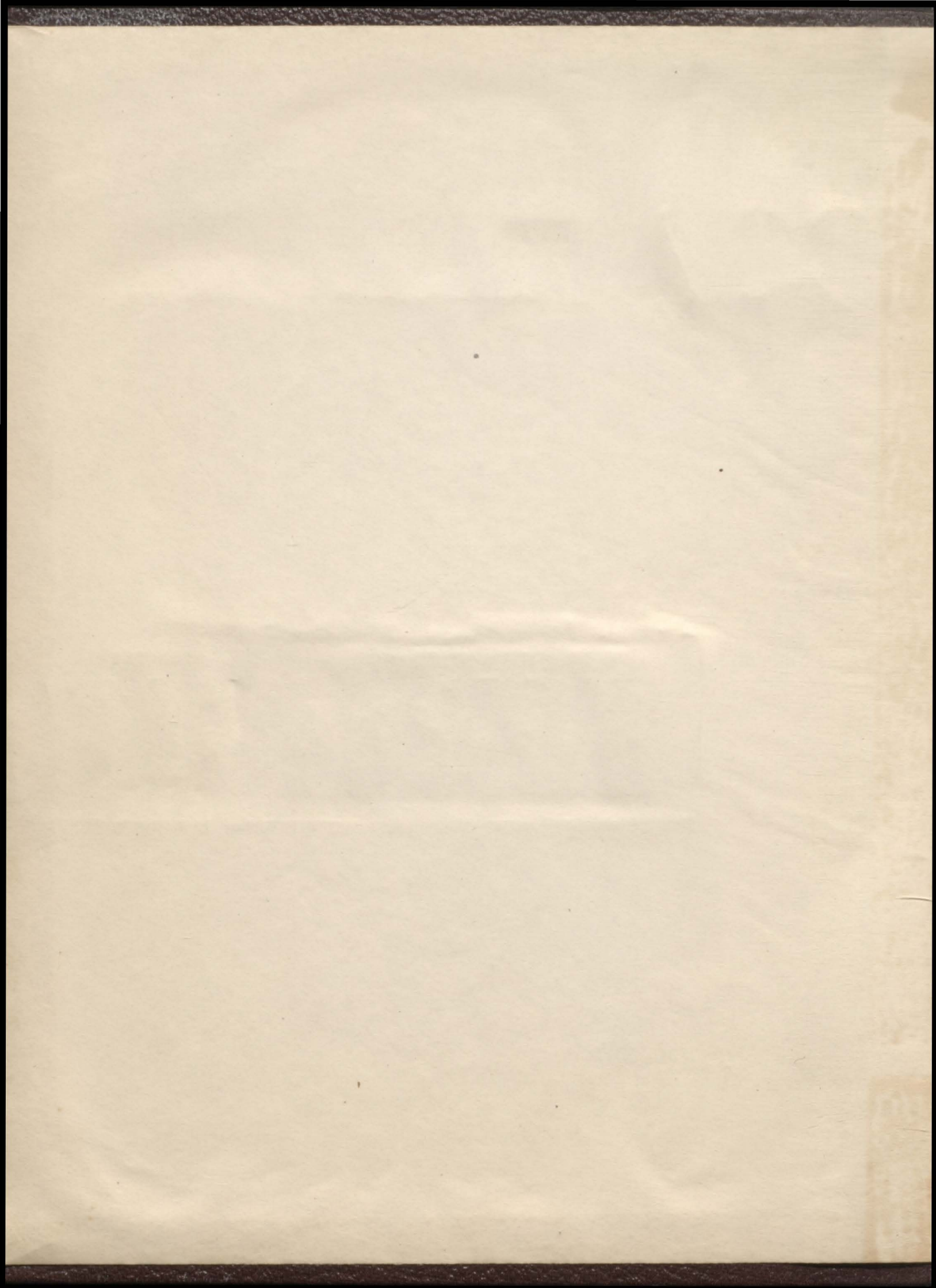
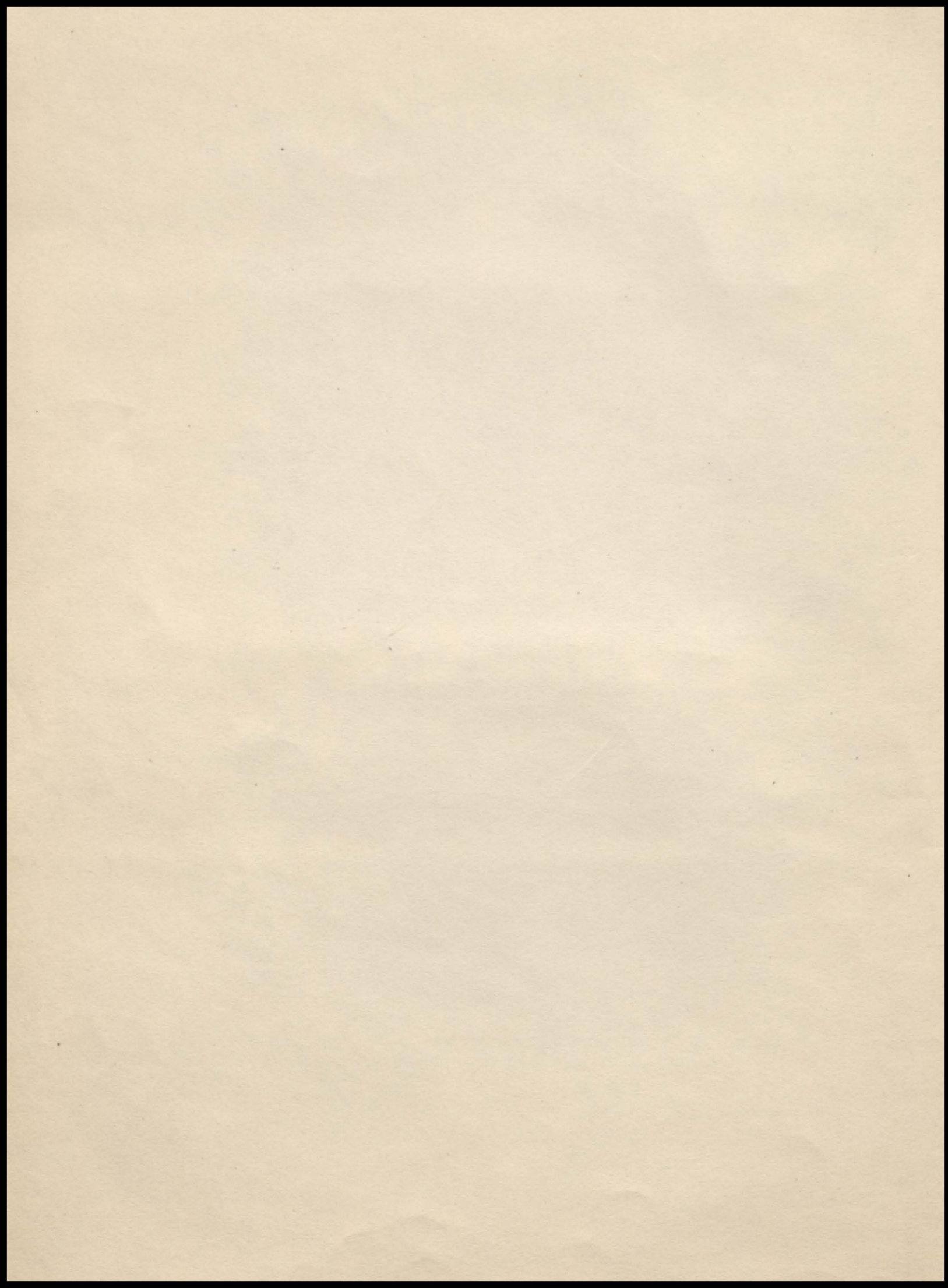
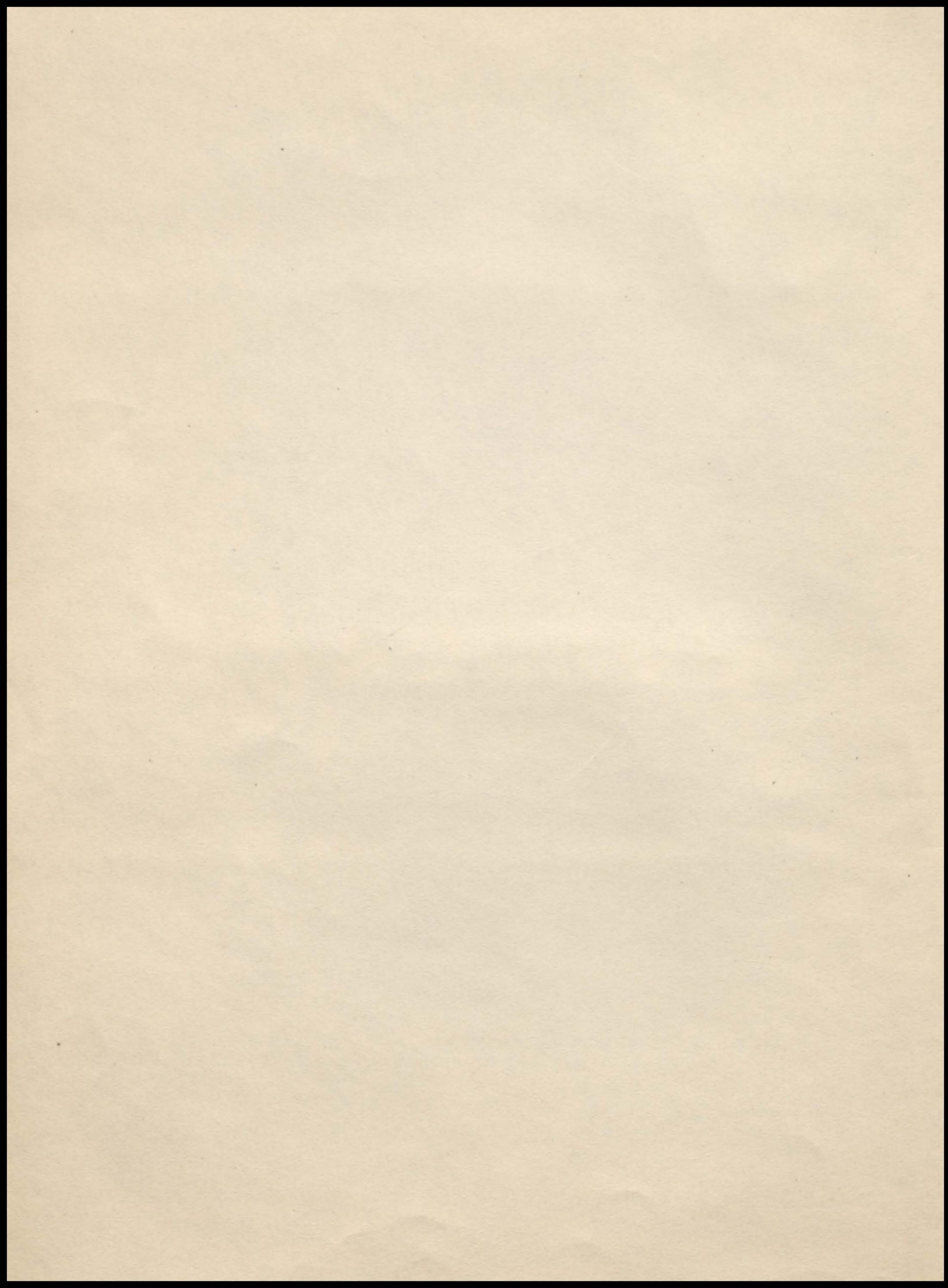


