAIL DIXON
Valedictorian 1953



PATSY JO HUNTER
Salutatorian 1953



SCOTT PENDERGRAPH
Best All-round Boy 1953
Most Athletic Boy 1953



CAROLYN ABERNATHY
Best All-round Girl 1953
Most Athletic Girl 1953



JUDY BOWMAN
State Historian F.H.A.



"Miss Alexander Wilson" 1954
MARY ANNE PARIS



Student Council

Seated, left to right: Shelby Farrell, Bobby Dilks, Emily Tapp, Billy Cheek, Treasurer; Sara Lane Wells, Secretary; Buddy Phillips, Vice President; Louise Henderson, Sammy Allen, Mary Anne Paris. Standing: Mr. Robbins, Advisor; Kent Mann, President.



F. T. A. Club

Seated, left to right: Gail Cox, Vice President; Rebecca Brown, President; Mary Anne Paris, Secretary; Leonard Scarlett, Treasurer. Standing: Kay Henderson, Mrs. Robbins, Advisor; Louise Henderson, Eudell Sharpe, Louise Cooper, Mary Alice Crawford, Vernell Ashley, Mary Ellen Brown, Clara Jean Dodson, Nancy Scott, Miss Cornwell, Emily Tapp, Dot Wagoner.



Hootin' Owl Staff

Seated, left to right: Mary Anne Paris, Harold Curtis, Betty Hedgepeth, Editor; Betty Jo Ray, Mary Jane Fenton. Standing: Miss Davis, Advisor; Nancy Dillard, Shirley Brown, Leonard Scarlett, Harry Brady, Mack Payne, Patricia Pearson, Rebecca Brown, Nellie Tingen, Elsie Church, Betty Bishop.



Marshalls

Seated, left to right: Jean Carolyn Cates, Judy Loy, Gail Cox, Chief; Margaret Marshall, Mary Cates. Standing: Bill Guthrie, Jackie Barnes, Patsy Farrell, Delmar McAdams, Kenneth Dilks.



Monogram Club

Front row, left to right: Cates, Farrell, G. Carden, M. Crawford, Cox, Coble, Coggins, Allen, Paris, Bowman, Crenshaw, Brown. Second row: Abernathy, Advisor; Owens, V. Carden, Roney, S. Mann, Riddle, Tingen, Mills, A. Paris, Farmer, Robbins, Advisor. Third row: Cheek, Phillips, Barnes, Dilks, Ashley, Scarlett, Guthrie, Webster, J. Tingen, Isley. Fourth row: Smith, Kelley, Wood, Johnson, Petty, Mize, Clapp, Bason, K. Mann. Fifth row: Payne, H. Crawford, M. Guthrie, L. Isley, Brooks, Thompson.



Cheerleaders

Deanna Coble, Chief; Gloria Carden, Mary Anne Paris, Patsy Coggins, Margaret Anne Crawford, Evelyn Allen, Gail Cox.



F.H.A. Club

Officers: Judy Bowman, President; Sara Mann, Vice President; Barbara Crawford, Secretary; Shelby Farrell, Treasurer; Mrs. Rich, Advisor.

