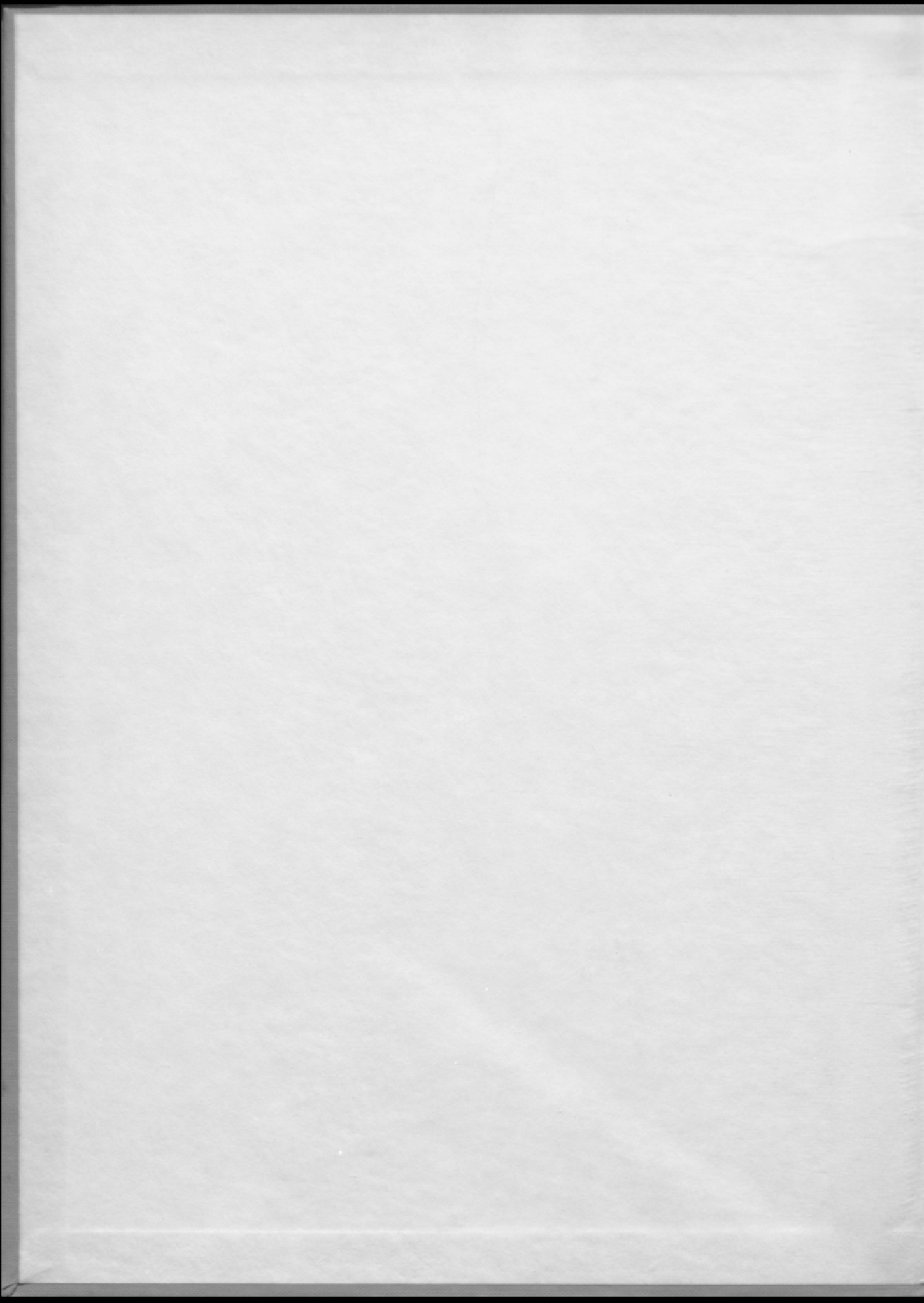
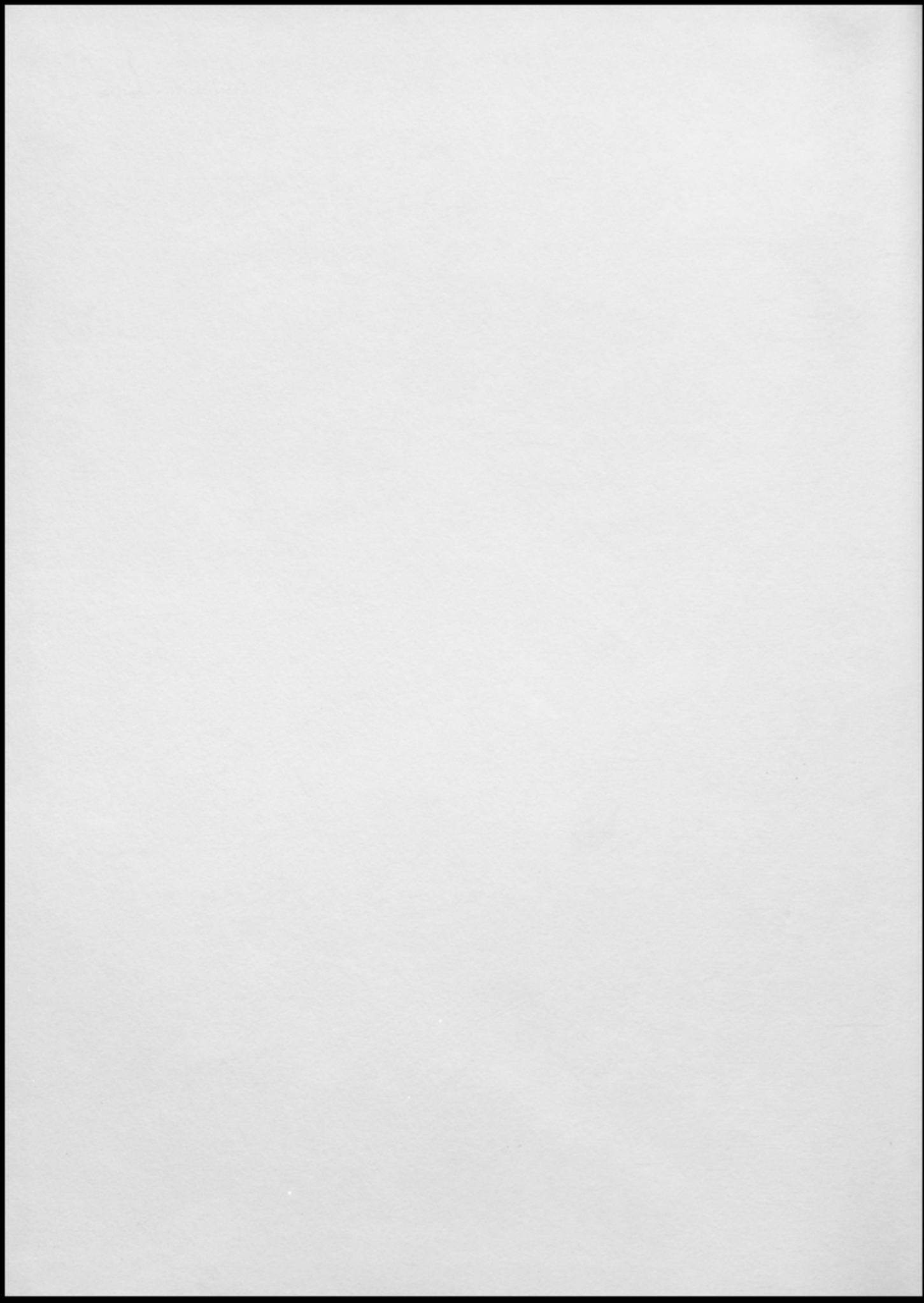


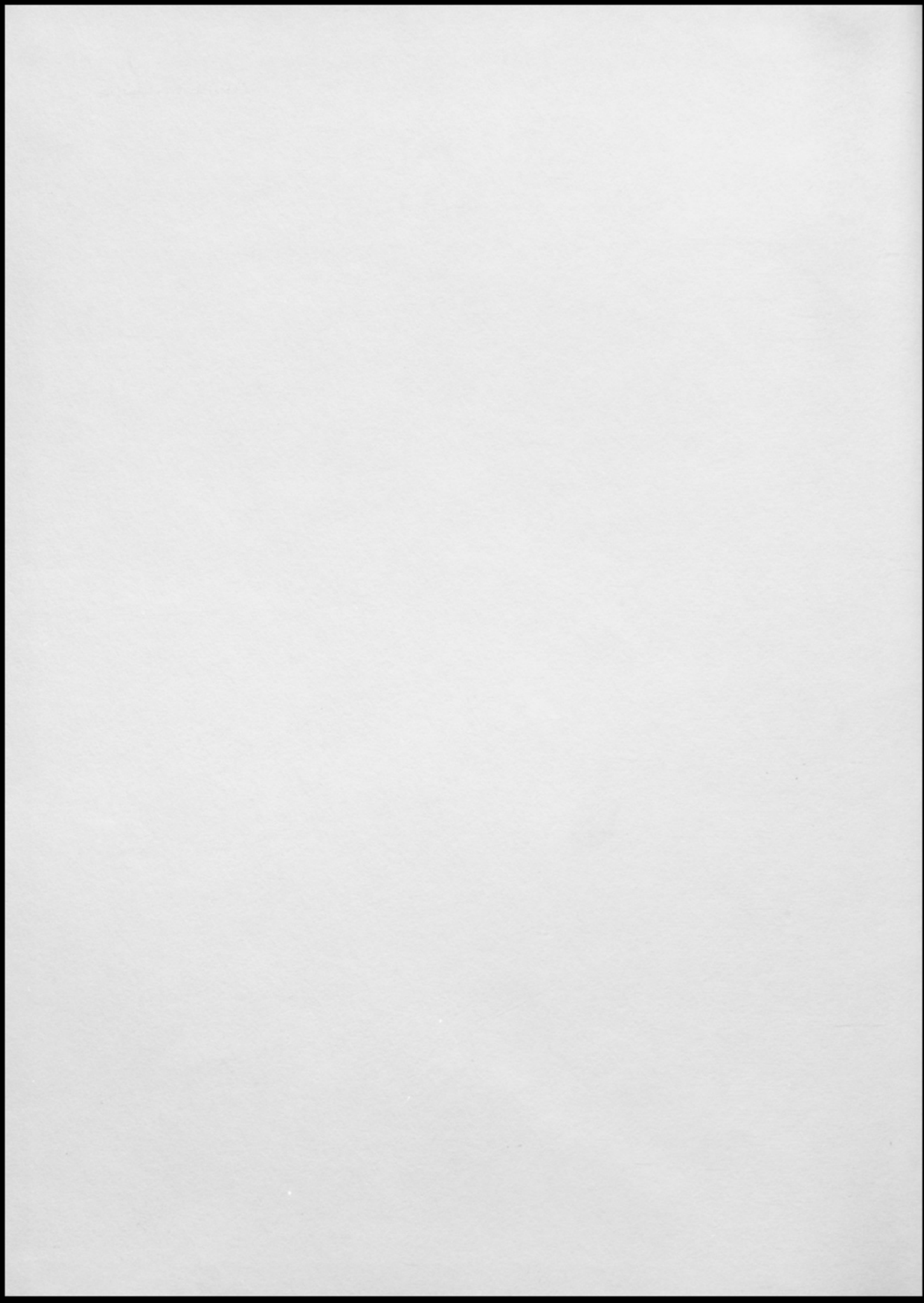


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'55







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CO-EDITORS

1955

VIKING

BRONSON high school

BRONSON, michigan

The Senior class wishes to extend their gratitude to all who have assisted in the production of the VIKING.

Our particular thanks go to: William B. Stewart and Doris Bradley, our advisors; Craine's Studios, who are responsible for the fine photography which appears on the following pages; Edwards Brothers, our printers; and to the late Carrie Jacobs Bond, who wrote the immortal song, "When You Come to the End of a Perfect Day," our theme.

when you come to the end

of a perfect day . . .



WE DEDICATE

"Searching our hearts for their true sorrow; this is the thing we find to be."

In a short time we, the Senior Class of Bronson High School, shall receive our diplomas; two of our former classmates will not. Although they will not be with us at this special time, their memory will remain whenever we think of the last twelve years of our lives.

Therefore, we, the Senior Class of 1955, wish to dedicate this book and all of our schoolday remembrances to Ronald Harrison and Carolyn Coy.

June Williamson
Lorraine Palmatier
Marla Albright

and you sit alone
with your thoughts . . .

annual staff



Row 1 L. to R.: Lorraine Palmatier, Marla Albright, Dennis Davidson, Delphine Smoker, Sharon Edgington, Mrs. Bradley.

Row 2 L. to R.: Mr. Stewart, Wallace Wanar, Lolita Coler, Ray Lanier, Karl Behnke.

The Annual Staff, consisting of eleven Seniors, was chosen at the beginning of the year.

This group includes: Sharon Edgington and Dennis Davidson, co-editors; Karl Behnke, business manager; Marla Albright, associate editor; Wallace Wanar, advertising; Bruce Kalom, publicity; Mary Burnside, subscriptions; Lolita Coler, art; Delphine Smoker, treasurer; Lorraine Palmatier, literature, and Ray Lanier, photography.

The staff worked as directors of the class, which was divided into the various departments.

The co-editors wish to express their thanks to the staff, the class, and our advisors for their time, interest, and co-operation.

Dennis Davidson

ADMINISTRATION



Mr. Gareth Heisler, our principal, is a graduate of Manchester College, where he earned his B.S. degree. In 1950, he was awarded his Master of Science degree from the University of Michigan.

