





BRONSON HIGH SCHOOL BRONSON, MICHIGAN

1956 VIKING

MARILYNN GAY PAUL

ROSS DEAN BYERS

CO - EDITORS



DEDICATION

We, the Senior class of 1956 would like to dedicate our annual to a person who stands out in our school day memories. This year more than ever, as we finish our final year of high school we regret that Jerry Jasper is not with us.

We would also like to show our gratitude to our parents whose part in our graduation cannot be measured. Their part is so important that without it we would have surely failed.

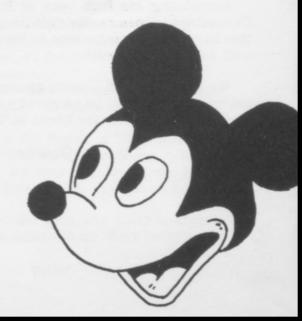
Robert Rippe



VIKINGS

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FANTASYLAND



Administration



Our principal, Mr. Heisler, has been principal at Bronson High School for the past eight years. Besides his duties as principal, Mr. Heisler teaches daily classes in Social Problems and Commercial Law. He is also Student Council Advisor.

Mr. French, our assistant principal, has taught at Bronson for the past three and a half years. This year he assumed the duties of assistant principal besides teaching daily classes in World History and Civics. He is also coadvisor of the senior class.

The class of '56 would like to extend their thanks to these men.

Shirley Smoker Carol Polczynski

MR. CARPENTER

Completing his fifth year at Bronson, Mr. Carpenter has been responsible for many changes that have been advantageous to the students as well as to the community.

We hope that in the years to come, Mr. Carpenter's efforts will be as greatly appreciated as they have been by the Class of '56.

Gretchen Cuyler



Board of Education



Bertram B. Ward



Robert Ryan



Laurence Wohlers



N. B. Higbie



Elwood Bancroft

On the second Wednesday of every month, we see about four or five cars parked in front of the school, and so we know that the Board of Education is having its monthly meeting.

N. B. Higbie and Elwood Bancraft were elected as the two new trustees this July. Also serving on the Board of Education are Bertram B. Ward, President; Laurence Wohlers, Secretary; and Robert Ryan, Treasurer, who has served in this capacity very ably for forty years.

The Board of Education helps Mr. Carpenter in the running of the school, hiring the teachers, and in trying to provide modern adequate facilities for the students.

We, the Class of 1956, feel deeply indebted to the Board of Education for providing us with our every need in the line of buildings and teachers. We are very fortunate in having been able to use the new spacious gym, commercial department, shop department, music department, and other new classrooms.

The addition to the Central School including the gym are truly a sign that the Board of Education is looking toward the future in all their building plans.

Carol Pearce

Student Teachers



Left to Right

Nancy Blain, Dolores Wielgos, Marjorie Hovda, Carol Pearce, Joyce Green, Judy Stevens, Diane Smoker, Connie Polczynski, Carolynn Kibiloski, Pat Tefft, Wilma Merriman.

There are a number of girls each year who go to the Anderson and Central School to assist the teachers who are willing to give the girls an opportunity to find out what teaching is like.

Jean Burch

MARIE TRACY



"Where's Marie?" Yes, this is a familiar question that is asked many times a day in our school. Of course, they are referring to Mrs. Marie Tracy, our very busy but capable secretary and receptionist.

We, the Class of '56 wish to extend our deepest appreciation for the help she has given us during our high school days.

Joyce Green

MARGARET THARP Latin and Literature Life, A.B., M.S.U.



JACK RIEGLE Junior High B.S., W.M.C.E.

HOWARD GILMORE Vocational Shop B.S., Western Mich.



CHARLES WM. ZABONICK Math and Phys. Ed. Sec. Prov., B.S., W.M.C.E.







MARJORIE CATHCART Junior High Life, W.M.C.E.



ELDON SHOOK English B.A., M.A., O.N.U., Ohio. Indiana U.

HARRY KINSEY Social Studies A.B., Manchester M.S., Indiana U.

CARL KRUGER General Shop B.S., Western Mich.



EILEEN STEVENS
Vocational Homemaking
B.S., Michigan State
University

HARLAN G. BOND Music B.S., M.A., U. of M.



BETTY WILSON
Social Studies & Phys. Ed.
B.S., M.A., C.M.C.E.,
U. of M.

NOVA HAMILTON Commerce B.S., Western Mich.



HENRY ALBAUGH
Science and Math
B.S., M.A., U. of M.



PATRICIA CHISHOLM Social Science B.A., Western Mich.

WILLIAM FRENCH
Ass't Principal
Social Studies
B.A., Western Mich.



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ARIDEAN FRENCH Junior High English B.A., W.M.C.E.

CHARLES HILTON
Vocational Agriculture
Director of Athletics
Life, B.S., Michigan
State



DORA ANDERSON
English, Social Studies
Life, A.B., Kalamazoo
M.A., U. of M.

CHARLES ATKOCUNIS Social Studies, Phys. Ed. B.S., Western Mich.





EUNICE MARTIN
Homemaking
Life, B.S., Michigan
State Normal



EVERTON WORTMAN Junior High Life, B.S., W.M.C.E.

Student Council



Left to Right: Standing: Jim Cattell, Nancy Cattell, Nancy Van Ellen, Janice Pope, Ken Paul, Don Bidwell.

Sitting: Norma Hopkins; Gretchen Cuyler; Bob Smoker, treasurer; Charlene Camfield, secretary; Mr. Heisler, advisor; Judy Martin, president; Ross Byers, vice-president; Darian Wiler; Martha Wanar.

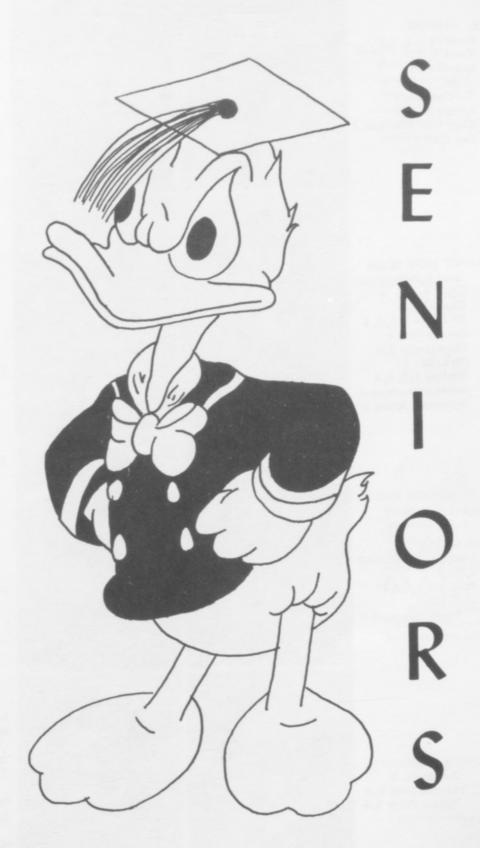
The student council is now in its twentieth year serving the students of Bronson High School.

The council meets each Monday to confer about the problems of the students and to discuss All-Hi parties, the noon-hour recreation program, and many other activities for the students.

This year the student council sent three representatives to attend the Citizenship Conference in Ann Arbor, Michigan, along with Mr. Heisler. The group brought back many interesting reports and presented them to the student body.

The student council feels that it has been very successful in the attempt to raise the membership over that of a previous year, enabling them to have a larger budget.

Norma Jean Hopkins



JOHN ARUNDEL
Football 1,2,3,4
Track 1,2,3
Basketball 2
Varsity Club 3,4
President 4
Annual Staff 4
Class Vice President 3
Key Club 4





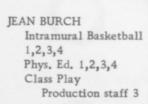
CHARLES BERTSCH Student Council 3 Class Play 3 Choir 1,2

NANCY JANE BLAIN
Band 1,2,3
Choir 4
Class Play 3
Hi Times 1,2,3,4
Speech Club 4
Cheerleader 3,4
Phys. Ed. 1
Bowling 1,2,3,4
Student Teaching 4
Intramural Sports 3





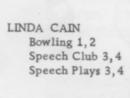
REX BREWER
Football 1,2,4
Basketball 1,2,4
Track 3
Phys. Ed. 1,2,3







ROSS BYERS
Class Treasurer 1
Hi Times 1,2
Choir 3
F. F. A. 1,2,3,4
Secretary 3
Ass't President 4
Class Vice President 4
Boys' State 3
Citizenship Conference 4
Key Club 4
Student Council
Vice President 4
Annual Staff
Co-Editor







CHARLENE CAMFIELD

Intramural Sports 2, 3, 4
Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Speech Plays 3
Choir 1, 2, 3; Thespians 4
Double Sextette 3; Speech Club
3,4; Annual Staff 4
Literary Editor 4
Operetta 2; Voice of Democracy
2,3; F. H. A. 1,2,3,4
Reporter 3; All Star Band 2, 3
Hi Times 1, 2, 3
Assistant Editor 3
Class Play 3
Publicity Manager 3
Student Council
Secretary 4

GRETCHEN CUYLER
Band 1,2,3,4
Hi Times 4
Bowling 1,2,3,4
Phys. Ed. 1
Class Play 3
Student Council 2,4
Office Practice 4
Thespians 4





ELAINE DIXON
Phys. Ed. 2
Speech Club 3,4
Speech Plays 3,4
Class Play
Production staff 3
Thespians 4
Scribe 4

ALICE EVENS
Bowling 2, 3, 4
Phys. Ed. 1, 2
Hi Times 4
Choir 4
F. H. A. 1, 2, 3
Class Play
Production staff 3