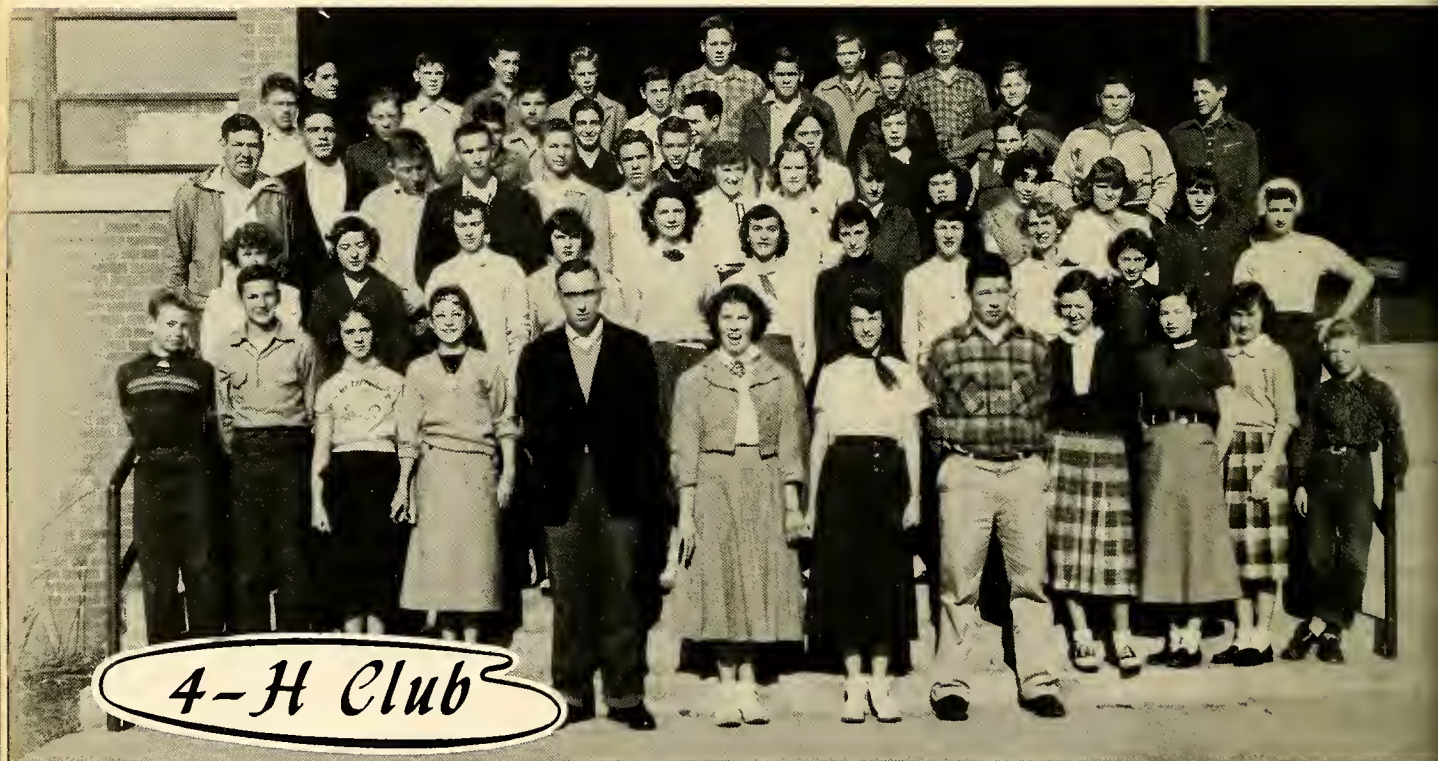


F.F.A. Club

Officers: Harold Curtis, President; John Tingen, Vice President; Ronald Clapp, Secretary; Billy Dodson, Treasurer; Mr. Cooper, Advisor.



Front row, left to right: Jones, Coble, Johnson, C. Burke, Stone, Justice, Fenton, Coggins, Stanley, Paris, Wagoner, Riley. Second row: Norris, Burke, Martin, Gray, Holt, Brown, Roberson, Crawford, Dillard, Lashley, Hill, Odell, Cook. Back row: Needham, Allen, Scott, Hanford, Rowland, Cox, Mrs. Denny, Director; Hayes, Cooper, Lipscomb, Cates, Riddle.



President, Kent Mann; Vice President, Frank Smith; Secretary and Treasurer, Sara Mann; Song-leader, Patricia Martin.

Baseball



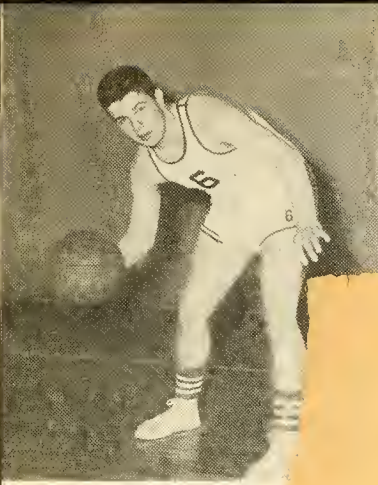
First row, left to right: Vernell Ashley, Ronald Clapp, Harold Curtis, Larry Isley. Second row: Buddy Phillips, Kenneth Isley, Leonard Scarlett, C. P. Owen. Back row: Mr. Abernathy, Coach; Junior Wood, Mack Payne, Frank Smith, Ben Farmer.