He taught in Bronson for 2 years, before assuming his present position, which he has now held for seven years. He is the advisor of the Student Council, and also teaches daily classes in Commercial Law and Social Problems.

He has spent many hours guiding the class of '55 through high school, for which we will be eternally grateful.

Mr. George Carpenter, who came to Bronson four years ago as Superintendent of Schools, was graduated from Caro High School, and earned his B. A. degree at Central Michigan College. His Master of Arts degree was granted him from the University of Michigan.

He has served in the educational field in the capacities of teacher, coach, principal, and for the past 27 years, as superintendent of various schools.

Many improvements have been made in the past four years, for which we extend our heartfelt thanks to Mr. Carpenter.



Dennis Davidson

BOARD of education



Laurence Wohlers



Bruce Kaufmann



Robert Ryan



Floyd Brauker

Bertram Ward

The Board of Education is composed of a group of fine civic-minded citizens who are willing to give of their time, energy, and ability so that Bronson may have a good school system.

These men have proved themselves men of vision, forward looking, sincerely interested in providing modern schools, well equipped, and efficiently staffed to meet the needs of the youth of our community. We are very grateful to them for their efficient handling of our school problems.

The Board of Education meets the second Wednesday of every month. The public is always invited.

Danna Rider



Mrs. Marie Tracy is our busy and capable school office secretary. She is a graduate of Bronson High School and has been with us since the school was reorganized in 1946.

Mrs. Tracy handles the complicated reports, the payroll, and other secretarial work for the Board of Education, the administration, and the faculty.

Mrs. Tracy is liked by all. She does her work efficiently, helping everyone in need of advice.

We will always remember and feel grateful to "Marie."

Danna Rider

OFFICE GIRLS

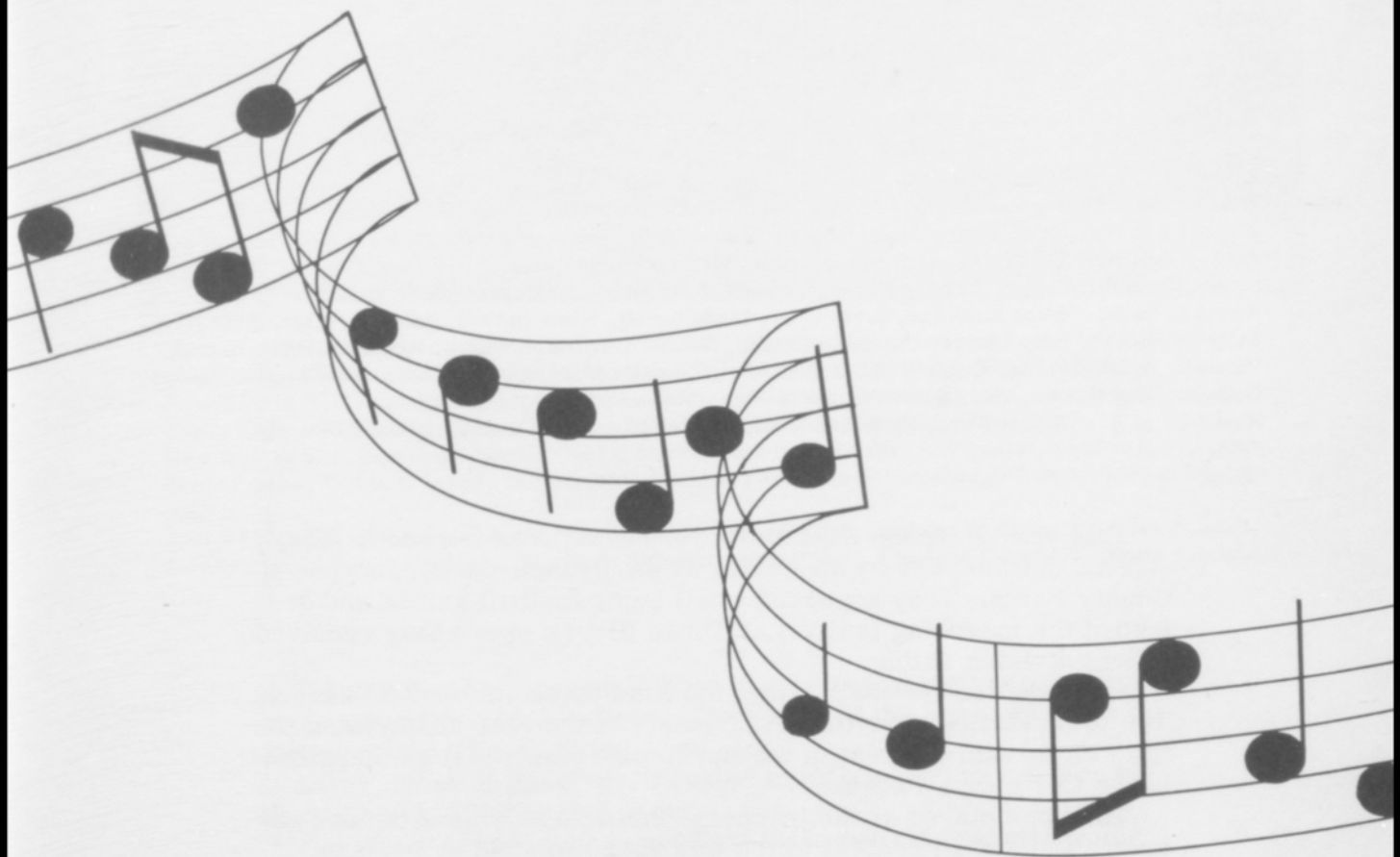


Row 1 L. to R.: Peggy Cuyler, Donna Hogmire, Sharon Edgington, Nancy Himebaugh, Riegle, Lorraine Palmatier, Marilyn Paul, Delphine Smoker.

while the chimes RING out

with a CAROL Gay

for the joy that the day has BROUGHT.



music

SENIOR BAND



Row 1 L. to R.: Marjorie Hovda, Frances George, Martha Wanar, Ann Sullivan, Janice Wright, Joyce Bowerman, Sally VanHusan, Kay Wohlers, Joyce Walker, Charlene Camfield, Valerie Smith.
Row 2 L. to R.: Milan Pugli, Peggy Cuyler, Sharon Tefft, Sue Ann Ward, Sandra Auten, Jane Minch, Shirley Hollister, Bruce Kalom, Ken Carpenter, Marla Albright, June Williamson, Nancy Cole, Barney Dixon, Gretchen Cuyler, Beverly Nelson, Dixie Kehoe, Sharon Edgington.
Row 3 L. to R.: Bruce Kaufman, Bryan Cary, Linda Sebalj, Kenneth Paul, Aileen Walker, Ruth Hoyt, Sally Bowerman, Jerry Clemens, Rosalie George, Dennis Auten, Lyn Ulrich, Richard Rubley, David VanPelt, Arden Keeslar, Carol Work, Bob Stewart, Larry Cadman, Edith Calhoun, Judy Martin, Jolayne George, Doug Dancer, Pat Easler, Delores Wielgos, Nelson Weber, Jerome Marz.
Row 4 L. to R.: Walter Perry, Ruth Ann Ward, Stanley Lane, John Calhoun, Danny Butters.

This year Bronson High had a very fine marching band. They started out the year by appearing at the Branch and St. Joseph County Fairs. They appeared at all home football games and attended the marching festival at Three Rivers where they received a first division rating.

After the last football game, the band began its concert season. The organization gave its first concert of the year at Christmas time along with the rest of the music department. It also appeared in the Christmas Parade.

The band played at the teachers' institute at Coldwater and attended the annual contest which this year was held at Portage.

Six members of the band enjoyed attending the All Star Band which was held at Benton Harbor.

The graduates of this year's band wish to express their gratitude to Mr. Stewart for his sincere efforts in our behalf during the past years.

Sharon Edgington

CHOIR



Row 1 L. to R.: Sandra Strohm, Carolyn Kibiloski, Joyce Walker, Marilyn Paul, Betty Sikorski, Lloyd Berry, Douglas Bell, Charles Selby, Jim Kibiloski, Marjorie Hovda, Kay Wohlers.
Row 2 L. to R.: Beverly May, Judy Martin, Shirley Hollister, Frances George, Lorraine Palmatier, James Kelly, Bill Butters, Jerry Clemens, Bruce Kalom, Janice Sikorski, Carol Burch.
Row 3 L. to R.: Rosemary Nowak, Jackie Lepird, June Williamson, Ray Lanier, Gordon Lilly, Henry Schlautmman, William Gregg, Jim Sobeski, Marilyn Yesh, Nancy Himebaugh Riegle, Sharon Edgington.
Row 4 L. to R.: Delphine Smoker, Judy Stevens, Don McClish, Richard Williamson, Allen Bidwell, Barney Dixon, Denny Davidson, Lawrence Mynhier, Edna Rasey, Charlene Camfield, Marla Albright.

This past school year has been a very enjoyable year especially for the members of the choir. They started the year out right by singing at the Thanksgiving Assembly.

Later, most of the choir traveled to Kalamazoo to see Fred Waring and his Pennsylvanians.

The Choir is planning to produce their second operetta in the spring, and from past experience, we are sure that this year's operetta will be a big success.

This year's choir is composed of two freshmen, nine sophomores, fifteen juniors, and eighteen Seniors.

Jim Lane

sextette



Row I L. to R. Sharon Edgington, Frances George, Judy Martin, June Williamson, Marla Albright, Charlene Camfield.
Row II L. to R. Bruce Kalom, Ray Lanier, Gordon Lilly, Jerry Clemens, Dennis Davidson, Donald McClish.

This year the Double Sextette has had a very full and successful year. We began our public appearances much earlier than in previous years and have enjoyed singing for the various clubs and other organizations in Bronson and surrounding area.

Three of the Seniors, June Williamson, alto; Denny Davidson and Jerry Clemens, tenors; have been with the Sextette for two years. The other seniors are: Marla Albright and Sharon Edgington, sopranos; Bruce Kalom, tenor; and Don McClish, Gordon Lilly, and Ray Lanier, basses.

June Williamson

JUNIOR BAND



Row 1 L. to R.: Susan Smith, Pam Himes, Sharon Jeffery, Sheldon Wohlers, Evan Stroup, Danny Ward, Linda Meyer, Bonnie Pennell, Kendra Gunthorpe, Nancy Bowdish, James Kehoe.
Row 2 L. to R.: Richard Auten, Linda Wilbur, James Fitch, Candace Stevens, Buddy Brown, Billy Rissman, Bill Haight, Barbara Woods, Lois Auten, Douglas Walker, Robert Stocker, Michael Kinter, David Easterday, David Peck, Charles Miller, Jan Fair, Richard Laughry.
Row 3 L. to R.: Billy Dixon, Ken Wilson.

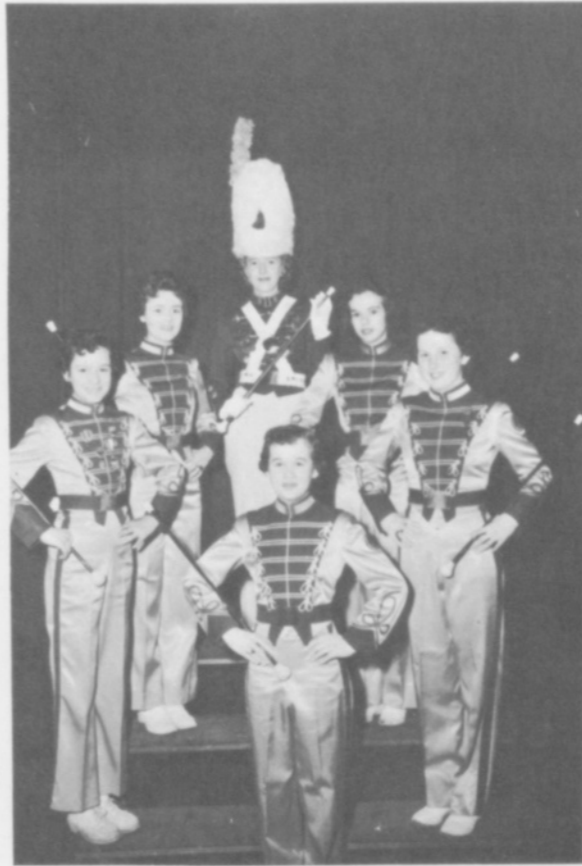
The Junior Band, under the direction of William B. Stewart, consists of approximately thirty members, which are striving for the Senior Band.

The members of the band range from grades six to nine, and is composed of two flutes, four saxaphones, seven trombones, nine clarinets, four cornets, two drums, and one bass horn.

The bands main project is the annual concert in the spring.

Don McClish

MAJORETTES



L. to R. Marcia Pugli, Marilyn Paul, Shirley Hollister, Kay Somerlott, Ruth Gregg.
Front Row: Nancy Blain

This year's twirling section of the high school band was appearing with two new faces in its rank. The most important change was the promotion of Shirley Hollister to drum major. Shirley certainly did a fine job during her first year in this position.

Ruth Ann Gregg and Marilyn Paul have also completed their first year of marching with the band. The other girls whose pictures appear on this page have been with the band in previous years.

We believe they are all doing a fine job.

Sharon Edgington

do you think what the end

of a perfect day

can mean to a tired heart....



Standing L. to R.: Judy Martin, Kay Somerlott, June Williamson, Judy Stevens, Lorraine Palmatier.

