

# The Wilsonian

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Alfred Russel Wallace  
1825-1913  
London, England 1878

Mr. Williams,

When I started off as a freshman in high school, I realized of what importance a good teacher can be. You were a great help to all the people in your class - especially to me. We had good times and bad times, but everything eventually worked out for the best. As I leave old A.W.H.S., I will always remember you among good teachers, among better men, and among the best of friends. I sincerely hope that you continue to inspire young students as you have inspired me. I wish you the best that life offers - always!!!

Wallace

Mr. Williams,

I guess you know you have helped me more than anyone in high school and I deeply appreciate all that you have done for me. I liked you more than any other teacher in high school. I'll always remember you as the one who personally pushed me along when I faltered along the way, as the one who helped us all out no matter who <sup>we</sup> were, as the teacher who brought a good relationship between teacher and pupil, and as a loyal supporter of all the sports. You're the one teacher I won't ever forget.

A true friend,  
Bobby Dilks



DELMAR McADAMS  
Editor-in-Chief

NANCY WEBSTER  
Business Manager

Mr. Williams  
I can truly say  
that I have enjoyed  
being in your  
classes very much  
I shall never forget  
the good times  
we used to  
have <sup>The Nineteen Fifty-six</sup> ~~Wilsonian~~ <sup>World</sup>  
History. <sup>Presented by</sup> ~~best of~~ <sup>the Students of</sup>  
luck to a true  
friend and good  
teacher ~~Alexander Wilson School~~

Graham, North Carolina

*Cherry Hill Church*

Mr. Williams,

I have enjoyed knowing  
you these past years more  
than words can express. You  
have truly been an inspira-  
tion to me. I consider you  
as one of my very best friends  
and I hope you do the same.  
I am not much at writing  
things like this but I want  
to say a great big "thank  
you" for all you have done  
for me. I will always  
remember the pages herein bound bring  
May the pages herein bound bring  
freshman sponsor to the  
to you reminiscent joy in the future.  
end I remain THE STAFF

Your friend  
Robert *[Signature]*  
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## *Dedication*

An efficient teacher, a helpful advisor, and an understanding friend, it is a privilege and an honor to dedicate to Mr. Thomas W. Williams this 1956 edition of the *Wilsonian*.

Reverend Alexander Wilson was born near Belfast, Ireland, February 1, 1799. He received an excellent education in preparation for the practice of medicine and the ministry. He came to America and Baltimore in 1818 and soon thereafter to Raleigh. There he was associated with the Raleigh Male Academy. It was also there that his childhood sweetheart came and married him. He was licensed by Orange Presbytery in 1830 and, as was customary, both taught and preached. He was associated with Williamsborough Academy before becoming head of Caldwell Institute of Greensboro in 1835. This was moved in 1845 to Hillsboro. Dr. Wilson bought a tract of land, one mile north of the present school, and established a classical school there in 1851, where he taught with eminent success the last 16 years of his life. He was assisted by his sons, Alexander (Little Doc), and Robert.

He died July 22, 1867, and was buried in Hawfields Church Cemetery.



JACK "Butter" Barnes  
1990

A Wilson

Mr. Williams I have really  
enjoyed this year. I  
will never forget  
any lectures in  
his class. So  
much luck  
Ma  
B

Miss Alexander Wilson 1956  
MARY ELLEN BROWN



Mr. Williams,

Here's just a few lines of  
thanks for everything that  
you have given me. But  
most of all for introducing  
me to that glorious realm  
of high school. Thanks  
for everything.  
Lots of luck in the future.  
Jack Barnes

WEBSTER'S  
COLLEGIATE  
DICTIONARY

# Administration



## *Principal's Message*

This yearbook will serve as a means of recalling many activities and associations of your high school days. As you recall these days it is hoped that your time spent here will become more precious to you. It should be remembered as a time of forming worth-while and lasting friendships, and as a time and place of associating with worth-while people. You have the very best wishes of the faculty. It is our hope that the very best will come to you for the future.

I commend those who have worked on this yearbook. I believe the contents will be valuable to you in recalling many good times spent together.

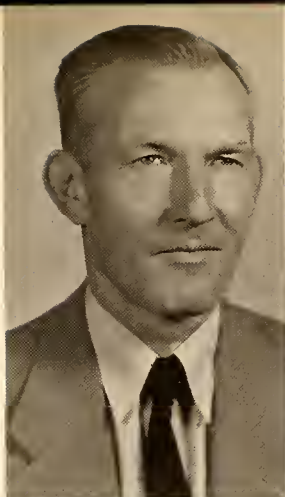
Cordially yours,

*George B. Robbins*

RUFUS H. ABERNATHY  
A.B., Science

MRS. SEAWELL W. BURKE  
A.B., Social Studies, French

SAMUEL A. COOPER, SR.  
B.S., Agriculture



MRS. GEORGE H. ENFIELD  
A.B., English

MRS. MALCOLM L. COURLEY  
B.S.S.A., High School Commercial

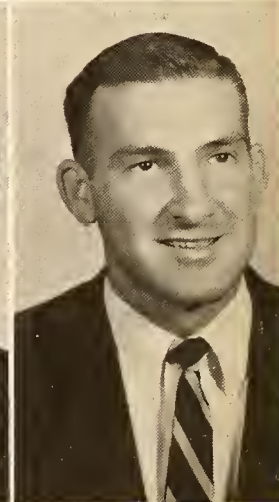
MRS. RONALD McINTYRE  
B.S.S.A., Business



MRS. A. BROWER McPHERSON  
A.B., English and Health

MRS. GEORGE B. ROBBINS  
A.B., Mathematics

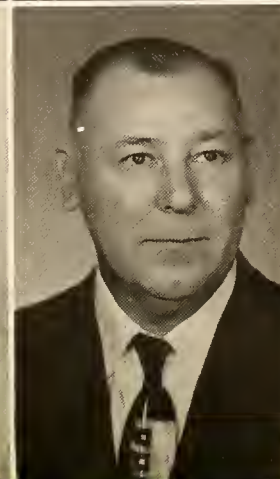
WILLIAM LEWIS ROBERTSON  
A.B., Science, Physical Education



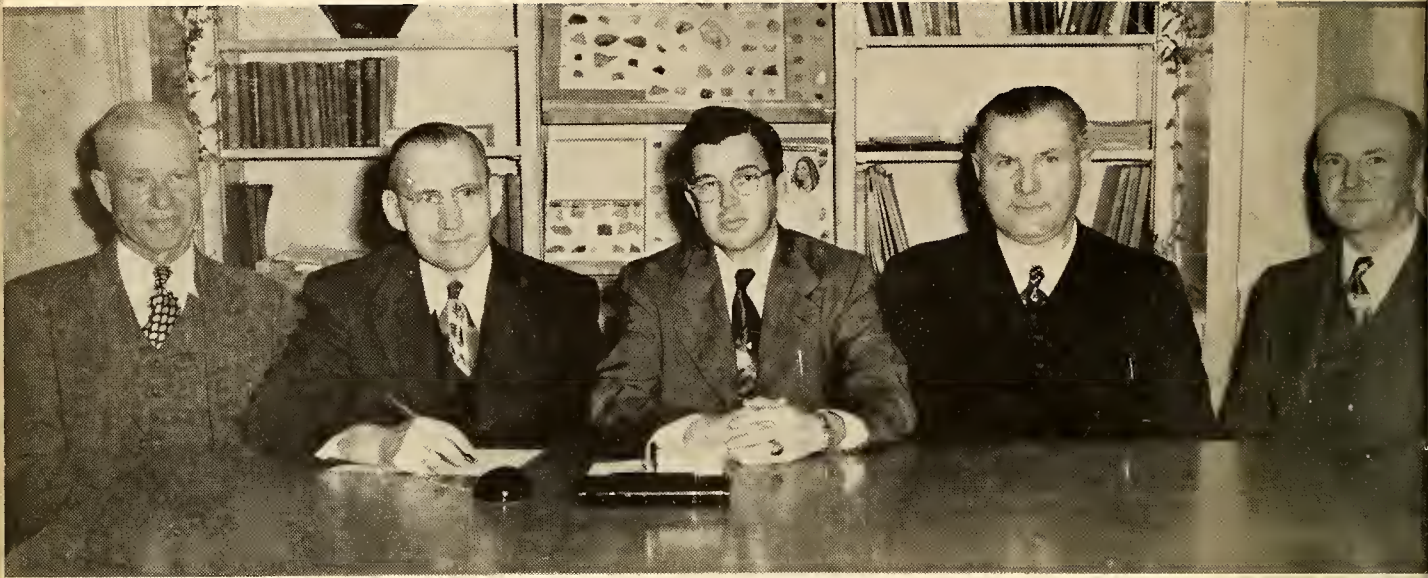
MRS. OSCAR J. STUCKEY  
A.B., Home Economics

THOMAS M. WILLIAMS  
A.B., Social Studies

MRS. GEORGE S. BASON  
School Secretary



## School Board



J. A. Crabtree, E. P. Webster, Sr., Chairman; W. W. Lambeth, A. W. Holmes, Sr.,  
T. R. Crawford.



A Place to play.

A Place to work.





*Classes*



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# ALEXANDER WILSON

Teacher in Piedmont  
Counties, 1919 - 18  
operated school  
mance County, 1  
me is mile, gr  
leas



## Senior Class

### OFFICERS

- THOMAS GILES HUNTER ..... *President*
- ROBERT WARREN DILKS ..... *Vice President*
- JEAN CATES WAGONER ..... *Secretary*
- WALLACE CLAYTON SNIPES ..... *Treasurer*

### MOTTO

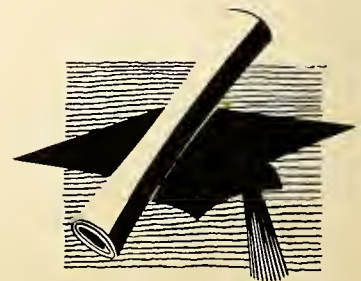
*Aim High, But Reach Higher*

### COLORS

Blue and White

### FLOWER

White Carnation

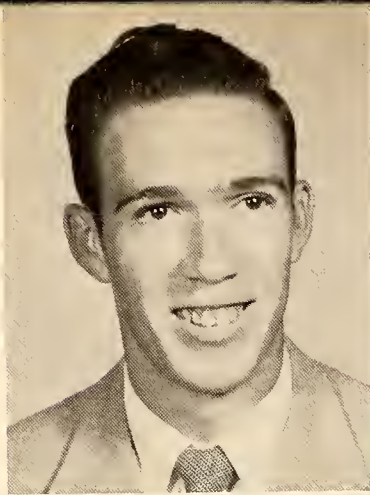


FRED JUNIOR ABERCROMBIE

PETE

*Anything for a quiet life.*

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



EVELYN MAE ALLEN

EVELYN

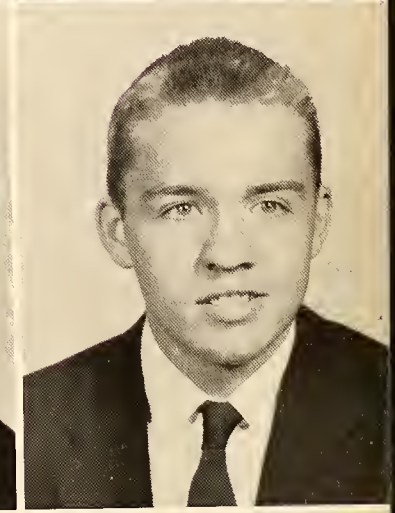
*Not too serious, not too gay, a likeable girl in every way.*

Class Treasurer 2; FHA Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 2, 3; Monogram Club 2, 3, 4; Wilsonian Staff 4; Cheerleader 2, 3, 4, Chief 4; Superlative.

FAYE DEAN ASHE

FAYE DEAN

*She's not a goddess, an angel, a lily or pearl. She's just that which is sweetest, completest and neatest. A dear little, quiet little, sweet little girl.*



JACKIE KENNETH BARNES

BUTTER

*Rare compound of quality, noble and true  
A plenty of wit and good sense, too.*

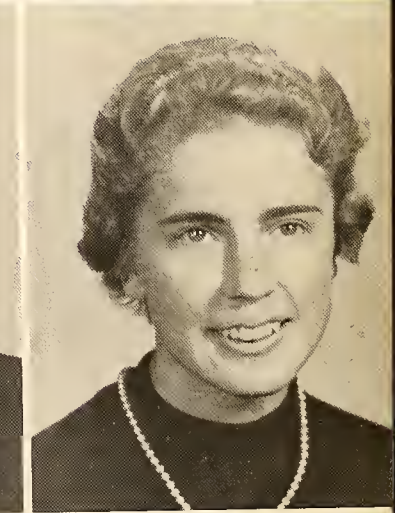
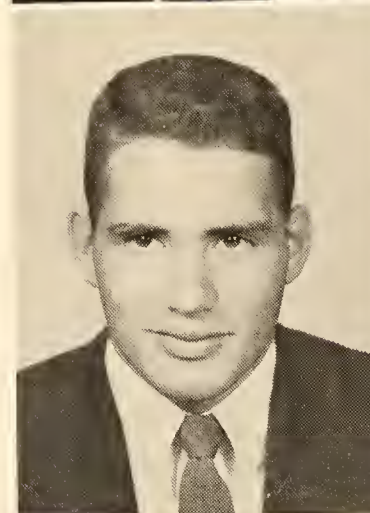
Vice President of Class 2; Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 4, Manager 2; FFA Club 1; Monogram Club 1, 2, 3, 4; 4-H Club 1; Student Council 3, 4, Vice President 3, President 4; Social Council 3; Marshal 2; Dramatics 3; Editor-in-Chief of Eagle 3; Class Testator; Superlatives.