BASEBALL RECORD

Alexander Wilson 5	Graham 15
Alexander Wilson 6	Haw River 7
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Alexander Wilson 7	Eli Whitney 5
Alexander Wilson 2	E. M. Holt 5
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Alexander Wilson 5	A. Ossippee 4



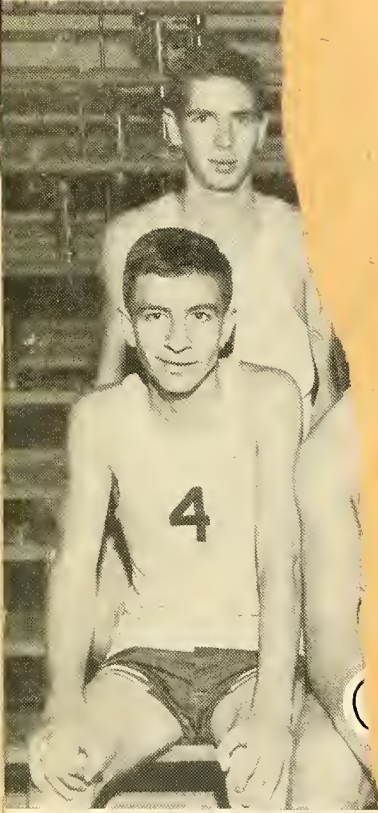
R. H. ABERNATHY
Coach



KENT MANN

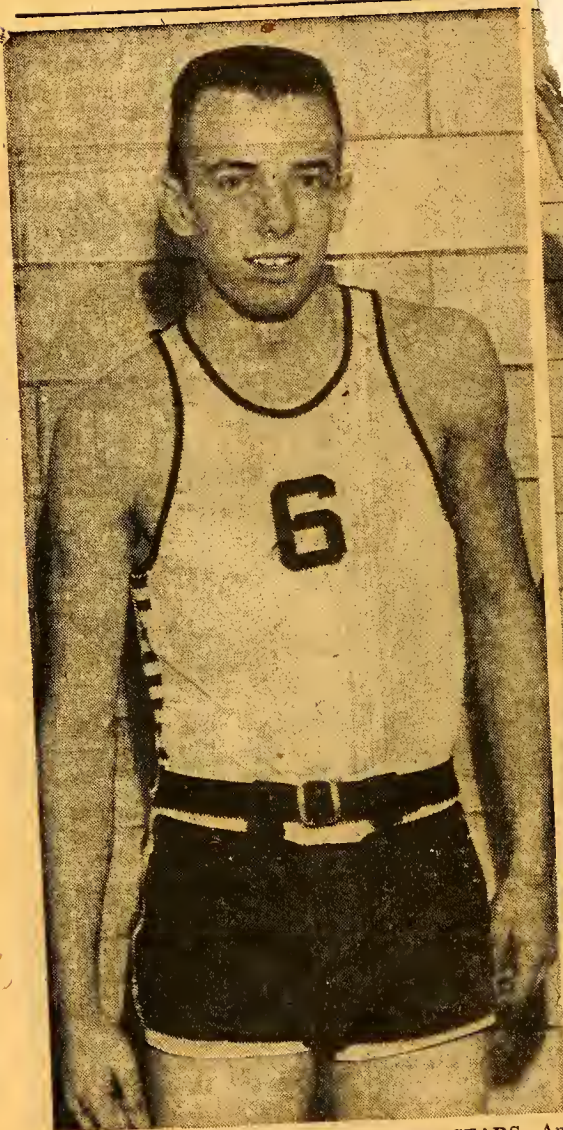


BUDDY PHILLIPS

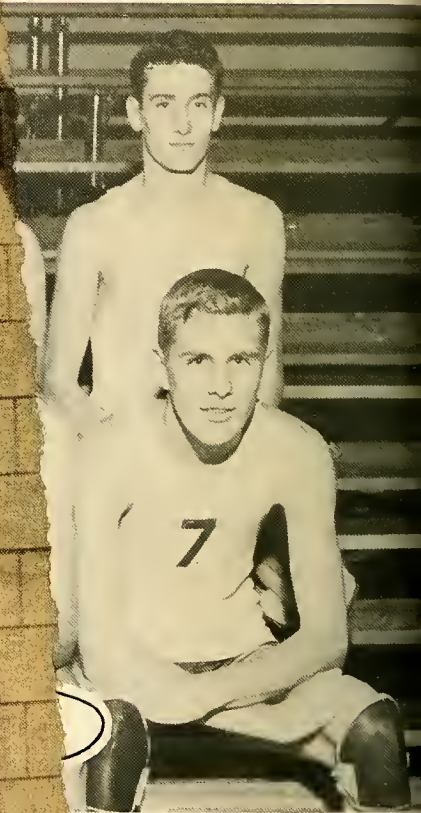


Front row, l.
Buddy Phillip
Al Kelley.