Seated: Winnie Ratkowski

Last year was the beginning of a new opportunity for Junior and Senior students interested in elementary teaching. These students go to the Anderson School several periods each week where they obtain actual experience under the guidance of our local grade school teachers. This experience should be very valuable in helping the students to decide whether or not they wish to enter this vocation after graduation.

Our many thanks to Mrs. Klemmer, Mrs. Taylor, Mrs. Kehoe, and Mrs. Faust for their co-operation.

June Williamson

faculty

MARJORIE CATHCART

Literature and
Mathematics



HENRY ALBAUGH

Mathematics and
Science



CHARLES ATKOCUNIS

Science and
Social Studies



DORA ANDERSON

Librarian



DORIS BRADLEY

Home Economics



ROBERT BRADLEY

Vocational Shop



faculty

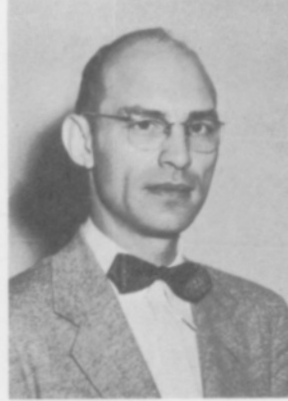
ARIDEAN FRENCH

English and
Literature



WILLIAM FRENCH

Social Studies



WILFORD COHRS

Industrial Arts



PATRICIA CHISHOLM

Social Studies
and Speech



NOVA HAMILTON

Commerce



CHARLES HILTON

Agriculture



faculty

WILLIAM STEWART

Vocal and
Instrumental Music



BETTY WILSON

English and Social
Studies



MARGARET THARP

Literature and
Latin



ELDON SHOOK

English



EVERTON WORTMAN

Mathematics



EUNICE MARTIN

Home Economics



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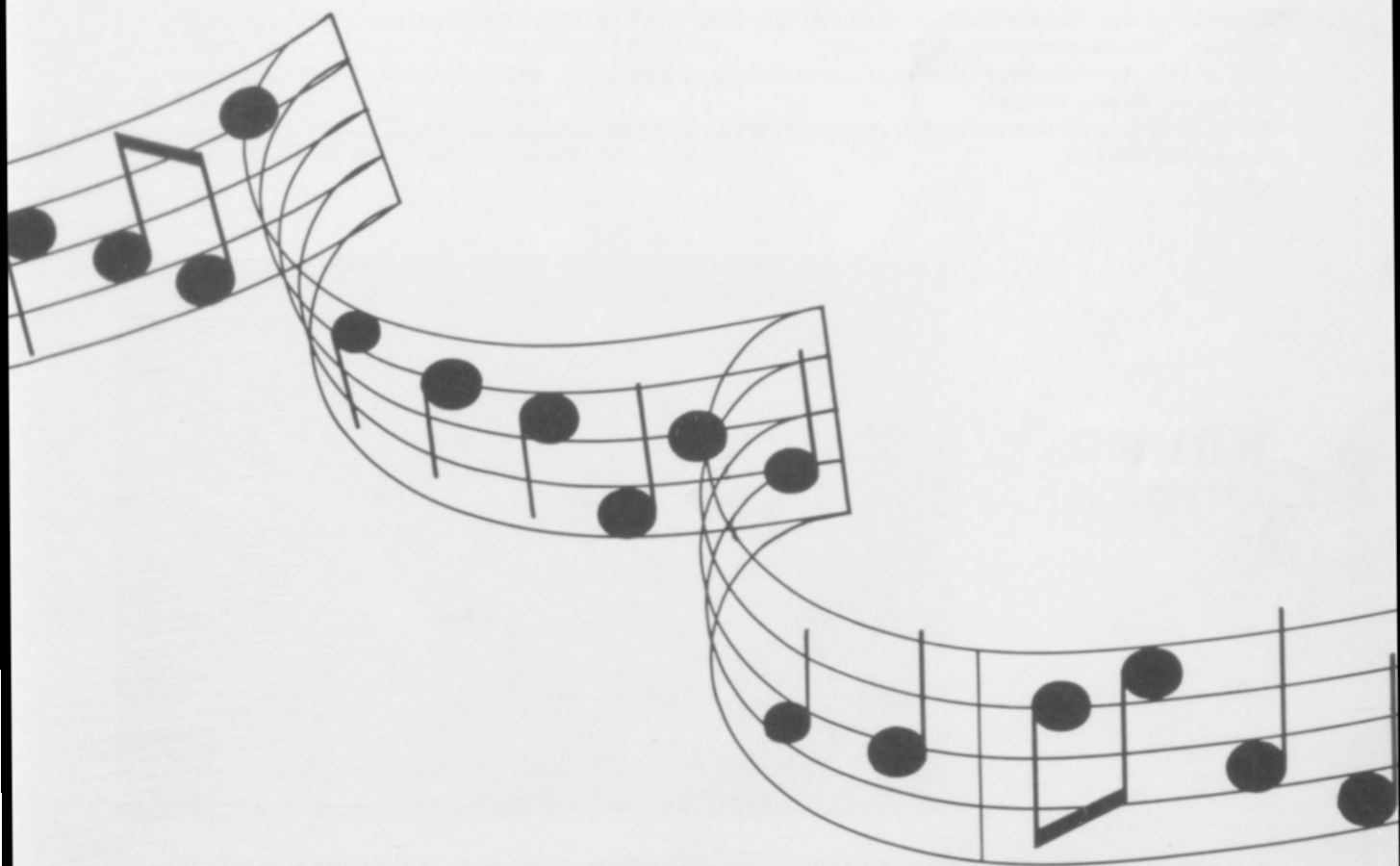
Science and Physical
Education



when the sun goes down

with a flaming ray

and the dear friends have to part....



UNDERGRADUATES



Row 1 L. to R.: Sally Green, Mr. Heisler, Robert Smoker, Philip Himebaugh, John Arundel, Dixie Kehoe, Nancy Blain.
 Row 2 L. to R.: Norma Hopkins, Betsy Ross, Anne Schlautmann, Rosalie George, Ross Byers, Kay Wohlers, Betty Horkey.
 Row 3 L. to R.: Delores Ross, Marjorie Hovda, Lyla Webster, Elaine Dixon, Dixie Rifenburg, Doris Metzger, Geraldine Waldron, Linda Cain.
 Row 4 L. to R.: Margaret Goshorn, Frances George, Joyce Green, Shirley Smoker, Judy Martin, Kay Somerlott, Shirley Hollister.
 Row 5 L. to R.: Gretchen Cuyler, Adaline Kotz, Lloyd Berry, Ernest Cain, Diane Smoker, Ruth Ann Gregg, Ruth Hofert.

JUNIORS



Row 1 L. to R.: Thelma Smith, Sherry Lines, Joyce Walker, Marilyn Paul, Alice Evens, Carol Pearce, Mr. Albaugh.
 Row 2 L. to R.: Judy Stevens, Carol Polczynski, Richard Guisinger, Barbara Gobel, Charlene Camfield, Jean Burch.
 Row 3 L. to R.: Harold Gump, Dick Lewis, Robert Rippe, Arthur Mock, Jerry Sweet, Wilma Merri- man, Connie Polczynski.
 Row 4 L. to R.: Rolland Vallance, Ronald Jones, Fabian Ross, Charles Bertsch, Jim Fowler, Jim Sobeski, Lawrence Mynhier, John Laughry.
 Row 5 L. to R.: Robert Sherman, Wayne Fair, Richard Williamson, John Lepird, Jerry Houghton, Arden Fowler, Dennis Croy.



Row 1 L. to R.: Lois Luce, Mrs. Martin, Diana Wilson, Paul Hovda, Darian Wiler, Janice Sikorski, Mr. Shook, Betty Gump.
 Row 2 L. to R.: Glenna Michael, Delores Wielgos, Janet Webster, Jean Lutz, Edith Calhoun, Alberta Riddle, Virginia Reynolds, Valerie Smith.
 Row 3 L. to R.: Betty Sikorski, Sandra Strohm, Sharon Haenni, Janet Modert, Georgia Anderson, Zenia Bronowicz, JoAnn Nelson, Marvin Malovey.
 Row 4 L. to R.: Richard Rubley, Fred Pierson, Roy Brewer, Jim Fennell, Ida Rumsey, Pat Tefft, Sharon Tefft, Carolyn Kibiloski.
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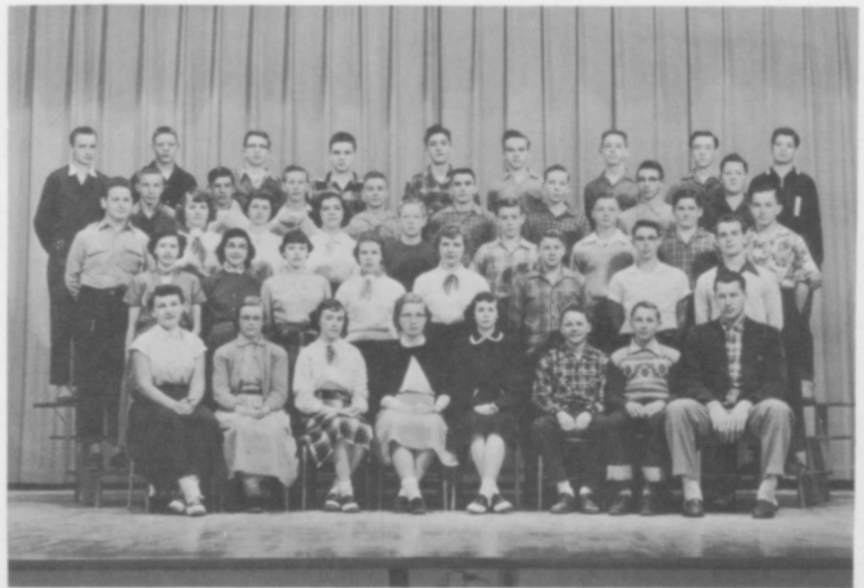
sophomores

Row 1 L. to R.: Bill Martin, James Wiler, Albert Metzger, Dick Pask, Bill Myers, Robert DeBolt, James Placatka, Gerald Walker.
 Row 2 L. to R.: David Herman, Rosemary Nowak, Dean Hoover, Douglas Perry, Stanley Lane, Nelson Weber, Jack Nutt.
 Row 3 L. to R.: James Kelley, Robert Bogucki, Bill Butters, Kenneth Sikorski, Martha Wanar, Janice Wright, William Gregg, John Akins.
 Row 4 L. to R.: Philip Rakocy, Ronald Colpetsir, Roy Deal, Alan Cary, Don Davis, Jack Long, Junior Houghton.
 Row 5 L. to R.: Norman Copeland, Joseph Czuberki, Jerry Wiard, Leroy Wohlens, Donald Yesh, Dean Davis, Larry Sielken, Jerry Losinski, Larry Kern.



Row 1 L. to R.: Leroy Dow, Marilyn Metzger, Delores Conklin, Milan Pugli, Stanley Neihardt, Beverly Nelson, Miss Betty Wilson, David VanPelt.
 Row 2 L. to R.: Jean Wright, Carl Comstock, Nancy Goshorn, Patty Wells, Carol Burch, Sandra Prough, Janene Waldron, Janice Smith.
 Row 3 L. to R.: Phyllis Nowicki, Judy Hopkins, Sue Ann Ward, Arden Keeslar, Catherine Vohs, Gordon Bidwell, Terry Pearce, Sally Bowerman, Jerry Barrack.
 Row 4 L. to R.: Charlene Keeslar, Sharon Nowak, Sue Metzger, Jeanette Pulaski, Judith Green, Jean Pierucki, Joan Behnke, Ann Sullivan Nancy Cole, Dorothy Kruszka.
 Row 5 L. to R.: Kathleen Bash, Nancy Cattell, Donna Snyder, Mable Hoard, Judith Lilly, Thelma Closson, Onalee Armstrong, Jackie Lepird, Ruth Hoyt, Sharon Keeslar, Kethleen Miller.

freshmen



Row 1 L. to R.: Barbara Green, Henrietta Hughes, Martha Laughry, Charlene Wagner, Marian Elliget, Edward Molovy, Edward Bertsch, Mr. Atkocunis.
 Row 2 L. to R.: Linda Jones, Carolyn McClish, Sylvia Bidwell, Phyllis Smoker, Rosalie Chappa, Alvin Kirkum, Ben Crabill, Jim Kibiloski.
 Row 3 L. to R.: Ken Wilson, Nancy Warzniak, Jane Minch, Arleen Walker, Richard Krzyzanski, Edward Chard, Bryan Cary, Bert Walker, Maurice Neveraski.
 Row 4 L. to R.: Bryan Jerome Kosmerick, Francis Rohloff, Donald Shiery, Harold Card, Hubert Geiger, Jim Babbitt, Gene Mosser.
 Row 5 L. to R.: Lloyd Hoard, Wilbur Williams, Melvin Deal, Robert Smoker, Edward Perrin, Raymond Borgert, Jerry Kubasiak, Eugene Deranek, Dennis Auten.



Row 1 L. to R.: Ann Littlefield, Mr. Cohrs, Ginger Fair, Ellen Crabill, Bonnie Luce, Lyn Ulrich, Miss Chisholm, Ronnie Hollister.

Row 2 L. to R.: Kenneth Paul, Sam Calhoun, Jerry Markley, Dixie DeBolt, Kenneth McLaughlin, Raymond Meyer, Jolayne George, Wanda Metzger, Judith Baker.

Row 3 L. to R.: Tom Kubasiak, Thelma Modert, Bertha Strong, Bertha Modert, Ronald Herman, Jim Haenni, Stuart Rumsey, John Pelmeur.