ERNEST EVERETT CARDEN

COOT

*As crazy as Dopey, as cute as Doc, as mean as Grumpy, but a good old sock . . .*

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



PATSY GREY CARDEN

PAT

*Charming and pretty is she, May happiness in life her lot be.*

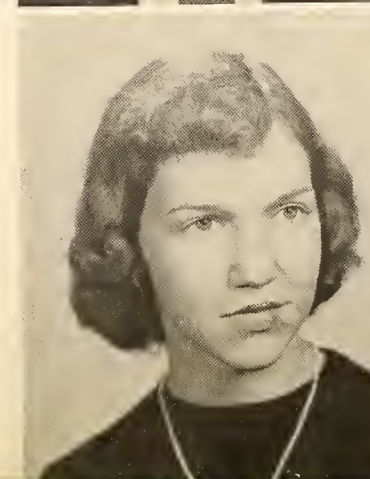
Basketball 4; FHA Club 1, 2, 3, 4; 4-H Club 1, 2, 3, 4.

VIRGINIA LOU CARDEN

GINNY

*When hearts are true, few words will do.*

Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; FHA Club 1, 2, 3, 4; 4-H Club 1.

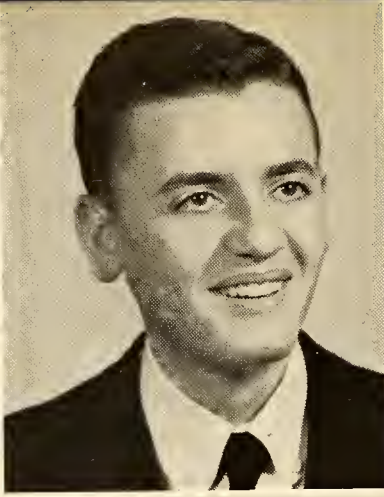


JEAN CATES WAGONER

PAT

*Mind cannot follow it, nor words express her infinite sweetest.*

Class Secretary 1, 2, 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; FHA Club 1, 2, Parliamentarian 3, Vice President 4; Monogram Club 1, 2, 3, Secretary and Treasurer 4; 4-H Club 1, 2, 3; FHA Queen's Court 2, 3, 4, Marshal 2, 3; Social Council 3; Student Council 3, 4; Superlatives.



GRATHA MAE CAVINESS

MAE

*She is pretty to walk with, and witty to talk with, and pleasant, too, to think on.*

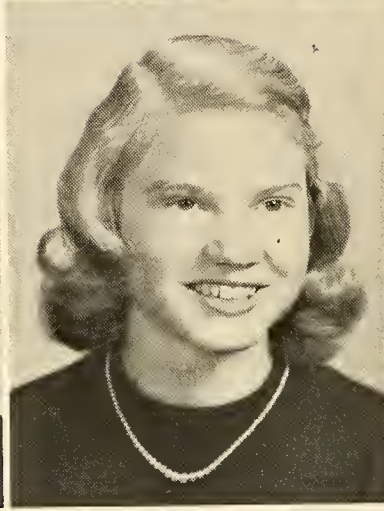
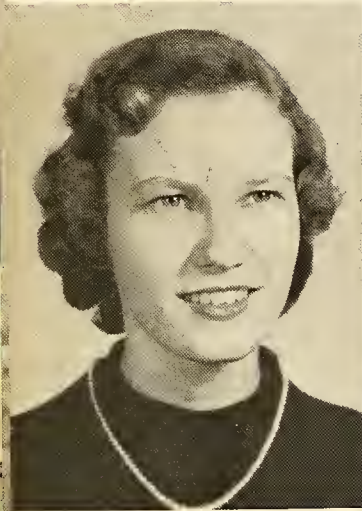
Class Secretary 3; FHA Club 1, 2; Marshal 3; Eagle Staff 3; Miss Alexander Wilson Court 4; Class Poet; Superlatives.

CARL CHURCH

NATURE BOY

*It doesn't pay to worry; Things are bound to happen anyway.*

FFA Club 1, 2, 3.



GALE MADELINE COOK ISLEY

COOKIE

*Soft to the weak and noble to the strong.*

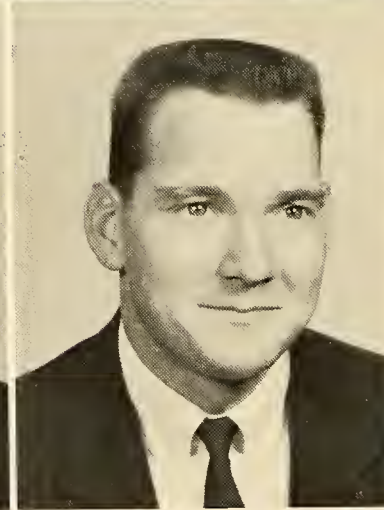
Class Treasurer 1; Basketball 1; FHA Club 2, 3, 4, Treasurer 4; Queen's Court 3; Queen 4; Monogram Club 3, 4, Secretary 4; Cheerleader 3, 4; Glee Club 2, 4; Superlative.

JUDY LENA CORDELL

SPEEDY

*A good woman is a wondrous creature.*

Transfer from Owen High 4; Class President 2; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Track 1, 2, 3; FHA Club 1; Monogram 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 3; Bible Club 3; Latin Club 3; Beta Club 3.



PATRICIA ANN COUTURIER

PAT

*Live amid love and laughter, without love and laughter there is no joy.*

Transfer from Pittsboro High 3; Class Secretary 2; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; FHA Club 1, 2, 3, 4, Reporter 2; Monogram Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 2, 3; 4-H Club 1, 2, 3, Recitation Contest 2.

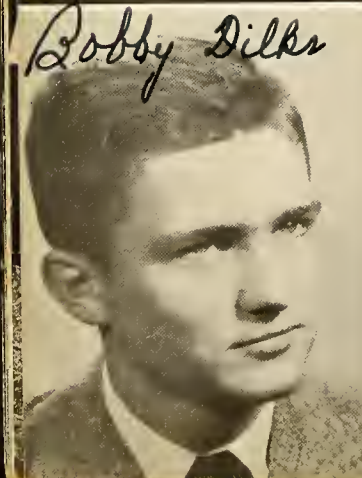
HERMAN THEODORE CRAWFORD, JR.

EGGY

*First in sports, first in the game, he has made for himself a remembered name.*

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

*Robby Dilks*



ROBERT WARREN DILKS

BOBBY

*The glory of a firm, capacious mind.*

Vice President of Class 4; Football 3, 4; Baseball 2, 3; Basketball 1, 3; Student Council 2, 3; Social Council 3; Monogram Club 3, 4; Glee Club 3; FFA Club 1, Treasurer; Creed Contest; Parliamentary Procedure Team; Dramatics 2, 3; Superlative.

JEANETTE MARIE FARRELL

JEANETTE

*Never idle a moment, but thrifty and thoughtful of others.*

Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; FHA Club 1, 2, 3, 4; 4-H Club 1, 2, 3, 4, Secretary 4; Monogram Club 2, 3, 4; Miss Alexander Wilson Court 3, 4; Wilsonian Staff 3; Superlative.



MARCIA PATTERSON FARRELL

PAT

*I care not who writes the laws of the country so long as I may listen to its songs.*

Basketball 2, 3, 4; FHA Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Monogram Club 3, 4; Glee Club 4; Bus Drivers' Club 4; Social Council 4; Miss Alexander Wilson Court 4; Marshal 2.

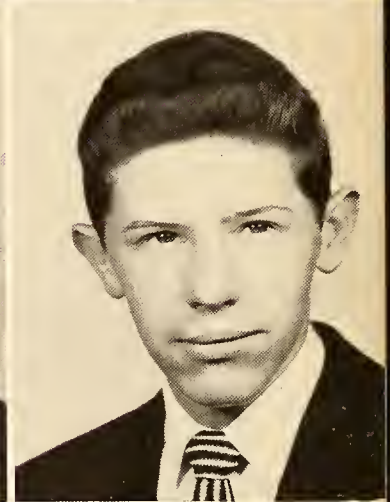
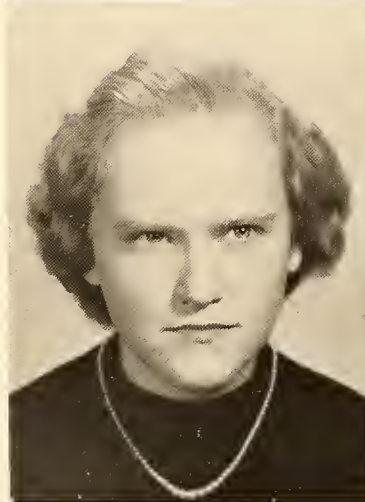


SHELBY JEAN FARRELL

SQUIRREL

*Full of pep and full of fun, she is liked by everyone.*

Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4, Captain 4; FHA Club 1, 2, 3, 4, Treasurer 2, Assistant Treasurer 3, Secretary 4; FHA Court 2, 3, 4; Monogram Club 1, 2, 3, 4; 4-H Club 1, 2, 3; Student Council 1; Superlative.



PEGGY ESTHER HOLT

PEG

*It's good to be merry and wise, It's good to be honest and true.*

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

THOMAS GILES HUNTER

FLETCH

*Whatever the situation, he is never speechless.*

Class President 1, 4; Class Treasurer 3; Football 1; Basketball 4; Baseball 2, Manager; FFA Club 1; Student Council 4; Eagle Staff 3, Chief Reporter; Bus Drivers' Club 3, 4; Wilsonian Staff 4; Dramatics 3; Superlative.



PATRICIA ANN JOHNSON

PAT

*A helping hand to always lend, that is what makes Pat a friend.*

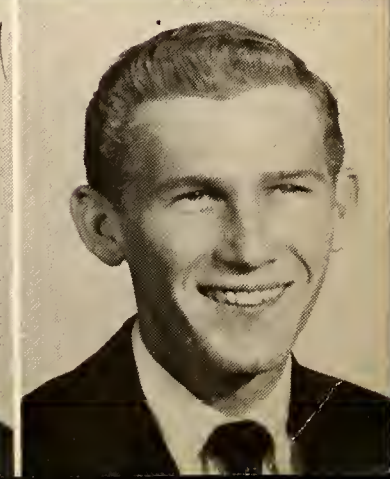
Glee Club 2, 3; Marshall 3; Superlative.

TROY DEAN JOHNSON

SLIM

*A witty tongue and a ready will, whatever you want he can fill the bill.*

Transfer from Central High 4; Baseball 1; Basketball 4; Photography Club 3; Homework Anonymous Club 2, 3.



BARBARA KAY JONES

MIGHTY MITE

*Worry and I have never met.*

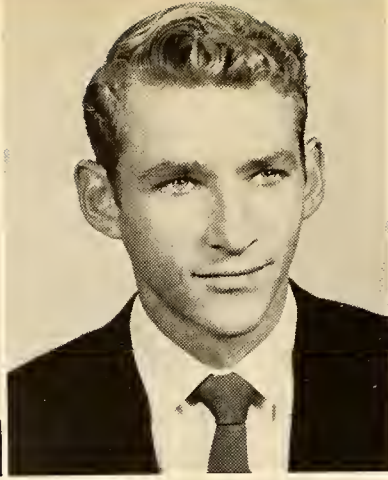
Basketball 1, 2, 4; FHA Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 2, 3; 4-H Club 1, 2; Mascot 1944; Miss Alexander Wilson, Jr., 1952-53; Wilsonian Staff 4, Art Editor; Giftorian 4; Superlative.

JIMMY ALLEN JONES

JIMMY

*I'll be merry and free, I'll be sad for nobody.*

FFA Club 1, 3, Reporter 1.



ELLA RAE JUSTICE

ELLA RAE

*To love and be loved is the greatest happiness of existence.*

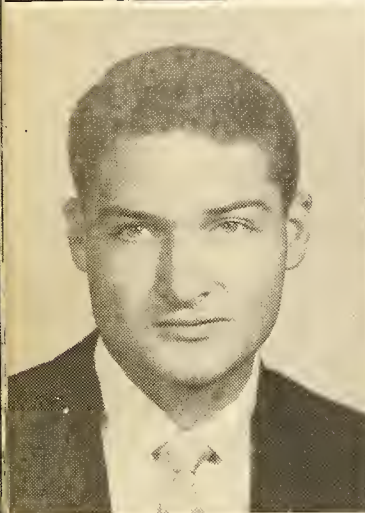
Class President 2; Cheerleader 3; FHA Club 1, 2, 3, 4, FHA Court 3; Monogram Club 3; Glee Club 2, 3; Marshal 3; Superlative.

ROGER DEAN JUSTICE

DEAN

*Happy am I; from care I'm free, Why aren't all content like me?*

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



JOHN DIXON KIMREY, JR.

J.D.

*In quietness, and confidence shall be your strength.*

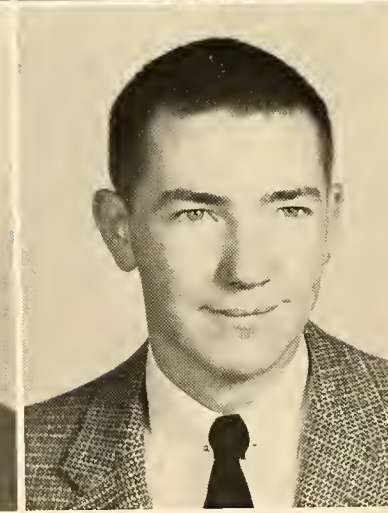
FFA Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Superlative.

CAROL ANNE LASHLEY

CAROL

*A merry heart maketh a cheerful countenance.*

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



LINDA CRAWFORD LONG

LYNN

*She was one of the quiet kind, whose natures never vary.*

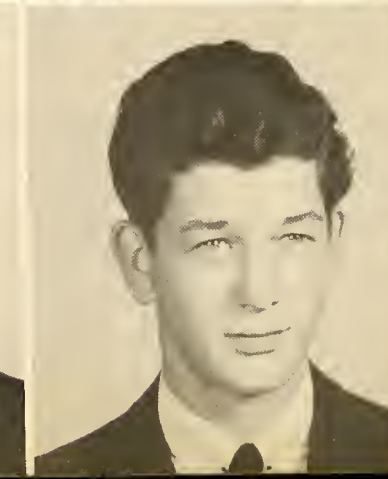
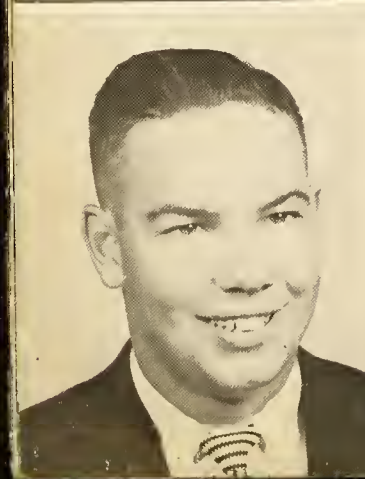
Glee Club 3; Superlative.