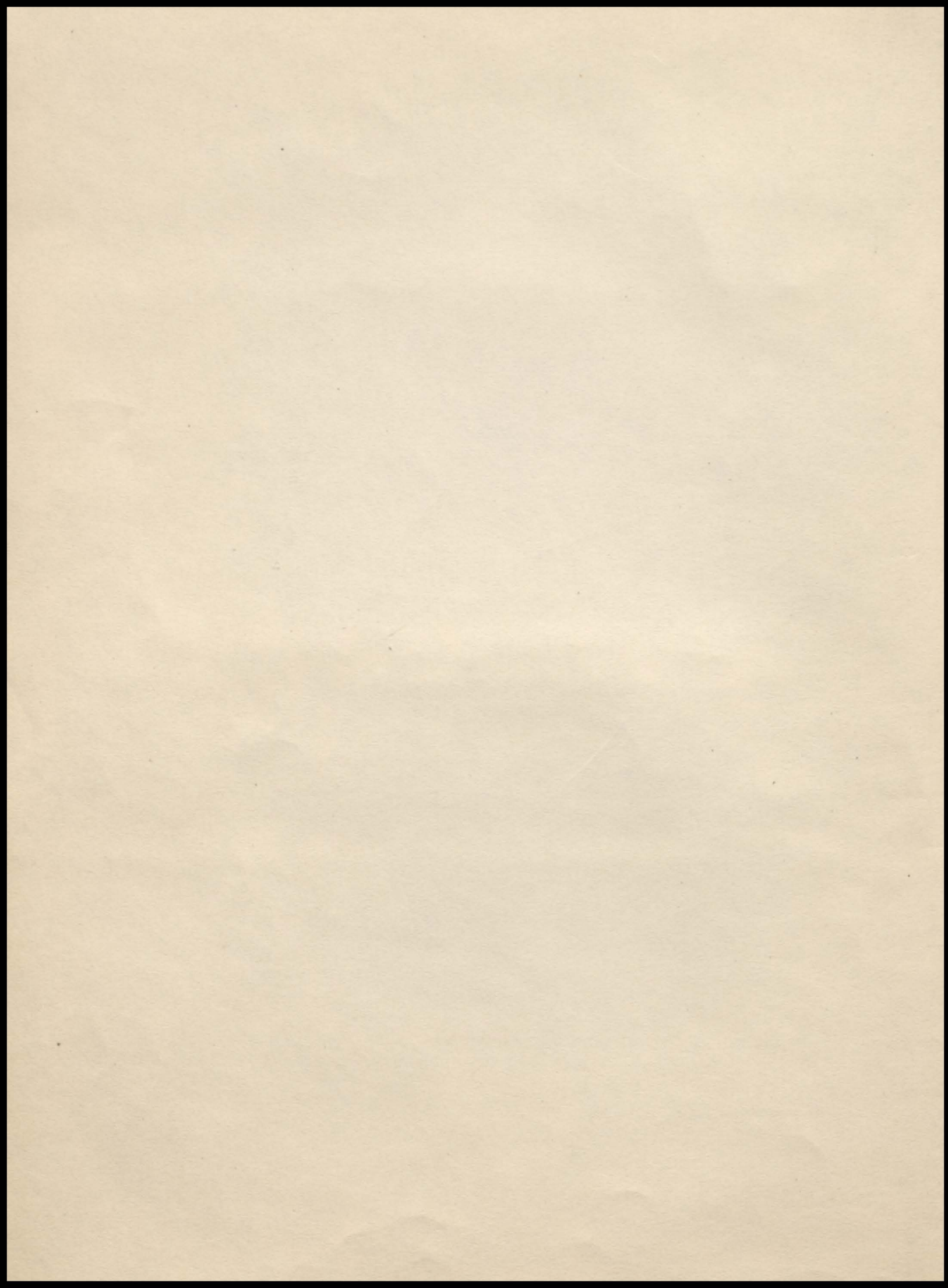
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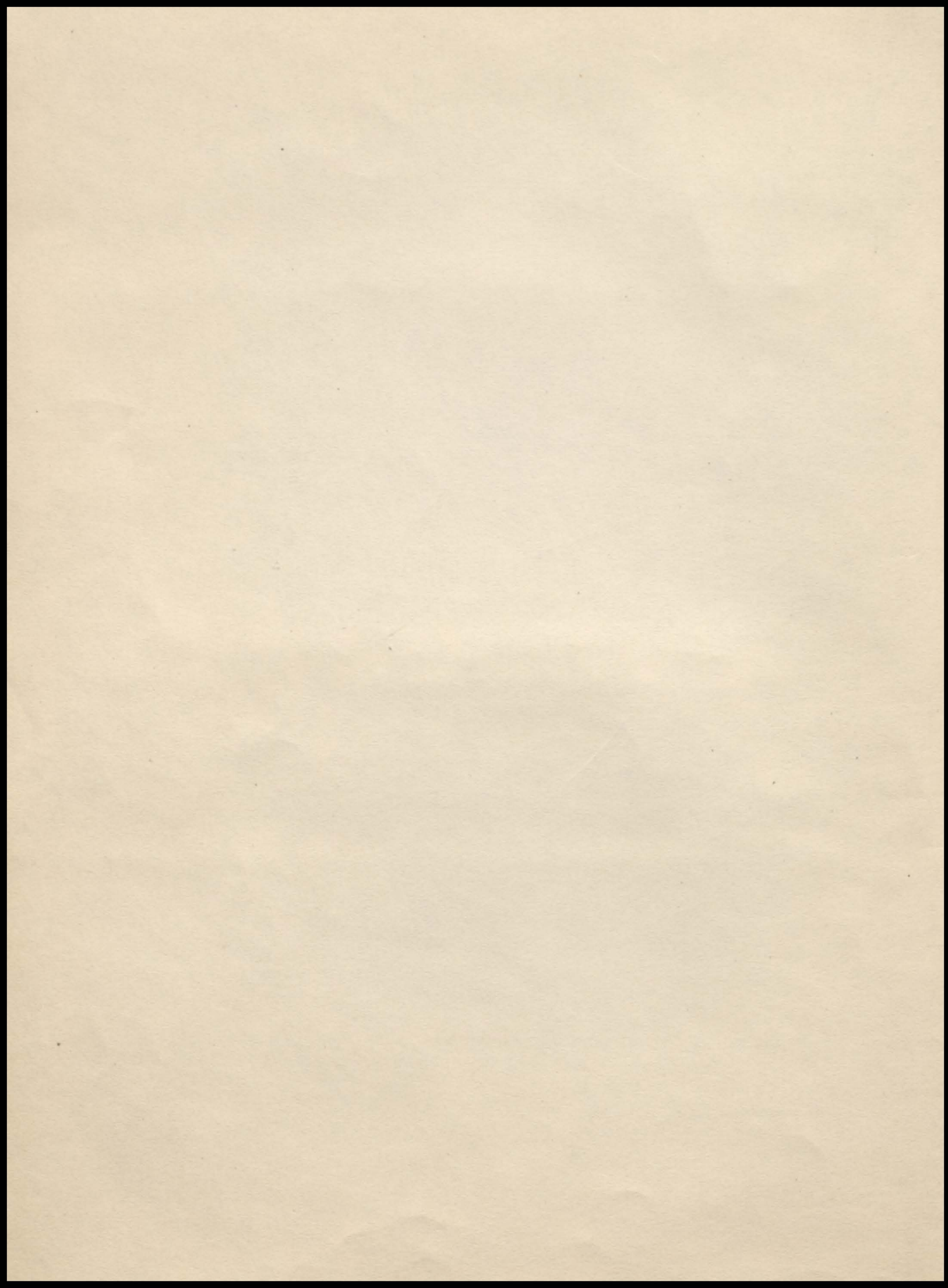
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To
Betty Wildman

EVEN though you have not been with us for the past three years because of a prolonged illness, we still remember your cheerful smile and friendly manner during your school days with us.

We hope you may fulfill your desires for happiness and success in future years.

To you, Betty, we dedicate our 1947 Betohi.

Preface

IN presenting this year book we have endeavored to aid you in recalling those memorable days spent at B. T. H. S. during the 1946-1947 school year.

Board of Directors

On behalf of the students of B. T. H. S., we take this opportunity to express our thanks for the interest shown by our Board of Directors in establishing and maintaining our fine school system.