Row 4 L. to R.: Betty Carpenter, Jim Reed, Alan Reichard, Craig Hasdal, JoAnn Rumsey, Gordon Burnside, Ronnie Copeland, Helen Farnham, Jon Gibbons.

Row 5 L. to R.: Janet Albright, Linda Sebolt, Beverly Porter, Sandra Jasper, Brenda Sweeting, Sharon Cary, Max Lutz, Larry Armstrong, Bruce Cranson, Joseph Czykowske, Bruce Kaufman, LeRoy Washburn, Carol Kirkum.



EIGHTH GRADE

Row 1 L. to R.: Dotty Tefft, Sally VanHusan, Patty Brewer, Judy Hoffer, Nettie Fair, Gay Decker, Janet Davis, Don Heineman.

Row 2 L. to R.: Gwendolyn Wright, Mary Jane VanAken, Barbara Cronkhite, Beverly Strong, Barbara Sieger, Janet VanPelt, Jimmy Hartman, Sandra Auten, Karen Evens.

Row 3 L. to R.: Robert Behnke, Rueanne Himes, Linda Bridge, Linda Bercaw, Jacqueline Crum, David Easterday, Francis Barclay, Doug Dancer.

Row 4 L. to R.: Jerry Wiler, Keith Miller, Suetta Rinehart, Joyce Bowerman, Barbara Booth, Norman Herman, Ken Carpenter, Sheldon Wohlers, Bill Wells.

Row 5 L. to R.: James Williamson, Gerry Whorley, Janice Garman, Alan Fifer, Ralph Schafer, Vern Bowerman, Jack Hoard, Phyllis Merriman, Charles Andrews, La Vern Goshorn, Jerald Merriman.



Row 1 L. to R.: Cleo Kain, Larry Bash, Kathy Keeslar, David Cary, Edward Gump, Miss Cathcart, Tom Kain.

Row 2 L. to R.: David Maxwell, Barbara Modert, Joy Blew, Earl Maxwell, Margaret Martin, Tommy Green, David Stayner.

Row 3 L. to R.: Alan Wagner, Arthur Littlefield, Elizabeth Hughes, Sandra Mahaffey, Rebecca Payton, James VanAken, Bonnie Pennell, Janet Rumsey.

Row 4 L. to R.: Susan Smith, Linda Keeslar, Floyd Johns, Dale Mathews, June Harter, Nancy VanEllen, Barbara Woods.

Row 5 L. to R.: Ruth Ann Ward, Donna Carpenter, Darryl Coler, Jim Chapman, Billy Dixon, Arnold Riddle.

SEVENTH GRADE



Row 1 L. to R.: Ronald McKinley, Douglas Walker, Janice Blain, John Haynes, Pat Limpert, Marilyn Hovda, Mr. Nicolette, David Peck.

Row 2 L. to R.: Nancy Bowdish, Carol Work, Kathryn Johnson, Charles Atkins, Vernon Rumsey, Kathleen Cary, Buddy Brown, James Dow.

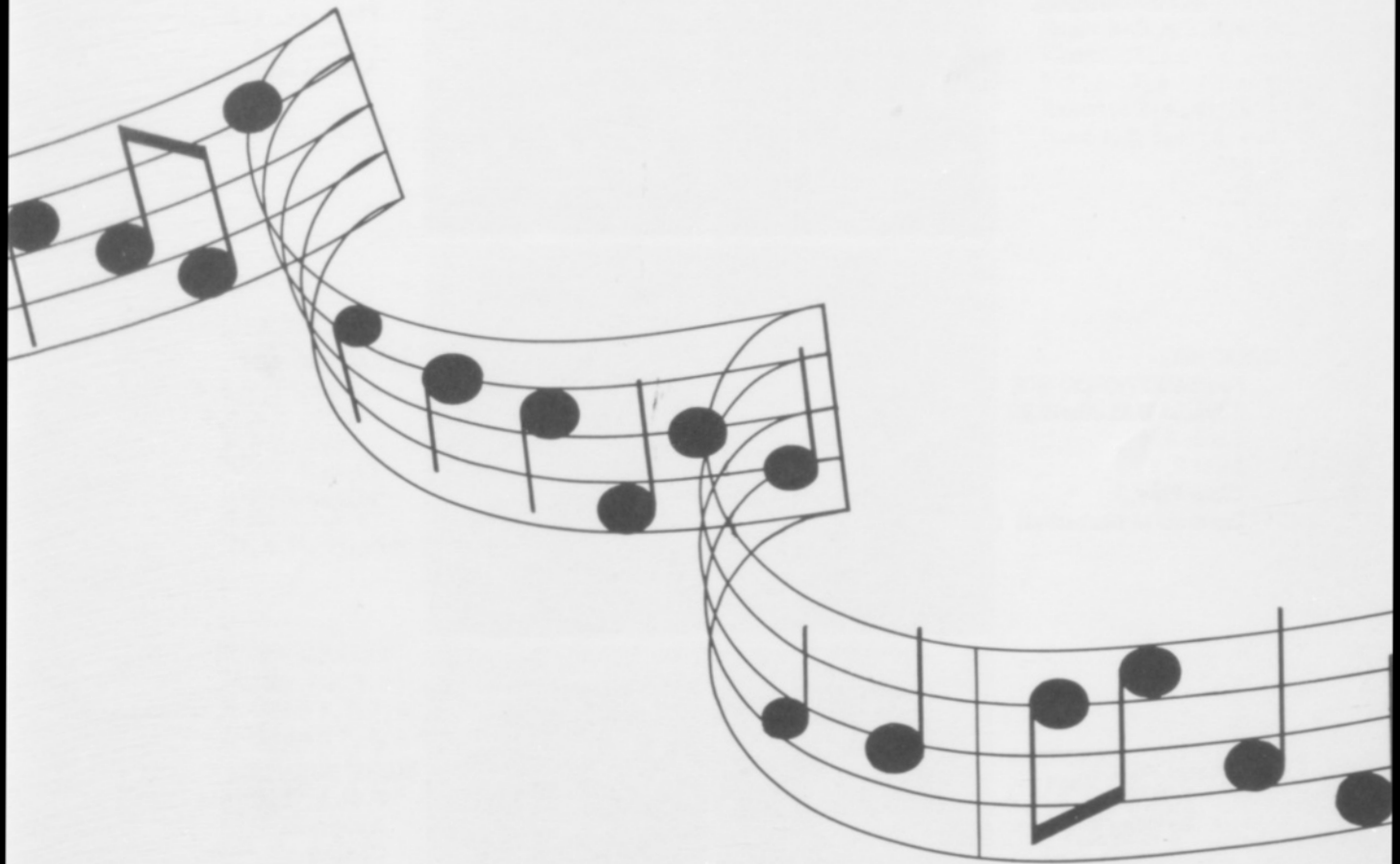
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Row 4 L. to R.: Gerald Metzger, Charles Miller, Gene Bronson, Loyd Albright, Andrew Goodsell, George Wiles, Sandra Deal, Linda Meyer, Pam Himes, Nancy Faust.

Row 5 L. to R.: Patricia Tooman, Carole Moeller, Judith Walker, Linda Wilbur, Richard Auten, Bill Haight, John Wiler, Bob Stewart, Clare Haywood, Richard Persing, Jay Fry, Mary Adams.

well, this is the end of a perfect day;

near the end of a journey, too....



SENIORS

MARLA ALBRIGHT

Valedictorian 4
Annual Staff 4
Choir 2, 3, 4
Operetta 3
Sextette 4
Band 1, 2, 3, 4
Mgr. 3
Phys. Ed. 1, 2, 3
Class Treasurer 3, 4
Assembly Committee 1
Homecoming Court 4
Office Practice 3



A. J. ALLESHOUSE
F.F.A. 1, 2, 3, 4
Sentinel 4
Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4

ROGER BARNES
F.F.A. 3, 4



KARL BEHNKE
Phys. Ed. 1, 2
Alderman 4
Annual Staff 4

DOUG BELL

Football 1
B Squad Basketball 2
Choir 3, 4
Band 2, 3
Class Play 3
Intramural Basketball 1



ALLAN BIDWELL
Football 1, 2, 3, 4
F.F.A. 1, 2, 3, 4
Officer 3, 4
Choir 4
Basketball 4

JOAN BILICKE

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



MARY BURNSIDE
F.H.A. 2, 3
Alderman 3
Choir 2
Annual Staff 4

DANNY BUTTERS

Football 1, 2, 3, 4
Track 1, 2, 3, 4
Intramural Basketball 1, 2, 3
F.F.A. 1
Choir 1, 2
Student Council President 4
Varsity Club 3, 4
Band 1, 2, 3, 4
Librarian 4



JOHN CALHOUN

Band 1, 2, 3, 4
Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4
Football 1, 4
Varsity Club 4
Alderman 2
Track 2

CHARLES CHRISTENSEN



JERRY CLEMENS

Baseball 1, 2
Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4
Choir 2, 3, 4
F.F.A. 2, 3
Sextette 3, 4
Band 1, 2, 3, 4

LOLITA COLER

F.H.A. 1, 2, 3, 4
Pianist 3
Phys. Ed. 3
Class Play 3
Choir 3
Annual Staff 4
Latin Club 4
D.A.R. Pilgrim 4



JOE COMSTOCK

Football 1

NORTHA CRABILL

Volley Ball 4
Football 1, 2, 3, 4
Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4
Track 1, 2, 3, 4
Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4
Choir 2
F.F.A. 1, 2
Key Club 4
Varsity Club 2, 3, 4
Bowling 3
Phys. Ed. 1, 2, 3, 4
Class Treasurer 2
Boxing 4



MARGARET CUYLER

Band 1, 2, 3, 4
Speech Club 4
Treasurer 4
Hi Times 4
Phys. Ed. 1, 2
Office Practice 4

DENNIS DAVIDSON

Entered 2
Class Play 3
Baseball 3
Choir 3, 4
Basketball 2
Hi Times 2, 4
Sextette 3, 4
Key Club 4
Vice Pres. 4
Co-editor of Annual 4
Operetta 3
Assembly Committee 3
Bowling 3



BARNEY DIXON

Speech Club 3, 4
Baseball 3
Band 1, 2, 3, 4
Choir 2, 3, 4
Track 1, 2, 3, 4
Football 1, 3, 4
Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4
Hi Times 2
Varsity Club 4

SHARON EDGINGTON

Salutatorian 4
Band 1, 2, 3, 4
Sec. Treas. 3
Choir 2, 3, 4
Sextette 4
Class Play 3
Student Council Treasurer 3
Class Secretary 1, 2, 3, 4
Latin Club 4
Bowling 4
Co-editor of Annual 4
Office Practice 4



DENNIS GARMAN

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

LEROY GOSHORN

Intramural Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4
Intramural Baseball 1, 3
Bowling 2, 3
F.F.A. 1, 2, 3, 4



CARLIN GRINDLE

Choir 3, 4
Bowling 3

RODERICK HATHAWAY

Football 1, 2, 3, 4
Track 1, 2, 3
Varsity Club 3, 4
Speech Club 3, 4
Intramural Basketball 1, 2



DONNA HOGMIRE

F.H.A. 1, 2, 3, 4
Vice President 3
Historian 4
Choir 2, 3
Class Play 3
Bowling 4
Hi Times 1
Office Practice 4

DUANE HOLLISTER
 F. F. A. 1, 2, 3, 4
 Vice President 3, 4
 Track 1



BRUCE KALOM
 Band 1, 2, 3, 4
 Choir 3, 4
 Intramural Basketball 1, 2
 Speech Club 3, 4
 Sextette 4
 Bowling 2
 Key Club 4
 Hi Times 1, 3, 4
 Annual Staff 4



JOANNE KECKLER
 F. H. A. 1, 2, 3, 4
 Historian 3
 Scorekeeper 4
 Hi Times 2, 3
 Phys. Ed. 2, 3, 4
 Class Play 3
 Choir 3
 Assembly Committee 2



JOAN KEESLAR
 Phys. Ed. 1, 3
 F. H. A. 1
 Speech Club 4
 Alderman 2
 Intramural Sports 4



THOMAS KEHOE
 Football 1, 2, 3, 4
 Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4
 Track 1, 2
 F. F. A. 1, 2, 3, 4
 Class President 2
 Varsity Club 2, 3, 4
 President 4
 Vice Pres. 3



RONALD KIBILOSKI
 Football 1, 2, 4
 Track 1
 Intramural Baseball 1
 Varsity Club 3, 4
 Assembly Committee 1
 Alderman 4
 Key Club 4



RONALD KRZYZANSKI
 Track 1
 Alderman 1
 Key Club 4



CONRAD KUBASIAK
 Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4
 Football 1, 2, 3, 4
 Track 1
 Phys. Ed. 1
 Varsity Club 3, 4
 Bowling 1, 2
 Key Club 4



JAMES LANE

Intramural Sports 1
Football 1
Class Vice President 3
Alderman 3
Class President 4
Alderman At Large 4
Key Club 4
President 4
Stage Mgr. 3
Hi Times 4



RAY LANIER

Entered 2
Football 2
Choir 2, 3, 4
Class Play 3
Sextette 4
Speech Club 4
Key Club 4
Annual Staff 4



GORDON LILLY

Track 1, 2, 3, 4
Phys. Ed. 1, 2, 3, 4
Football 1
Choir 2, 3, 4
Sextette 4
F.F.A. 1, 2, 3, 4
Speech Club 4