DELMAR WARREN McADAMS

MAC

*Women, women, I like them all.*

Football 2, 3; Baseball 1, 2, Manager; FFA Club 1; Monogram Club 3, 4; Marshal 2, 3, 4, Chief 4; Dramatics 2, 3; Feature Editor of Eagle Staff 3; Wilsonian Staff 3, 4, Editor-in-Chief 4; Social Council 3; Superlative.



RAYMOND RONALD McPHERSON

BLUE

*Thy modesty is a candle to thy merit.*

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

ROBERT HEWITT MERRITT

RABBIT

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

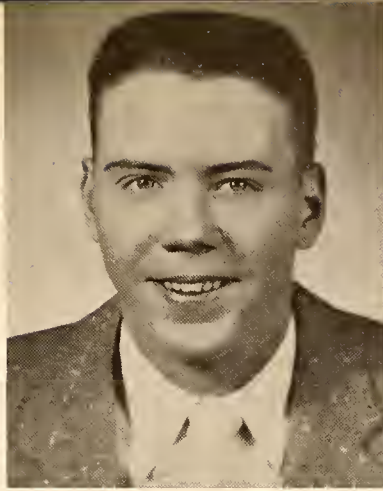
FFA Club 1; Social Council 4; Class Prophet; Editor-in-Chief of Eagle 4; Superlatives.

LANE LONDON MULLIS

LUCKY

*Ask me no questions and I'll tell you no lies.*

Transfer from Endy High 3; Basketball 1; FFA Club 1, 2, 3; 4-H Club 2; Glee Club 1; Marshal 3; Bus Drivers' Club 2, 3, 4.



JUDY ANDREA NEEDHAM

JUDY

*Light of the world and star of the human race.*

4-H Club 1, 2, 3, 4; FHA Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 2, 4; Wilsonian Staff 4, Snapshot Editor.

BARBARA ANN RAY

BOOTS

*Merrily, merrily, I shall live now.*

School store worker 3; Superlative.



ODEAN RILEY

DEANIE

*Some ladies wed but some love and adore them.*

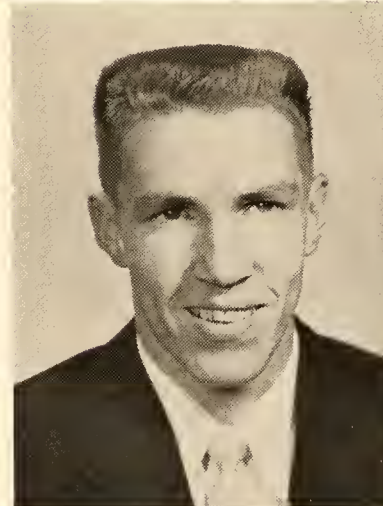
Basketball 1, 2, 4; FHA Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 2, 3; 4-H Club 1, 2; Superlative.

JACK FARRELL RONEY

JACKSON

*Not exactly afraid of work, but rather not be intimately associated with it.*

Football 1, 3; Basketball 1, 2; FFA 1, 4.



JOHNNIE LEA ROBERSON

JOHNNIE

*A good name is rather to be chosen than great riches.*

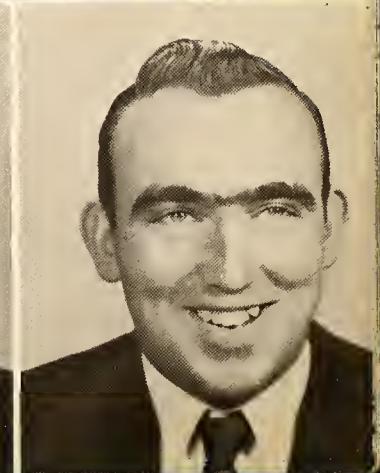
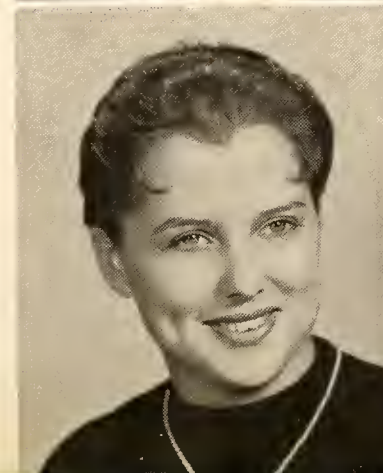
FHA Club 1, 2, 3, 4, President 4, FHA Court 4; Miss Alexander Wilson Court 3; Marshal 3.

GLENDIA LEE SCOTT

DIMPLES

*As welcome as sunshine in every place is the beaming approach of a good-natured face.*

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

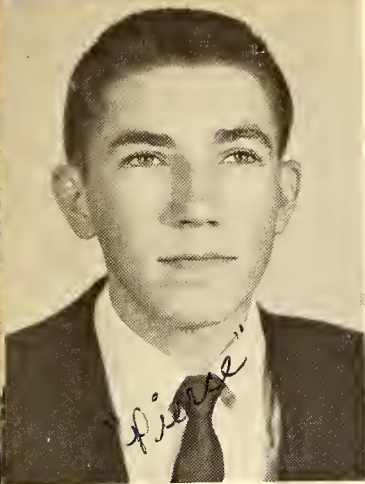


RAYMOND FRANKLIN SMITH

FRANK

*I grow old learning something new every day.*

Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4; Football 2, 3, 4, All-Conference 3, 4; Monogram Club 1, 2, 3, 4, Treasurer 4; FFA Club 1, 2, 3, 4; 4-H Club 1, 2, Vice President 2; Superlative.



WALLACE CLAYTON SNIPES

PIERCE

*Reasoning at every step he treads.*

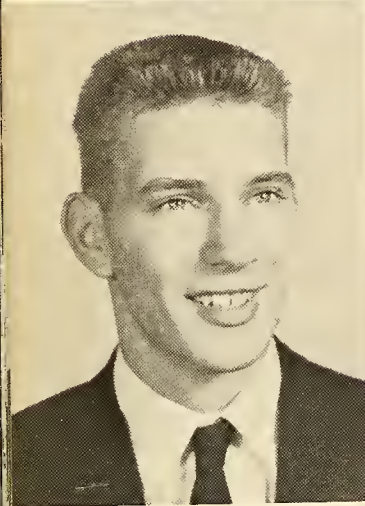
Class Secretary 1; Class Treasurer 4; Class President 2; FFA Club 1, Secretary, Parliamentary Procedure Team; 4-H Club 1; Glee Club 4; Bus Drivers' Club 3, 4; Eagle Staff 3; Wilsonian Staff 4, Associate Editor; Superlatives.

ROSA ANN STANLEY

ROSIE

*A sweeter girl you'll never find, always considerate and oh, so kind.*

FHA Club 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 2, 3, 4.



JOHN ALVIS WEBSTER

AB

*An opportunity well taken is the only weapon of advantage.*

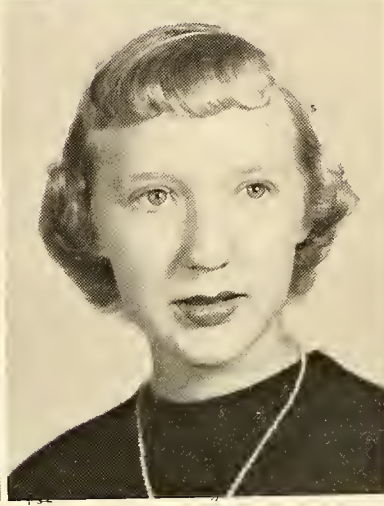
Class President 1, 3; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Football 1, 3; Social Council 4, President; Wilsonian Staff 3, 4, Assistant Advertising Manager 3, Advertising Manager 4; Superlative.

NANCY CARROLL WEBSTER

NANCY

*We walk by faith, not by sight.*

Class Vice President 3; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4, Manager 3; FHA Club 1, 2, 3, 4, Historian 4; Class Historian 4; Wilsonian Staff 4, Business Manager.



CONSTANCE LOU WILLIAMS

CONNIE

*And when once the heart of a maiden is stolen, the maiden herself will steal after it soon.*

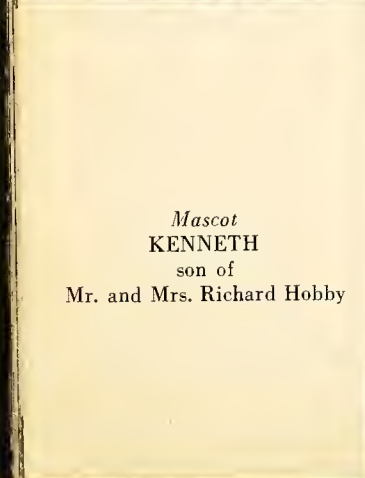
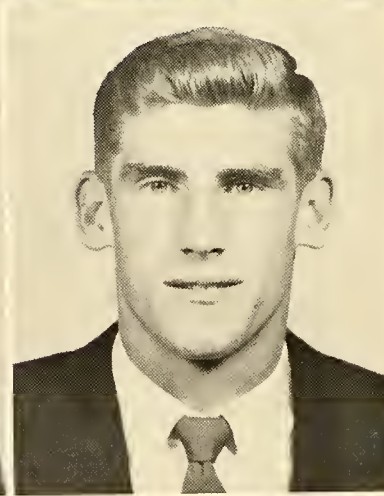
Basketball 1, 2, 3; FHA Club 1, 2, 3, 4; FTA Club 3, 4; 4-H Club 1, 2, 3; Glee Club 4; Monogram Club 1, 2, 3, 4.

OMAR CARLOS WOODS, JR.

HOMER

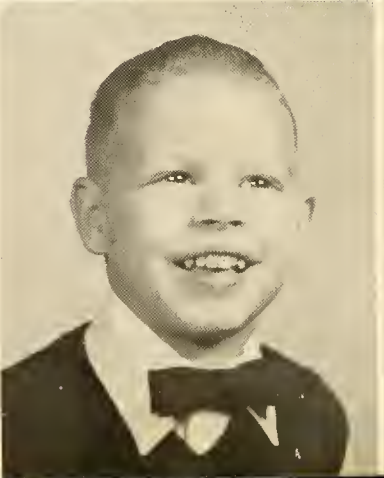
*Not too serious, not too gay, but altogether a jolly good fellow.*

Football 1, 2, 3, 4, Captain 4; Basketball 3, 4; Baseball 1; Monogram Club 2, 3, 4, President 4; FFA Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Wilsonian Staff 4, Sports Editor; Bus Drivers' Club 4.



Mascot  
KENNETH  
son of

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hobby



Mascot  
LISA  
daughter of  
Rev. and Mrs.  
Charles W. Nanney



## Class History

What could be more exciting to seventy-two little green freshmen than to be upon the threshold of a new world? Now we had reached our long awaited dream of going to high school. We little freshmen, all but afraid, were looking forward to our first big year.

There were too many of us to be put into one classroom; hence two homeroom groups were made and advised by Miss Eloise Davis and Mr. Thomas M. Williams. For our class officers, we elected Tommie Hunter and Alvis Webster, Presidents; Max Guthrie and Dorlton Loy, Vice Presidents; Jean Carolyn Cates and Wallace Snipes, Secretaries; Gale Cook and Deanna Coble, Treasurers. Then we settled down to work in order that we might be better able to cope with the problems which arose throughout the year.

The second year was somewhat more promising for the fifty-three silly sophomores, who had become better acquainted with their new environment. Again the class was divided into two groups, section one guided by Mrs. Robert Scott and section two advised by Mrs. S. C. Burke. Wallace Snipes and Ella Rae Justice served as Presidents of the respective classes.

As juniors we felt rather important after we had been united into one big group with Mrs. S. C. Burke as our Advisor. We helped with the school annual, *The Wilsonian* and next we worked on the school paper, "The Eagle." Ordering and receiving our class rings was a big event but so was the Junior-Senior Banquet with its theme of "Harbor Lights." It is difficult to say which event thrilled us most. We do think it was a wonderful year and our President, Alvis Webster, capably led us.

Finally the big year arrived—the year that we had been working forward to for so long. At last we are seniors and our goal in life is not so far off. Officers had to be elected and definite plans for the year had to be made. With Tommie Hunter as our President; Bobby Dilks, Vice President; Jean Carolyn Cates, Secretary; and Wallace Snipes, Treasurer, our class began its work. Elections for the annual staff were held and Delmar McAdams was chosen editor. Work immediately began on *The Wilsonian*. Later the newspaper staff was chosen and Robert Merritt was elected editor. Again the Junior-Senior Banquet rolled around, and another mile-post in our lives had been reached.

Although our twelve years at Alexander Wilson have been short, we have had many happy experiences and made many friends that will be part of us forever.