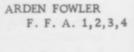


WAYNE FAIR F. F. A. 1,2,3,4 President 4





JAMES FOWLER
Football 2,3,4
Baseball 1,2,3
Track 2,3
Basketball 4
Intramural Sports 1,2,3,4
F. F. A. 1,2,3,4
Treasurer 3
Vice President 4
Varsity Club 3,4
Homecoming King 4







ROSALIE GEORGE F. H. A. 1 Band 1,2,3,4 Bowling 2,3 Office Practice 4

FRANCES GEORGE
Band 1,2,3,4
All Star Band 2,3
Choir 2,3
Double Sextette 3
Operetta 2
Class Play 3
F. H. A. 1,2,3,4
Chapter pianist 1,4
Regional pianist 1

JOYCE ANN GREEN
F. H. A. 1,2,4
Class Play 3
Speech Club 3,4
Speech Plays 3
Thespians 4
Office Practice 4
Student Teaching 4
Choir 4
Hi C. Club 4
Latin Club 4





SALLY GREEN Student Teaching 4

RUTH ANN GREGG
Entered 3
Band 3, 4
Intramural Sports 3, 4
Phys. Ed. 3, 4
Class Play
Production staff 3
Latin Club 4
Speech Club 4
Class Secretary 4





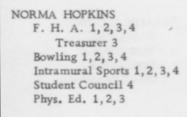
DEAN GUMP F. F. A. 1

PHILIP HIMEBAUGH
Class President 1, 2, 3, 4
Football 1, 2
Basketball 1, 2
Track 1, 2, 3
Baseball 1, 2, 3
Class Play 3
Hi Times 1
Varsity Club 1, 2, 3, 4
Secretary 4
Speech Club 4
Thespians 4
President 4
Boys' State 3





SHIRLEY HOLLISTER
Band 1,2,3,4
Choir 1,2,3,4
Class Play 3
Stage Manager 3
Homecoming Queen 4
Operetta 2
Thespians 4
Secretary 4
Bowling 1,2,3,4
President 3,4
Speech Club 4
F. H. A. 4
Songleader 4
Hi Times 3,4







BETTY HORKEY
Intramural Sports 1,2,3,4
F.H.A. 1,2,3,4
Secretary 2
President 3
Phy. Ed. 1,2,3
Bowling 3
Class Play
Production Staff 3
Class Treasurer 3
Class Assistant Treasurer 4

RUTH HOFERT

F. H. A. 1,2

Hi Times 1,2,3,4

Circulation Mgr. 2,3,4

Bowling 1,2,3

Pep Club 4





JERRY HOUGHTON
Football 1,2,4
Basketball 1,2,3
Baseball 1,3
Varsity Club 1,2,3,4
Treasurer 4
Class Vice President 1
Track 3
Assembly Committee 2

MARJORIE HOVDA
Band 1,2,3
Choir 1,2,3,4
Hi Times 1,2,3
Assembly Committee 4
Secretary 4
Hi C. Club 3
Bowling 1,2,3
President 2
Vice President 3
Class Play 3
Student Teaching 4
Phys. Ed. 1





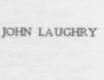
RONALD JONES Football 1,2,3

DIXIE KEHOE
Band 1,2,3,4
Treasurer 3,4
F. H. A. 1,2,4
Class Secretary 3
Speech Club 4
Bowling 1
Assembly Committee 2





ADALINE KOTZ
Phys. Ed. 1,2
Intramural Basketball 2
Speech Club 3,4
Speech Plays 3,4
Class Play
Production staff 3





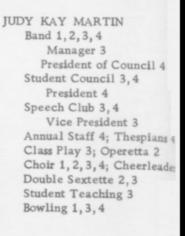


JOHN LEPIRD Entered 3 Football 3,4 Varsity Club 4

SHERRY LINES
Phys. Ed. 2
Bowling 2, 3, 4
Hi Times 4
Annual Staff 4
Art Editor
Class Play
Production staff 3







WILMA MERRIMAN
Latin Club 3,4
President 4
Hi C. Club 3,4
Secretary 3
Class Treasurer 4
Speech Club 3,4
Student Teaching 4

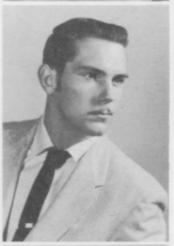




DORIS METZGER
F. H. A. 1
Hi-C Club 2, 3, 4
Speech Club 3, 4
Speech Plays 3
Phys. Ed. 1

LAWRENCE MYNHIER
Baseball 1,2,3
Basketball 1,2,3
Choir 3
Football 1,2,3,4
Class Play 3
Production staff 3
Annual Staff





JERRY NOWAK
Football 1,2,3,4
Baseball 1
Basketball 1,2,3,4
Track 1,2,3
Varsity Club 2,3
Speech Club 3,4
Speech Plays 3
Bowling 3
Key Club 4
Thespians 4
Vice President 4
Class Play 3
Student Council 1
Assembly Committee 3

MARILYN NOWICKI
Class Play 3
Annual Staff 4
Hi Times 1,3,4
Phys. Ed. 1,2,3
Bowling 1,2,3,4
Office Practice 4
Intramural Sports 1,2,4
F. H. A. 1,2,3,4
Score-keeper 4





MARILYNN GAY PAUL Choir 2, 3, 4 Band 3, 4; Operetta 2 Hi Times 1, 2, 3, 4 Editor 3,4 Bowling 1, 2, 3, 4 Speech Club 3, 4 Class Secretary 2 Phys. Ed. 1 Speech Plays 3 Thespians 4 Class Play 3 Cheerleader 2,3 Annual Staff 4 Co-editor 4 Student Council 1

CAROL POLCZYNSKI F. H. A. 1, 2, 3 Secretary 3 Phys. Ed. 1, 2, 3 Latin Club 4 Speech Club 4 Intramural Sports 2,3 Bowling 3 Student Teaching 4





CAROL ANN PEARCE Hi Times 1, 2 Treasurer 2 Speech Club 3, 4 Parliamentarian 4 Thespians 4 Treasurer 4 Student Council 3 Treasurer 3 Bowling 1, 2, 4 Vice President 4 Latin Club 4 Treasurer 4 Phys. Ed. 1,2; Band 1, 2; Choir 2; Annual Staff 4; Intramural Sports 3,4 Speech Plays 3, 4 Student Teaching 4 Class Play 3 Office Practice 4

CONNIE POLCZYNSKI Assembly Committee 1 F. H. A. 1, 2, 3, 4 Pep Club 4 Choir 4 Student Teaching 4 Bowling 3 Intramural Sports 3 Phys. Ed. 1, 2, 3



DIXIE RIFENBURGH Bowling 2, 4 Phys. Ed. 2

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





BETSY ROSS Entered 3 Speech Club 3, 4 Secretary 4 Speech Club Plays 3 Class Play 3 Hi Times 3 Bowling 3 Homecoming Court 3 Thespians 4

FABION ROSS Track 1, 2, 3 Football 1, 2, 3, 4 Intramural Sports 1, 2, 3, 4 Baseball 1, 2, 3 F. F. A. 1,2,3,4 Varsity Club 2, 3, 4





ANNE SCHLAUTMANN F. H. A. 1,2,3,4 Phys. Ed. 1,2,3 Intramural Basketball 1,4 Bowling 2, 3, 4 Class Play Production staff 3

ROBERT SHERMAN



DIANE SMOKER
F. H. A. 1,2,3,4
Pianist 3
Choir 4
Pep Club 4
Class Play 3
Co-business mgr.
Student Teaching 4

SHIRLEY SMOKER
F. H. A. 1,2,3,4
Treasurer 2
Phys. Ed. 2
Intramural Sports 2
Hi Times 4
Student Teaching 4





ROBERT SMOKER Physical Ed. 1,2 F.F.A. 2,3 Class Treasurer 3 Class Play 3 Boys' State 3 Model U.N. 3 Football 4 Varsity Club 4 Annual Staff 4 Key Club 4 President 4 Speech Club 4 President 4 Student Council 4 Treasurer 4 Thespians 4

JAMES SOBESKI
Football 1,2,3,4
Basketball 1,2,3,4
Track 1,2,3
Manager 2
Choir 3
Varsity Club 2,3,4





KAY SOMERLOTT

Band 1, 2, 3
Class Play 3
Assembly Committee 2
Cheerleader 2, 3, 4
Speech Club 3, 4
Office Practice 4
Thespians 4
Bowling 1, 2, 3, 4
Phys. Ed. 1
Hi Times 1, 3
Homecoming Court 2
Speech Plays 3, 4
Student Teaching 3
Intramural Sports 1, 2, 3, 4





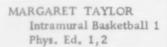


JUDY STEVENS
Hi Times 1, 2, 3, 4
Bowling 1, 2, 3, 4
Phys. Ed. 1, 2
Choir 2, 3, 4
Class Play 3
Speech Club 3, 4
Student Teaching 3, 4
Thespians 4

PATRICIA STRONG



JERRY SWEET Basketball 1, 2 Football 1



Entered 4



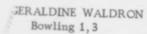
BARBARA GOEBEL UHRIG F. H. A. 1 Intramural Basketball 1 Phys. Ed. 1 Class Play Production staff 3

ROLLAND VALLANCE F. F. A. 2 Basketball 1,2 Track 2 Class Play 3 Production staff 3