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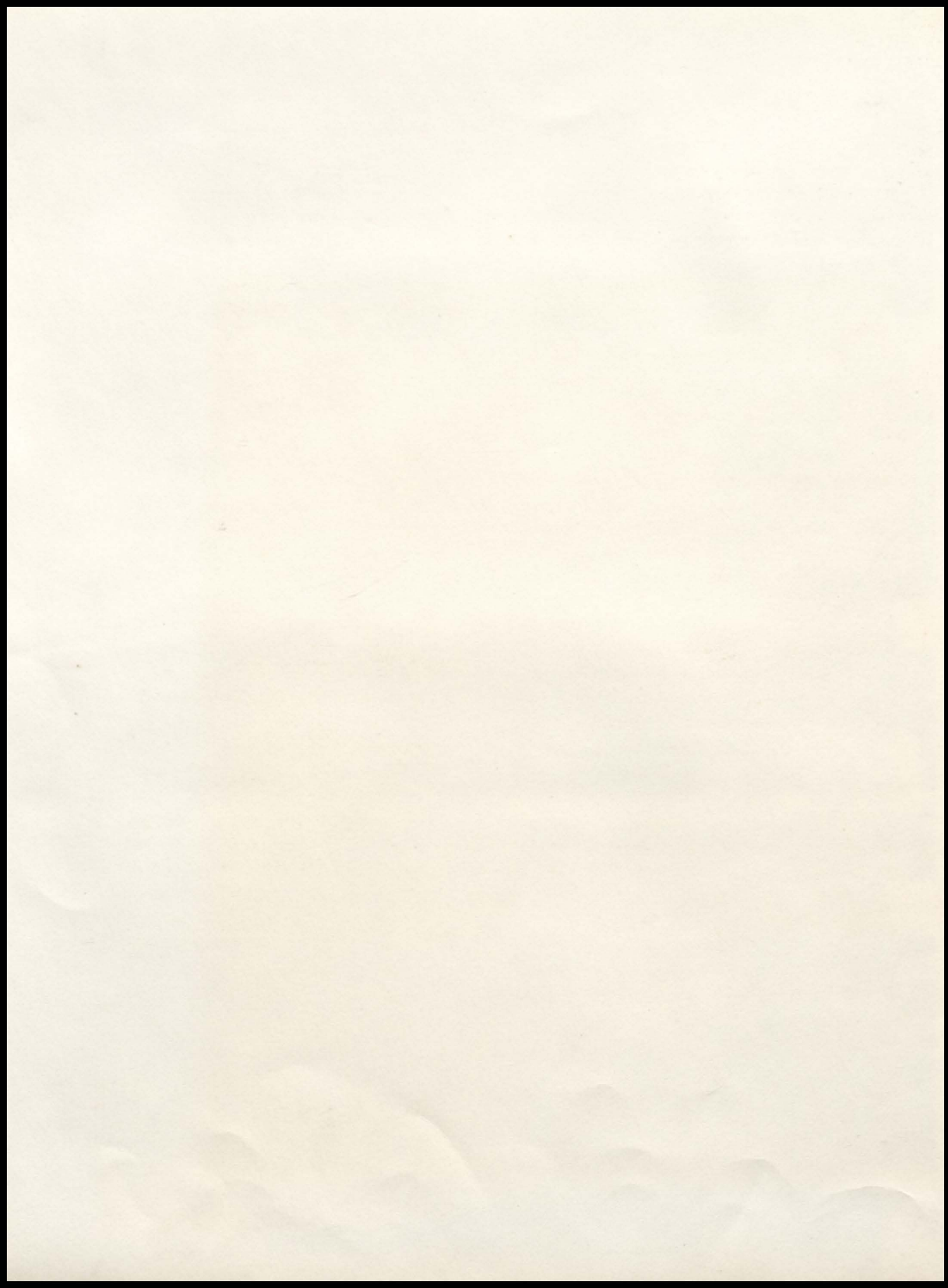
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Our Faculty

To Mr. Alkire and the faculty we extend our sincere appreciation for the friendship and guidance rendered us during the years.

Mr. S. E. Alkire	Superintendent, Physics
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The Years In Review

One bright September morning about four years ago, a group of bewildered freshmen straggled across the alley into the halls of B. T. H. S. They gazed in awe at the stately upperclassmen. After a short period, they became acclimated and in good parliamentary manner elected Jack Hooper, president; Dwight Yockey, vice-president; Edna Probus, secretary; and Jack Plummer, Athletic Board of Control Member. At the Homecoming dance, their charming Queen Attendant was Mary Lou Redman.

They became the Senior Class of 1947 and during the years were well represented in sports, on the honor roll, and in clubs.

In our sophomore year we chose as our class officers Mary Lou Redman, president; Jack Plummer, vice-president; Ted Petersen, secretary-treasurer; and Jack Hooper, Athletic Board of Control Member. Louise Hodam was our Homecoming Queen Attendant.

As our junior year rolled around we enjoyed the privileges and dignity of upperclassmen. To guide us we chose Dwight Yockey as president, Dale Warren as vice-president, Jack Hooper as secretary-treasurer, and "Jiggs" Strater as Athletic Board of Control Member. Margaret Reinhart looked lovely as the attendant to the Homecoming Queen. Our play—"Let 'Er Go Gallagher"—was a huge success. In April we entertained the seniors with a formal dance in a Stardust setting.

Finally we came to our last year in high school. Dale Warren, Jack Plummer and Barbara Fair were elected as president, vice-president, and secretary-treasurer, respectively.

Jack Hooper and Dwight Yockey were co-captains of the football team. Dwight received the additional honor of being named on the all-state football honorable mention list.

Our candidate—Sally Fairbanks—was chosen Homecoming Queen and a very lovely queen she was all dressed in white. Her escorts were the co-captains, who crowned her with an attractive diadem of baby mums.

Kenny Eckstein was chosen honorary basketball captain at the close of the season.

Our cheerleaders, Barb Fair, Florence Scott, and Wilma Gulliford fanned the flame of school loyalty to a high pitch and kept it there all during the sports season.

Our play, "GOING PLACES," a farce about college life was enjoyed by an appreciative community.

The year began to wane and we were looking forward to Baccalaureate and Commencement—May 25 and 28. Passing the rigors of senior exams was made easier by the memory of the lovely formal party given us by the juniors.

And now our final year at B. T. H. S. is finished. Our school days are only memories which we share with others of our classmates.

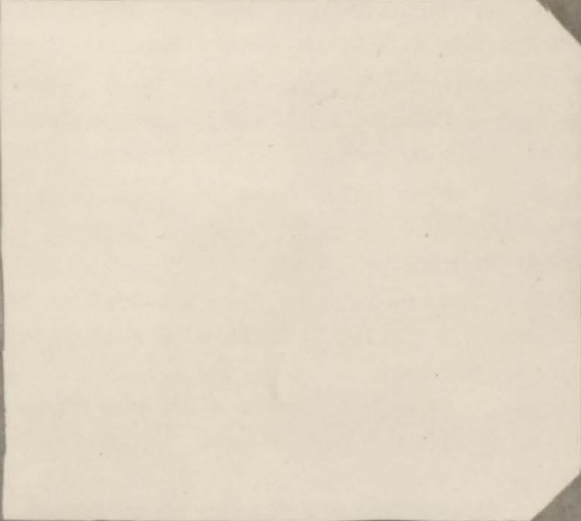
Senior Class

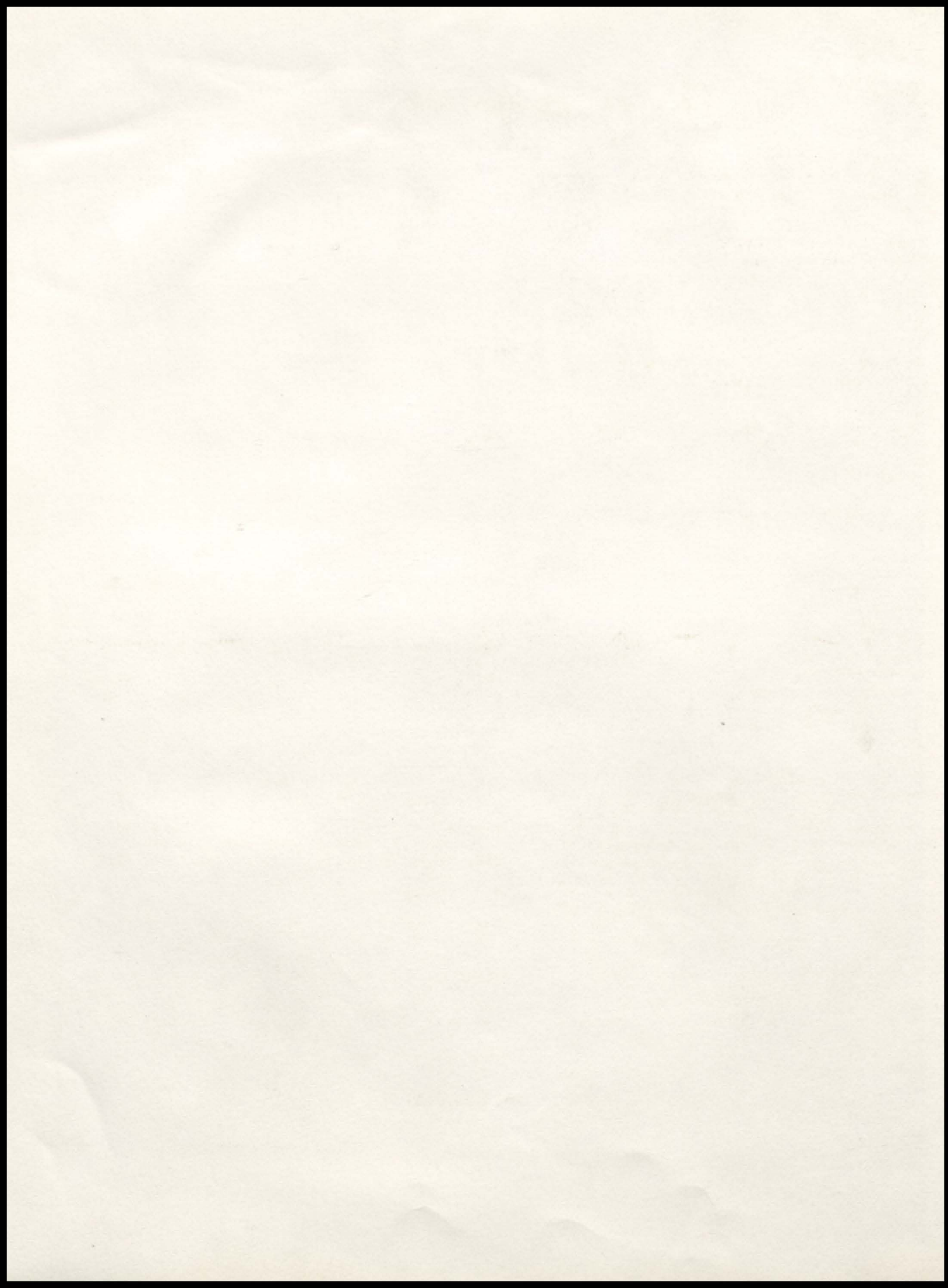
(Reading from left to right)