Nancy Webster  
*Historian*

Good Group



## Junior Class

### CLASS OFFICERS

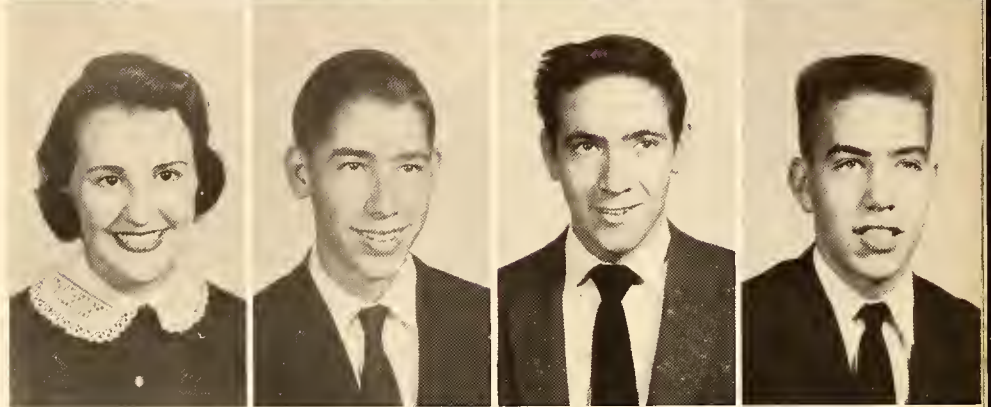
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JAMES GRAY SCARLETT ..... *Vice President*  
MARY LOUISE HENDERSON ..... *Secretary*  
JOHN RICHARD MOODY ..... *Treasurer*



Norman Sammy Allen  
Sarah Belch  
William Larry Bolden  
Patricia Ann Brady



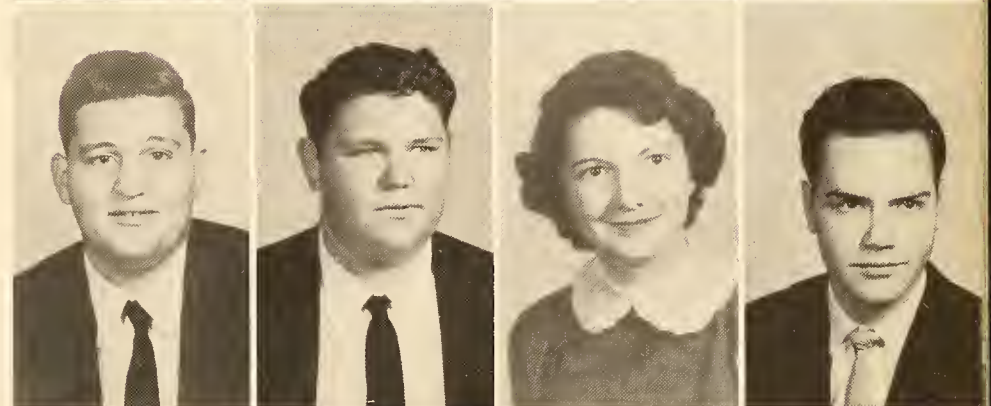
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Larry Rudolph Chappell  
Marvin Lee Coble



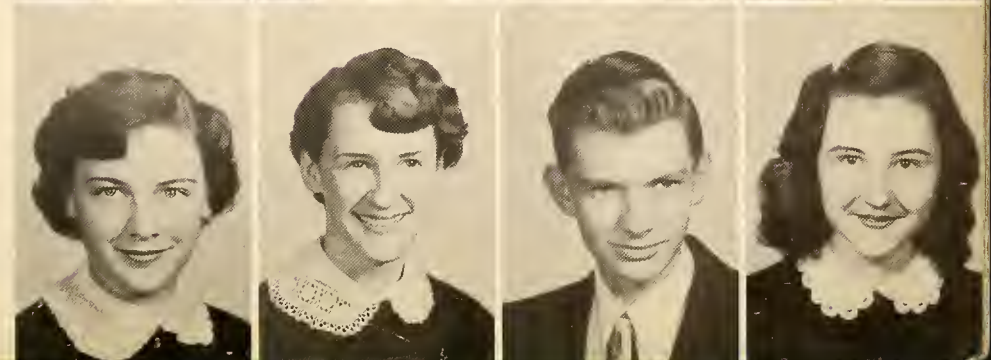
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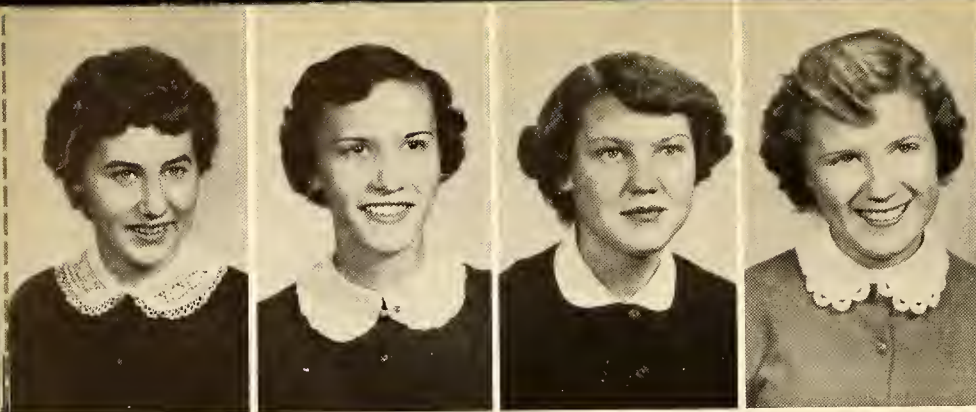


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Howard Hugh Doss



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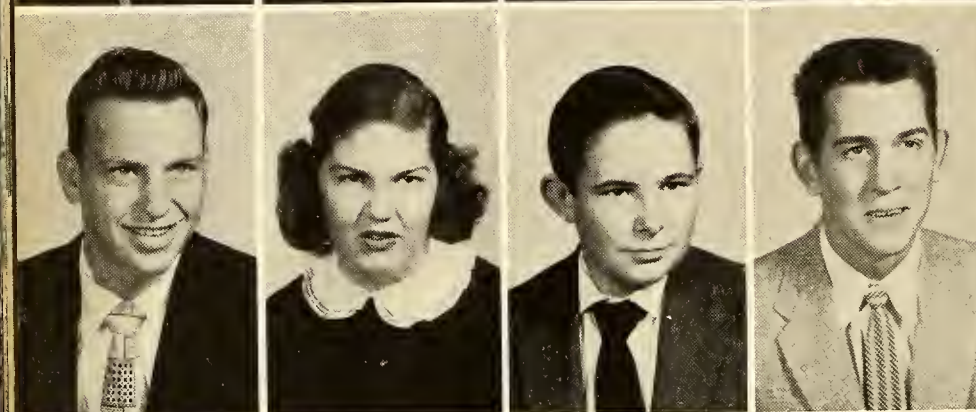




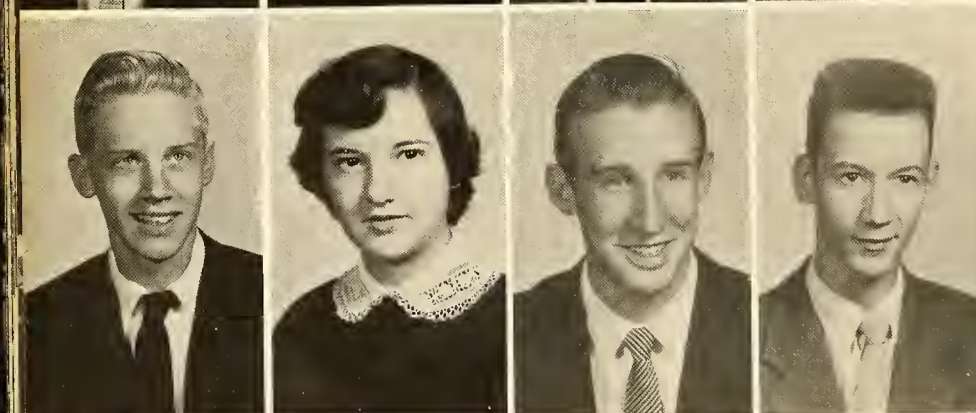
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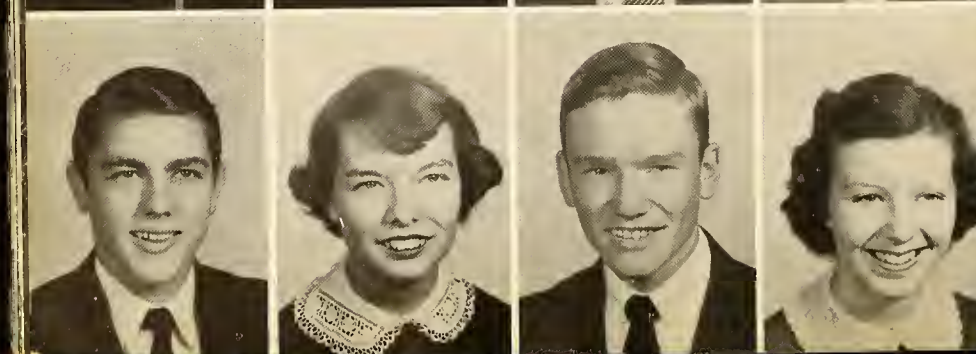
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Duke Bryant Paris  
Peggy Pass Payne  
Melvin Allen Pendergraph  
Lonnie Clayton Reynolds



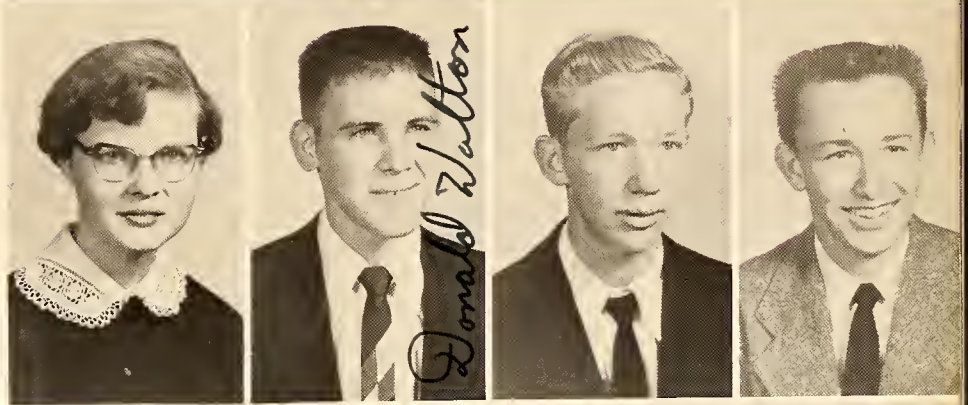
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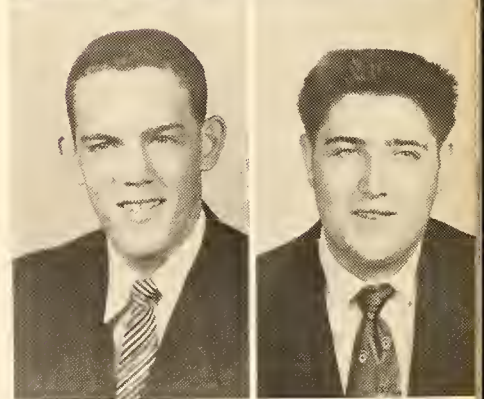


Dorothy Ellen Wagoner  
 Donald Leroy Walton  
 Robert Clyde Webster  
 Tommy Wilson White



Kenneth Wayne Williams  
 Neal McKinley Williams

*Not pictured:*  
 James Harold McPherson

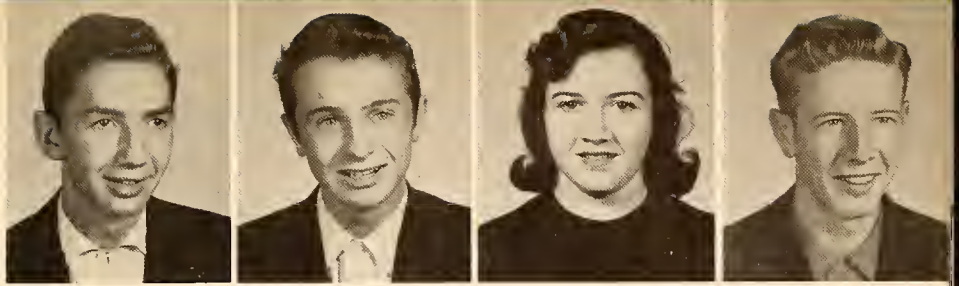


The Seniors "At Home"