FRANK VAUGHN Entered 3 Football Manager 4 Key Club 4 F. F. A. 3,4 Secretary 4



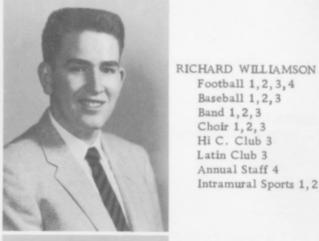


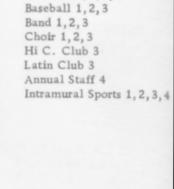


DELMAR WALDROP Entered 4 F. F. A. 4

JOYCE WALKER Hi Times 2, 3 Bowling 1, 2, 3 Choir 2,3 Band 1, 2, 3, 4







Football 1, 2, 3, 4

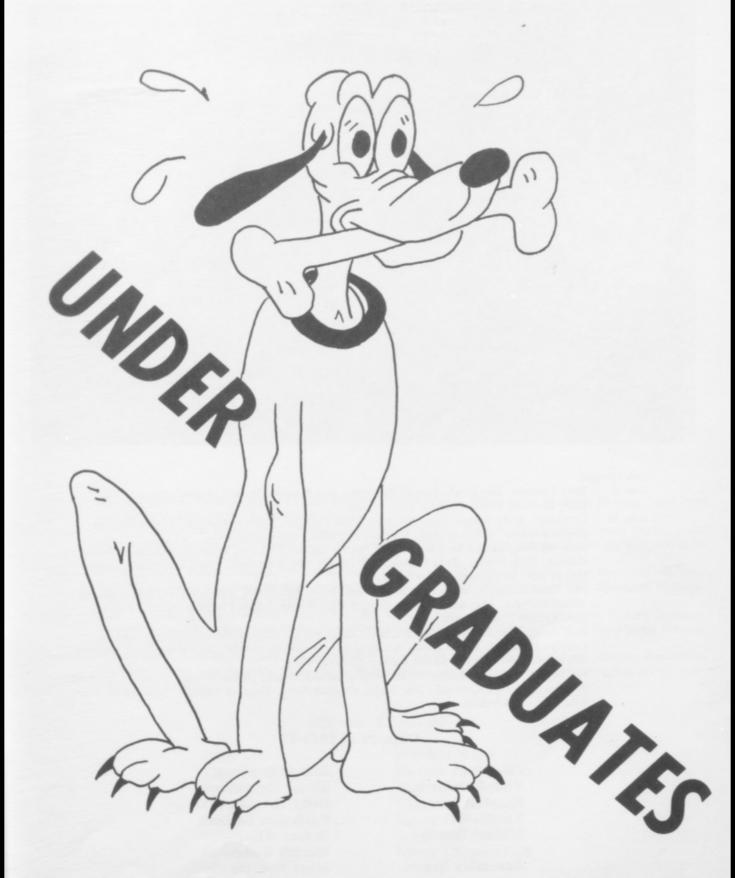
KAY WHOLERS Band 1, 2, 3, 4 Choir 3 F. H. A. 1, 2, 3, 4 Vice President 3 Class Play 3 Annual Staff 4 Advertising Mgr.





THELMA WORTHINGTON Entered 2





Juniors



Left to right:

Row I: Jerry Losinski, Roy Deal, Ronald Colpetsir, Ray Borgert, Hughie Hughes, Dean Davis, Larry Sielken, Leroy Wohlers, Jerry Wiard.

Row II: Lois Luce, Betty Gump, Janet Webster, Edith Calhoon, Dolores Wielgos, Gloria Herman, Janice Sikorski, JoAnn Nelson, Virginia Reynolds, Zenia Bronowicz.

Row III: Janet Modert, Sandra Strohm, Valerie Smith, Dianne Lanning, Betty Lou Sikorski, Sharon Haenni, Dick Rubley, Fred Pierson, Roy Brewer, Denice Sebalj, Doris Merriman, Lynne Wood, Mrs. Nova Hamilton, advisor.

Row IV: Mr. Eldon Shook, advisor; Marvin Malovey, Patty Ratkowski, Marilyn Yesh, Jim Brinkman, Albert Metzger, Max Barnes, Dick Pask, Nelson Weber, James Placatka, Gerald Walker, Stanley Lane, Jim Fennell.

Row V: Jack Long, Robert DeBolt, Jim Keller, Conrad Wotta, David Herman, Diana Wilson, Carolyn Kibiloski, James Wiler, Nancy Goble, Rosemary Nowak, Jack Nutt, Dean Hoover, Bill Butters, Bill Martin, Philip Rakocy, Donald Yesh.

Row VI: Bill Myers, Robert Bogucki, Darian Wiler, Martha Wanar, Janice Wright, Normal Copeland, Bill Gregg, Joseph Czuberki, Don Davis, Douglas Perry, Kenneth Sikorski, John Akins, Larry Kern, Junior Houghton.

Officers of 1955-56

President Vice President Secretary Treasurer Student Council

Elmer Houghton Betty Lou Sikorski Edith Ann Calhoun Darian Wiler Martha Wanar Janet Nowicki

Joseph Czuberki

Assembly Comm.

Sophomores



Left to Right

Row I. Delores Conklin, Marilyn Metzger, Nancy Goshorn, Sandra Prough, Nancy Cole, Charlene Keeslar, Carol Burch, Judy Hopkins, Jean Wright, Sue Metzger

Row II. Janice Smith, Judith Green, Sharon Nowak, Patty Wells, Sue Ann Ward, Phyllis Nowicki, Donna Snyder, Judith Lilly, Jeanette Pulaski, Sally Bowerman, Carl Comstock, Leroy Dow, Terry Pearce, Gordon Bidwell, David Van Pelt, Ann Sullivan, Charlene Wagner, Miss Stevens

Row III. Henry Albaugh, Rosalie Chappa, Edward Malovey, Edward Bertsch, Walter J. Kibby, Jerry Barrack, Linda Jones, Kathy Bash, Dorothy Kruszka, Martha Laughry, Jean Pierucki, Marian Elliget, Nancy Cattell, Janene Waldron, Mable Hoard, Beverly Nelson, Phyllis Smoker

Row IV. Sharon Keeslar, Kathleen Miller, Carolyn McClish, Barbara Green, Joann Behnke, Henrietta Hughes, Onalee Armstrong, Ruth Ann Hoyt, Jane Minch, Nancy Warzniak, Aileen Walker, Edward Chard, Don Shiery, Bertram Walker, Jerome Kosmerick, Robert Smoker

Row V Edward Perrin, Maurice Neveraski, Harold Card, Donald Vorce, Richard Krzyzanski, Ernest Hesson, Frank Rohloff, Ken Wilson, Stan Neihardt, Milan Pugli, Hubert Geiger, Gene Mosser, Charles Howard, Richard Kreienbrink, Jerry Kubasiak

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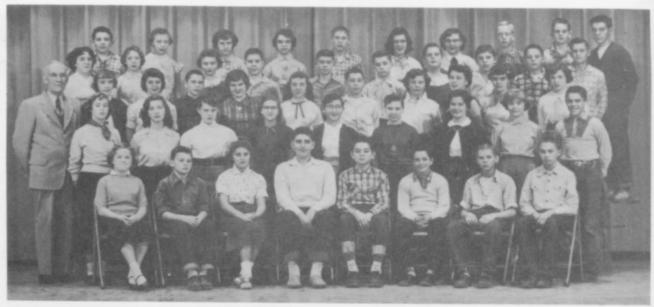
President
Vice President
Secretary
Treasurer
Student Council

Morris Lee Neverski Phyllis Nowicki Charlene Keesler Nancy Cattell Gordon Bidwell Jerome Kosmerick

Sue Ann Ward

Assembly Comm.

Freshmen



Left to Right:

Row 1. Ann Littlefield, Ken Paul, Jolayne George, James Williamson, Max Lutz, Lyn Ulrich, Ronnie Hollister, Jim Haenni

Row 2. Dixie DeVolt, Thelma Modert, Ginger Fair, Wanda Metzger, Bertha Modert, Bonnie Bonnell, Janet Albright, Linda Sebalj, Jerry Markley

Row 3. Everton L. Wortman, advisor; Dotty Tefft, Sally VanHusan, Sam Calhoun, Mary Lou Walker, Martha Lepird, Evert Smith, Betty Carpenter, Gay Decker, Phyllis Neverske, Mary Persails,

Row 4. Patty Brewer, Judith Baker, Barbara Sieger, Craig Hasdal, Raymond Meyer, Francis Czajkowski, Herb Fair, Douglas Lanning, Jim Reed, Larry Armstrong



- Row 1. Bonnie Luce, Gwen Wright, Saundra Jasper, Karen Evens, Brenda Sweeting, Rueanne Himes, Donna Hill, Ronald Herman.
- Row 2. Alan Reichard, Gloria Mae Fowler, Mary Jane VanAken, Sandy Copas, Barbara Booth, Jan VanPelt, Jan Davis Jacqueline Crum, Suette Rinehart, Barbara Cronkhite, Janice Pope.
- Row 3. Joyce Bowerman, Linda Bercau, Linda Bridge, Ronnie Copeland, Francis Barclay, Joe Czajkowski, Jim Hartman, Don Heineman, Keith Miller, Bruce Kaufmann.
- Row 4. Ronald Ludwick, Norman Herman, Robert Behnke, Ken Carpenter, Janice Garman, Henry Bronowicz, Dave Easterday, Sheldon Wohlers, Phyllis Merriman, Dora L. Anderson.
- Row 5. Dave Feaster, Chuck Andrews, Marvin Camfield, Vern Bowerman, Ralph Schafer, Gerry Whorley, LaVern Goshorn, Jerold Merriman.



Left to Right

Row I: Cleo Kain, Ron McKinley, Kathy Keeslar, Larry Cadman-Treasurer, John Haynes-Secretary, Larry Bash, and Charles Atkins.