BILLY PETTY

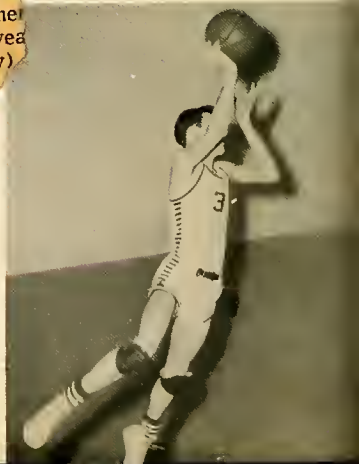


ALEXANDER WILSON, E. M. HOLT STARS—Arthur Thompson and Wilson's Eagles thus far this season, while Joe Sh... the E. M. Holt Wildcats. Both boys see action tonight when Holt's gymnasium. Thompson has scored 206 points this year. Both stars are juniors. (Times-News Photos by Ed McCauley)



...ne, Captain;
...ry Joe Isley.

AL KELLEY

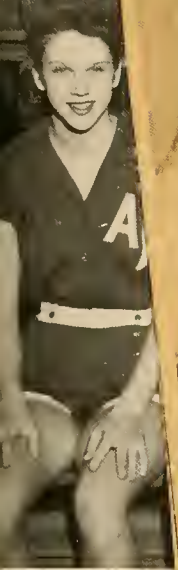


Boys



SHELBY FARRELL

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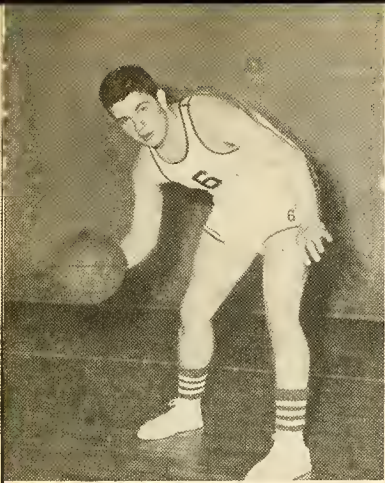
THE LARGE AND SMALL OF WILSON GRIDDERS—The two big fellows above are holding one of the smallest members of the Alexander Wilson grid team, but the two giant tackles also hold the Wilson line together this year. Ronald Lashley is at left, and Frank Smith is at right. Lashley is a 235-pound sophomore, and Smith, a senior, weighs 215 pounds. The little fellow on their shoulders is center Bobby Dilks, a mere 150 pounds. All three boys are regulars for Coach Lewis Robertson's eleven, and this week they will be getting a rest as there is an open date on the schedule. (Times-News Photo by Ed McCauley)