CAROL LONG

Phys. Ed. 2, 3, 4
Bowling 3, 4
Sec. Treas. '55



DONALD McCLISH

Baseball 1
Choir 2, 3, 4
Football 1, 2, 3, 4
Basketball 1, 2
F.F.A. 1, 2, 3, 4
Reporter 3
Key Club 4
Councilman 4
Hi Times 1, 4
Speech Club 3, 4
President 4
Class Play 3



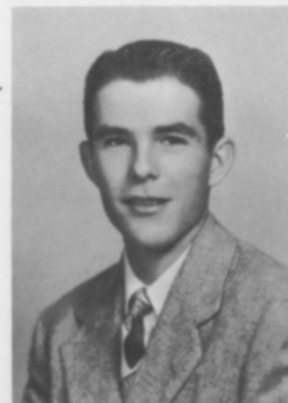
GLORIA SUE McGEHEE

Entered 4



CHARLES MARKLEY

Band 1, 2, 3
Key Club 4
Bowling 3
Hi Times 1
Speech Club 3



JEROME MARZ

Band 1, 2, 3, 4
Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4
Football 1, 4
Class President 1, 3
Varsity Club 1, 2, 3, 4
Choir 1
Assembly Committee 3
Alderman 1



CARROL MICHAEL
Entered 3



GORDON MILLER
Football 1, 2, 3, 4
Track 2, 3, 4
Intramural Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4
Varsity Club 3, 4



SHIRLEY MILLER
Entered 4



CHARLES MONROE
Track 2, 3



LORRAINE PALMATIER

Hi Times 1
Phys. Ed. 1, 2, 3
Intramural Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4
F. H. A. 2, 3, 4
Treasurer 2
President 3
Parliamentarian 4
Speech Club 3, 4
Secretary 4
Student Teacher 4
Choir 3, 4
Office Practice 4
Annual Staff 4
Class Play 3
Bowling 4
Student Council Secretary 4



MARSHALL PARSONS
Football 1, 2, 3, 4
Track 1, 2, 3
F. F. A. 1, 2, 3, 4
Sentinel 2
Secretary 3
President 4
Choir 2
Varsity Club 2, 3, 4



RAY PELMEAR

Football 1, 3, 4
Track 1, 3, 4
Intramural Baseball 1, 3, 4
Intramural Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4



WALTER PERRY

Band 2, 3, 4
Intramural Sports 1, 2, 3
Class Play 3
Key Club 4
Incomplete



JOAN PULASKI
Phys. Ed. 3, 4
Hi Times 4



EDNA RASEY
Phys. Ed. 1, 2, 3, 4
Choir 3, 4



WINIFRED RATKOWSKI
Phys. Ed. 1, 4
F. H. A. 1, 2, 3, 4
Bowling 4
Choir 3
Student Teacher 4



DONNA RICE
F. H. A. 1
Class Play 3
Phys. Ed. 2, 3
Intramural Sports 3, 4



DANNA RIDER
Entered 3
Homecoming Attendent 3
Homecoming Queen 4
Phys. Ed. 4



NANCY (HIMEBAUGH) RIEGLE
Hi Times 1, 2
Cheerleading 3 '54
Choir 3 '54
Homecoming Court 3, 4
Speech Club 3 '54
Office Practice 4 '54
Bowling 3 '54
Sec. Treas. 3 '54
Phys. Ed. 1, 2, 3 '54
Class Play 3
F. H. A. 1, 2, 3
Latin Club 4 ('54)



BILL RITTER
Intramural Basketball 1, 2
Speech Club 4
Key Club 4
Assembly Committee 4
Bowling 3



MARY ROHLOFF
Hi Times 1
F. H. A. 1, 2, 3
Speech Club 4



DUANE ROSS

Track 1, 2, 3, 4
Football 1, 2, 3, 4
Baseball 1
Varsity Club 1, 2, 3, 4
Bowling 2, 3



DON RUBLEY

Alderman 1
Track 1
Intramural Baseball 3
Intramural Basketball 3, 4
Class Play 3
F.F.A. 1



CLIFFORD RUMSEY

Basketball Mgr. 4



HENRY SCHLAUTMANN

Entered 3
Football 3, 4
Track 3
Choir 3, 4
Bowling 3



CHARLES SELBY

Football 1, 2, 3, 4
Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4
Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4
Track 1
Choir 1, 2, 3, 4
Sextette 2
Phys. Ed. 1, 2, 3



MARVIN SMITH

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



DELPHINE SMOKER

Speech Club 4
Hi Times 4
Choir 3, 4
Office Practice 4
Annual Staff 4



PATRICIA SMOKER

F.H.A. 1, 2, 3, 4
Bowling 4
Class Play 3



GARY SNYDER

Key Club 4
Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4
Football 1
Baseball 2, 3
Bowling 2, 3
Varsity Club 3, 4



JAMES UHRIG

Intramural Basketball 1



LEE ULRICH

Intramural Basketball 1, 2
Intramural Baseball 3
Key Club 4
Bowling 3
Band 1, 2, 3



WALLACE WANAR

Class Treasurer 1
Intramural Baseball 1, 3
Class Play 3
Hi C Club 4
Annual Staff 4
Hi Times 1, 2, 3
Junior Editor 2
Key Club 4



JUNE WILLIAMSON

Vice Pres. of Class 4
Band 1, 2, 3, 4
Choir 1, 2, 3, 4
Operetta 3
Sextette 3, 4
Bowling 3, 4
Vice Pres. 3



Hi Times Staff 1, 2
F.H.A. 1, 2, 3
Phys. Ed. 1, 2, 3
Student Teacher 4
Class Play 3
Sports Queen 1
Latin Club 4
Hi C Club 4
Songleader 4

honor students



Marla Albright, Sharon Edgington, Bruce Kalom.

Valedictorian of the Class of 1955 was Marla Albright, with a final average of 3.875.

The extra curricular activities Marla has participated in are; the band, manager of the band, the choir, the choir operetta, the double sextette, and treasurer of her class and of the Athletic Association. She has also been in girl's physical education, girl's intramurals, associate editor of the annual, a member of the assembly committee, and a member of the homecoming court.

Marla plans to enter the Mercy School of Nursing in Detroit this fall.

Sharon Edgington received the honor of Salutatorian, having achieved an average of 3.821.

Besides being an honor student, Sharon has been active in many activities. She has been a member of the choir, the double sextette and band, of which she was secretary-treasurer. She was co-editor of the annual, secretary of her class, treasurer of the Student Council, a member of the junior play cast, the girl's bowling team, and of the Latin Club.

Sharon's plans for the future are to study nursing at Calvin College and Blodgett Hospital, both in Grand Rapids.

Bruce Kalom, with a final average of 3.774, was awarded Historian.

Bruce has participated in many activities including band, choir, double sextette, boy's bowling, and intramural basketball. Besides these activities, he has been a member of the Key Club, publicity manager of the annual staff, and reported for the Hi Times.

After graduation, Bruce plans to study law at the University of Michigan.

Marla Albright

class will

We, the Senior Class, in the year of our Lord, nineteen hundred and fifty-five, hereby bequeath and will our most valued possessions to our friends and faculty of Bronson High.

To our class advisors, Mr. Stewart and Mrs. Bradley, we will one good night's sleep in New York City. To the faculty we just leave, for that is the best we can do. To the Juniors, we leave our caps and gowns. To the Sophomores, our ability to act as ladies and gentlemen, and run an orderly class meeting. To the Freshmen, we will a full supply of bleach so they may lose their greenness. To the Junior High, we leave a four year supply of fun, happiness and ability to study, hoping they use it well. To the whole school, we leave our treasured memories of B.H.S.

We also must carry out the old tradition, so as Seniors we hereby each have a worldly possession that we would like to pass on to individuals who stand out in our minds so vividly that we dare not forget them.

- I, Marla Albright, will Mr. Stewart's hair to Mr. French.
- I, A.J. Alleshouse, will my straight razor to Jerry Nowak.
- I, Roger Barnes, will a pair of hair clippers to Marvin Smith.
- I, Karl Behnke, do hereby will my Cadillac pickup to Mr. Albaugh to haul his elephant around in.
- I, Douglas Bell, will my all "A" record in school since the first grade to anyone who likes practical jokes.
- I, Allan Bidwell, will my ability to skip school and go deer hunting to my brother Doc.
- I, Joan Bilicke, will the natural color of my hair to any girl foolish enough to bleach hers.
- I, Mary Burnside, will my office job to anyone who wishes to spend their 5th hour collecting absence slips, and chatting with the custodians.
- I, Danny Butters, will my butch haircut to Mr. Bradley.
- I, John Calhoun, will my ability to get along with the opposite sex to Ruth Gregg.
- I, Charles Christensen, will my ability to not get caught talking in study hall to Edward Chard.
- I, Jerry Clemens, will my ability to get kicked out of a ball game to Jock Arundel.
- I, Lolita Coler, will my good disposition to a few certain Junior girls who could use it.
- I, Joe Comstock, will my badly dented car door to Jerome Kosmerick.
- I, Northa Crabill, will a piece of rope to Junior Houghton, so he can hold up his pants.
- I, Margaret Cuyler, will my height to Miss Wilson, so she won't look so small in her big car.
- I, Dennis Davidson, will my curly locks to Mr. Stewart, with the hope that he will someday find either the Fountain of Youth or a bottle of hair restorer.
- I, Barney Dixon, will my speaking ability to Mr. Atkocunis.
- I, Sharon Edgington, will my ability to withstand an all night party after a play to the Class of '56.
- I, Dennis Garman, will my seat in study hall to Jim Chapman, so he won't have to stand up so much.
- I, LeRoy Goshorn, will my ability of not laughing at Mr. Hilton's jokes and pass agriculture to Ross Byers.
- I, Russell Greene, will my 22 rifle to Mr. Atkocunis, so he can go hunting.
- I, Carlin Grindle, will a cigar loaded in both ends to Mr. French.
- I, Rod Hathaway, will one belt to Elmer Houghton, to keep his pants up.
- I, Nancy Himebaugh Riegel, will Miss Wilson to Mr. Atkocunis.
- I, Donna Hogmire, hereby will my ability to "soup" up Mr. Atkocunis' car with the old marriage "regalia," to any underclassman who thinks they can do it without getting caught.
- I, Duane Hollister, will a slightly used air rifle to Miss Anderson, so she won't have to go clear up to the front of the room to hit Johnny Akins.
- I, Bruce Kalom, do hereby will Mr. Albaugh 700 lbs. of 3x5 cards to feed his elephant.
- I, Joanne Keckler, will my long hair to anyone who wants it.
- I, Joan Keeslar, will my ability to wear my guy's class ring to Sue Ann Ward.
- I, Ron Kibiloski, leave to Mr. French, a toupe so he will have something to comb.

class will

- I, Ronnie Krzyzanski, will my name "Fag" to myself, as I guess I'll have to live with it.
- I, Conrad Kubasiak, will to Mrs. Hamilton, a year's supply of Silver Curl.
- I, Jim Lane, will one box of cyanide to Keith Tracy.
- I, Ray Lanier, will my ability to set off alarm clocks in Jones' Jewelry store to M. G. Bailey.
- I, Gordon Lilly, will my high jumping ability to Butch Ulrich.
- I, Carol Long, will my smallness to Elaine Dixon and Linda Cain.
- I, Charles Markley, will a permanent seat in the front of study hall to Jack Long.
- I, Jerome Marz, will a bottle of Spray Net to Junior Houghton, so he won't have to comb his hair so much.
- I, Don McClish, will Mr. Albaugh one entry blank to the Western Michigan Elephant Show.
- I, Sue McGehee, will my ability in Chemistry to anyone who is planning on blowing up Bronson High in the future.
- I, Carroll Michaels, will my ability as lab assistant to Kenny Wilson.
- I, Gordon Miller, will my ability to run the mile in 10 minutes to Jim Sobeski.
- I, Charles Monroe, will my hairless shampoo to those privileged few on the faculty who need it.
- I, Lorraine Palmatier, will my ability to wash and polish cars, to Donna Hogmire, I think she'll need it after her will is exposed.
- I, Marshall Parsons, will all my ability to anyone who doesn't need any.
- I, Ray Pelmear, will my ability to get a front seat on Vern Deal's bus to anyone who wants it.
- I, Walter Perry, will my organ to Liberace.
- I, Joan Pulaski, bequeath my ability to get to school on time after the five minute bell has rung to my sister, Jeanette.
- I, Edna Rasey, will my height to Mrs. French so she can catch up with Miss Wilson.
- I, Winifred Ratkowski, will my ability to keep all Detroit men out of the house to Pat Ratkowski.
- I, Donna Rice, will my ability to get my parents' car, instead of dating, to anyone who likes to be lonely.
- I, Danna Rider, will my crown to Betsy Ross.
- I, Bill Ritter, will to "Will," my will, if "Will" will accept my will.
- I, Mary Ann Rohloff, will my glasses to Diane Smoker.
- I, Duane Ross, leave my Chair at the Blue Star to John Arundel.
- I, Don Rubley, will my ability to sneak into side shows at the fair to Lloyd Beery.
- I, Clifford Rumsey, will my name "Bushwacker" to Butch Ulrich.
- I, Henry Schlautmann, will my ability to take more than two steps at a time without getting tired to Jerry Houghton.
- I, Chuck Selby, will my car to anyone who thinks he can keep it running.
- I, Marvin Smith, will my long hair to Mr. French.
- I, Delphine Smoker, will my ability to keep busy to the Juniors who have nothing to do.
- I, Pat Smoker, will to any underclassman, who is looking for romance and adventure, one of my week-ends in and around Chicago's Northside.
- I, Gary Snyder, will my butch hair cut to Mr. French.
- I, Jim Uhrig, will my ability to get along with Mr. French to the next year's civics class.
- I, Lee Ulrich, will myself to any Freshman girl.
- I, David Vorce, will Mr. Atkocunis all of Mr. Mallos' sisters.
- I, Wallace Wanar, will my car (car?) to Marilyn Paul, with hopes that she will learn to drive it at a safe speed and in a reasonable manner.
- I, Bob Wiler, will what I haven't got to anyone who needs it.
- I, June Williamson, will all the fun I've had being in Sextette to my sister Lila Jeanne.

class prophecy

Time goes on and the seas and lands, and heavens still exist. The earth still revolves around the sun, and people still listen to the music of Glenn Miller.