Row II: Mrs. French, David Peck, Edward Gump, David Cary, Buddy Brown, Bonnie Baker, Nancy Bowdish, and Carol Ann Work.

Row III: James Dow, Patricia Patterson, Barbara Modert, Jan Fair, Jim Fitch, Tom Kain, Kenny Stutzman, and David Maxwell.

Row IV: Kathryn Johnson, Lila Williamson, Kathleen Cary, Phyllis Arnold, Art Littlefield, Lester Case, Harold Moss, and Vernon Rumsey.

Row V: Earl Maxwell, Richard Laughry, Alan Wagner, Patricia Tooman, Loyd Albright,
Tom Green, Andrew Goodsell, Lowell Fair, Gerald Metzger, and James Kehoe.

Eighth Grade



Left to Right

Row I: Joy Blew, Joan Kreienbrink, Margaret Martin, Elizabeth Hughes, Sandra Mahaffey, Janice Blain, Pan Himes, and Bonnie Radley

Row II: Patricia Limpert, Nancy Faust, David Otto, Becky Payton, Mary Adams, Judith Walker, Linda Wilber, and Mr. Zabonick-Advr.

Row III: June Harter, Susan Smith, Charles Miller, George Wiles, Dave Stayner, Darryl Coler, James Van Aken, and John Wiler.

Row IV: Billy Baker, Richard Auten, Floyd Johns, Dale Mathews, Jerry Wiler, Carole Moeller, and Linda Rae Keeslar.

Row V: Ruth Ann Ward, Nancy VanEllen, Jim Chapman, Billy Dixon, David Clak, Jay Fry, Richard Persing, and Donna Carpenter.



Left to Right

Row I: Patricia Ludwick, Nancy Jo Foster, Suzann Pierson, Patricia Lyon, Donald Bidwell,

Michael Kinter, Carol Davis, Gail Gomley, Melva Metzger
Row II: Michael Littlefield, Ronald Peck, Danny Ward, John Nutt, Judy Pifer, Gary Al-

bright, Nancy Wilkins, Karen Himes, Kendra Gunthorpe, Sharon Jeffery Row III: Susan Martin, Sandra Vreeland, Mary Jane Van Pelt, Melva Wright, Lois Auten,

Evelyn Wing, Dale Luce, Richard Crum, Jim Cattell, Bob Cronkhite

Row IV: Edith Bassage, Carolyn Jo Keeslar, Bonnie Rice, Karen Wiler, Judy Metzger, Joyce Mase, Mabel Smith, Donald Sebalj, Frederick L. Johns

Row V: Robert Stocker, James Schafer, Stanley Armstrong, Richard Modert, Robert

Wagner, Douglas Fitch, Robert Bowdish, David Placatka, Herbie Wells, Danny

Junker



Left to Right

Seventh

Grade

Row I: Dorothy Evens, Evan Stroup, Raymond Hepler, Art Clark, Allan Bancroft, Jerry

George, Gale Wilkins, Jerry Cronkhite, Barbara Mahaffey

Row II: Marilyn Hathaway, Vivian Wing, Karma Lou Wilber, Sandra Vorce, Marilyn

Kruszka, Joan Norton, Mary Sue Marz, Bonnie Rifenburgh, Darlene Smith,

Gladys Strong

Row III: Mrs. E. Martin, Stanley Lepird, Michael Poling, Patricia Kehoe, Carolyn Rifen-

burgh, Diana Baker, Nancy Johnson, Marilyn Card, Cynthia Konst, Patsy Nunnery

Row IV: Linda Chapman, Janet Reichard, Candace Stevens, Alton Dunham, David Young,

Suzanne Fennell, Marcia Pugli, Bill Rissman, Glen Merriman

Row V: Phillip Persails, David Lane, Ruth Bowerman, Barbara Tefft, Leon Hoard, James

Parks, Larry Ankney, Louise Lane, Albert Russell

Honor Students







CAROL ANN PEARCE



BETTY LOU HORKEY

Valedictorian of the Class of 1956 was Carol Ann Pearce. Carol had a final average of 4.0. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Pearce.

Carol has participated in many extra curricular activities such as, band, choir, Speech Club, Thespians, Junior and Senior Class plays, Speech plays, and Treasurer of the Student Council. In the fall Carol plans to attend Michigan State University.

Jerry Houghton is a well known student to his classmates in Bronson High School and he has been very active in sports throughout his school years. This year Jerry was named Salutatorian of his class. Jerry has also participated in many extra activities such as: track and baseball, and vice president of his class in his sophomore year.

Betty Lou Horkey was Historian of the graduating class of 1956. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Horkey.

Betty attended St. Marys during her early school years and came to Bronson High School as a freshman.

Throughout high school Betty has been very active in extra curricular activities.

In the future Betty plans to continue her secretarial career.

Nancy Blain Carol Polzynski

Class History

IN OURSELVES, OUR FUTURE LIES

In each of the young, un-polished freshmen gathered for the first class meeting of the class of 1956 was a promise of a bright future. As we indulge in a few nostalgic memories of the four years that most of these freshmen have spent together in Bronson High, we realize that we have enriched those bright future years with not only the knowledge acquired in our classrooms, but with lasting friendships as well.

That year we were freshmen was an adventure, from initiation to counseling day. Our officers were: Phil Himebaugh, president; David Travis, vice president; Shirley Hollister, secretary; Ross Byers, treasurer; Marilynn Paul and Jerry Nowak, student council representatives; and Connie Polczynski, assembly committee representative. We became acquainted with each other and the customs of high school, and with the necessity of earning money for our objectives, the Prom and the Senior Trip.

Officers for our sophomore year were: Phil Himebaugh, president; Jerry Houghton, vice president; Marilynn Paul, secretary; Betty Horkey, treasurer; Gretchen Cuyler and Jean Rierson, student council representatives; and David Travis, assembly committee representative. Beginning to realize how short our stay in high school was to be, we settled down to make money in earnest. With all kinds of class projects to work on, we also began to study in earnest, for to graduate would take more than money.

Soon we were juniors. We were busier by far than ever before. Our all-important money-making projects included selling refreshments at home games, baked goods sales, selling peanut brittle, and having cake raffles. Our officers were: Phil Himebaugh, president; John Arundel, vice president; Dixie Kehoe, secretary; Bob Smoker, treasurer; Judy Martin and Charles Bertsch, student council representatives; and Jerry Nowak, assembly committee representative.

When we received our class rings, we thought they were the most beautiful any class had ever ordered.

Our play, "Mr. Co-ed," was another proud achievement, as was the Prom. Theme of the banquet and dance was "Dreamland."

Suddenly we were seniors. With our main financial objective our senior trip, we had baked goods sales, car washes, scrap drives, sold Christmas cards, and took magazine subscriptions; dedicating nearly every Saturday to our class. We elected as officers: Phil Himebaugh, president; Ross Byers, vice president; Ruth Ann Gregg, secretary; Wilma Merriman, treasurer; Norma Hopkins and Gretchen Cuyler, student council representatives; and Marjorie Hovda, assembly committee representative.

We began to work on our annual early in the year. Other important events throughout the year were getting our senior pictures, and producing another play.

Another night of stardust and happy memories, this time in our honor, was the 1956 Prom.

As we enjoyed the trip we had worked long and hard for, we began to realize just how near our bright future was.

We returned to baccalaureate, class day and graduation. Graduation—night of endings and of larger beginnings. Night of regret for the now-past happy hours spent in high school; night of smiles and bright hope for what lies ahead.

We truly believe that our future lies in ourselves, and we believe that future will be full of good things, for we believe in ourselves, our country, and most of all, we believe in God.

Wilma Merriman

Snapshots



Phys. Ed. Miss Wilson



Second Hour Typing Mrs. Hamilton



Third Hour Study Hall Mr. Hill



Physics Mr. Albaugh

Home Ec. Miss Stevens



Third Hour Economics Class Mr. French



Agriculture Mr. Hilton



Mechanical Shop

Mr. Gilmore



Candid















Flashes









Shirley Hollister

Senior





Mary Jane VanPelt.

Left to right:

- Row 1: Frances George, Ann Sullivan, Sue Ann Ward, Bruce Kaufman, Shirley Hollister, Sally Bowerman, Jane Minch
- Row 2: Pam Himes, Bryan Cary, Susan Smith, Linda Sebalj, Ken Paul, Dick Rubley, Carol Ann Work, David Van Pelt, Lyn Ulrich
- Row 3: Aileen Walker, Nancy Faust, Ruth Ann Hoyt, Dixie DeBolt, Billy Rissman, Stanley Lane, Ken Wilson, Ruth Ann Gregg, Ruth Ann Ward. Mary Jane Van Pelt, Martha Mae Lepird, Arden Keeslar



Marcia Pugli,

Band





Ruth Gregg,



Marilynn Paul

Janice Wright, Joyce Bowerman, Sally Van Husan, Kay Wohler, Joyce Walker, Charlene Camfield, Valerie Smith.

Rosalie George, Ken Carpenter, John Haynes, Gretchen Cuyler, Barbara Sieger, Sheldon Wohlers, Jacqueline Porter, Nancy Cole, Dixie Kehoe.

Larry Cadman, Lois Auten, Marvin A. Camfield, Bill Dixon, Edith Calhoon, Judy Martin, Charles Miller, Jan Fair, David Easterday, Jolayne George, Charlene Wagner.

This year the Senior Band was under the direction of Mr. Harland Bond.

The marching band, consisting of 49 members appeared at all home football games, the St. Joseph and Branch County fairs, and the marching festival at Vicksburg where they received a second division rating.