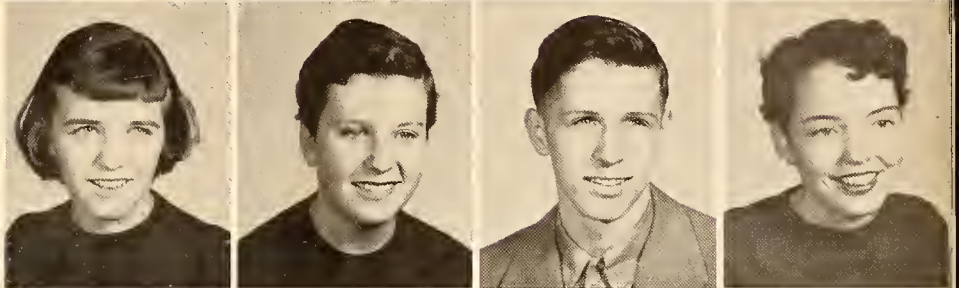




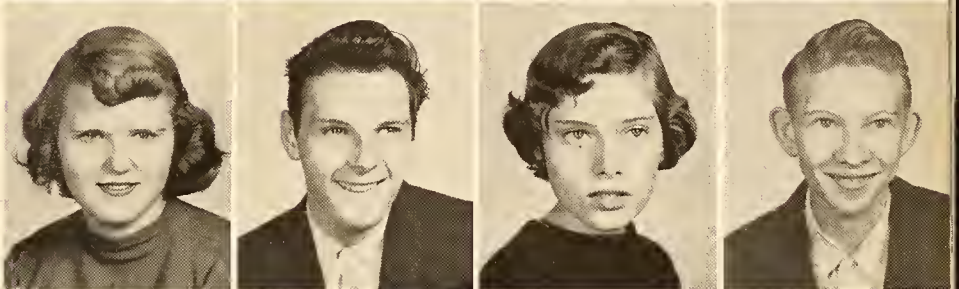
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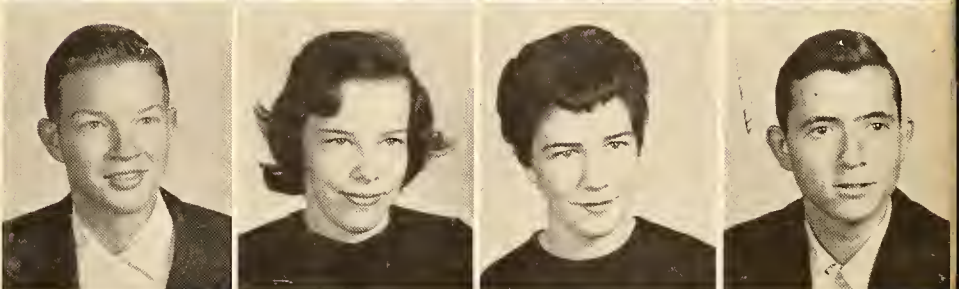
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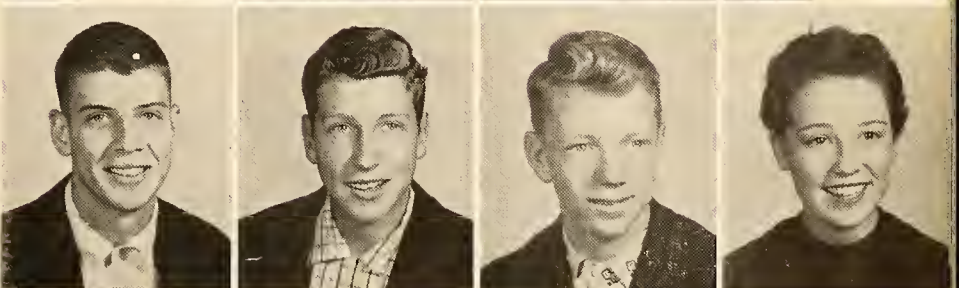
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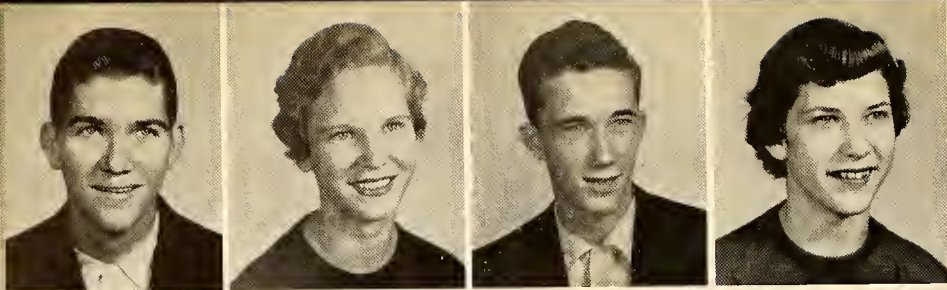


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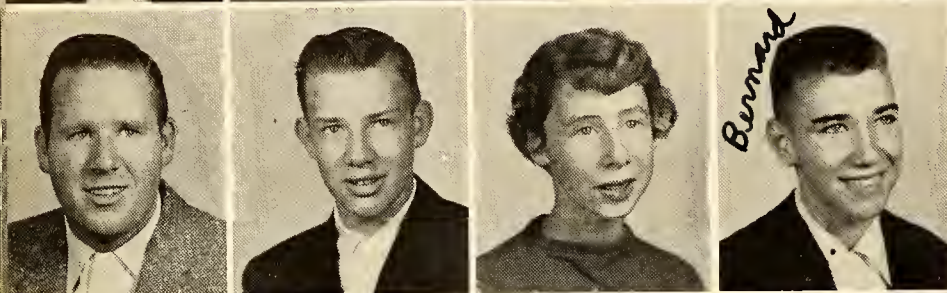


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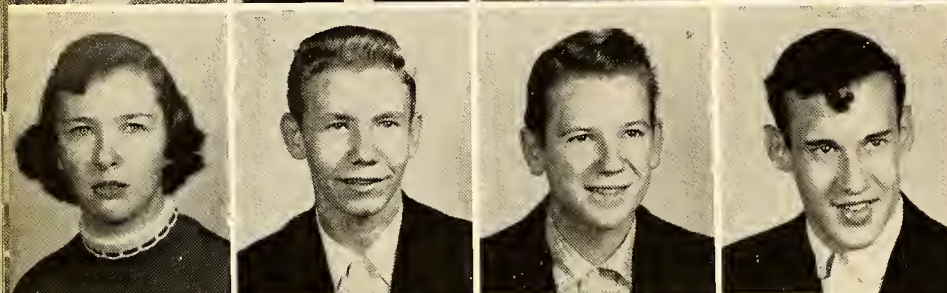




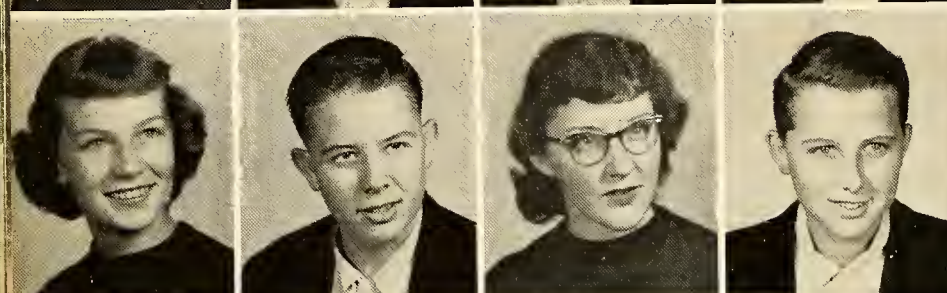
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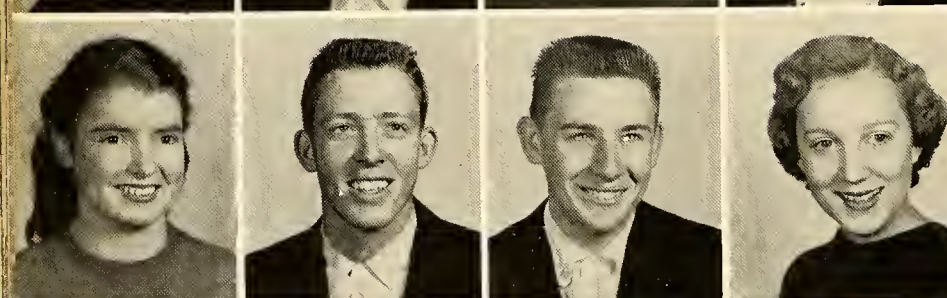
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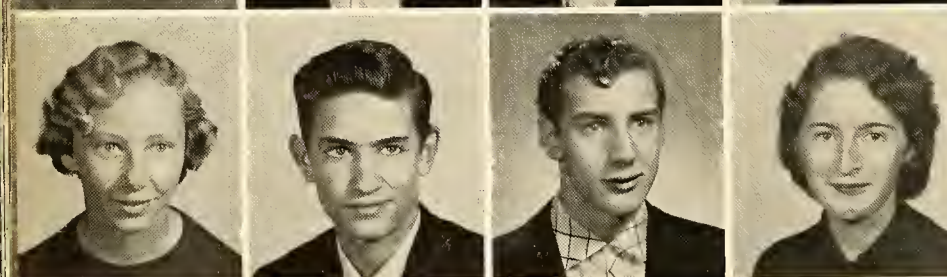
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Joseph Douglas Scott



Lorene Short  
Norman Sid Smith  
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Nancy Burke Thompson



Patsy Marie Wagner  
George Randolph Webster  
Jack Alton Webster  
Carolyn Faye Whitesell

# Freshman Class

## OFFICERS

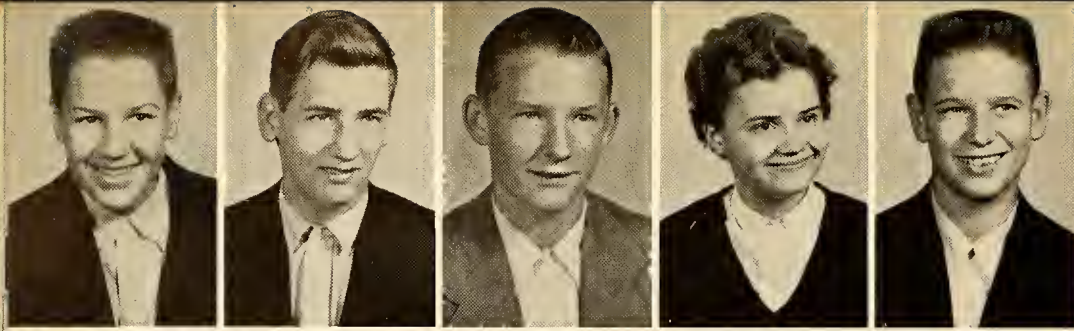
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DAVID NELSON COX ..... *Vice President*  
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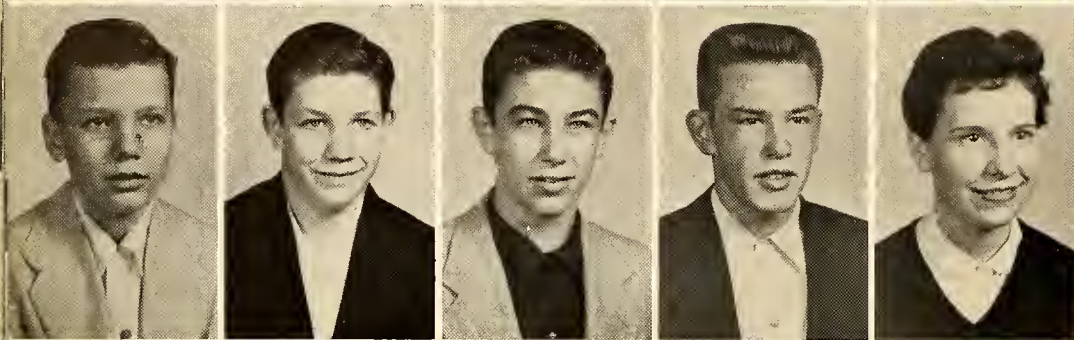
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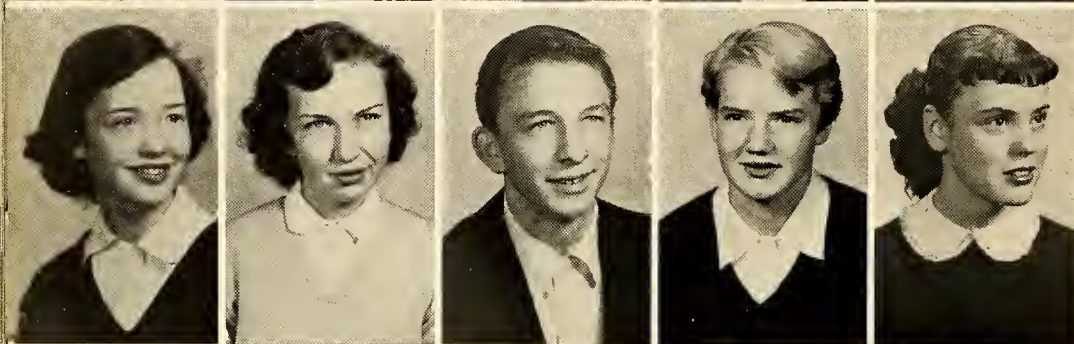




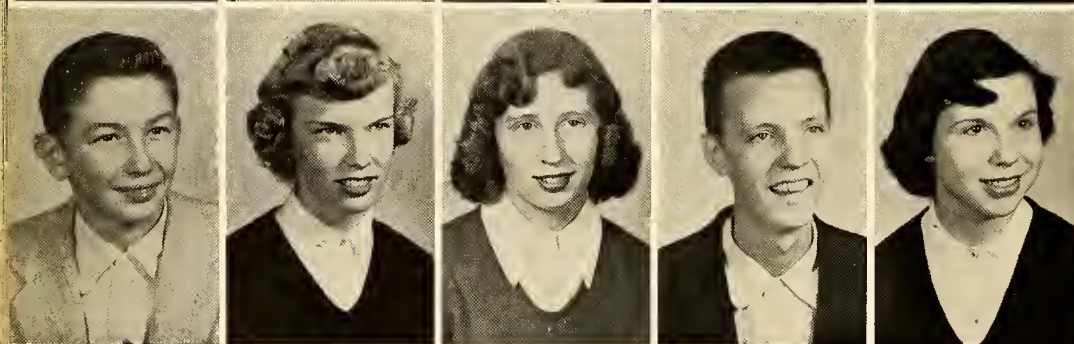
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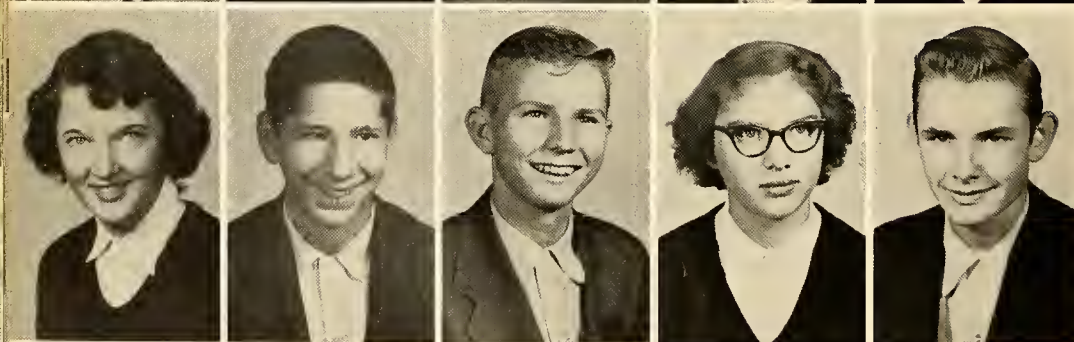
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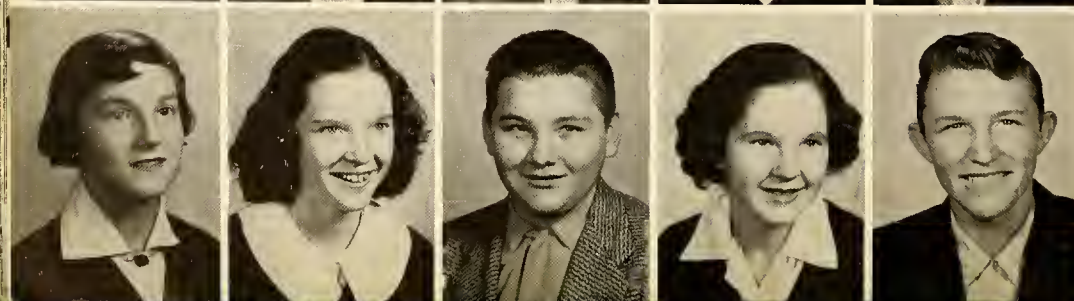
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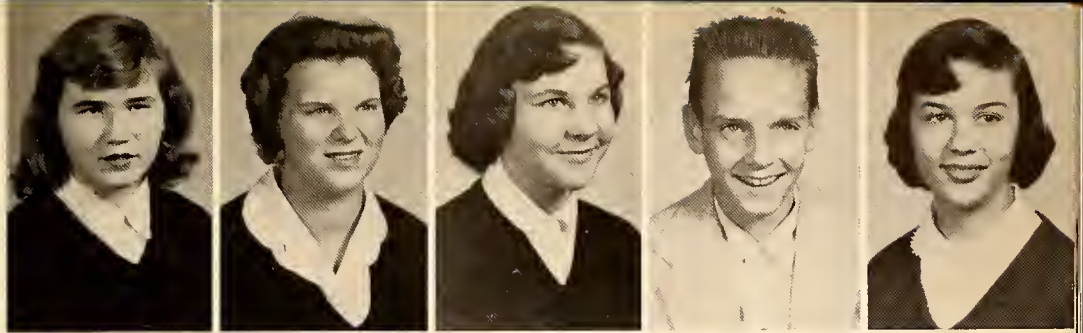