- Dale Warren** "Crittter"—That man with the pink and white complexion—tall—blond—good looking—"Oh, he writes the most beautiful letters."
- Barbara Fair** "Barb"—Petite and sweet—cheerleader—tidy. One of those cute blondes who verify the fact that the best things come in small packages.
- Jack Plummer** "Poss"—Seemingly always sleepy but really wide awake. "King of Hearts"—broken or otherwise. He's the inveterate swiper of the Advanced Math Answer book.
- Wilma Gulliford** "Gully"—She's short and peppy—one of the "gals" who led the cheers all year. Always on the go—one of the more athletic senior girls. Gingery hair and a temper to match.
- Louise Hodam** "Hody"—Calm and collected. She has artistic talent and a happy disposition. An animated person who makes good grades without studying—slightly sarcastic in a good-natured way.
- Kenneth Christman** "Bud"—Generally easy-going, but big and burley with a temper—Wow! A deep hearty laugh and a big, big voice make him well-liked by everyone.
- Gene High** "Gene"—Amateur taxidermist—budding physicist—quiet and good natured. He is trying to make his "fame and fortune" by hard work. He "sweats-it-out" as an usher at the local movie palace.
- Mary Lincicum** "Jo"—A long swinging pageboy—Laughter comes easy for her. She is a constant companion of her brother—interested in music—loves gardenias and wears them often.
- Edna Probus** "Toots"—Vivacious—winner of the D. A. R. Award. She likes to sing, but her favorite activity is dancing. Makes good grades without visible effort. Her future lies in interior decorating.
- Florence Scott** "Scottie"—Call her "cute" and watch her fume—cheerleader. She has poise and a pleasing personality—dark hair and eyes—deep voice. Her eyes can sparkle with mischief.
- Billydale Hixson** "Hick"—He lives for basketball and basketball lives for him. One of us attractive Seniors (a-hem). He slips into class about a minute before the tardy bell.
- Dwight Yockey** "Dewitt"—good natured—rather bashful—made honorable mention as a guard in Football. He is a nice all-around fellow with a brawny physique.
- Grace Poundstone** "Gracie"—She is quiet and unassuming. A' tall, slim "gal"—always willing to help a friend in need. She has a cute little giggle when she is amused.
- Mary Kay Ray** "Kay" loves a "barber"—a Freshman, that is. She is friendly with a smile for everyone. A future teacher—she says. Likes bright colors—looks well in them.
- Roscoe Sebans** "Corney"—a farmer through and through—serious—studious. He blushes like a maiden—easily. He seems to have a knack with machines.
- Mary Shumard** "Tyke"—a distinctive giggle—wedding bells will ring for her in June. At present she is a waitress at Flavin's Restaurant and apparently enjoys it—Short, dark, shiny hair.
- Ted Petersen** "Swede"—Happy-go-lucky—full of jokes—mischievous. "Dynamite comes in small packages"—and we do mean dynamite. He's in the Navy now.



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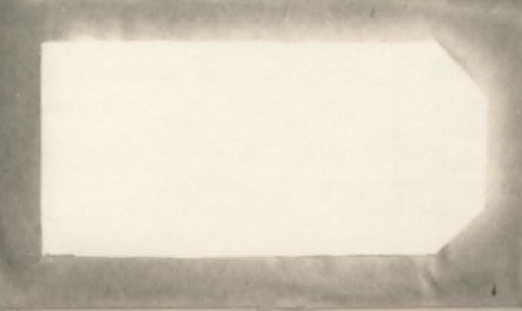
Senior Activities

- Kenneth Christman**—Chorus 1; Football 1, 2, 3, 4, Varsity 2, 3, 4; Basketball 2, 3; Track 2, 3, 4, Varsity 2, 3; Baseball 2, 3.
- Glenn Eades**—Monticello High School 1, 2, 3; Chorus 2, 3, 4; F. F. A. 2, 3, 4; Monticello Victory Corps 1, 2; P. F. C. 1; Staff Sergeant 2; Track 3; Senior Play.
- Kenneth Eckstein**—Chorus 1; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4, Varsity 3, 4, Honorary Captain 4; Football 1, 2, 3, 4, Varsity 2, 3, 4; Baseball 4; F. F. A. 1, 2, 3, 4, Vice-president 4.
- Barbara Fair**—F. H. A. 1, 2, 3, 4; G. A. A. 1; Annual Staff 2, 4; News Staff 3; Cheerleader 4; Bookworm Club Secretary 3; Librarian 3, 4; Class Secretary-treasurer 4; Chorus 1; Student Council 4; Senior Play.
- Sara Fairbanks**—Chorus 1; F. H. A. 1, 2, 3, 4, Parliamentarian 4; G. A. A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Annual Staff 4; Homecoming Queen 4; G. A. A. State Camp 4.
- Phyllis Fish**—F. H. A. 1, 2, 3, 4, Reporter 4; Chorus 1; Girls' Tumbling Group 3; Bookworm Club President 3; Librarian 3, 4; News Staff 4; Annual Staff 4.
- Inez Forcum**—G. A. A. 1, 2, 3, Assistant Point Secretary 2, Vice-president 3; Band 1, 2, 3, 4, Secretary-treasurer 3, Student Director 4; Chorus 1; Operetta Orchestra 2; Christmas Program 2; News Staff 3; Annual Staff 4; Music Festival 4; Senior Play.
- Carolyn Ford**—F. H. A. 2, 3, 4; Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Library Club 3; Operetta 2; Music Festival 4; Chorus Contest 4.
- Wilma Gulliford**—Chorus 1, 4; F. H. A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Junior Play; Senior Play; Chorus Contest 4; Music Festival 4.
- Gene High**—Chorus 1; F. F. A. 4; Senior Play.
- Mary Hinton**—F. H. A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Librarian 4; Chorus 1; Annual Staff 4; Junior Play.
- Bill Hixson**—Decatur 1, 2; Basketball 1, 3, 4; Track 1; Football 3; Baseball 4; F. F. A. 3.
- Louise Hodam**—News Staff 3, 4; Annual Staff 4; G. A. A. 1, 2, 3, 4, Secretary-treasurer 2, President 4; F. H. A. 1, 2, 3, 4, Secretary 3; Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4, Secretary 4; Operetta 2; Band 2, 3, 4, Librarian 3, President 4; Music Festival 4; Chorus Contest 4; District Vocal Solo Contest 3, 4; State Vocal Solo Contest 3; Trio 4; District Contest 4; Ensemble 2; Bassoon Solo Contest 4; Junior Play; State Home Ec Camp 3; State G. A. A. Camp 4; Queen Attendant 2; Senior Play.
- Lois Hord**—Chorus 1; G. A. A. 1; F. H. A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Girls' Tumbling Group 2, 3, 4; Annual Staff 4; Bookworm Club 3; Librarian 3, 4; Senior Play.
- Jack Hooper**—Football 1, 2, 3, 4, Varsity 2, 3, 4, Co-Captain 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4, Varsity 2, 3, 4; Track 2, 3, Varsity 2, 3; Baseball 2; Class Secretary-treasurer 3; Class President 1; Athletic Board of Control Member 2; Junior Play; Chorus 1, 2, 4; Operetta 2; Annual Staff 4; Queen Attendant's Escort 2, 3; Queen's Co-Escort 4.
- Robert Lieb**—Football 1, 2, 4, Varsity 4; Chorus 1, 2; Track 3, 4; Basketball 3.
- Mary Lincicum**—F. H. A. 1, 2, 3, 4, Secretary 4; G. A. A. 1, 2, 3; Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4, Pianist 2, 3, 4; Operetta 2; News Staff 3; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Chorus Contest 4; Accompanist at District Solo Contest 4.
- Norma Munson**—F. H. A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Chorus 1; News Staff 3.
- Ted Petersen**—Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; President-elect 4 (Before Navy); Track 3; Football 1, 2, 3; L. O. V. 2, 3; Junior Play; Class Secretary-treasurer 2; Navy 4.
- Jack Plummer**—Football 1, 2, 3, 4, Varsity 3, 4; Chorus 1, 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4, Varsity 3, 4; Class Vice-president 2, 4; Athletic Board of Control Member 1; Junior Play; Senior Play; Student Council 4.
- Grace Poundstone**—Aurora, Missouri 1; Chorus 1; L. O. V. 3; Annual Staff 4.
- Edna Probus**—Class Secretary-treasurer 1; Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4, President 3, Operetta 2; Chorus Contest 4; F. H. A. 2, 3, 4, State Camp Delegate 2, Parliamentarian 3, Vice-president 4; Junior Play; Trio 4; District Music Contest 4; News Staff 4; Annual Staff 4; Music Festival 4; Senior Play.
- Mary Kay Ray**—Chorus 1; F. H. A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Junior Play; News Staff 3, 4.
- Mary Lou Redman**—F. H. A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Class President 2; Queen Attendant 1; Chorus 1; News Staff 3; Bookworm Club 3, Vice-president 3.
- Jack Romack**—Track 1, 2; Chorus 1; Football 3; F. F. A. 3; Navy.
- James Rucker**—Football 2, 3, Varsity 3; Chorus 2, 3; Operetta 3; F. F. A. 3; Queen Attendant's Escort 3; Navy '45-'46.
- Florence Scott**—F. H. A. 2, 3; Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Band 2, Reporter 2; Ensemble 2; Trio 4; District Contest 4; Solo 4; Operetta 2; Senior Play; Elkhart High School 3; Echo 3; Echoette 3; Junior Play; Ensemble 3; Chorus Contest 4.
- Roscoe Sebens**—F. F. A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Football 3, Manager 4; Junior Play; Senior Play.
- Mary Shumard**—F. H. A. 1, 2; Chorus 1; Tumbling 3, 4.
- Belva Slagle**—F. H. A. 1; G. A. A. 1, 2, 3; Chorus 1.
- Harriet Slusser**—F. H. A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Band 3, 4; Chorus 1, 2, 3; Operetta 2; Twirler 1, 2, 3; Majorette 3; News Staff 4; Annual Staff 4.
- Merill Strater**—Football 1, 2, 3, 4, Varsity 2, 3, 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4, Varsity 3, 4; Track 2, 3, 4, Varsity 2, 3, 4; Baseball 2, 4, Varsity 4; F. F. A. 2, 3, 4; Chorus 1; Athletic Board of Control 3; Senior Play.
- Dale Warren**—Queen Attendant's Escort 4; F. F. A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Football 1, 2, 3, 4, Varsity 4; Basketball 2, 3, 4, Varsity 4; Track 2, 3, 4, Varsity 2, 3, 4; Class Vice-president 3; Class President 4; President of Student Council 4; Annual Staff 4.
- Dwight Yockey**—F. F. A. 1, 2, 3, 4, Secretary 2; President 4; Football 1, 2, 3, 4, Varsity 3, 4, Co-Captain 4; Basketball 2, 3; Track 2, 3; Class Vice-president 1; Class President 3; Queen's Co-Escort 4.