The seniors who are leaving, as well as the rest of the band extend to Mr. Bond their thanks for his patience and the fine job he did, during his first year at Bronson.

Choir



Left to right:

Row 1: Betty Lou Sikorski, Nancy Blain, Phyllis Neverske, Barbara Siege, Daisy Herman, Wanda Metzger, Marilyn Metzger

Row 2: Sue Metzger, Karen Evens, Carol Burch, Janice Sikorski, Janice Smith, Judy Martin, Judith Green, Marjorie Hovda, Sue Ann Ward, Edith Ann Calhoon

Row 3: Jackie Lepird, Sharon Nowak, Janet Nowicki, Sharon Keeslar, Phyllis Smoker, Rosalie Chappa, Joyce Green, Judith Baker, Nancy Cummings, Nettie Fair, Sylvia Smoker

Row 4: Nancy Goble, Diane Smoker, Connie Polczynski, Craig Hasdal, Ernie Hesson, Chuck Howard, Marvin Camfield, Jim Brinkman, Jane Minch, Alice D. Evens, Judy Stevens.

Under the leadership of the new director, Mr. Bond, the choir met for practice and rehearsal twice a week on Monday and Thursday.

Two performances were given by the choir including the Christmas Program on December 15 and the spring concert, in cooperation with the Senior Band.

Marjorie Hovda

ACTIVITIES



Junior Play



Left to right:

Row I: Sandra Strohm, Richard Rubley, and Valerie Smith
Row II: Carolyn Kibiloski, Edith Calhoun, Norman Copeland, and Diana Swihart
Row III:Darian Wiler, Marilyn Yesh, Miss Chisholm, Larry Lielken, Dolores Wielgos,
and Bill Gregg

The junior class presented a three act play entitled "Seventeen Is Terrific", November 18,1955, under the direction of Miss Patricia Chisholm.

The action of the play surrounded the Allenby family and all their troubles and trials, especially those of the oldest Allenby son, Chuck, who almost caused the family to go bankrupt.

Through the fine work of Miss Chisholm, the junior class, its cast, and the production staff, the play was a success.

Dixie Kehoe

Senior Play



Left to right:

Row 1: Jerry Nowak, Ross Byers, Betsy Ross, Anne Schlautmann

Row 2: Nancy Blain, Judy Martin, Philip Himebaugh, Richard Williamson

Row 3: Kay Somerlott, Jay Sponsler, Marilynn Paul, Elaine Dixon

Row 4: Robert Sherman, Carol Pearce.

Laughter and tears mingled freely on the evening of March 2, when the Bronson Senior Class presented the dramatic production, "Old Doc," under the direction of Mrs. Margaret Tharp. The action revolved around the gruff, but lovable, Dr. John Hillary (Phil Himebaugh) known to his small-town neighbors as Old Doc, Doc's son, Bob (Ross Byers) just out of medical school, and Bob's fiancee, Margaret (Betsy Ross), and the problems that occur when Bob decides that he wants to become a big-town doctor instead of a small-town practitioner. Others in the cast included: Pa Brown, Richard Williamson; Ma Brown, Judy Kay Martin; Dick Burns, Jay Sponslor; Janet Martin, Marilynn Paul; Mr. Hepple, Jerry Nowak; Dr. Edmond Brand, Robert Sherman; Helen Brand, Carol Pearce; Mary Selby, Nancy Blain; Mrs. Rossi, Kay Somerlott; Mrs. Cronin, Elaine Dixon; Mrs. Mellon, Rugh Ann Gregg; and Lois Warner, Anne Schlautmann.

Judy Kay Martin

Speech Club



Left to right:

Row 1: Nancy Blain, Betsy Ross, sec'y, Darian Wiler, vice pres., Bob Smoker, pres., Ruth Ann Gregg, treas., Carol Pearce, parlim.

Row 2: Doris Metzger, Marilynn Paul, Elaine Dixon, Zenia Bronowicz, Dick Rubley, Kay Somerlott.

Row 3: Adaline Kotz, Judy Martin, Joyce Green, Carolyn Kibiloski, Shirley Hollister, Patricia Chisholm, Advisor.

Row 4: Judy Stevens, Marilyn Yesh, Pat Tefft, Charlene Camfield, Rosemary Nowak, Carol Polczynski.

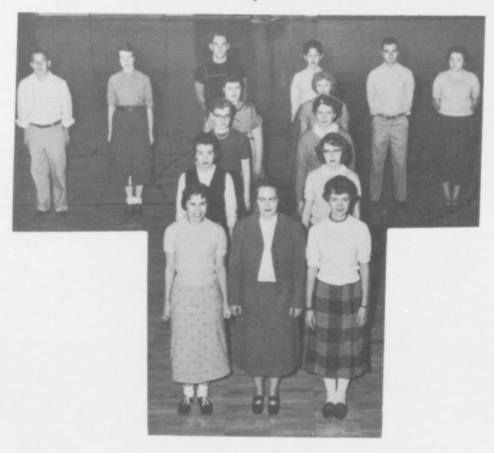
Row 5: Dixie Kehoe, Jim Placatka, Phil Himebaugh, Norm Copeland, Jerry Nowak, Richard Williamson.

In recalling the Speech Club Plays of last year, we remember Elizabeth, Star Player, and Beware the Bear. The profits from these three one acts have been used in adding to the costume library of the Speech Department. On April 27, 1956 the Speech Club again appeared on the Bronson Community School Stage with their one act plays.

The officers for 1955-1956 are: President, Bob Smoker; Vice President, Darian Wiler; Secretary, Betsy Ross; Treasurer, Diana Wilson; Parlimentarian, Carol Pearce, and the advisor is Miss Patricia Chisholm.

Betsy Ross

Thespians



Left to Right

Row 1: Betsy Ross, Patricia Chisholm, sponsor, Marilynn Paul.

Row 2: Kay Somerlott, Gretchen Cuyler.

Row 3: Judy Stevens, Judy Martin.
Row 4: Shirley Hollister, Elaine Dixon.

Row 5: Bob Smoker, Charlene Camfield, Jerry Nowak,

Carol Pearce, Philip Himebaugh, Joyce Green.

This year our school had the high honor of being accepted into the National Thespian Society, an organization for those interested in phases of dramatic arts. In the fall of 1955, Troupe No. 620 of Bronson, was installed, with Mrs. Margaret Tharp as an honorary member and Miss Patricia Chisholm as our advisor.

As we do our best to further dramatic arts in this school, we hope the National Thespian Society will be an asset as well as a goal to reach, to our students.

Shirley Hollister

Hi-Times



Left to Right

Seated: Marilyn Nowicki, Judith Lilly, Shirley Hollister,

Joseph Czuberki, Marilynn Paul, editor, Sharon Tefft, Rosalie Chappa, Eldon C. Shook, sponsor.

Standing: Sandra Strohm, Valerie Smith, Gretchen Cuyler, Shirley Smoker, Pat Ratkowski, Rosemary No-

wak, Carolyn Kibiloski, Martha Wanar, Judy Stevens, Nancy VanEllen, Judy Martin, Janice Wright, Sherry Lines, Phyllis Smoker, Carol Burch, Patricia Limpert, Jeanette Pulaski,

Nancy Blain, Patricia Lyon.

This fall, twenty-five members met with Mr. Shook, our sponsor to organize the Hi Times. The Hi Times Staff is as follows: Editor—Marilynn Paul; Stencilist—Judy Stevens; Sports Editor—Joe Czuberki; Society Editor—Marilyn Nowicki; Circulation Manager—Ruth Hofert.

The purpose of our Hi Times is to inform the students of the doings of school activities and also to help educate them.

The Hi Times is published bi-weekly and there is a charge of five cents for it.

The Hi Times Staff has tried to make this the best year it has ever had.

Judy Stevens

Pep Club



Left to right:

- Row 1: Nancy Blain, Glenna Michael, Jean Lutz, Sandra Jasper, Barbara Sieger, Dianne Lanning, Janet Davis.
- Row 2: Linda Meyer, Valerie Smith, Karen Evens, Marcia Pugli, Susan Smith, Gwen Wright, Gloria Fowler, Miss Wilson.
- Row 3: Janice Blain, Susie McClish, Phyllis Smoker, Rosalie Chappa, Linda Rae Keeslar, Sharon Tefft, Carolyn Kibiloski, Pat Tefft.
- Row 4: Marilyn Yesh, Donna Snyder, Bev Nelson, Sylvia Smoker, Janet Nowicki, Pat Ratkowski, Rosemary Calhoun, Doris Merriman, Martha Wanar.
- Row 5: Nancy Goble, Suette Rinehart, Janice Pope, Linda Bercaw, Nancy VanEllen, Rosemary Nowak, Nancy Warzniak, Janice Garman.

The Pep Club is a newly formed organization this year. The meetings are held Mondays at 12:45. The members run through various cheers and conduct a business meeting.

The purpose of the club is to give the school more spirit. A successful homecoming was promoted through their combined efforts with the F. H. A. It also provides rides for the away ball games for its members and creates a unified yelling section.