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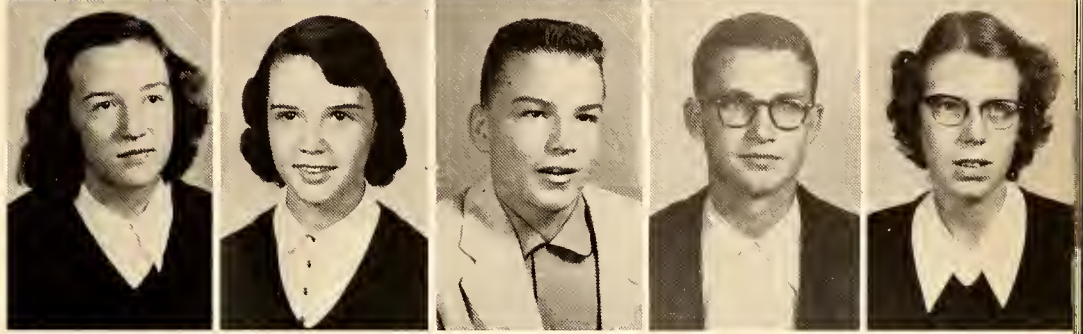


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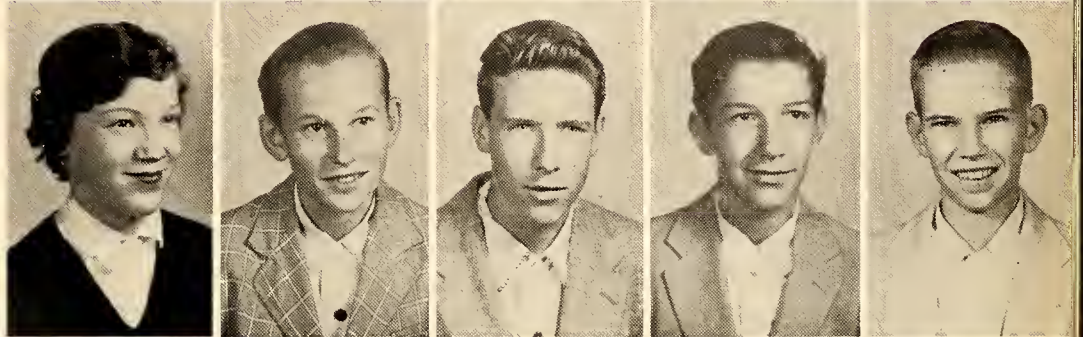
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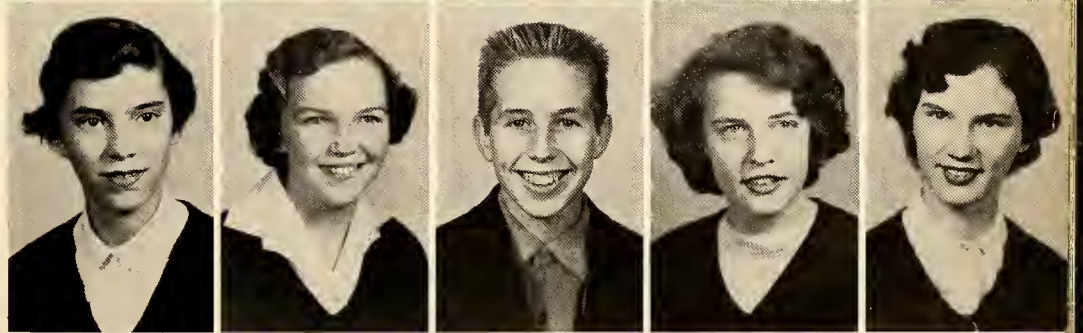
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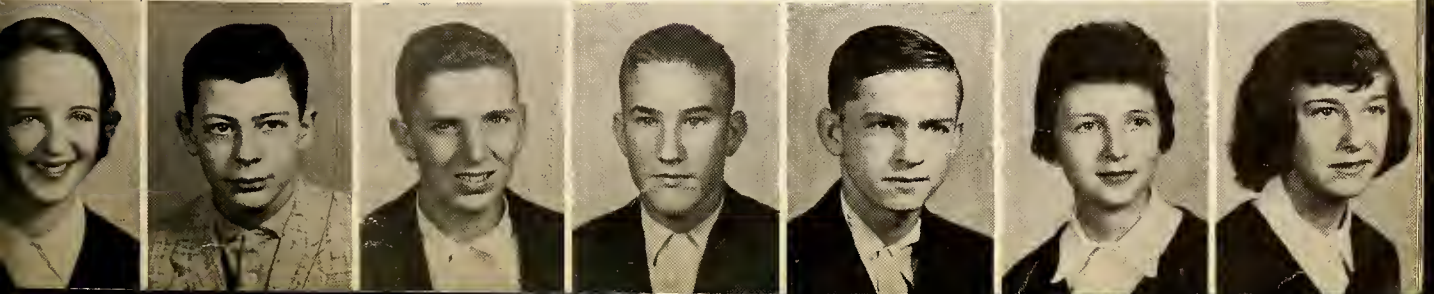
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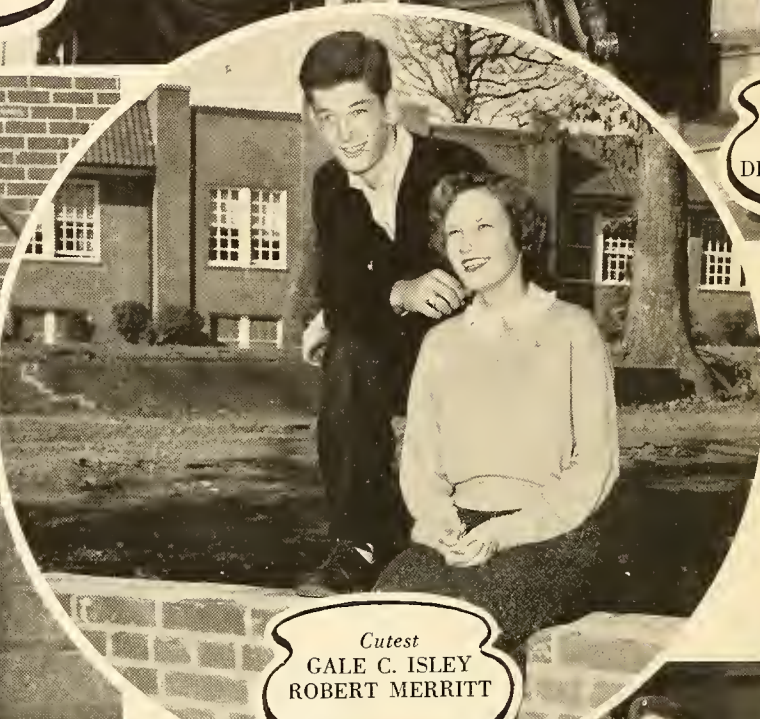
*Most Popular  
Best All-Around*  
**PATSY CATES WAGONER  
JACKIE BARNES**



*Best Dressed*  
**EVELYN ALLEN  
DELMAR McADAMS**



*Most Studious*  
**JEANETTE FARRELL  
TOMMIE HUNTER**



*Cutest*  
**GALE C. ISLEY  
ROBERT MERRITT**



*Quietest*  
**LINDA LONG  
J. D. KIMREY**



*Most Athletic*  
**SHELBY FARRELL  
HERMAN CRAWFORD**

On



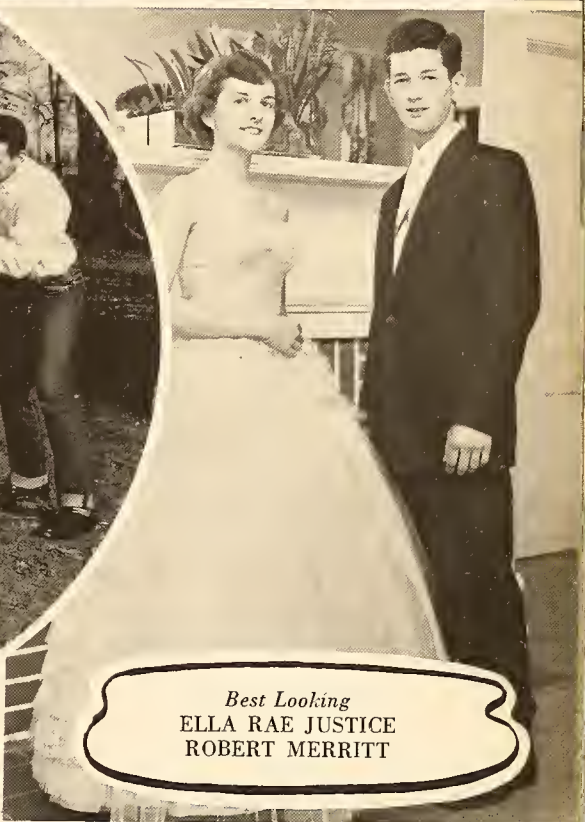


*Most Talented*  
KAY JONES  
BOBBY DILKS

*Biggest Flirt*  
FRANK SMITH  
ODEAN RILEY

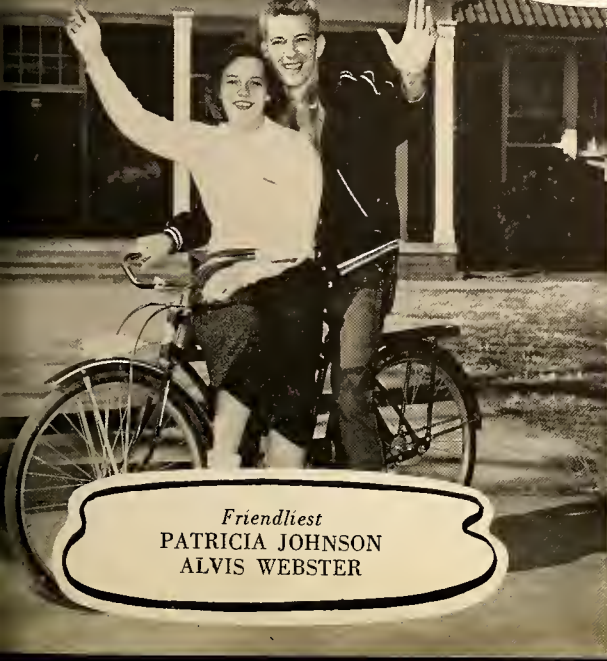


*Most Mischievous*  
BARBARA RAY  
HERMAN CRAWFORD



*Best Looking*  
ELLA RAE JUSTICE  
ROBERT MERRITT

Choice



*Friendliest*  
PATRICIA JOHNSON  
ALVIS WEBSTER



*Most Intellectual*  
*Most Likely to Succeed*  
GRATHA MAE CAVINESS  
WALLACE SNIPES



"In all their Dignity"

### Senior Class Poem

Mr. Williams,  
It has been  
a pleasure to me  
to be one of your  
students here at  
Alexander Wilson.

I sincerely think  
that you have  
been a guiding  
light, to not only  
me, but to all  
of the students.

Hope to see you  
at future ball games  
and alumni parties.

As ever,  
Gratha Mae  
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The joys of man are three:  
To dream; to do; and to be.  
May we always dare to dream and dare to do:  
Loving the truth and being to ourselves true.

For all the hopes and fears,  
That will fill our coming years,  
We'll come back gladly to dear days of old ...  
In the light of our yesterday's radiant glow;  
Always back to our school days of long ago.

Crooked paths go everywhere ...  
But the straight ones we must follow,  
Over the long road of hopes and fears ...  
To meet the needs and demands of tomorrow.

We have been "Crammed with knowledge" ...  
And stuffed until our heads are numb;  
We've had lectures until we're so tired ...  
That our brains are just "out of plumb."

Math has caused us grief and groaning;  
Theme writing has exhausted our assurance ...  
English has given us misery and moaning ...  
But we've won through our endurance.