The Graduates of Bronson High School, the year 1955, are scattered throughout the world.

For the curious, these graduates have generously written to the High School and have told of their stories of success as follows:

- Marla Albright - Professor of Anatomy at Western Michigan.
- A. J. Alleshouse - First man to develop chickens that lay square eggs.
- Roger Barnes - Water boy for Mr. Albaugh's elephant.
- Karl Behnke - East Sedalia cess-pool swimmer.
- Douglas Bell - Ringmaster of Allan Bidwell's flea circus.
- Joan Bilicke - Heir to the Dutch Cleanser millions.
- Mary Burnside - Commander-in-chief of the Carter's little liver pill counters.
- Danny Butters - Owner of the Butters' Oleo Factory.
- John Calhoun - Champion Black-eyed pea picker.
- Charles Christensen - Owner of the Texas Oil Company.
- Jerry Clemens - Music instructor at B. H. S.
- Lolita Coler - A really gone gag writer for mad magazines.
- Joe Comstock - Grease Pit Monkey for Indianapolis Speed-way.
- Northa Crabill - Stock boy for the local Gamble Store.
- Peggy Cuyler - Good Will Ambassador for Camel Cigarette Co.
- Denny Davidson - Rear Admiral of the Russian Fleet.
- Barney Dixon - President Eisenhower's favorite caddy.
- Sharon Edgington - First woman Secretary General of the U. N.
- Dennis Garman - Painter of neckties in a tulip factory.
- LeRoy Goshorn - The man most likely to succeed Joe DiMaggio.
- Russell Greene - Manager of the Detroit Lions.
- Carlin Grindle - First Bass in Fred Waring's Choir.
- Rod Hathaway - Circus Barker in the Ringling Bros., Barnum and Bailey circus.
- Nancy Himebaugh Riegle - Driver of a Crosley Taxi Cab in N. Y. City.
- Donna Hogmire - Lady Wrestler, competing with Gorgeous George.
- Duane Hollister - Micky Spillanes top competitor.
- Bruce Kalom - Champion Clothes Ruiner, he is known for his hard wear.
- Joanne Keckler - Baby sitter for Crabill's kids.
- Joan Keeslar - Wife of Mayor, Cleon Milliman of Burr Oak.
- Tom Kehoe - Half-back on the U. of H. team (University of Hodunk).
- Ronald Kibiloski - Contender of the Light Heavy Weight championship.
- Ronald Krzyzanski - Rider of the camels, in a famous cigarette factory.
- Conrad Kubasiak - Assistant mortician to his Uncle Ray.
- Jim Lane - Baby-sitter for Bob Davison's turkeys, with the aid of a red-headed nurse.
- Ray Lanier - Lighting expert for Barbara Ann Acott's ice show.
- Gordon Lilly - Missionary on the Isle of Capri.
- Carol Long - Chauffer for Chuck Selby.

class prophecy

Charles Markley - Deep Sea Diver for mermaids.
Jerome Marz - Center on the Harlem Globe Trotters.
Don McClish - St. Joe County's 4-H agent.
Sue McGehee - Comedienne on Ed Sullivan's show.
Carroll Michaels - Tight Rope Walker for the Wade shows.
Gordon Miller - Future Agriculture Teacher of Bronson High.
Charles Monroe - Body guard for sister Marilyn.
Lorraine Palmatier - Miss De-Form of 1965.
Marshall Parsons - Raiser of Chocolate Milk Cows.
Ray Pelmeare - Heir to the B. & M. Barbeque Stand in Batavia.
Walter Perry - Liberace's greatest competitor.
Joan Pulaski - Manufacturer of reducing plans.
Edna Rasey - Forward for the Arkansas Travelers girls' team.
Winnie Ratkowski - Married to a 1949 graduate.
Donna Rice - A favorite dish in Shanghei.
Danna Rider - Future Miss Universe.
Bill Ritter - The Second Haggi Baba.
Mary Ann Rohloff - Chief cook and bottle washer for Paul.
Duane Ross - Doorman at Trans-o-gram in Sturgis.
Don Rubley - Manufacturer of Grow-No-More tonic.
Clifford Rumsey - Mr. Albaugh's private elephant hunter.
Henry Schlautmann - Cheerleader for M.S.C.
Charles Selby - Catcher for Detroit Tigers.
Gary Snyder - Assistant manager of Davidson's Super Market.
Marvin Smith - Future pastor of the round church, where the devil cannot corner him.
Delphine Smoker - Chief contractor of the Brick Home Builders Associations.
Pat Smoker - Resident of Chicago's North Side.
Jim Uhrig - General of the Bird Patrol.
Lee Ulrich - House mother at M.S.C.
David Vorce - Big game hunter in the toy factory.
Wallace Wanar - Owner of a Ford Thunderbird to carry the Coldwater girls around in.
Bob Wiler - Maintenance man at B.H.S.
June Williamson - Future Co-ed of Taylor University.

Bruce Kalom
Lorraine Palmatier

class history

"We Build The Ladder By Which We Climb"

As eager hopeful freshmen, we began to put together the ladder by which to reach our goal: graduation as the class of 1955.

The first rung of the ladder was the election of our freshmen officers: president, Jerome Marz; vice president, Bob Berry; secretary, Sharon Edgington; treasurer, Wally Wanar; student council representatives, Don Rubley and Ronnie Krzyzanski; and assembly committee representatives, Marla Albright and Ronnie Kibiloski. Our second and third steps were the freshmen initiation and the beginning of our high school worries: earning money for what seemed the far distant "Prom" and "Senior Trip."

The summer flew by and soon we were sophomores. We began to build again when we elected our new officers: president, Tom Kehoe; vice president, Lee Ulrich; secretary, Sharon Edgington; treasurer, Northa Crabill; student council, Joan Keeslar and John Calhoun; assembly committee, Joanne Keckler and Jerome Marz. We worked very hard on the next few steps of our steadily growing ladder: sandwich sales, selling pennants, cup cakes sales, and various ways of earning money. As sophomores, we gave an assembly which comprised the ninth rung. We all enjoyed working on that successful assembly which was an initiation of an "Arthur Godfrey Show" with the little Godfreys, commercials, and all.

Juniors at last, and how fast our ladder was to be extended in this year. Our tenth step was the election of officers. They were: Jerome Marz, president; Jim Lane, vice president; Sharon Edgington, secretary, Marla Albright, treasurer; Mary Burnside and Jim Lane, student council; Denny Davidson, assembly committee.

We added to our growing ladder by selling refreshments at all our home games, holding cake raffles during half time of the basketball games, and selling magazine subscriptions.

In the early part of September we received our class rings, which proclaimed to all that the proud possessors were getting nearer to their goal. Another step in our junior year, but not the least by far, was added when we held our play, "Glamour Boy" which was presented by sixteen boys and girls of our class.

The sixteenth rung, shining and bright, was added on the evening of May 8 when we gave our first big formal banquet and dance, the Prom, honoring the seniors of '54. The theme of our prom was "Springtime in Paris."

The acceptance of the cane from the seniors on class day marked the end of our junior year.

The completion of our ladder was in sight, and we worked steadily toward our goal. We constructed our eighteenth rung with the election of officers for the senior year: president, Jim Lane; vice president, June Williamson; secretary, Sharon Edgington; treasurer, Marla Albright; student council, Karl Behnke and Ronnie Kibiloski; assembly committee, Bill Ritter.

The nineteenth, twentieth, and twenty first steps were formed with the sale of Christmas cards and magazine subscriptions and a penny supper. Other steps were added by the All Hi Parties, floats in Halloween and Christmas parades and paper and scrap drives which we had every year of our high school days along with many other activities.

At the beginning of the year, with pen and pencil in hand, we set forth to draw up an annual which is called "The '55 Viking."

Time was running short, and still more steps were needed before we reached our goal. The next one, number thirty nine, was smeared a little with make-up as we displayed our talents with another play.

Rung number forty one, sparkling with stardust and bright music, marked our second and last formal dance, the '55 Prom, given in our honor by the juniors. Our goal was but one step further, the end of our four years of study, work, and pleasure. We took our accumulated assets, and as a class, made a five day trip to New York City. We came back to baccalaureate, then class day, and finally our goal -- graduation, but as we received our diplomas and stood with them in hand, we realized that although we had reached our goal, the extension of our ladders should not stop. This was just the beginning. There would be more goals to reach as time went by and it would be up to us to work toward them and achieve them with success.

So, armed with the knowledge and the friendships we have acquired during the last four years, with confidence in ourselves and trust in God, we, the Senior Class of 1955, bid good bye to our carefree school days and set out to accomplish our aims in life.

June Williamson

BUT IT LEAVES A THOUGHT

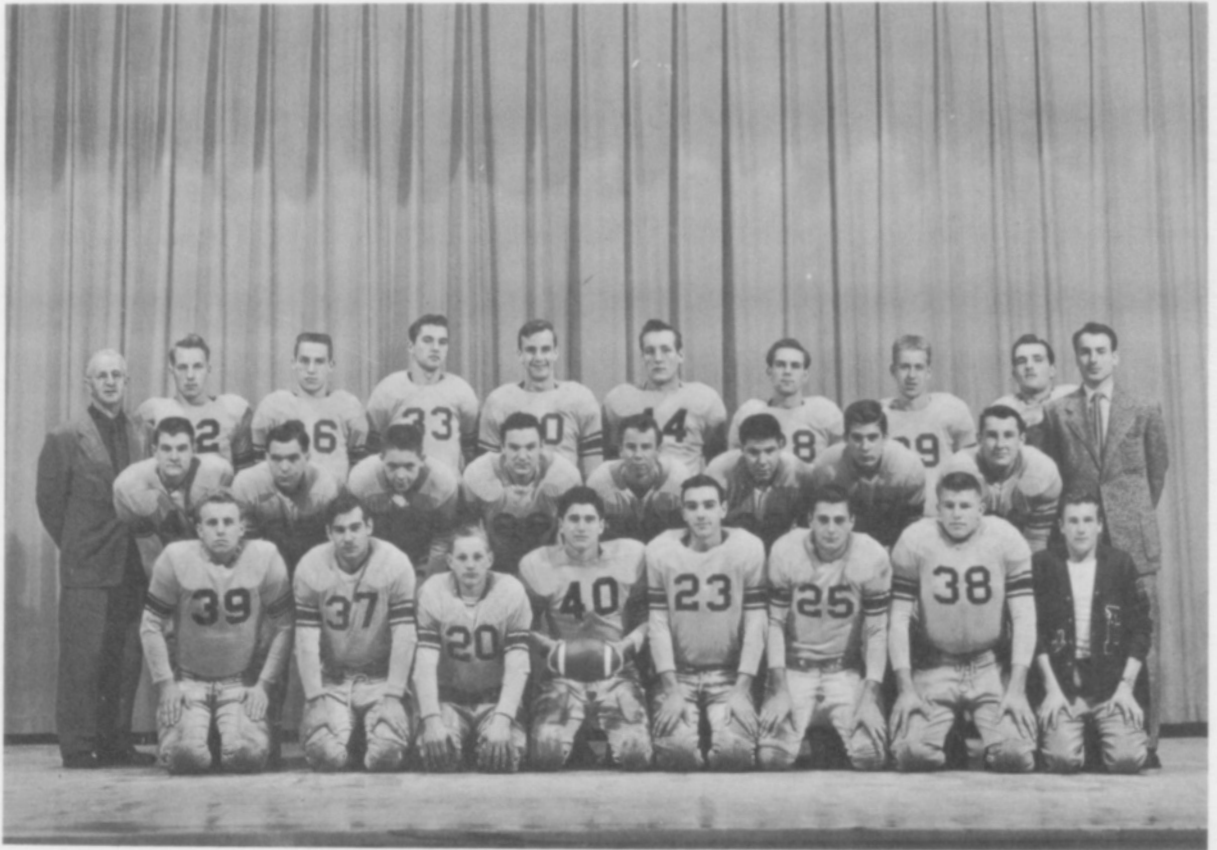
THAT IS BIG AND STRONG

WITH A WISH THAT IS KIND AND TRUE....



SPORTS

VARSITY FOOTBALL



Row 1 L. to R. Charles Selby, Marshall Parsons, Fabian Ross, Tom Kehoe, Jim Fowler, Jock Arundel, Gordon Miller, Russell Greene Row 2 L. to R. Dan Butters, Duane Ross, Conrad Kubasiak, Northa Crabill, Rod Hathaway, Jim Sobeski, L. D. Myhnier, Don McClish, Ted Nicolette Row 3 L. to R. Charles Hilton, Ray Pelmeear, Ronald Kibiloski, John Calhoun, Jerome Marz, Allan Bidwell, Jerry Nowak, John Lepird, Henry Schlautmann.

The Bronson team and fans believe that they had a very successful season even though they lost one game and tied one game.

The team ended up with a tie for second place.