Ruth Hofert

Hi-C Club



Left to Right
Row I: Cleo Kain, Gary Albright, Gwen Wright, Janice Wright, Robert DeBolt, Dixie De

Bolt, Melva Metzger, Donald Bidwell Melva Wright, Rickey Crum, David Cary, Wanda Metzger, Joyce Mase, Marilyn

Metzger, Judy Metzger, Mable Smith

Row II:

Row III: Jean Wright, Sue Metzger, Janet Albright, Doris Metzger, Patricia Brewer, Mary

Lou Persails, Janice Smith, Lila Williamson

Row IV: Gerald Metzger, David Young, Joann Behnke, Henrietta Hughes, Glen Merriman,

Janet Van Pelt, Janet Davis, Jacqueline Crum

Row V: Stanley Lane, Sandy Copas, Wilma Merriman, Phyllis Merriman, Jane Minch,

Janice Garman, Joyce Green, Donna Carpenter, Albert Metzger

The Hi-C Club is a Bible Club started by a group of boys and girls in 1954. This club was started to further the spiritual interest among students from all churches. All meetings are held Thursday noon of each week in which programs are presented by speakers, Bible choruses are sung, and games are played. The Hi-C Club is sponsored by Rev. Dale and Mrs. Charlene Sherry of the Pleasant Hill United Missionary Church.

Elaine Dixon

Latin Club



Left to Right

Row 1: Sandra Strohm, Judith Lilly, Mary Lou Walker, Dolores Wielgos, Charlene Keeslar,

Edith Calhoon, David VanPelt.

Row 2: Barbara Green, Dotty Tefft, Denice Sebalj, Sharon Haenni, Ann Sullivan, Betty Lou

Sikorski, Mrs. Margaret Tharp, adviser.

Row 3: Joyce Green, Jean Pierucki.

Row 4: Carolyn Kibiloski, Ruth Ann Gregg.

Row 5: Carol Polczynski, Carol Pearce.

Row 6: Nancy Warzniak, Janice Garman.

Row 7: Wilma Merriman, Janice Wright.

Row 8: Larry Sielken, Joseph Czuberki.

The Latin Club was organized last year. This year it became a member of the Junior Classical League, a national organization of high school classical clubs. The advisor of the Latin Club is Mrs. Margaret Tharp and its officers are: president, Wilma Merriman; secretary, Judy Lilly; treasurer, Carol Pearce.

The main purpose of the Latin Club is to develop interest in Latin by bringing together students and people who are interested in furthering their understanding of the Roman Civilization. The main project of the year is the Roman Holiday, an all day festival at Portage High School of many Michigan Latin Clubs.

Sally Green

Future Homemakers of America



Row 1. Ann Littlefield, Marilyn Nowicki; score-keeper, Shirley Hollister; song leader, Sylvia Smoker; treas., Betty Lou Sikorski; vice pres., Janice Sikorski; pres., Sue Ann Ward; sec'y, Jean Pierucki; reporter, Frances George; pianist, Nancy Goshorn.

Row 2. Betty Lou Carpenter, Mary Lou Walker, Phyllis Nevereske, Nancy Cole, Norma Hopkins, Kay Wohlers, Carol Burch, Martha Mae Lepird, Anne Schlautmann, Judy Hopkins, Saundra Jasper, Mary Lou Persails, Beverly Strong,

Row 3. Sharon Nowak, Phyllis Nowicki, Dotty Tefft, Brenda Sweeting, Nancy Cummings, Barbara Sieger, Patricia Brewer, Judy Hoffer, Bonnie Luce, Sharon Keeslar, Betty Lou Horkey, Shirley Ann Smoker.

Row 4. Dianne Lanning, Joyce Green, Patty Ellen Tefft, Carolynn Kibiloski, Janet Nowicki, Pat Ratkowski, Gloria Fowler, Donna Hill, Linda Bridge, Barbara Booth, Doris Merriman, Miss Stevens.

Row 5. Janice Pope, Diane Smoker, Ruth Ann Gregg, Charlene Camfield, Aileen Walker, Dixie Lee Kehoe, Nancy Goble, Rosemary Nowak, Connie Polczynski, Suette Rinehart.

The F. H. A. has 52 members this year. These girls are from grades 9 through 12 and take part in different home making activities and sponsor social functions.

In co-operation with the Pep Club, the F. H. A. sponsored the Homecoming dance. The F. H. A. also sponsored the Snow Ball Dance, which was the first formal dance of the year.

The officers of the club are: Janice Sikorski, president; Betty Sikorski, vice president; Sue Ann Ward, secretary; and Sylvia Smoker, treasurer.

Mrs. Louise Nowicki was this year's Chapter Mother, and Miss Stevens was the Advisor.

Marilyn Nowicki

Future Farmers of America



Left to right:

Row 1: Conrad Wotta, Kenneth Sikorski, Frank Vaughn, Jr., Wayne Fair, Jim Fowler, Ross Byers, Chas R. Hilton, Advisor.

Row 2: James Smolka, Ronnie Hollister, Jerry Markley, Raymond Meyer, Everet Smith, Douglas Lanning, Larry Armstrong, David Van Pelt, John Pelmear, Herbert Fair.

Row 3: Bruce Cranson, Gordon Burnside, Gordon Bidwell, Max Lutz, Albert Metzger, Robert DeBolt, Robert Rippe, Fabion Ross, Keith Miller.

Row 4: Henry Bronowicz, Bert Walker, Harold C. Card, Jack Nutt, Sheldon Wohlers, Dave Easterday, Don Shiery, Ken Carpenter, Jerold Merriman, LaVerne Goshorn.

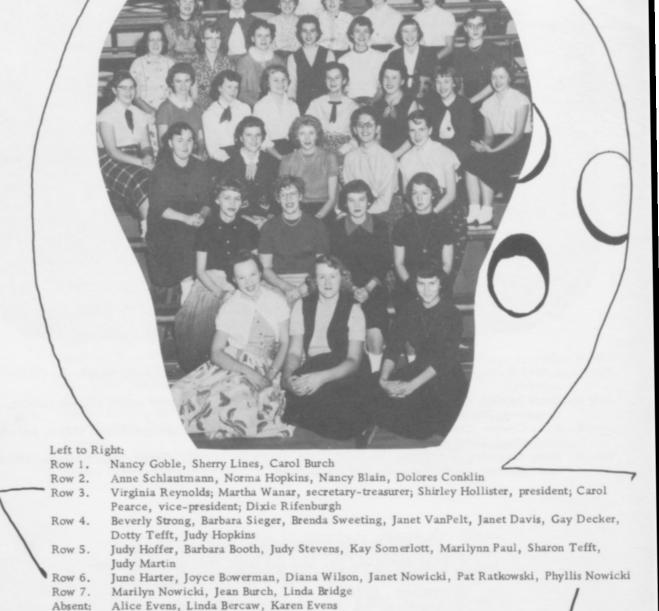
The Future Farmers of America is a national organization of, by, and for boys studying Vocational Agriculture. This organization was founded November, 1928.

Among many things the boys learn are: how to conduct and take part in a public meeting, to speak in the public, to buy and sell co-operatively, and to solve their own problems and assume responsibility. The foundation upon which the Future Farmers is built is leadership, character development, sportsmanship, co-operation, service, thrift, scholarship, improved agriculture, organized recreation, citizenship, and patriotism.

The Future Farmers of America is a non-profit organization and is totally American in its ideals.

Frank Vaughn, Jr.

Girls' Bowling



Every Wednesday after school from four to six, under the supervision of Miss Wilson, 40 girls have enjoyed bowling. They were divided into eight teams. The teams and captains are as follows: "Rick-O-Shays"-Sherry Lines; "Bermuda Strike Outs" - Marilynn Paul; "Senior Bowlerettes" - Marilynn Nowicki; "Lucky Strikes" - Beverly Strong; "Jr. Queen Pins" - Diana Wilson; "Scatter Pins" - Pat Limpert; "Safety Pins" - Phyllis Nowicki; "Black Alleys" - Gay Decker.

The girls started their bowling on September 28, and bowled 21 weeks.

Alice Evens -

Assembly Committee



Row I: Jerome Kosemerick, chairman: John Wiler.

Row II: Janet Nowicki; Patricia Chisholm, advisor; Charles Hilton, advisor.

Row III: Herbie Wells, John Gibbons, Marjorie Hovda, secretary.

The Assembly Committee's purpose is to provide good entertainment for the student body. The committee is under the supervision of Mr. Hilton and Miss Chisholm.

The Officers are: Jerome Kosmerick, chairman, as a representative of the 10th grade and Marjorie Hovda, secretary, as a representative of the 12th grade. Other members of the committee are: Janet Nowicki, 11th grade representative, John Wiler, 8th grade representative, and Herbert Wells, 7th grade representative.

Dates for all assemblies, as well as the assemblies themselves, are determined by the committee.

I know the student body joins with me in saying the Assembly Committee has provided us with very good entertainment this year.

Ruth Ann Gregg

Office Girls



Left to Right:

Rosalie George, Gretchen Cuyler, Joyce Green, Marilyn Nowicki, Norma Hopkins, Kay Somerlott, Carolynn Kibiloski, Betsy Ross.

Eight girls are selected each year to work and help out in the office one period each day.

Their duties vary from answering telephone calls to typing letters and the daily bulletin, taking dictation, and helping teachers and students in every possible way.

The girls are not graded for this, but receive experience that may prove helpful to them if they decide to go into a business career.

Betty Lou Horkey

Key Club



Left to right:

Row 1: Butch Ulrich, Fred Pierson, Ross Byers, Jay Sponsler, Bob Smoker, president.

Row 2: Jim Placatka, Arden Keeslar, John Arundel, sec'y-treas., Dean Hoover, Joseph Czuberki.

Row 3: Norman Copeland, Jerry Nowak, Ray Borgert, Richard Williamson, Larry Sielkin, Bill Gregg.

The Bronson Key Club, Kiwanis sponsored high school service organization, was chartered November 10, and was welcomed into official status as Key Club No. 1427.