Senior Class

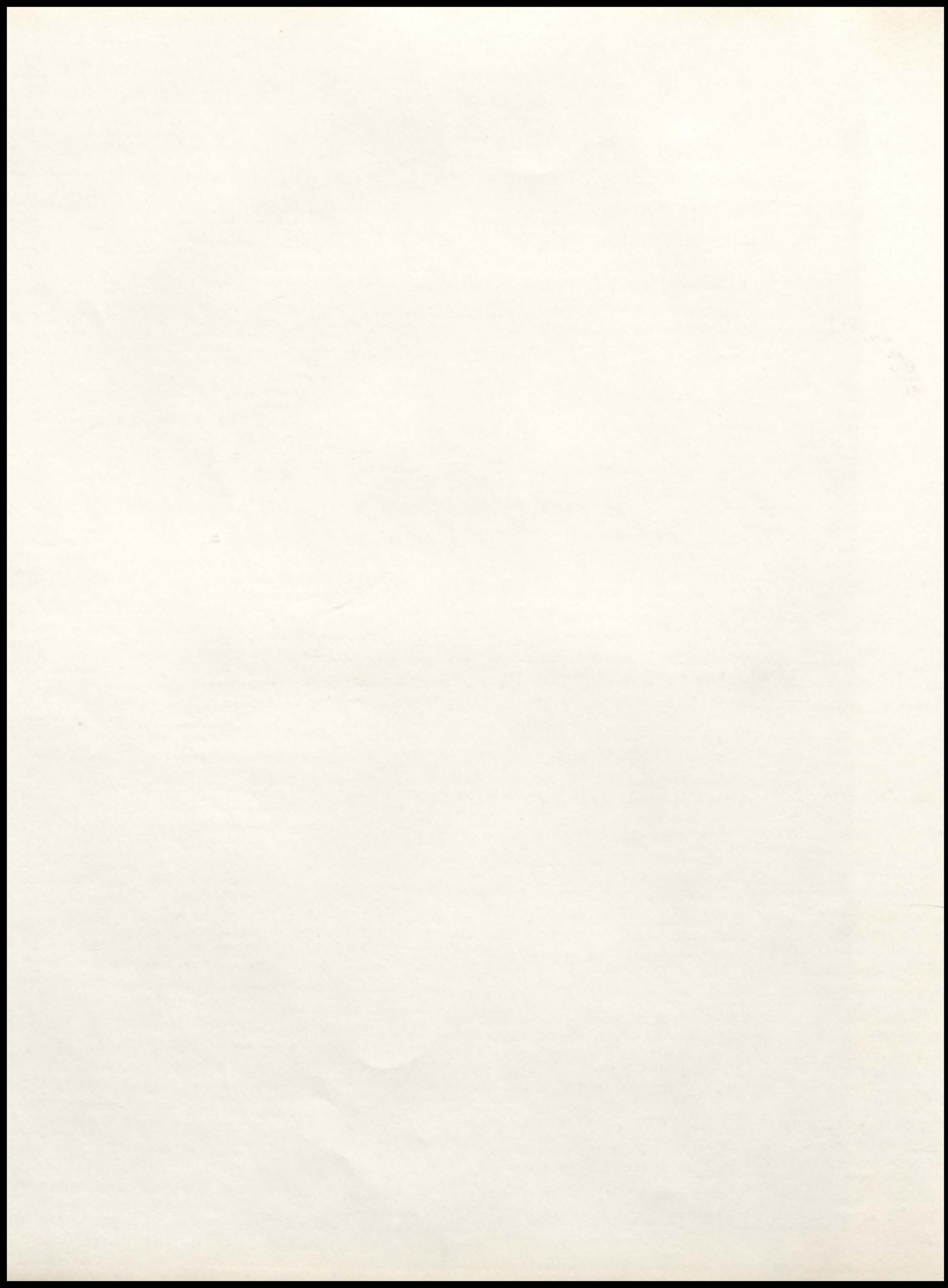
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- Robert Lieb** "Bob"—Idol of every girl in school—a big boy—He's happy, if he is teasing someone. A shy smile—a midyear graduate—bashful—yet he knows his way around.
- Lois Hord** "Lulu"—A different man every week—Friendly—Always in a big hurry and always busy. She plans to be an "angel in white."
- Jack Romack** "Syckie"—An ex-navy man. He is noted for his wide sparkling smile. A quiet reserved gentleman—but he can sure make those bells ring in Physics Class.
- Sara Fairbanks** "Sally"—Another of our prospective Clara Bartons—She usually arrives in a breathless state. She was selected for Queen of the Homecoming.
- Carolyn Ford** "Carol"—She has the capacity for making people laugh with and at her. Giggly and likeable, she has a sharp Irish wit.
- Merill Strater** "Jiggs"—grower of the prize "cookie-duster"—fast—in football and basketball, that is. He is always good for a laugh.
- James Rucker** "J. O."—Ex-navy man. He is another midyear graduate—lucky boy! Has a sense of humor—boisterous laugh—wears classy-clackety shoes. He is now a toiler in a local grocery store.
- Mary Lou Redman** "Hub"—loves a farmer. She is preparing to be a housewife and spends most of her spare time arranging her future home—on a blueprint. Individualistic—has a wink to remember.
- Norma Munson** "Monsoon"—Placid—with a determined streak. She is one of the quieter type at B. T. H. S.—peaches and cream complexion. Her hair is her crowning glory.
- Mary Hinton** "H. W."—Let her chatter and giggle and snap her chewing gum and she will be happy. Her main interest is out of town. Want to know the latest B. T. H. S. dirt? Ask Mary.
- Glenn Eades** "General"—An outdoor man active in scouting. He plans to go into Forestry. Good humored and devilish—a transfer from Monticello this past year.
- Kenneth Eckstein** "Cookie"—A tall dark fellow who is enamored of a pretty blonde junior—regular center on the varsity basketball team—slow and easy going. You wonder if he will get there—but he does.
- Phyllis Fish** "Phyll"—friendly with a ready sense of humor. Her favorite remark is, "Hey, kid, les go skatin'!!" One of those three girls in Physics, she is preparing for a career in the field of nursing.
- Belva Slagle** "Slug"—red hair—raised eyebrows and a sunny disposition—with a surprising touch of ginger in a sly wit. She can usually be found up at Hill's giving "service with a smile."
- Inez Forcum** "Aftercum"—An organizer—efficient—cool—with a twinkle in her eye that spikes all rumors of aloofness. Fun to be with. She always feeds the annual staff.
- Harriet Slusser** "Chip"—Wearer of pretty clothes, a perennial blank look, and a diamond—"Blondie"—Her bracelets reach to her elbows.
- Jack Hooper** "Hook"—Always a Romeo—handsome—likeable—all around sportsman. He has a place in his heart for the girls of the under classes.



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Senior Foolishness

Name	What They Come To School For	What We Think They Will Be
Sara Fairbanks	To go to bookkeeping	Secretary most likely to succeed in sitting on the boss's lap
Kenneth Eckstein	To lope through the halls of learning	Lucky Strike Tobacco Auctioneer
Harriet Slusser	To flash her bright diamond	Coach of the Rockets (boys basketball team)
Kenneth Christman	To eat candy in class	Midget in Barnum & Bailey Circus
Phyllis Fish	'Cause she has to	Head surgeon at the Mayo Brothers clinic
Glenn Eades	To TALK—period	Secretary to Rita Hayworth (He bribed us)
Grace Poundstone	To be very quiet	First woman to fly to the moon in a rocket ship
Billy Dale Hixson	To play basketball	A world champion heavyweight prize fighter
Edna Probus	To talk to people	New York taxi driver
Dale Warren	To preside over the Senior Class	Piano player with Harry James
Louise Hodam	To boop on her bazooka	A hillbilly singer on W-D-Z
Dwight Yockey	To provide transportation for the Milmine students	A famous Irish opera singer
Mary Kay Ray	To be with Bert	Noted scientist
Ted Petersen	To cut-up	President of the U. of I.
Mary Lou Redman	To study	Bachelor girl
Jack Hooper	To be the hero of the sophomore girls	Ditch digger
Wilma Gulliford	To dance	Part owner of a joint where only waltzing is allowed
Jack Plummer	To sleep	Proprietor of an "old maid" farm near Monticello
Norma Munson	To make English speeches	Democratic senator of Illinois
Robert Lieb	To look embarrassed	Frank Sinatra of 1952
Lois Hord	To talk about Curt	Tommy Manville's 13th wife
Eugene High	To explain Physics problems to the "3 ladies of the class"	Two gunner gangster
Inez Forcum	To snap her brown eyes	A history teacher—don't hit us!
James Rucker	To pester teachers	Andre (noted Paris fashion designer)
Barbara Fair	To draw pictures	Bass-viol player with the Boston symphony orchestra
Florence Scott	To comb her hair	President of "WE HATE MEN" club
Jack Romack	To show off his car	Rejuvenator of Model T's into modern baby carriages
Mary Hinton	To chatter	Hedda Hopper's No. 1 assistant
Mary Lincicum	To write to "Kentucky"	Future driver on the Indianapolis speedway
Carolyn Ford	To giggle and chew gum	Truant officer at B. T. H. S.
Roscoe Sebens	To blush	The head of a matrimonial agency
Mary Shumard	To learn the culinary art for future use	First mate on a foreign-bound ship
Merill Strater	To make touchdowns	Proprietor of a beauty parlor in Jimtown
Belva Slagle	To giggle and gab in History	Perry Como's singing partner

Senior Who's Who

Edna Probus	..... Most All-Around	..... Jack Hooper
Louise Hodam	..... Most Athletic	..... Merill Strater
Grace Poundstone	..... Most Quiet	..... Kenneth Eckstein
Louise Hodam	..... Most Likely to Succeed	..... Dwight Yockey
Carolyn Ford	..... Most Mischievous	..... Ted Petersen

Senior Class Play

The Seniors produced "Going Places," a farce about college life. Shirley Kimball and Jeff Sterling provide the romantic interest besides getting into all sorts of trouble trying to get Chuck Malloy into Dartford. Rosemary Lee, Shirley's friend, is interested in Chuck and helps Shirley in trying to influence Professor Stubbs into re-examining Chuck. Mrs. Kimball is suspicious of the plotting, but sympathetic. Cuthbert Lee, the eventual unraveller of the mix-up, provides a touch of humor along with Gladys Miller, who is the trial of Mrs. Kimball's life and a pest to Shirley and Jeff.