No more in Alexander Wilson we'll shine ...  
But soon we'll be the alumni here.  
Even when we're far away ...  
We'll tell her goodness 'till we're old and grey.

And now, school of our early days,  
We, who will always sound your praise;  
Shall not forget the honor due thee ...  
Who gave us faith to say ...  
"Aim High but Reach Higher" ...  
In this life that starts a new today ...  
And inspires us to dream, to do, and to be.

Gratha Mae Caviness  
Class Poet

Mr. Williams,  
I have enjoyed  
knowing you these  
wonderful four years.  
I hope you will for-  
give me for the mistake  
in the dedication note.  
I am glad you got it and  
I think credit it. I know  
you have all way been  
behind me, pushing me  
and I appreciate it. I  
hope we will always  
be friends. Hope to  
see you this summer.  
I never did take that  
beach trip we planned  
Will Best of luck  
and hope you find  
a mate  
Johnnie Walker



# *Activities*



*Good Citizenship Council*

Seated, left to right: Shirly Smith, Jo Ann Cox, Nancy Scott, Martha Schronce, Secretary; Jackie Barnes, President; Tommie Hunter, Jean Carolyn Wagoner, Lonnie Reynolds. Standing: Billy Gumm, Treasurer; Duke Paris, Vice President; Mr. Robbins, Advisor.



*Social Council*

Alvis Webster, President; Robert Merritt, Vice President; Mary Brown, Secretary; Johnny Rice, Treasurer.



*Wilsonian Staff*

Seated, left to right: Nancy Webster, Business Manager; Evelyn Allen, Typist; Wallace Snipes, Associate Editor; Delmar McAdams, Editor-in-Chief; Kay Henderson, Associate Editor; Kay Jones, Art Editor. Standing: Mrs. G. B. Robbins, Advisor; Judy Needham, Snapshot Editor; Patricia Brady, Associate Art Editor; Tommie Hunter, Typist; Alvis Webster, Advertising Manager; Junior Woods, Sports Editor; Clara Jean Dodson, Assistant Business Manager; Duke Paris, Assistant Advertising Manager; Dorothy Wagoner, Sports Editor.



*Newspaper Staff*

Seated, left to right: Johnson, Caviness, Merritt, Stanly, Williams, Reynolds. Standing: Scott, Wagner, Cordell, Justice, Barnes, Farrell, Lashley, Farrell.



Front row, left to right: Reba Hubbard, Patricia Brady, Karon Bason, Wanda Farrell, Nancy Scott. Second row: Curtis Isley, Freddie Rice, Chief; Sammy Allen, Donald Johnston, Duke Paris.



Officers: Jean Dodson, President; Kay Henderson, Vice President; Nancy Scott, Secretary; Dorothy Wagoner, Treasurer; Sarah Belch, Parliamentarian; Nancy Webster, Historian; Patricia Brady, Reporter; Mrs. Robbins, Advisor.



OFFICERS—Johnnie Lea Robertson, President; Nancy Webster, Vice President; Shelby Farrell, Secretary, Evelyn Allen, Treasurer; Wanda Farrell, Historian; Parliamentarian, Janet Crawford; Kay Jones, Song Leader; Louise Henderson, Reporter; Mrs. Stucky, Advisor.



OFFICERS—Herman Crawford, President; J. D. Kimrey, Vice President; Delmer Burgess, Secretary; Billy Bolden, Treasurer; Hugh Doss, Sentinel; Freddie Rice, Reporter; S. A. Cooper, Advisor.



OFFICERS—Kenneth Williams, President; Janet Crawford, Vice President; Wanda Farrell, Secretary; Bobby Davis, Treasurer; Connie Williams, Reporter; Mrs. Hall, Advisor.

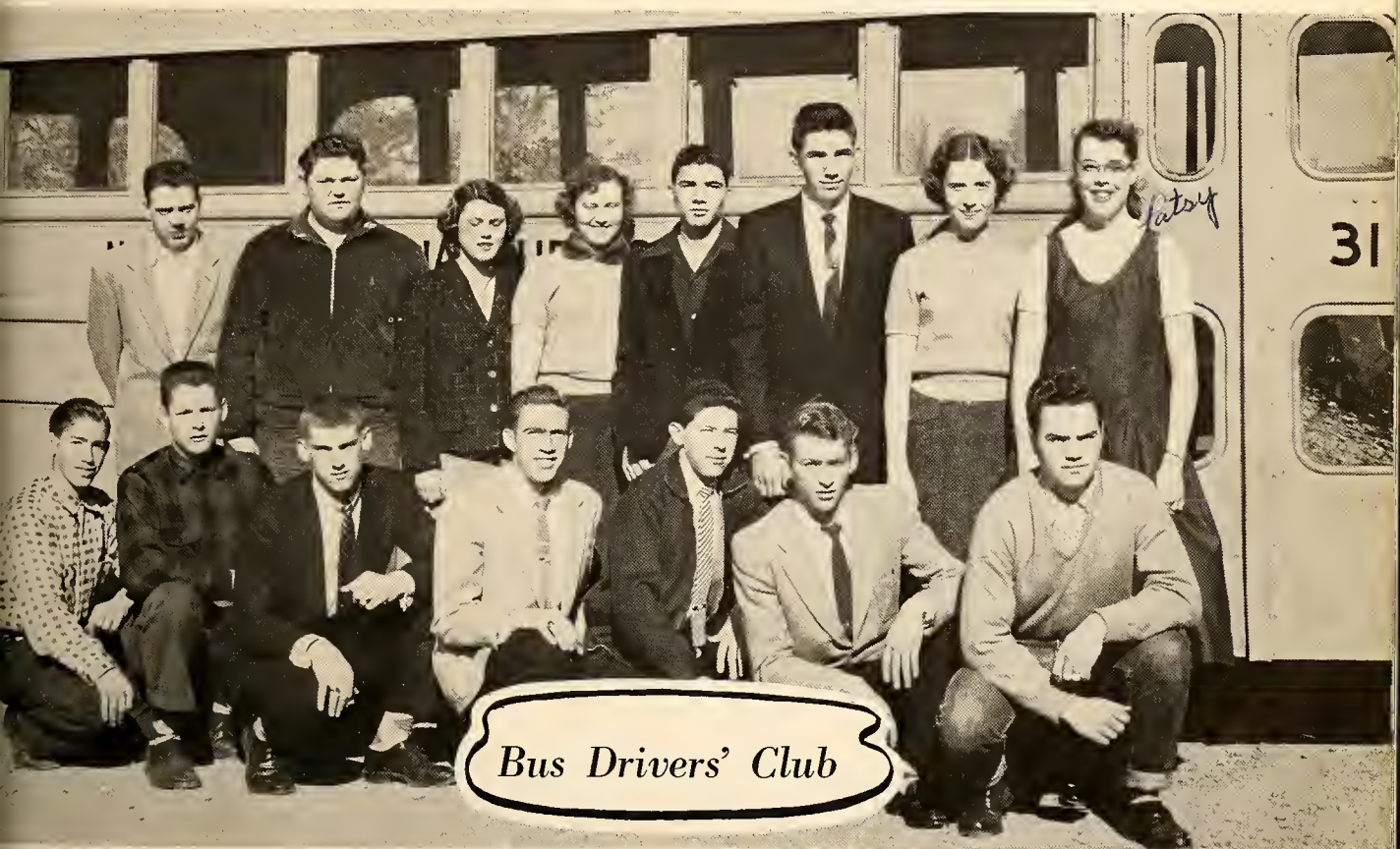


OFFICERS—Billy Bolden, President; Hugh Doss, Vice President; Jeanette Farrell, Secretary; Nancy Webster, Song Leader.





OFFICERS—Junior Wood, President; Everette Carden, Vice President; Ella Rae Justice, Secretary; Frank Smith, Treasurer; Freddie Rice, Reporter; Mr. Abernathy, Mr. Robertson, Advisors.



First row, left to right: Burgess, Bolden Wood, Abercrombie, Hunter, Justice, Doss. Second row: Mullis, Davis, Holt, Cole, Simmons, Snipes, Lashley, Farrell.



RUFUS H. ABERNATHY, *Coach*

## Girls' Basketball

Interest, enthusiasm, and participation have been high on our girls' basketball team. We have tried to win both scores of each game. We are proud that the girls have won the respect of both the fans and opponents.



### EAGLETS

SHELBY FARRELL, *Captain*  
JUDY CORDEL, *Co-Captain*

First row: Brown, Scott, Wagner, Dunn, Holt, N. Cordell, Parrish. Second row: S. Farrell, J. Cordell, Courturier, Carden, Jones, Webster, J. Farrell, P. Farrell. Third row: Bailey, Quakenbush, Justice, Schronce, Abernathy, Coach; Smith, Cox, Loy, Dodson.



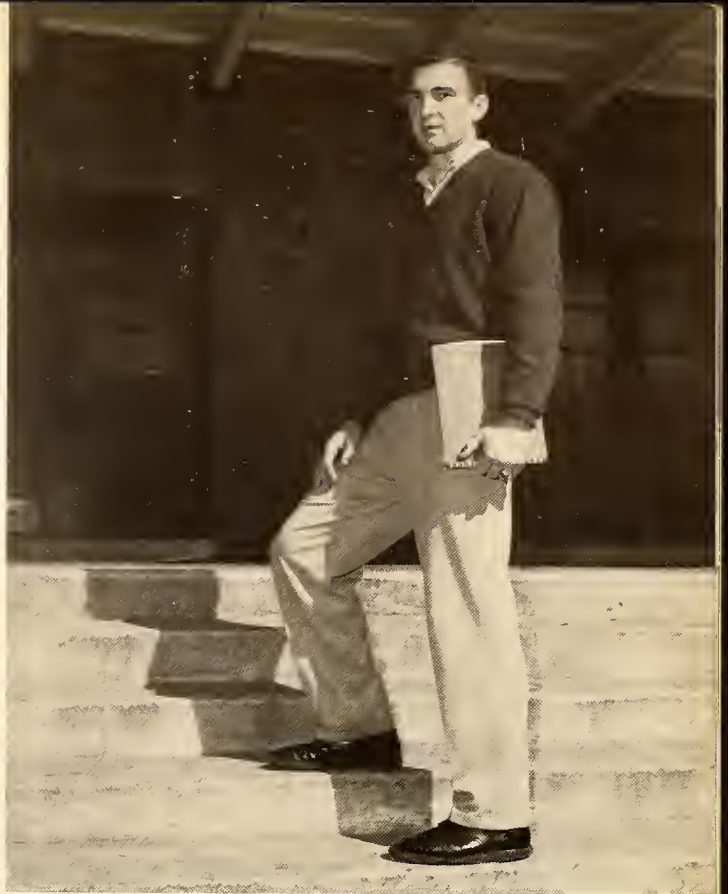
## Boys' Basketball

With the return of only three lettermen and an inexperienced team, the "Eagle" boys through outstanding team spirit and a winning desire became a first division team.



EAGLES

RONNIE CRUTCHFIELD, *Captain*



ARTHUR THOMPSON, *Co-Captain*  
WILLIAM LEWIS ROBERTSON, *Coach*

Kneeling, left to right: Williams, Carden, Barnes, Moore, Crutchfield, Hunter. Standing: Smith, Allen, Thompson, Rice, Woods, Webster, Robertson, Coach.



SCHEDULE AND SCORES

Alexander Wilson... 6	Haw River .....	4
Alexander Wilson... 6	Eli Whitney .....	5
Alexander Wilson... 3	E. M. Holt.....	6
Alexander Wilson... 6	Mebane .....	3
Alexander Wilson... 9	Sylvan .....	1
Alexander Wilson...15	Pleasant Grove .....	0
Alexander Wilson...10	Elon .....	1
Alexander Wilson... 9	Altamahaw Ossippee	0

*Alamance County Championship Game*

Alexander Wilson... 2	Eli Whitney .....	3
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*Baseball  
1954-1955*



HERMAN CRAWFORD, *Captain*  
LARRY ISLEY, *Co-Captain*

*I have enjoyed  
knowing you for  
the past years.  
Lots of luck  
Frank Smith*

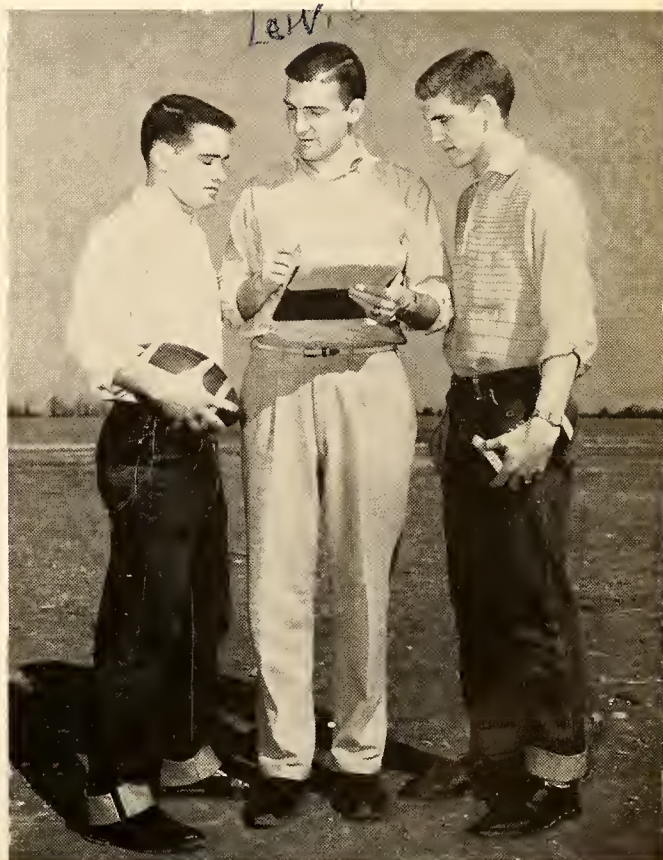
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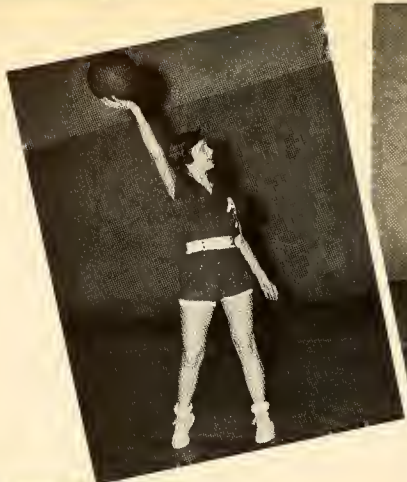
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## Football



Coach and Co-Captains  
CARDEN ROBERTSON WOOD

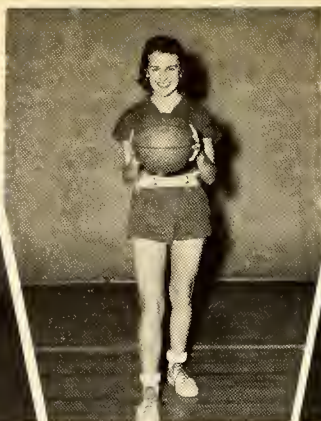
LINDA JUSTICE



MARTHA SCHRONCE



MARY ELLEN BROWN



JUDY CORDELL



Left to right: Thompson, Farrell, Hubbard, Allen, Chief, Belch, Crawford, Henderson.