JUDY BOW

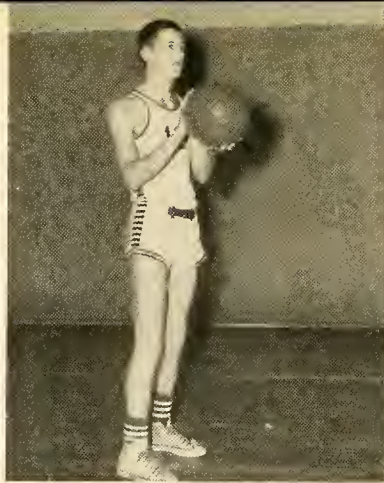
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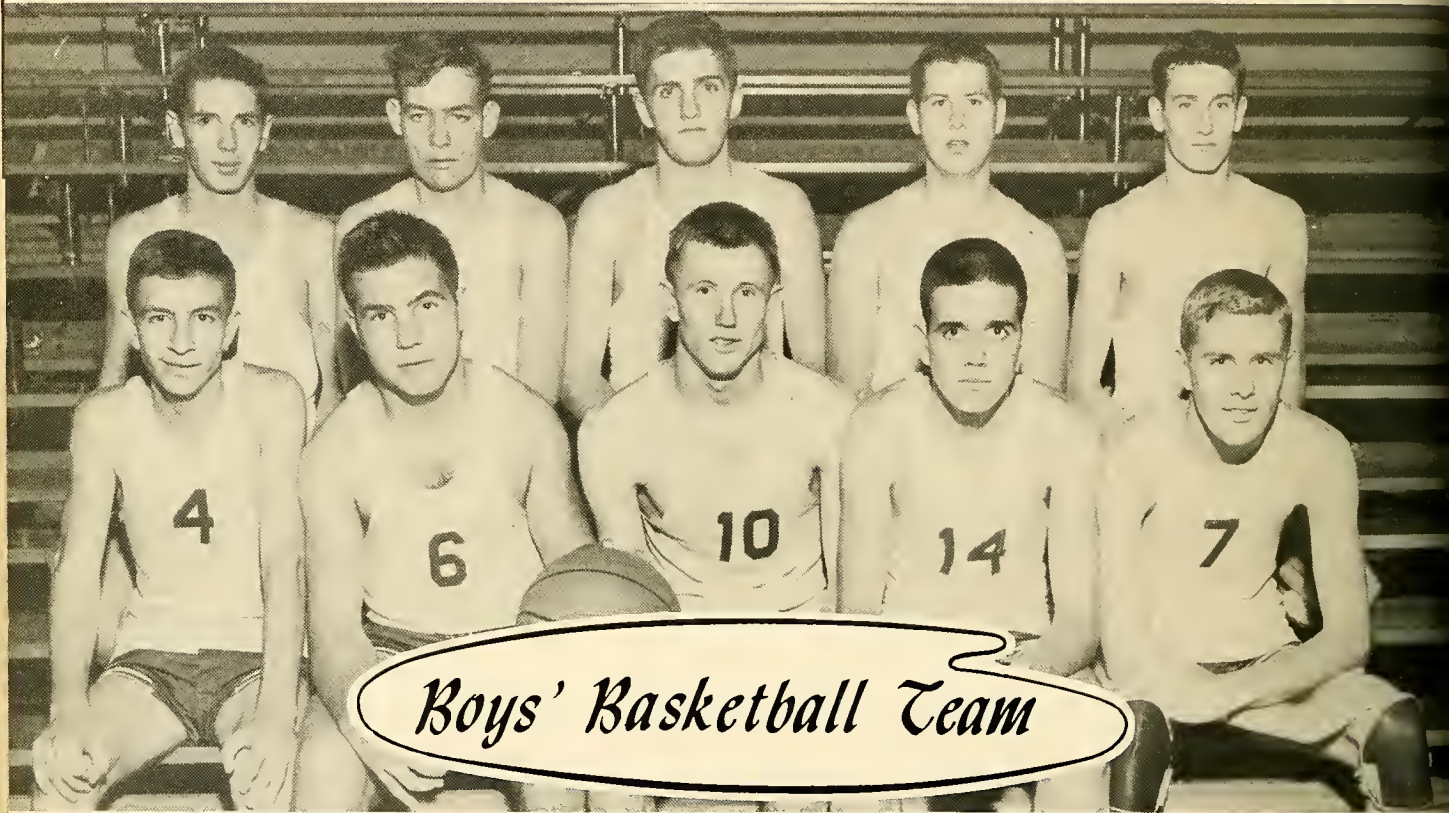
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MACK PAYNE
Captain



BUDDY PHILLIPS

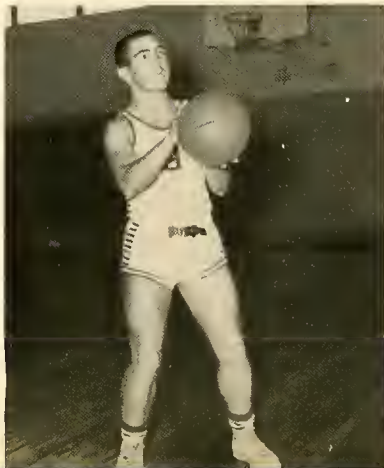


Front row, left to right: Ronnie Crutchfield, Ben Farmer, Co-Captain; Mack Payne, Captain; Buddy Phillips, Hugh Duffer. Back row: Billy Cheek, J. E. Johnson, Billy Petty, Larry Joe Isley, Al Kelley.