Dr. Kimball is confused about the whole affair, especially when he meets three Miss Malloys. The first was Florence Ward, a feature writer who co-operated in portraying Miss Malloy in order to get a story. The second was the result of Jeff and Shirley convincing Mrs. Stubbs that the only way to get her husband's job back was to disguise herself as Chuck's aunt. When the real Miss Malloy appears on the scene, and Professor Stubbs comes raging in to find his wife, the whole thing is too much for Dr. Kimball.

Eventually Professor Stubbs gets his job back, he and Mrs. Stubbs are re-united; Chuck and Cuthbert are both admitted to Dartford; Aunt Kate is giving the school a new library; Chuck and Rosemary, Gladys and Cuthbert, and Jeff and Shirley are happy; Doctor and Mrs. Kimball have succeeded in straightening things out; and all of them troop out to the dance.

All's well that ends well!

CAST

Dr. Walter Kimball, president of Dartford College.....	Roscoe Sebens
Ella Kimball, his wife.....	Inez Forcum
Shirley Kimball, their daughter, a co-ed.....	Florence Scott
Jeff Sterling, a student football manager.....	Jack Plummer
Rosemary Lee, a cute co-ed.....	Wilma Gulliford
Cuthbert Lee, her highbrow cousin, entering college.....	Gene High
Chuck Malloy, a football player from Texas, entering college.....	Jiggs Strater
Kate Malloy, his spinster aunt.....	Edna Probus
Dr. Melville Stubbs, professor of ancient history.....	Glenn Eades
Lillian Stubbs, his wife.....	Barbara Fair
Gladys Miller, a co-ed employed as maid by the Kimballs.....	Louise Hodam
Florence Ward, a magazine feature writer.....	Lois Hord

Class Will

Last Will and Testament of the Senior Class of 1947 duly witnessed signed and sealed.

Florence Scott—I will my poise to Shirley Lamb and Doris Brittenham.

Grace Poundstone—I leave my sweet personality to Audine Tompkins to add to her own similar one.

Gene High—I leave my retiring nature to J. D. Carroll and Bob Collins.

Jack Plummer—I bequeath my ability to doze in class to Katie Gallivan.

Phyllis Fish—I will my ability to bluff to John Moery and Bruce Still.

Glenn Eades—I leave my sprouting wings to all mischievous juniors such as Messrs. Funk and Postlewait.

Roscoe Sebens—I leave my ability to stay out of trouble to Bob Curry.

Wilma Gulliford—I bequeath my jitterbugging technique to Ada Sebens.

Norma Munson—I will my quiet voice and manner to Warren Foran to apply to his distinctive laugh.

Jim Rucker—I leave my raven black locks to Martha Turney, Norma Hall, and Grace Somers so that they can be dark sultry sirens.

Bob Lieb—I will my Charles Atlas physique to LaMar Grunewald and Dwight Johnson.

Jack Hooper—I leave my way with the 'fairer' to Jack Gallivan, the 'Ivesdale Romeo.'

Mary Lincicum—I bequeath my personalized stationery—left over from letters to various and sundry Bills—to Olive Beals to use in writing to Kenny.

Belva Slagle—I leave my read hair to Wanda Romack—need we say more?

Edna Probus—I will my way with the dance to Leonard Lamkin.

Ted Petersen—I bequeath my place in Mr. Krane's heart to Barb Hampton and Alan Hendrix.

Carolyn Ford—I leave my "nite-owling" to Wanda Larimore.

Harriet Slusser—I will my "collision-proof" Studebaker to George Cotter.

Dwight Yockey—I leave my farming ability to Joan Heiple and Eileen Hardimon. Now who'll leave 'em a farm???

Merill Strater—I bequeath my ability to grow a man-sized mustache and beard to John Born so he won't have to draw them on pictures.

Sara Fairbanks—I will my primness to Betty Dukeman and Doris Wheeler.

Mary Hinton—I leave my affection for the art of shorthand to Phyllis Comerford.

Mary Kay Ray—I leave my ability to love one man to Ervilla Lefever.

Kenneth Christman—I bequeath to Donald Schum my loud boisterous laugh.

Barbara Fair—I will my slight stature to Joe Hannon.

Jack Romack—I leave my Model-T to Ann Tynan if I can have it back in case it runs.

Bill Hixson—I will my "affection" for school to Glenn Deering.

Louise Hodam—I bequeath my dumb but sometimes humorous comments to Gene Hill and Ruth Defore to use in case of too much quietness.

Kenneth Eckstein—I leave my influence with the junior girls along with my shy glances to Jim Morgan and Dean Buckner.

Inez Forcum—I leave my executive ability to Betty Fombelle and Mary Vance.

Lois Hord—I will my love of people any and all to Dale Shepherd.

Mary Lou Redman—To George Camden and Bob Foran I bequeath my distinctive stride.

Mary Shumard—I will my vivacious manner and snappy eyes to Charles Heiple.

Dale Warren—To another "Milminer," Howard Lawrence, I leave my bashful grin and innocent appearance.

Junior Carnival

The Junior Class this year decided to have a carnival instead of following the former custom of giving a play.

The date of the gala event was November 22, at 7:30 p. m. The doors to the gymnasium were opened to the public and thus began a very successful evening.

Eight free acts were presented by the members of the class. Various food stands and concession booths were set up around the gym and ripples of laughter were heard coming from them during the entire evening. A feature of the carnival was the giving away of a Westinghouse Electric Oven, a Dormeyer Electric Mixer, a Stewart-Warner Radio, a record player, and a pressure sauce pan.

Altogether about four hundred paid admissions were received and over \$325 was cleared from the carnival.

Junior-Senior Prom

On May 8, at 8:30 p. m., the annual Junior-Senior Prom was held in the high school gymnasium.

The gym had been decorated as a night club. It was very pretty and seemed to add to the delightful strains of Bill Oetzel and his orchestra.

A highlight of the evening was a twenty minute floor show presented by the orchestra members.

Refreshments of punch, angel food cake, sandwiches, nuts, and mints were served throughout the evening.

At 11:30 p. m. the music stopped and by midnight a very enjoyable evening was just a memory.

JUNIORS

Insert—John Moery, president; Audine Tompkins, vice-president; Alan Hendrix, secretary-treasurer.

First row: George Camden, Olive Beals, Howard Lawrence, Doris Brittenham, Dale Shepherd, Mary Vance, Gene Hill

Second row: Grace Somers, Glenn Deering, Ann Tynan, Bruce Still, Shirley Lugar, Stanley Funk, Doris Wheeler

Third row: Wanda Romack, Bob Collins

Fourth row: Bob Postlewait, Ruth DeFore

Fifth row: Joan Heiple, Leonard Lamkin

Sixth row: Bob Curry, Wanda Larimore

Seventh row: LaMar Grunewald, Ada Sebens, J. D. Carroll

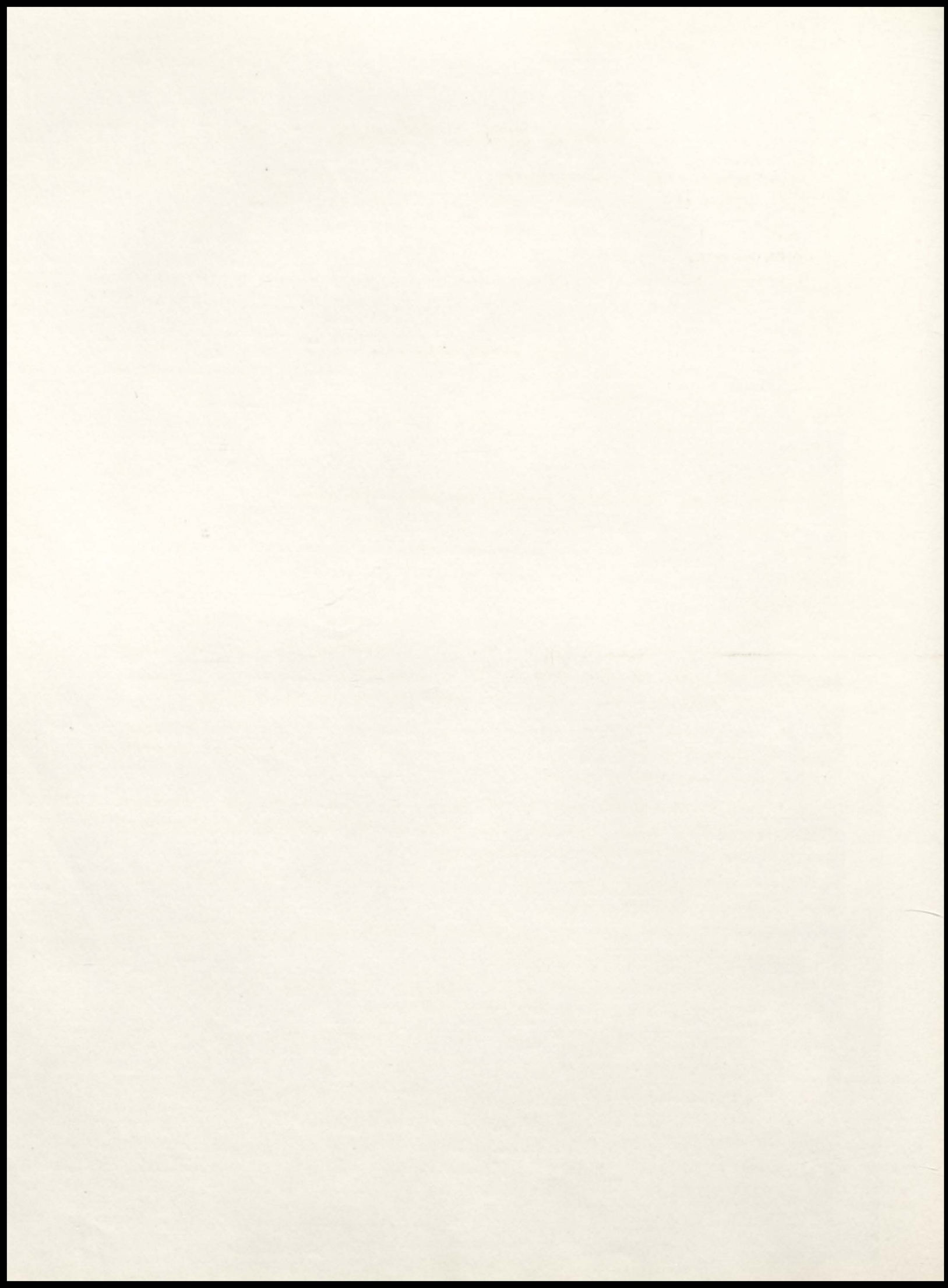
Eighth row: Jack Gallivan, Phyllis Comerford, Joe Hannon, Eileen Hardimon