SHELBY FARRELL



PATSY FARRELL



JEANETTE FARRELL



PATRICIA COUTURIER



KAY JONES

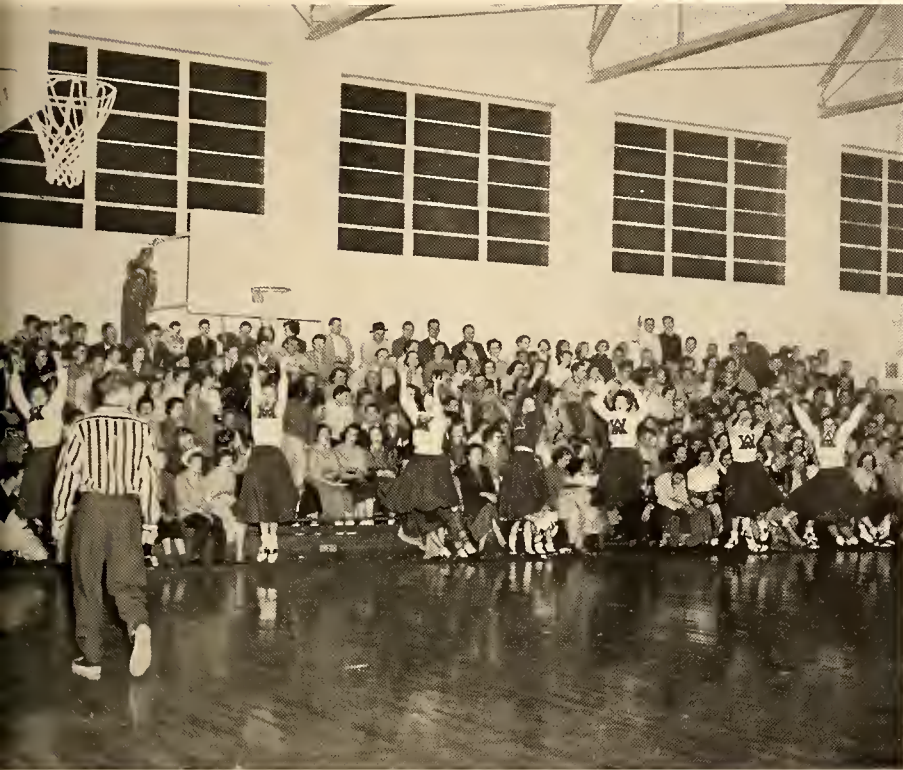
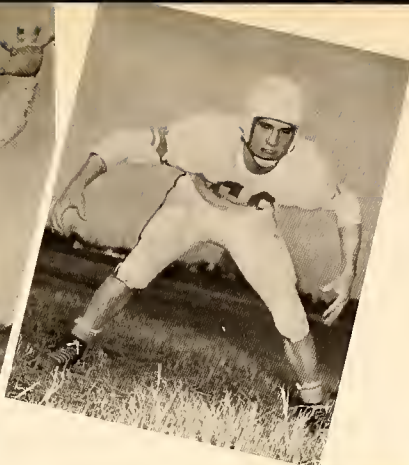
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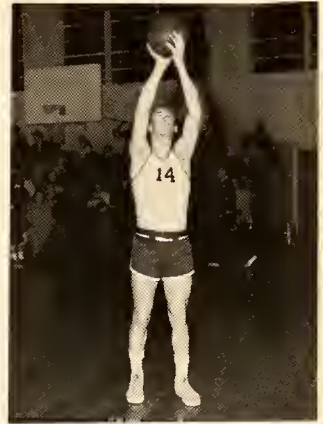
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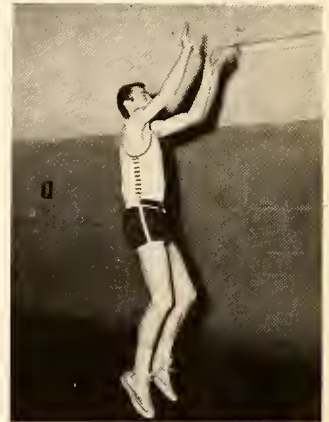
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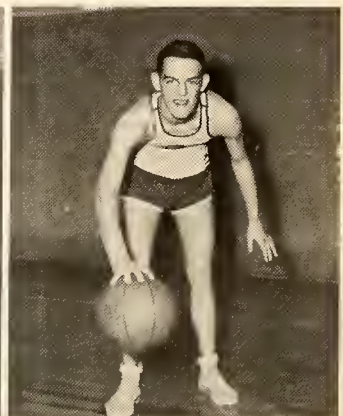
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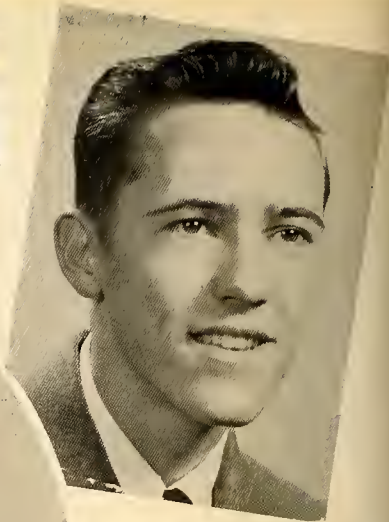


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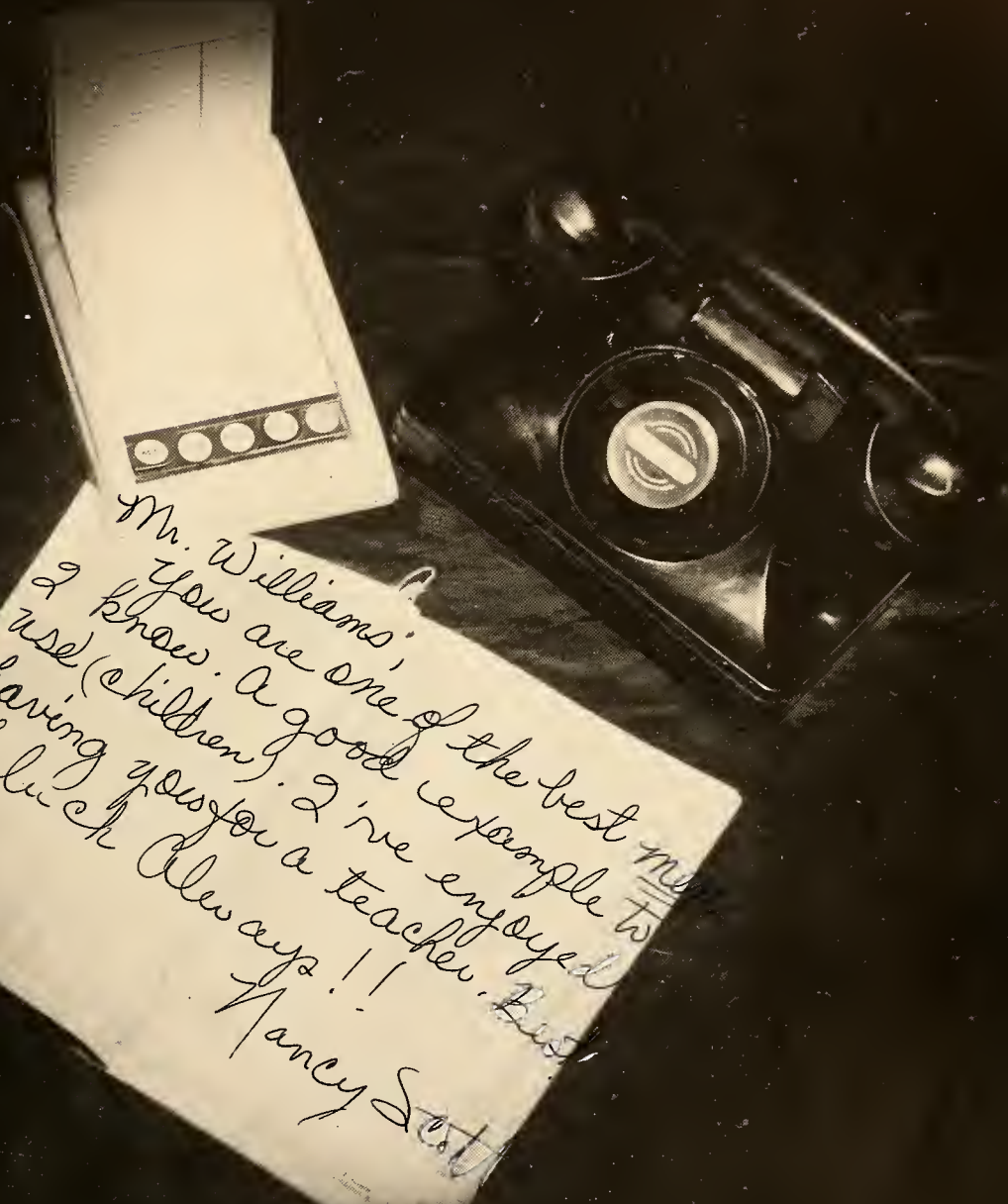
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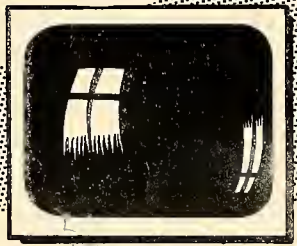
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also enjoyed being  
in your class in  
the tenth grade.  
May you have  
success always.  
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I have enjoyed  
being in school with  
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Jake's. We really had a good time.  
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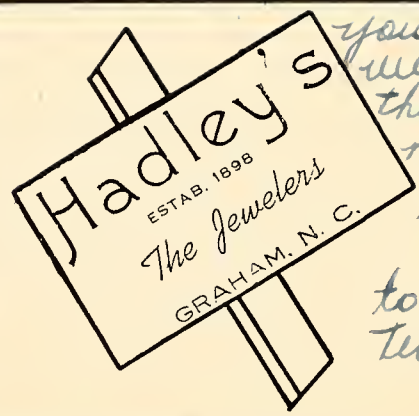
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It has been very nice having you as a home room and English teacher. You have given me a lot of help and advise that I will always remember. May you continue to have success and much happiness in the future. Best of luck to a wonderful person and teacher.

Respectfully,  
Denny Parrish

Mr. Williams,

I have really enjoyed being in your home room and English class. May you receive all the success and happiness that life has to offer.

Sincerely yours,  
Jo Ann Cox

Mr. Williams

I have enjoyed being in your room this year. I wish you all the best and success with you

Herbert Dillard

Mr. Williams

I have had a pleasant year in English. I have enjoyed it very much. I have enjoyed having you as my English teacher. May you have all the success and happiness that life has to offer. Here is wishing you the best of luck.

A friend always,  
Therese Loy

Mr. Williams

To my notion you are the best teacher in Whitton. I have enjoyed being in your English class this year very much. I hope I will be in your class next year. Best of luck to the best teacher.  
Henry Owen

Mr. Williams,

I enjoy your teaching, but not history!  
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stop calling me down so much, and give  
me better grades.

Jayne Shaw

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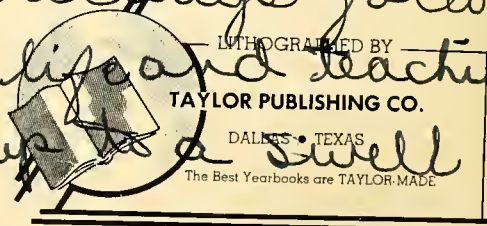
I have enjoyed being in your English  
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I have learned a lot due to your good  
teaching I'm sure. I would like to wish  
the best of luck to a wonderful person  
and teacher. Lots of luck and success  
in the years to come.

a friend always,  
Anne Dodson

Mr. Williams,

I have enjoyed having you  
for an English teacher. May happi-  
ness and success always follow  
you through your life and teaching.  
Good luck always to a swell  
English teacher.

Shirley Smith.



~~Mr.~~ Mr. Williams,

I have enjoyed being in your history class and I hope I can have you for a history teacher next year. You are a swell teacher and one of the best. I hope we can have a lot of fun next year. Best of luck and don't let Miss Wilson get you down.

Mr. Williams,

I have enjoyed being in your class in the tenth grade. I wish the best of luck to a fine person.

Linda Long

Your pal,

Bernard Mc

Mr. Williams,

It has been a pleasure knowing you these few years. I will always remember you as one of my best teachers.

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Mr. Williams,

It has been a great experience these four years of high school, but as I look back to my freshman year I see a boy who didn't think he would ever make it through the following three years. You have encouraged me and inspired me and helped me over a lot of high hurdles. I remember our freshman English class. We used to have some rough times. I hope you will continue on here at old Wilson, Good luck. You friend,  
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