The Viking graduates are: Northa Crabill, Tom Kehoe, Marshall Parsons, Ronnie Kibiloski, Charles Selby, Duane Ross, Rod Hathaway, Allan Bidwell, Gordon Miller, Danny Butters, Don McClish, Conrad Kubasiak, Ray Pelmeear, John Calhoun, Henry Schlautmann, and Jerome Marz.

The scores of the games are as follows:

Bronson 18	Sturgis	0
Bronson 12	Union City	6
Bronson 32	Reading	0
Bronson 6	Homer	7
Bronson 13	Quincy	13
Bronson 20	Athens	8
Bronson 26	Litchfield	0
Bronson 14	Jonesville	6

Charles Selby

RESERVE FOOTBALL



Row 1 L. to R. Bill Martin, Fred Pierson, Darian Wiler, Robert De Bolt, Gerald Walker, Paul Hovda, Russell Greene Row 2 L. to R. Ted Nicolette, Robert Bogucki, Ronald Jones, James Kelley, William Gregg, Norman Copeland, Bill Butters, Charles Hilton Row 3 L. to R. Barney Dixon, Jack Long, Junior Houghton, Larry Kern, Alan Cary, Dean Davis

The Reserve Football squad deserves a lot of credit on their recent season. As you may know, the reserve squad is the whipping boy for the varsity and takes the brunt of punishment in all work-outs and practices.

1954 saw 25 men on the reserves, which earned a two and one record for the season. The team came away from Sturgis with one win and one defeat, and proceeded to defeat Union City later in the season. The boys proved themselves to be a sturdy well balanced future varsity.

Bruce Kalom

VARSITY BASKETBALL



L. to R: Charles Selby, James Sobeski, L. D. Mynhier, Jerry Nowak, Jerry Houghton, Jerome Marz, John Calhoun, Barney Dixon, Gary Snyder, Tom Kehoe, Darian Wiler, Northa Crabill, Coach Nicolette.
Kneeling: Clifford Rumsey.

This year the basketball team has shown itself a great competitor for the other schools in the Little C Conference. At the middle of the season the Vikings find themselves leading the conference. Also with nine games played in this season the Vikings stand undefeated.

There are twelve members on the team of which seven of the members are Seniors. The Seniors are: Northa Crabill, an outstanding defensive guard. Tom Kehoe, a forward with excellent ball handling ability; Charles Selby, a guard that has shown great offensive work with his team-mates; Gary Snyder, a guard who has found the range for a good scoring record; Barney Dixon, who plays the forward position and has shown good basketball ability with his team-mates; Jerome Marz, who plays center, exhibits great rebounding ability and has a very good shot from the key hole; John Calhoun, a forward, who plays the corner and the key hole, finds his range for a good scoring record.

The Vikings and fans were especially proud of their victory over Sturgis, for the first time in Bronson basketball history.

A great deal of the credit for the Vikings' success goes to our coach, Ted Nicolette.

RESERVE BASKETBALL



Row I L. to R. Roy Brewer, Bryan Cary, Maurice Ross, Jerome Kosmerick, Paul Hovda, Stan Neihardt, Bill Gregg, Milan Pugli.

Row II L. to R. Coach Charles Atkocunis, Robert Bogucki, Jack Long, Larry Kern, Jerry Kubasiak, Don Yesh, Dean Davis, Junior Houghton, Alan Cary, Dennis Auten.

The Junior Vikings were raring to go at the start of each and every game of the season. Although they were slowed down in a few games, they also show a fine record of wins for this year.

The fans and students of Bronson High expect to see many of the players on the varsity team next year, as they have played very good ball and are excellent in their teamwork.

Charles Atkocunis was the coach of the B Squad for this season, and he deserves many thanks from both the team and the fans, as he has provided the boys with the spirit to do the best they can. He has proved to be a good coach. Therefore, hats off to a future Bronson Varsity and their coach.

Lorraine Palmatier

coaches



Ted Nicolette Charles Hilton Charles Atkocunis,

Mr. Atkocunis

Coach Charles Atkocunis, in his third year as B Squad Basketball Coach, found the going a bit rough.

The team, despite his careful guidance, lost several games to very tough opposition.

However, the boys are gaining more poise and confidence with every game, and show the makings of a future varsity.

Mr. Atkocunis also coached reserve football and track.

Mr. Nicolette

Coach Ted Nicolette whipped the Varsity into shape and proceeded to capture first place in the little "C" conference with twelve wins and no defeats. He led his team through a highly successful season, ending with thirteen wins and one loss, a nonconference game, with Sturgis.

In his sixth year at Bronson, Mr. Nicolette had a hand in every sport except track, which he had previously coached for four years.

He coached not only Varsity Basketball, but also the reserve football squad and the baseball team.

As the whistle blew and the last contest of the 1954 football season came to an end, the final mark was recorded in the coaching career of Bronson's beloved football coach, Charles Hilton. Coach Hilton retires this year having successfully guided the Vikings through twenty five seasons of gridiron play.

"Coaches" impressive record at Bronson stands at one hundred thirty one wins, twenty five losses, and twelve ties.

Retaining his favorite mode of play, the single wing, he saw his team wind up the '54 season with a five, one and one record, losing to Homer and tying with Quincy.

The team this year, exceptionally solid, averaging out at 180 pounds, tied for second place.

"Coaches" retirement is a great loss to Bronson High. The entire student body and the faculty wish Coach Hilton all the happiness in the world and the best of luck wherever he may go.

Bruce Kalom

CHEERLEADERS



Varsity Cheerleaders

Kay Sommerlott

Marilynn Paul

Beverly Nelson

Nancy Himebaugh Riegler

Patty Wells.

The Cheerleading squads consist of ten high school students who have rules set up by the Student Council which they have to abide by.

Two girls, Nancy Himebaugh Riegler and Kay Somerlott of the varsity "5", have been on the squad for the past two years, and Marilyn Paul moved from the second "5" this year. The other two girls, Patty Wells and Beverly Nelson, who are both Freshmen were voted in by the coaches at the beginning of the year.

These five "Bronson Rooters" practiced three times a week during school and every Thursday remained after school and were helped by Miss Wilson, their very capable advisor.

The "B" squad cheerleaders practiced five times a week in school and on Monday night after school when Miss Wilson coached them also. They will all be looking for a promotion to the Varsity group next year.

Nancy Himebaugh Riegler

Reserve Cheerleaders

Nancy Cattell

Nancy Blain

Donna Snyder

Phyllis Nowicki



VARSITY CLUB



Row 1 L. to R.: Mr. Hilton, Russell Greene, Tom Kehoe, Marshall Parsons, Fabian Ross, Mr. Nicolette.

Row 2 L. to R.: Philip Himebaugh, Northa Crabill, Jim Fowler, Duane Ross, Rod Hathaway, Charles Selby.

Row 3 L. to R.: Connie Kubasiak, Gordon Lilly, Denis Croy, John Arundel, Darian Wiler, Alan Cary, Dan Butters, Gordon Miller.

Row 4 L. to R.: Lawrence Mynhier, John Lepird, Ronald Kibiloski, John Calhoun, Allen Bidwell, Jerry Houghton, Jerry Nowak, Gary Snyder.

The Varsity Club, just a new organization a year before last, is for all boys who wish to belong, and have won a major award in varsity sports as a player or manager.

The total attendance amounted to twenty eight members.

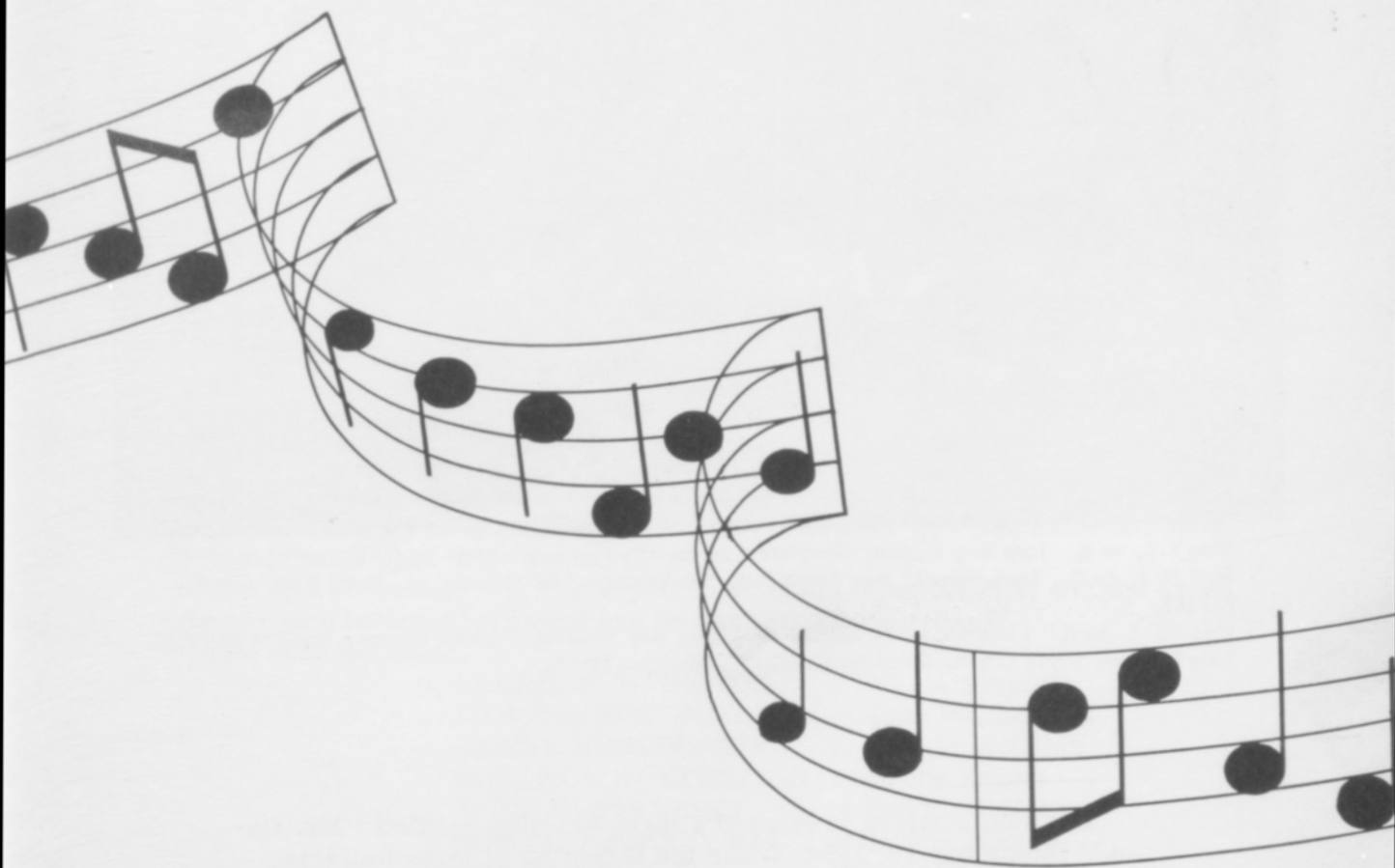
The advisors, Mr. Hilton, Mr. Atkocuniş, and Mr. Nicolette led the club through a very successful season.

Northa Crabill

for mem'ry has painted

the perfect day

with colors that never fade....



ACTIVITIES

JUNIOR play



Row I L. to R. Judy Kay Martin, Gretchen Cuyler.

Row II L. to R. Jerry Nowak, Kay Somerlott, Bob Smoker, Phil Himebaugh, Betsy Ross, Charles Bertsch.

Row III L. to R. Marilynn Paul, Shirley Hollister, Kay Wohlers, Frances George, Marilyn Nowicki, Judy Stevens, Joyce Green, Charlene Camfield, Marjorie Hovda.

The Junior Class presented a three act play entitled "Mr. Co-ed," November 19, 1954, under the direction of Miss Patricia Chisholm.

The action of the play took place in the reception lounge of the girls' dormitory at Cedar Hill College, an exclusive school for women only.

Through the fine work of the cast and the production staff, the play was very successful.

Gloria Sue McGehee

SENIOR play



Seated: Sue McGeHee.

Row I L. to R. Don McClish, June Williamson, Marla Albright, Bruce Kalom.

Row II L. to R. Walter Perry, Shirley Miller, Joan Keeslar, Lolita Coler, Lorraine Palmatier, Sharon Edgington, Joan Pulaski.

Row III L. to R. Barney Dixon, Denny Davidson, Edna Rasey, Pat Smoker, Ray Lanier, Mrs. Tharp.

"THE LITTLE DOG LAUGHED", according to the familiar nursery rhyme, "to see such sport". But the Seniors doubt if he ever saw such unusual sport as was presented in their annual play.

The plot concerned a pretty sophomore, home from college, and the effect that her psychological training had on her family and friends.

The cast included:

LAURIE HUNTINGTON . . .	Marla Albright
MARTHA HUNTINGTON . . .	June Williamson
SIDNEY HUNTINGTON . . .	Donald McClish
WALLACE HUNTINGTON . . .	Bruce Kalom
"GUS" GUSTAVESKY	Sue McGeHee
HORATIO HONEYWELL . . .	Milton Lanier
TED WOOD	Barney Dixon
LILLIAN WOOD	Lolita Coler
JOAN WOOD	Lorraine Palmatier
MARK BRADFORD	Dennis Davidson
AMELIA DENNIS	Sharon Edgington
CAROLINE BLAKESLY . . .	Joan Keeslar
GRACE SCHOENBECK . . .	Pat Smoker
WALOLA BRECKENRIDGE .	Shirley Miller
THERESE BROWN	Edna Rasey

homecoming



Bottom Row: Glenna Michael, Betsy Ross, Nancy Riegler, Lyla Webster, Marla Albright, Sue Ann Ward
Row 2: Janet Nowicki
Row 3: Danna Rider

There is no doubt that the 1955 Homecoming, sponsored by the cheerleaders and the F.H.A., was a big success.