Ninth row: Jim Morgan, Gene Timme, Betty Dukeman, Donald Schum

Tenth row: Shirley Lamb, Warren Foran, Martha Turney, George Cotter, Barbara Hampton, Charles Heiple, Ervilla Lefever

Eleventh row: Dwight Johnson, Catherine Gallivan, John Born, Betty Fombelle, Dean Buckner, Norma Hall, Robert Foran





Junior Class History

The fall of 1944 saw forty-nine freshmen enter thru the doors of B. T. H. S. for the first time as students of this institution.

Like all of the classes before us and those to come, we had our share of embarrassing moments. However, in a short time we had become accustomed to our new surroundings and were eagerly looking forward to the day when we would no longer have to tolerate the name of "green freshies."

In our freshman year Bob Postlewait was elected president. Other officers were Stan Funk, vice-president; Audine Tompkins, secretary-treasurer; and John Moery, member of the athletic board of control.

Audine Tompkins was our queen candidate for the annual Homecoming celebration.

Forty-seven of us returned the following year and this year we did our share of the customary joshing of those "freshies."

George Cotter was elected to lead the class during our sophomore year. The vice-president was Alan Hendrix, the secretary-treasurer was Howard Lawrence, and the member of the Athletic Board of Control was Bob Curry.

Ervilla Lefever was our attendant to the Homecoming Queen.

We started things off with a bang by sponsoring the first all-school party of the year. It was held in the gymnasium.

Upperclassmen! All of us! Oh! what an important feeling.

At the initial Junior Class meeting John Moery was elected president, Audine Tompkins was elected vice-president, and Alan Hendrix was elected secretary-treasurer.

On the gridiron our boys really shone, as eight boys won their varsity awards. For three boys this was their second letter in football, having won their initial "B" as sophomores.

Four juniors won basketball letters this year and for all of them it was their second such award.

Martha Turney was our candidate for Homecoming Queen and acted as an attendant to the queen.

Several members of our class went to Charleston to the District Music Contest and made a creditable showing.

As a means of raising money for the Junior-Senior prom, we presented a carnival in preference to producing a play.

As graduation draws nearer the entire class is sadly preparing to say good-bye to the seniors who have helped us and befriended us during these first three years. But, at the same time we are excitedly and happily looking forward to next year when WE will be the sophisticated seniors.

Sophomores

Insert: John Johnson, president; Bill Strater, vice-president;
Dean Wright, secretary-treasurer

First row: Phillip Bales, Jean Wright, Ray Warner, Carolee Patterson, Orville Frye,
Joan Downs, Jacqueline Poundstone

Second row: Charlotte Ridge, Dwight Boyd

Third row: Donald White, Jack Lash

Fourth row: Joan Fisher, Edgar Smith

Fifth row: Charles Lawson, Genevieve Durbin, Ralph Van Vleet, Arlene Rittenhouse,
Bill Cooper, Martha Boyd, Lowell Redman

Sixth row: Herb Wiggins, Mary Della Heckman

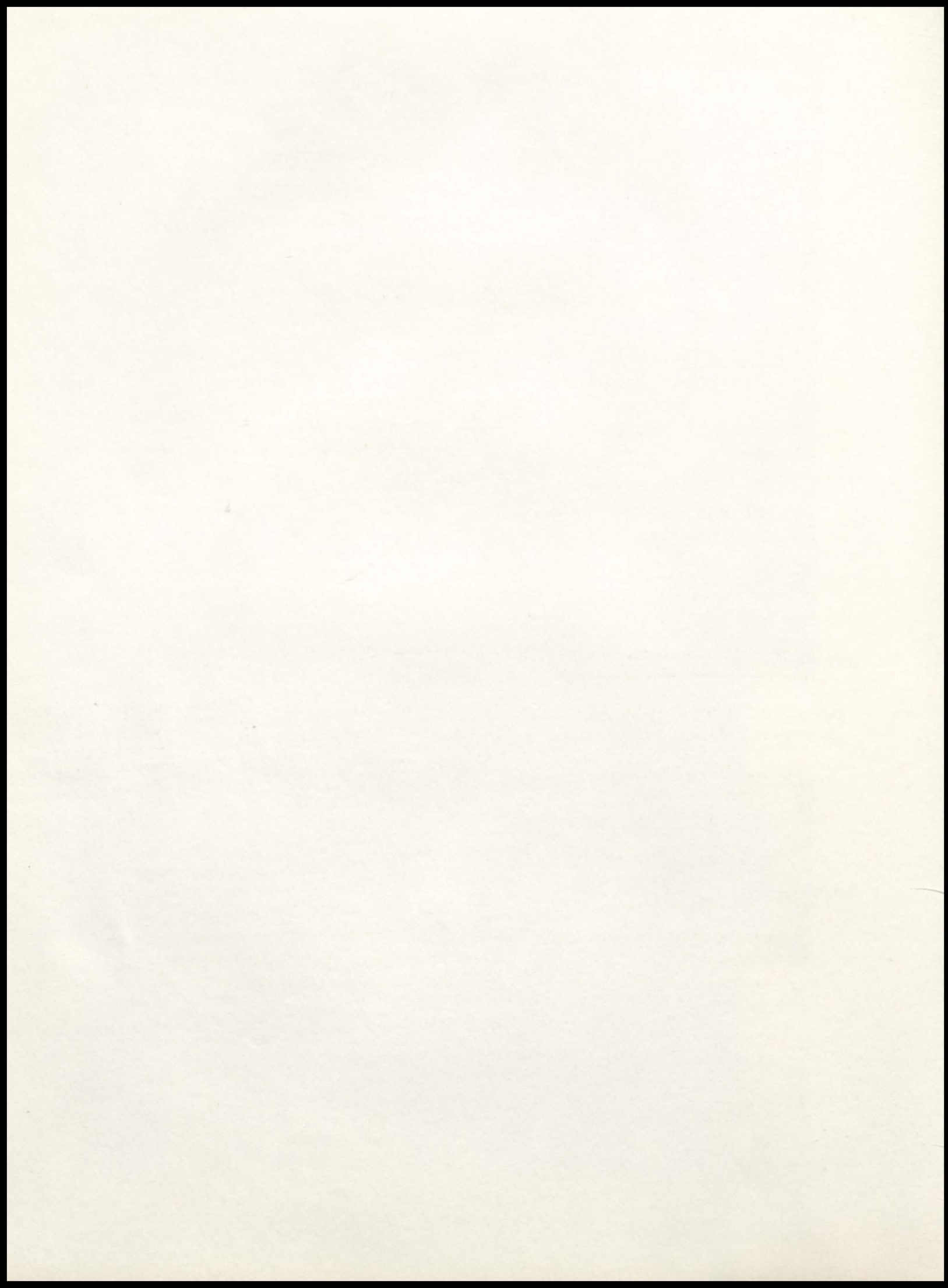
Seventh row: Rosemary Munday, Dean Phipps

Eighth row: Richard Vincent, Daraleen Still

Ninth row: Jack Carlin, Arlen Rittenhouse

Tenth row: Charles McCabe, Charlotte Tiffin, Ronald Smith, Bonita Hixson, Eldon
Plummer, Peggy Bradley, Bob Kirk





Sophomore Class History

In the fall of 1945, forty new faces came into view in the halls of Betohi. After the first few weeks we began to feel more at home and were able to walk into class without stumbling over the wastepaper basket. At our first class meeting Peggy Bradley, Bonita Hixson, and Arlene Rittenhouse were elected president, vice-president, and secretary-treasurer respectively.

Bonita Hixson was chosen freshman queen candidate for the annual homecoming celebration.

We freshmen entered into all sorts of school activities such as F. F. A., F. H. A., G. A. A., and athletics. Bill Strater and Dean Wright won letters in track.

Many of the same faces were seen on the opening day of school in September, 1946. We were ready to embark on another school year.

Jean Wright was selected as queen candidate to represent the sophomore class at the annual homecoming celebration.

Again many members of the class entered energetically into the many school activities. Bill Strater and Charles Lawson won letters in football.

Our first party was held the day before Valentine's Day. Eskimo pies and soft drinks were served as refreshments. The entertainment consisted of games and dancing.