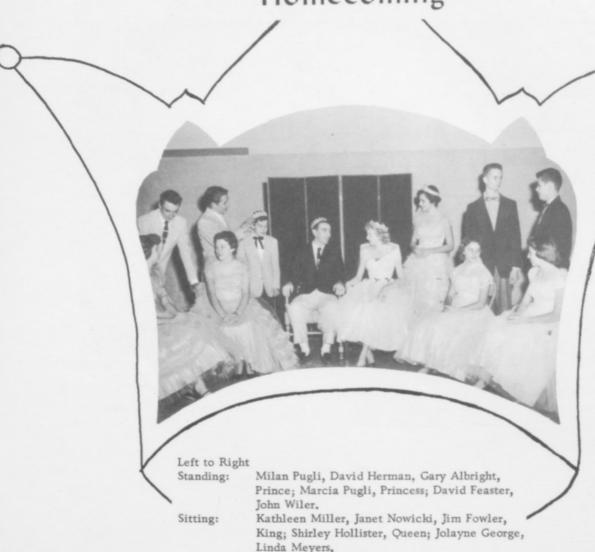
The Key Club gives the school boys a means for getting wholesome after-school activity which usually is self-directed. It provides a group of boys who are always ready and able to undertake any project that the principal wishes to see completed in the school. The Key Club provides a means for development of initiative and leadership among the students not to be found in the regular curriculum.

The Key Club is engaged in a number of projects this year. It has given a donation for the new score board, and has also numbered the bleachers.

Officers for the 1955-1956 year are Bob Smoker, president; Jerry Novak, Vice president; and John Arundel, secretary-treasurer.

Bob Smoker





The third annual Homecoming was held on October 28, 1955, with Jonesville. The evening started off with the bonfire and the snake dance to the field. To make the evening more complete, Bronson defeated Jonesville 13-7. Following the game a dance was held in the gymnasium during which the king and queen, prince and princess were crowned. In all, the homecoming was a great success.

Jim Fowler and Shirley Hollister were king and queen, and Gary Albright and Marcia Pugli were the prince and princess.

Anne Marie Schlautmann



Varsity







Left to Right

Row 1: Fred Pierson, Dick Rubley, Rex Brewer, Bob DeBolt, Bob Smoker, Jim Wiler,

Row 2: Dick Williamson, Milan Pugli, Junior Houghton, Bill Gregg, Jim Sobeski, Hughie Hughes,

Row 3: Stan Neihardt, Don Bidwell, Arden Keeslar, Bill Butters, Jerry Merriman, Charles Howard,







Football







John Arundel, Bob Bogucki, Gerald Walker, Bryan Carey, Fabion Ross, Morris Neverski, Norm Copeland.

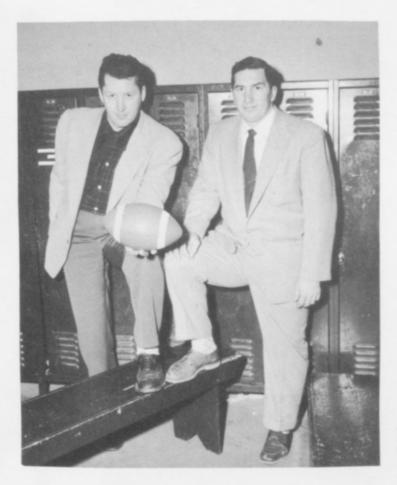
Jerry Nowak, Jerry Houghton, John Lepird, Darian Wiler, Jim Føwler, L. D. Mynhier, Larry Kern.

Larry Seilkin, LeRoy Wohlers, Dean Davis, Jerome Kosmerick, Harold Card, Jim Fennell, Carl Comstock, Alan Carey.









COACHES

William Zabonick Charles Atkocunis

The 1955 football team, under the fine coaching of Charles Atkocunis and William Zabonick had a successful season, winning 4, loosing 2, and tying 2.

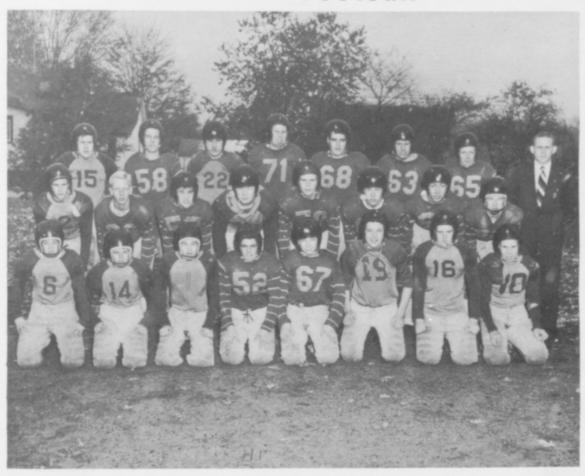
The scores are:

Bronson	6	Sturgis	0
Bronson	0	Reading	20
Bronson	6	Homer	7
Bronson	6	Quincy	6
Bronson	0	Athens	0
Bronson	24	Litchfield	0
Bronson	13	Jonesville	7
Bronson	25	Union City	6

Jim Sobeski



Freshmen Football



Left to Right

Row 1: Butch Ulrich, Ken Paul, Sam Calhoun, Jerry Markley,
Francis Czakowski, Tom Kubasiak, Jon Gibbons, Craig Hasdel.
Row 2: Larry Armstrong, Stewart Rumsey, Ron Copeland, Sheldon
Wohlers, Jim Hartman, Bruce Kaufman, Ron Ludwick,
Ken Carpenter.

Row 3: Gerry Whorley, Charles Andrews, Vern Bowerman, Ralph Schafer, Jim Williamson, Marvin Camfield, Keith Miller, Mr. Reigle, coach.

This year the freshman football team under the coaching of Mr. Jack Reigle had a schedule of four games. The team was good but just didn't get the breaks. Consequently they lost all four games.

The scores were:

Bronson	6	Union City	33
Bronson	0	Sturgis	52
Bronson	0	Quincy	27
Bronson	0	Sturgis	35

Rex Brewer

Cheerleaders



Left to right: Pat Wells, head cheerleader, Kay Somerlott, Nancy Blain, Donna Snyder, Beverly Nelson, head cheerleader.

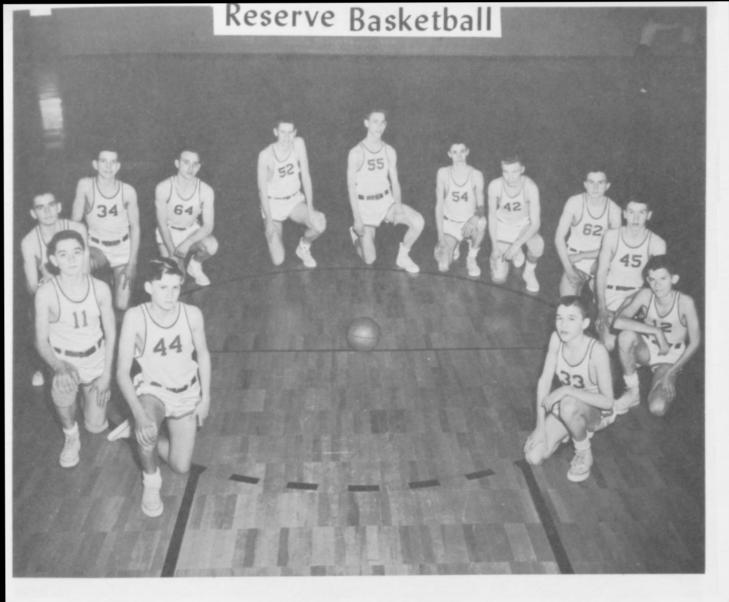
The members of the Varsity Five are: Kay Somerlott, captain, Nancy Blain, Beverly Nelson, Donna Snyder, and Patty Wells. Kay and Nancy were the Seniors on the squad.

These girls practiced every day under the supervision of Miss Wilson who also aids the reserve squad. They are: Rosemary Calhoun, Sally VanHusan, Jolayne George, Sue McClish, Nancy Cattell, and Phyllis Nowicki.

Both squads have done a fine job of cheerleading and are looking forward to next year.



Left to right: Phyllis Nowicki, head cheerleader, Sally Van Husan, Rosemary Calhoun, Susie McClish, Jolayne George; absent— Nancy Cattell, head cheerleader.



Left to right: Larry Armstrong, Max Lutz, Harold C. Card, Charles Andrews, Vern Bowerman, Ralph Schafer, Jerry Kubasiak, Richard Kreinbrink, Ferome Kosmerick, Maurice Ross, Bruce Kaufman, Terry Pearce, Sam Calhoun.



Basketball Managers Frank Vaughn, Jr., Ken Paul, Norm Copeland

Varsity

Left to Right:

Row 1: Alan Cary, Junior Houghton, L. D. Myhnier, Milan Pugli, Jim Fowler, Rex Brewer, Brian Cary, Darian Wiler, Stan Neighart, Jim Sobeske, Donald Yesh, Dean Davis.