The queen was chosen the afternoon of the game from among candidates sponsored by the four classes and four clubs. Before the game that evening, students participated in a bonfire and snake-dance. The evening was climaxed by a victory over Athens and a dance in the gymnasium after the game.

Marla Albright

assembly committee



Row I L. to R. : Bill Haight, Bruce Kaufman
Row II: Bill Ritter, Mr. French, Jerome Kosmerick
Row III: Jerry Nowak, Larry Kern

The object of the Assembly Committee is to provide good entertainment for the student body.

The committee, under the supervision of Mr. Heisler and Mr. French, has had a very successful year.

This year we have presented several paid assemblies, and a few assemblies were put on by the four upper classes.

The Assembly Committee hopes that the student body and the faculty have enjoyed these assemblies as much as we have enjoyed putting them on.

Bill Ritter

Student Council



Standing L. to R.: Terry Pearce, Jack Long, Charles Bertsch, Judy Martin, Martha Wanar, Gordon Bidwell, Kenny Paul.

Seated L. to R.: Karl Behnke, Lorraine Palmatier, Ronald Kibiloski, Jim Lane, Danny Butters, Mr. Heisler, Carol Pearce, Lila Williamson.

The 1954-'55 Student Council is the nineteenth council to serve the students of Bronson High. The Council meets each Monday to discuss the problems that arise in the school building and the various activities that can be presented to the student body.

The students have enjoyed the All-Hi Parties and the assemblies that have been sponsored by the Student Council this year.

The Bronson High School was represented by three members this year at the Citizenship Conference in Ann Arbor. Interesting reports on the conference were given to the student body by the members who attended the various meetings.

June Williamson
Jim Lane

hi-times



Row I L. to R. Sam Calhoun, Marilyn Hovda, Patricia Limpert, Nancy Blain, Betsy Ross, Marjorie Hovda, Carol Burch, Sue Ann Ward.
Row II L. to R. Joan Pulaski, Sandra Strohm, Jeanette Pulaski, Sharon Tefft, Kay Somerlott, Judy Kay Martin, Marilynn Paul, Editor, Mr. Shook, Advisor.
Row III L. to R. Shirley Hollister, Judy Stevens, Ruth Hofert, Pat Ratkowski, Rosemary Nowak, Carol Kibiloski, Charlene Camfield.
Row IV L. to R. Martha Wanar, Delphine Smoker, Joseph Cauberki, Margaret Cuyler, Dennis Davidson, Janice Wright, Marilyn Nowicki, Douglas Perry, Bruce Kalom.

Early in the fall, twenty five prospective members held a meeting to organize the Hi Times, under the supervision of Mr. Edwin Shook.

The purpose of our Hi Times this year has been to give the students an educational as well as humorous paper. The paper also helps to introduce some of the talents of the students.

The Hi Times is published monthly and there is no charge for its contents.

The Hi Times Staff has strived to make this year's Hi Times the best it has ever been.

Marilynn Paul

speech club



Row 1 L. to R.: Bruce Kalom, Lorraine Palmatier, Judy Martin, Don McClish, Peggy Cuyler, Miss Chisholm.

Row 2 L. to R.: Nancy Himebaugh Riegle, Betsy Ross, Lyla Webster, Doris Metzger, Joan Keeslar.

Row 3 L. to R.: Russell Greene, Joan Pulaski, Linda Cain, Elaine Dixon, Kay Somerlott, Adaline Kotz.

Row 4 L. to R.: Joyce Green, Marilyn Paul, Bill Ritter, Carol Pearce, Charlene Camfield, Charles Markley, Mary Ann Rohloff.

Row 5 L. to R.: Ray Lanier, Delphine Smoker, Judy Stevens, Wilma Merriman, Gordon Lilly, Rod Hathaway, Barney Dixon, Jerry Nowak.

The Bronson High School Speech Club was organized November 23, 1953 under the supervision of Miss Patricia Chisholm.

Its purpose is to promote speech interests of the students and to bring about a clearer understanding of speech.

Membership in the club is composed of all students in the Speech Class and all those seniors who have taken speech in their junior year.

During the year the club presents programs for various organizations in the city and county. Monologues, panel discussions, and one-act plays are what these programs consist of.

Each year, in the spring, the club presents one evening of three one-act plays. The objective of this endeavor is to enlarge the physical aspects of the speech department.

Latin club



Row I L. to R. Sharon Edgington, Edith Calhoon, Dolores Wielgos, Sandra Strohm,
Row II L. to R. Mrs. Margaret Tharp, Valerie Smith, Sharon Tefft, Sharon Haenni, James Placatka,
Row III L. to R. Fred Pierson, June Williamson, Lolita Coler, Carol Kibiloski, Martha Wanar,
Row IV L. to R. Joseph Czuberki, Richard Williamson, Larry Sielken, Alan Cary, Douglas Perry.

The Latin Club is a new organization which has just been started this year. It is composed of first and second year Latin students and of students which have taken the subject in past years.

The club meets once a month during the noon hour. During this meeting reports are given on Roman and Greek history and games are played pertaining to Latin. The club often times has a popular song written in Latin which they enjoy singing and at Christmas time they sing and listen to carols and songs in Latin.

The club has had a very successful beginning and we wish it growing success for the future.

Sharon Edgington

f.h.a.



Row 1 L. to R.: Delores Ross, Charlene Camfield, Carol Polczynski, Kay Wohlers, Betty Horkey, Donna Hogmire, Lorraine Palmatier.
Row 2 L. to R.: Nancy Goshorn, Sharon Nowak, Janice Sikorski, Carol Burch, Mrs. Bradley, Sue Ann Ward, Nancy Cattell, Phyllis Nowicki, Jean Lutz, Diane Smoker.
Row 3 L. to R.: Nancy Cole, Catherine Vohs, Judy Hopkins, Kathleen Bash, Sharon Keeclar, Betty Sikorski, Kathleen Miller, Anne Schlautmann, Frances George, Sharon Tefft, Joan Bilicke.
Row 4 L. to R.: Jean Pierucki, Linda Jones, Ruth Hoyt, Martha Laughry, Carolyn Kibiloski, Pat Ratkowski, Sylvia Bidwell, Alice Evens, Doris Merriman, Janet Nowicki, Sylvia Smoker, Pat Smoker.
Row 5 L. to R.: Shirley Smoker, Rosalie Chappa, Phyllis Smoker, Nancy Warzniak, Rosemary Nowak, Lolita Coler, Joanne Keckler, Martha Wanar, Ruth Ann Gregg, Dixie Kehoe, Connie Polczynski, Aileen Walker, Mary Ann Rohloff.

The Future Homemakers of America is a national organization with the idea of promoting the girls' interests toward homemaking.

Our local chapter has engaged in various activities such as: baked good sales, raffles, and sponsoring the Homecoming, Cake Walk, and Sno Ball Dances to earn money to furnish our Home Living Unit. So far the club has purchased a sectional davenport and a silver tea set.

Each year the club sends two officers to the F.H.A. Leadership Training Camp at Battle Creek.

Our club wishes to thank Mrs. Bradley, our F.H.A. leader and Mrs. Ambrose Sikorski, Chapter Mother for their guidance throughout the year.

Donna Hogmire

f.f.a.



Row 1 L. to R.: Mr. Hilton, A.J. Alleshouse, Richard Guisinger, Duane Hollister, Marshall Parsons, Jim Fowler, Allan Bidwell, Tom Kehoe.

Row 2 L. to R.: Ross Byers, Conrad Wotta, Jim Fennell, Albert Metzger, Gerald Walker, LeRoy Goshorn, Roger Barnes, Fabian Ross, Jack Nutt.

Row 3 L. to R.: Kenneth Sikorski, Gordon Lilly, Wayne Fair, Don McClish, LeRoy Wohlens, Dennis Garman, Ray Pelmeear, Arden Fowler, Dean Davis, Denis Croy.

The Future Farmers of America is a nation-wide organization founded in November of 1928.

Some of the things learned in the organization are: how to conduct and take part in a public meeting, to speak in public, to solve our own problems, to finance ourselves, and to assume civics responsibility.

One of the projects of the Bronson Chapter in this school year was selling doe skin gloves, which was very successful.

Other projects were: selling subscriptions for the Farm Quarterly and selling rat poison again this year as a follow-up of last year's campaign.

Bronson had a debating team which received third at Colon and a demonstration team which received second.

Marshall Parsons, Jr.

GIRLS' BOWLING



Row 1 L. to R.: Delores Conklin, Nancy Blain, Marjorie Hovda, Shirley Hollister, Nancy Himebaugh Riegle, Miss Wilson, Bertha Strong, Janene Waldron.

Row 2 L. to R.: Norma Hopkins, Betsy Ross, Carol Long, Anne Schlautmann, Carol Burch, Rosalie George, Sharon Edgington, Betty Horkey, Judy Hoffer.

Row 3 L. to R.: Judy Hopkins, Donna Snyder, Phyllis Nowicki, June Williamson, Donna Hogmire, Lorraine Palmatier, Susan McClish, Joyce Walker, Geraldine Waldron.

Row 4 L. to R.: Kay Somerlott, Judy Martin, Sharon Tefft, Gretchen Cuyler, Sandra Strohm, Winnie Ratkowski, Joan Bilicke, Sylvia Bidwell, Janet Nowicki, Ruth Hofert.

Row 5 L. to R.: Pat Ratkowski, Jean Burch, Alice Evans, Carol Polczynski, Pat Smoker, Edna Rasey, Connie Polczynski, Martha Wanar, Sherry Lines, Judy Stevens, Marilyn Paul.

This being our third year of bowling, the competition was greater, because the girls were more experienced.

We had eight teams bowling this year with six girls on each team. The names of the teams and their captains are as follows:

Seniorettes	June Williamson
Junior Pin Girls	Gretchen Cuyler
Junior Bowlerettes	Anne Schlautmann
Strikeouts	Sharon Tefft
The "S" Six	Joyce Walker
The Golden Pins	Phyllis Nowicki
Pin-Ups	Winnie Ratkowski
Crazy Pins	Ruth Hofert

The officers for this year are: Shirley Hollister, president; Marjorie Hovda, vice-president; and Nancy Himebaugh, secretary-treasurer.

Carol Long

key club



Row I L. to R. Fred Pierson, Walter Perry, Lee Ulrich (Sec-Treas), Bill Ritter (Sgt. -at-Arms)
Row II L. to R. Ray Lanier (Song Leader), Dean Hoover, Charles Markley, Bruce Kalom.
Row III L. to R. Northa Crabill, Conrad Kubasiak, Larry Kern (Board Member), Karl Behnke,
(Lt. Gov.), Raymond Borgert, (Board Member).
Row IV L. to R. Ronald Krzyzanski, Wallace Wanar, Dennis Davidson, (Vice-Pres), Ronald Kibiloski.

The Key Club, which was organized this year under the direction of the local Kiwanis club, is the service club of the high school. Various projects have been carried out successfully since it began.

The first Key Club was founded in Sacramento, California, in May, 1925. Since then, more than 1200 clubs have been organized in various parts of the country, and are active in performing acts of service for their fellow man.

The members are not only serving their school, faculty, and fellow students, but are also developing initiative, leadership and personal character.

Membership is open to any high school boy, who is interested in service to mankind,

Officers elected this year were: James Lane, president; Dennis Davidson, vice-president; and Lee Ulrich, secretary-treasurer. Other members of the board of directors are Don McClish and Raymond Borgert.

Dennis Davidson

hi-C



Row I L. to R. Dixie DeBolt, Marilyn Metzger, Lila Williamson, Jean Wright.
Row II L. to R. Sue Metzger, Doris Metzger, Janice Smith, Gwen Wright, June Williamson.
Row III L. to R. Phyllis Merriman, Robert DeBolt, Stanley Lane, Janice Wright, Gordon Lilly.

This was a new organization introduced this year into the extra curricular activities of B.H.S.

The club meets during the noon hour on Wednesdays in the Band Room for a time of fun and fellowship. After singing, the members enjoy interesting Bible games or a special speaker.

The officers for this year are as follows: President, Gordon Lilly; Vice President, Janice Wright; Secretary, Wilma Merriman; Treasurer, Stanley Lane; Pianists, Marjorie Hovda and Stanley Lane; Song Leader, June Williamson.

June Williamson



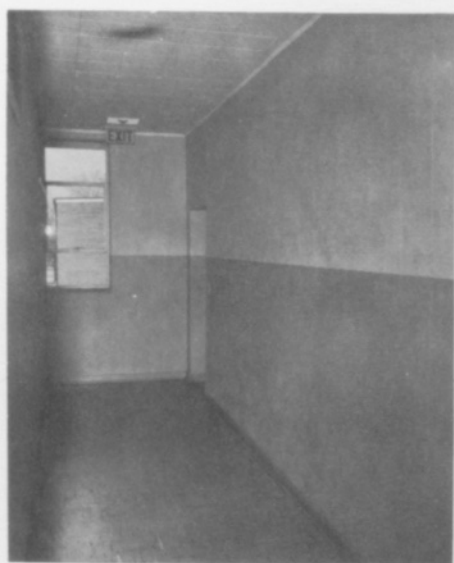
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