BILLY PETTY



BEN FARMER
Co-Captain



AL KELLEY





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Captain



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JUDY BOWMAN



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JEAN CAROLYN CATES



Football

BEN FARMER
Co-Captain



RONALD CLAPP



AL KELLEY



First row, left to right: Tingen, Petty, Mann, Captain; Mize, Farmer, Co-Captain; Johnson, Kelley.
Second row: Doss, Clapp, Mora, Payne. Third row: Williams, Dilks, Paris, A. McPherson, Carden,
Davis, Smith, McAdams, Bason, Guthrie, B. McPherson, Isley.





First row, left to right: Williams, Isley, Farmer, Co-Captain; Mann, Captain; Dilks, Guthrie. Second row: Paris, Carden, A. McPherson, Bason, McAdams, Davis. Third row: McPherson, Mora, Petty, Smith, Johnson, Doss. Fourth row: Abernathy, Coach; Clapp, Kelly, Payne, Mize.

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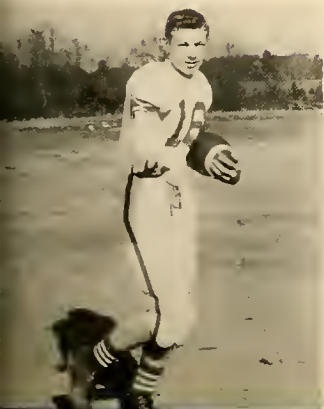
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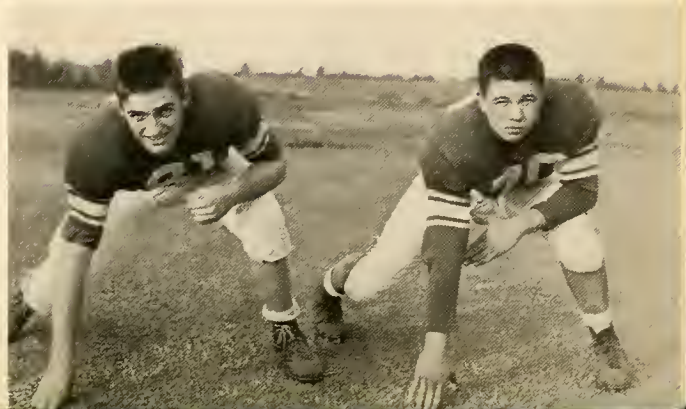


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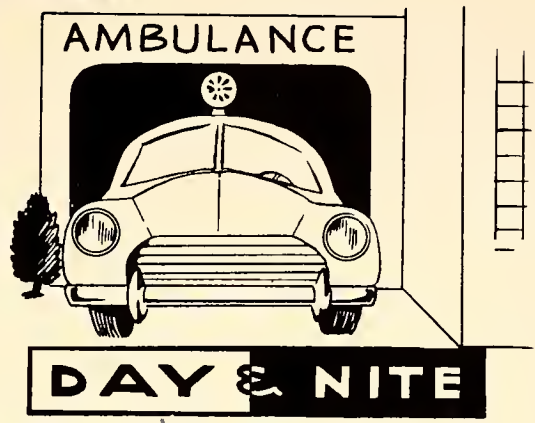
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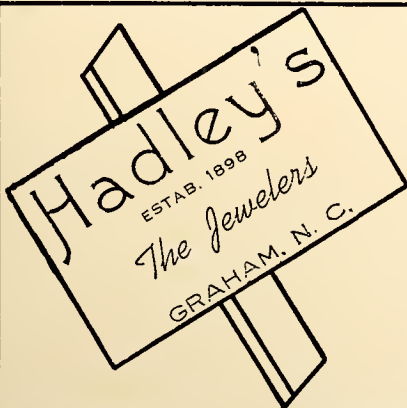
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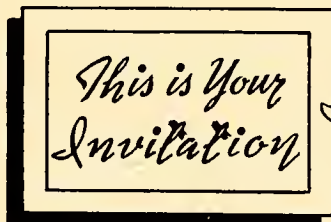
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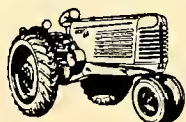
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