Left to right: Charles Atkocunis, William Zabonick

Basketball

























Varsity Club



Left to right:

Row 1: Dick Rubley, Rex Brewer, Jerry Houghton, treas., John Arundel, pres., Junior Houghton, vice pres., Phil Himebaugh, sec'y, Marvin Malovey

Row 2: Ed Malovey, Roy Brewer, Gerald Walker, Robert DeBolt, Bob Smoker, Bryan Cary

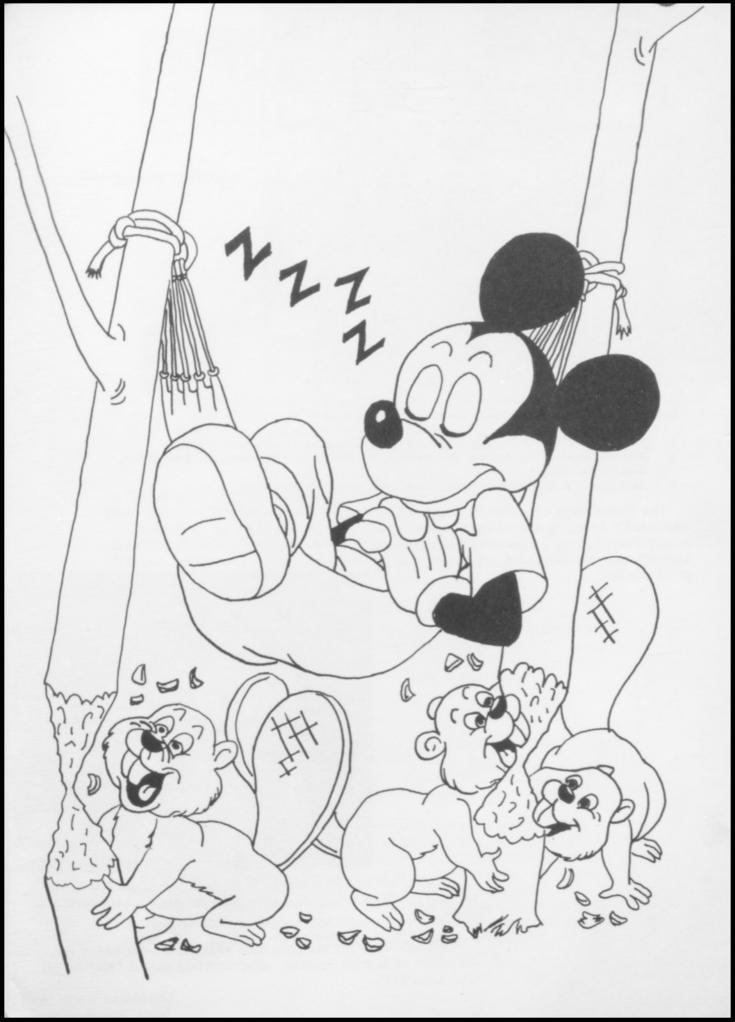
Row 3: Stan Neihardt, Milan Pugli, Ronald Jones, James Wiler, Robert Bogucki, Harold C. Card, Fabion Ross'

Row 4: Darian Wiler, Norm Copeland, Maurice Ross, Bill Gregg, Alan Cary, Larry Kern

Row 5: Jamie Sobeski, L. D. Mynhier, John Lepird, Dean Davis, Jerry Nowak, Jack Long, Jim Fowler

The Varsity Club in its third year is the largest since its organization. The 33 boys under the direction of advisors Coaches C. Atkocunis, W. Zabonick, and C. Hilton, Athletic Director, had a successful year. Some of the highlights for the Club were: the initiation of new members and the trip to the Globe Trotter Basketball Game.

This years officers were: Pres., John Arundel, Vice Pres., Junior Houghton, Secretary and Treasurer, Phil Himebaugh.





SAFETY PATROL

Row 1. George Wiles, Allan Bancroft, Billy Dixon, Jerry Wiler, Dale Mathews, Darryl Coler

Row 2. Ron McKinley, Charles Atkins, David Cary, Robert Stocker, Jim Fitch, Jan Fair, Stanley Armstrong

Row 3. James Dow, Herbie Wells, Tom Kain, Vernon Rumsey, Evan Stroup, Jerry Cronkhite

Row 4. Richard Laughry, Gene Bronson, Earl Maxwell, Phillip Persails, Glen Merriman, John Haynes, Jack Riegle, advisor

Row 5. Leon Hoard, Richard Persing, Jay Fry, James Van Aken, and David Lane.

The elementary children in Bronson Community School are continually being protected from street traffic accidents. Our Safety Patrol group, which consists of thirty boys from the seventh and eighth grades are the boys to praise for their good deeds.

Joyce Green Ross Byers

CAFETERIA



An average of 250 students from both the Anderson building and the high school are served in the high school cafeteria daily.

The cafeteria for the past nine years has been under the direction of Muriel Brower, affectionately called "Ma" by all who know her.

Geraldine Waldron Dixie Rifenburgh



Left to Right:

Row 1: Albert Richards, Vern Deal, Cy Hawley, Tom Ripley, Ike Lunsford, Herman Taylor, Fay Somerlott; Absent—Walt Bridge.

Our school needs a means of transportation to get the 720 student passengers to school safely, and back home again.

We have a line of fourteen buses which collectively cover approximately 150,000 miles annually. To drive these buses, we must have efficient, responsible drivers. And we have just those drivers! We have thirteen permanent, and two substitute drivers.

These drivers have attended bus school, and passed many examinations which prove that they are capable of their very important job.

Mr. Carpenter states that our bus drivers should be commended for their fine safety record during the previous years.

Joyce Green Robert Sherman

As we gaze through this annual, let us not forget that there are four important spokes in our big school wheel, besides the instructors and students. They are our janitors, who scrub, clean, repair, and see that our school is warm, pleasant, and comfortable.

The janitors are on the job from early morn til late at night all the year around. While we are enjoying a long vacation in the summer, they are on the ball giving the country and town schools a good house cleaning. The janitors know how to do it, as one of them spends a few days in Lansing each summer acquiring new methods. Come rain or shine, one jolly janitor is always on hand to fuel the school busses and chat with the bus drivers. We must admit that the janitors of Bronson High just can't be beat!

Ron Jones

Yearbook Staff



Left to right:

1st Mr. French, Advisor; Judy Martin, Photography, Marilynn Paul, Ross Byers, Co-Editors; Kay Wohlers, Advertising; Charlene Camfield, Literary.

2nd Lawrence Mynhier, Photography; Marilyn Nowicki, Publicity; Sherry Lines, Art; Richard Williamson, Treasurer; John Arundel, Sports; Bob Smoker, Business Manager; Carol Pearce, Subscriptions.

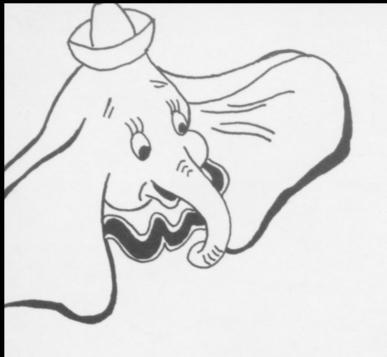
At the beginning of the school year, twelve seniors were chosen by the senior class to compose the annual staff, whose goal was to publish "the best yearbook on record."

The staff consisted of: co-editors, Ross Byers and Marilynn Paul; business manager, Bob Smoker; advertising, Kay Wohlers; art director, Sherry Lines; treasurer, Richard Williamson; subscriptions, Carol Pearce; publicity, Marilyn Nowicki; literary editor, Charlene Camfield; sports editor, John Arundel; and photography, Judy Martin and Lawrence Mynhier.

The co-editors wish to extend their sincerest thanks to the staff, the class and our advisors for their time, patience, and co-operation in publishing "the best yearbook on record."

Marilynn Paul

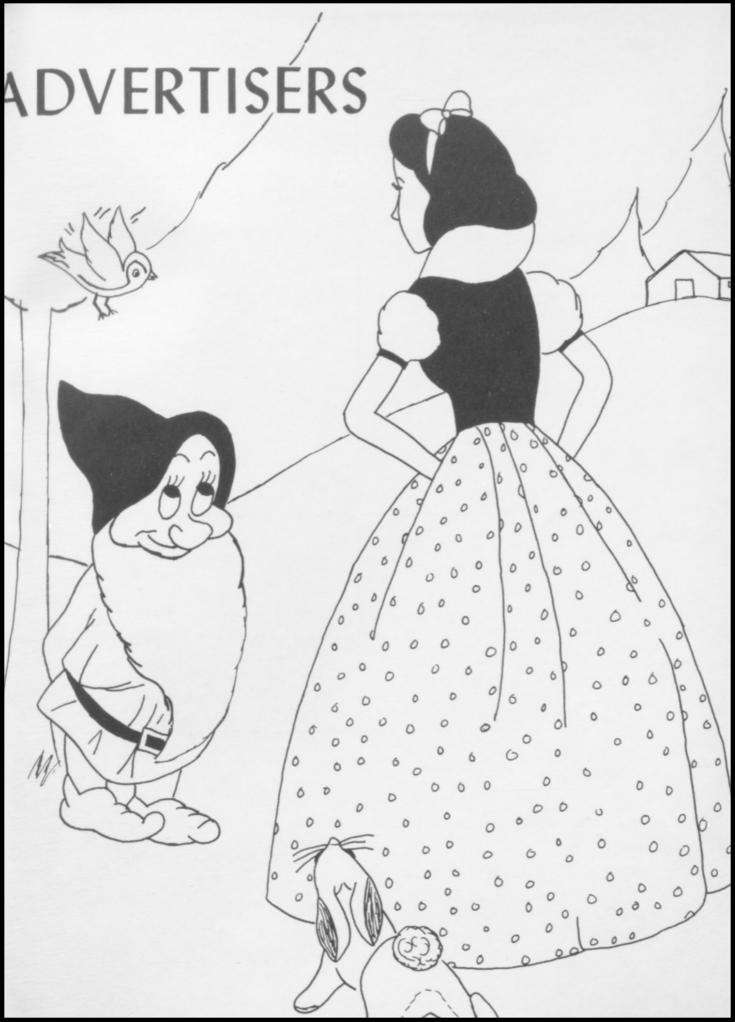




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