We have reached the half-way mark of our high school career and we have enjoyed every moment of it, but we still have two more years of high school left. Our task is before us, so let's make the most of it

Freshmen

Insert: Jerry Clark, president; Eileen Christman, secretary-treasurer
Dick Cahill, vice-president

First row: Carrie Sebens, Thurman Larimore, Mary Hawkins, Raymond Yockey,
Betty Weatherford, Homer Van Vleet, Della Evans, Jim Byerline, Mary Bales

Second row: Francis Durbin, Ivaline Poundstone, Ed Phipps, Carol Votaw, John
Metzger, Natalie Johnson, Leslie Durbin, Donna Crook, John Warren

Third row: Phyllis Fogerson, Bob Taphorn

Fourth row: Bob Clark, Phyllis Murphy

Fifth row: Jeanne Ford, Ed Lamb, Barbara Cooper, Tom Spencer, Oneta Smith,
Harold Weakley

Sixth row: Kinzel Coffey, Alice Warren, Dean Stout, Audrey Helton, Bert Barber,
Shirley Noe

Seventh row: Wanda Strater, John Cavanaugh

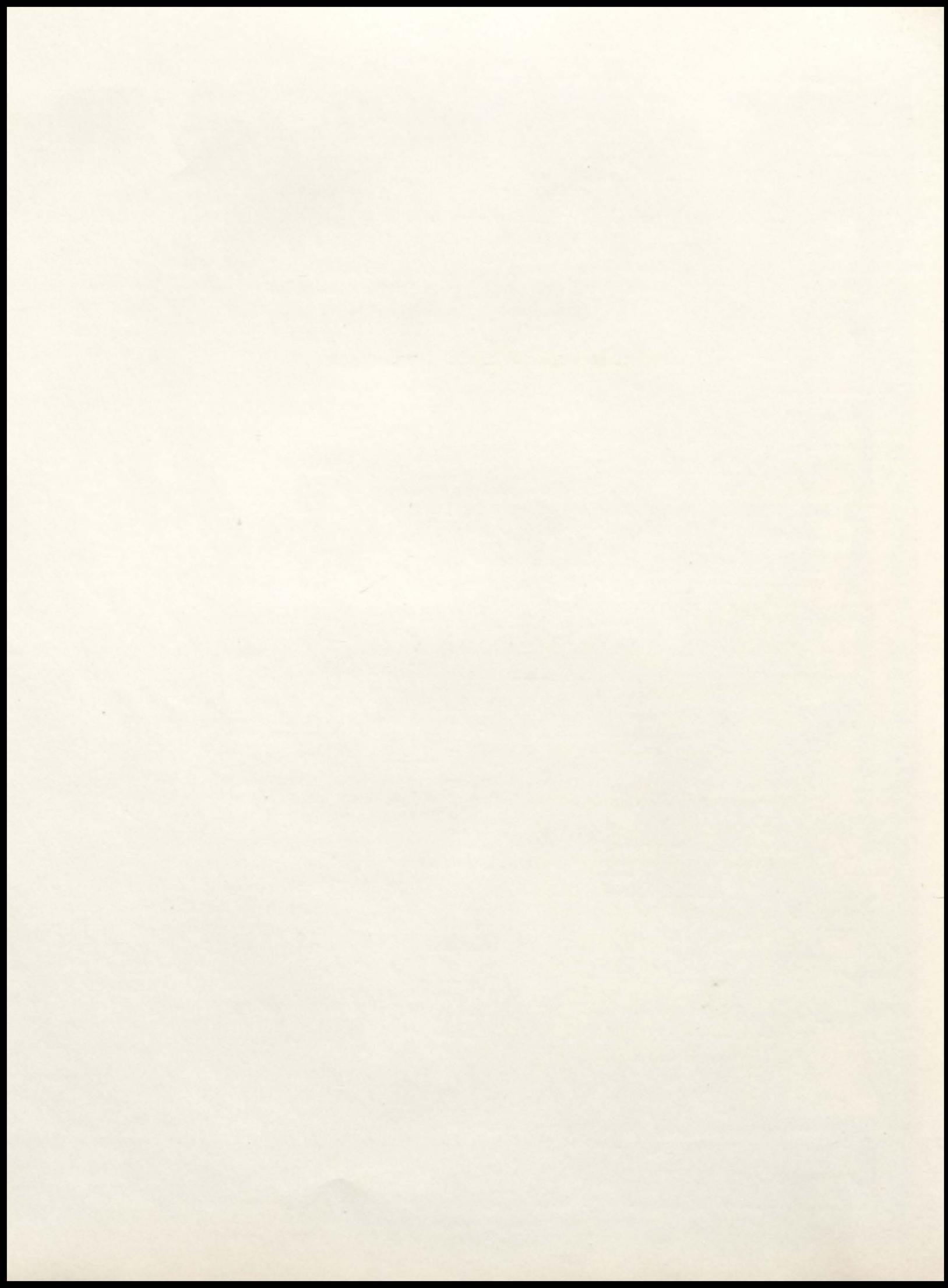
Eighth row: Duane Bentley, Marilyn Jordan

Ninth row: Bonnie Collins, Charles Morris

Tenth row: Bill Tompkins, Jean Poundstone

Eleventh row: Ruth McConaha, Tom Tucker





Freshman Class History

From Bement, Ivesdale, Milmine and adjoining country schools forty-six unfamiliar faces appeared in the halls of B. T. H. S. on the opening day of an adventurous four-year career. Although a bit rustic the class of '50 started its wheels of progress by the judicious selection of class officers. Jerry Clark, Dick Cahill, and Eileen Christman were chosen by popular vote as president, vice-president, and secretary-treasurer, respectively. The class was ably directed and organized by its sponsors, Miss Pearl Swaim and Mr. Ray Smith.

Eileen Christman was wisely chosen candidate of the Freshman Class for homecoming queen. Although the senior nominee won, Eileen made a charming attendant to the queen.

The class has contributed many promising amateurs in all fields of sports, as well as in music and the various other organizations which have claimed members of the youngest class.

By advancing every cause for the betterment of our Alma Mater the class of 1950 is assured a joyous and prosperous high school career.

Suppose That

Jeanne were a Cadillac instead of a Ford.
J. D. were a hymn instead of a Carroll.
Stanley were a DeKalb instead of a Funk.
Norma were a closet instead of a Hall.
Eileen were a weakling instead of a Hardimon.
Shirley were a lion instead of a Lamb.
Betty were a Liberty Bell instead of a Fombelle.
Bob were a deadweight instead of a Postlewait.
Grace were winters instead of Somers.
Doris were a peddler instead of a Wheeler.
Bob were a comb instead of a Curry.
Gene were a mountain instead of a Hill.
Dwight were Tom's son instead of Johnson.
Dale were a teacher instead of a Shepherd.
Bruce were noisy instead of Still.
Charlotte were a rut instead of a Ridge.
Rosemary were Tuesday instead of Mundy.
Phyllis were a whale instead of a Fish.
"Barb" were a carnival instead of a Fair.
Kinzel were tea instead of Coffey.
Doris were Virginia ham instead of Brittenham.
Elden were a carpenter instead of a Plummer.
Jean and Dean were wrong instead of Wright.
Joan were ups instead of Downs.
Don were black instead of White.
Martha were stacks instead of Bales.
"Toby" would boil instead of Frye.
Joan were a hunter instead of a Fisher.
Lowell were Beechnut instead of Redman.
Ivalene were a tombstone instead of a Poundstone.
Shirley were yes instead of Noe.
Bob were a Hershey instead of a Clark.
"Dusty" were a bird instead of a Boyd.
Marilyn were the Nile instead of Jordan.
Harold were daily instead of Weakley.
Bert were a butcher instead of a Barber.
Dean were feeble instead of Stout.
Donna were a cop instead of a Crook.
Bill were rounder instead of Strater.



ACTIVITIES

Chorus

OFFICERS

Bruce Still, president
Louise Hodam, secretary-treasurer

Mary Vance, vice-president
Bob Collins, librarian

First row: Jeanne Ford, Eileen Christman, Charlotte Tiffin, Carol Votaw, Mr. Taylor,
Mary Della Heckman, Mary Bales, Phyllis Murphy, Betty Dukeman

Second row: Martha Turney, Marilyn Jordan, Donna Crook, Louise Hodam, Eileen
Hardimon, Stanley Funk, J. D. Cavanaugh, Carolyn Ford, Jacqueline Pound-
stone, Peggy Bradley, Olive Beals, Wilma Gulliford

Third row: Mary Vance, Jean Wright, Natalie Johnson, Barbara Cooper, Bob Collins,
Bruce Still, Dale Shepherd, Joan Fisher, Della Evans, Carolee Patterson,
Ann Tynan

Fourth row: Carrie Sebens, Edna Probus, Wanda Romack, Ervilla Lefever, Jack
Plummer, Bob Kirk, Glenn Eades, Doris Brittenham, Wanda Larimore, Bonita
Hixson, Norma Hall

Fifth row: Shirley Lamb, Martha Boyd, Daraleen Still, J. D. Carroll, George Camden,
Jack Hooper, Dwight Boyd, Ruth Ella DeFore, Mary Lincicum, Florence Scott



Band

OFFICERS

Louise Hodam, president
Betty Dukeman, secretary-treasurer

J. D. Carroll, vice-president

Martha Boyd, Mary Bales, LaMar Grunewald, librarians
Phyllis Murphy, reporter

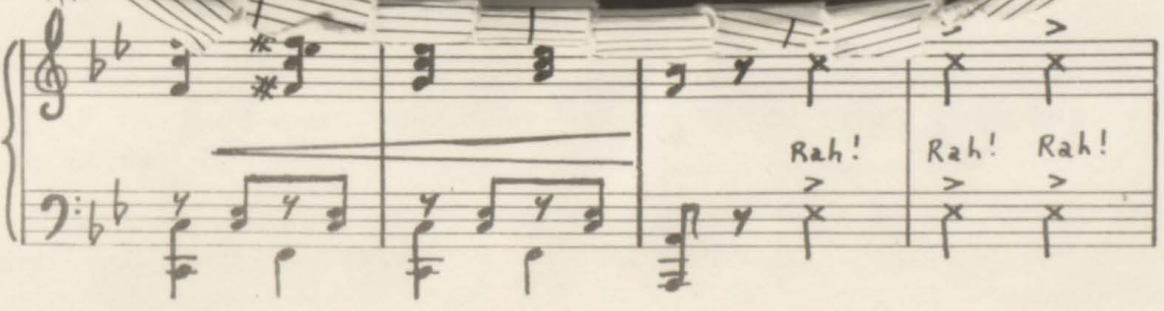
First row: Daraleen Still, Joyce Day, Mary Bales, Robert Hodam, Harriet Slusser,
Orville Frye, Jeanne Ford, Bonnie Collins, Sonja Clark, Mr. Taylor

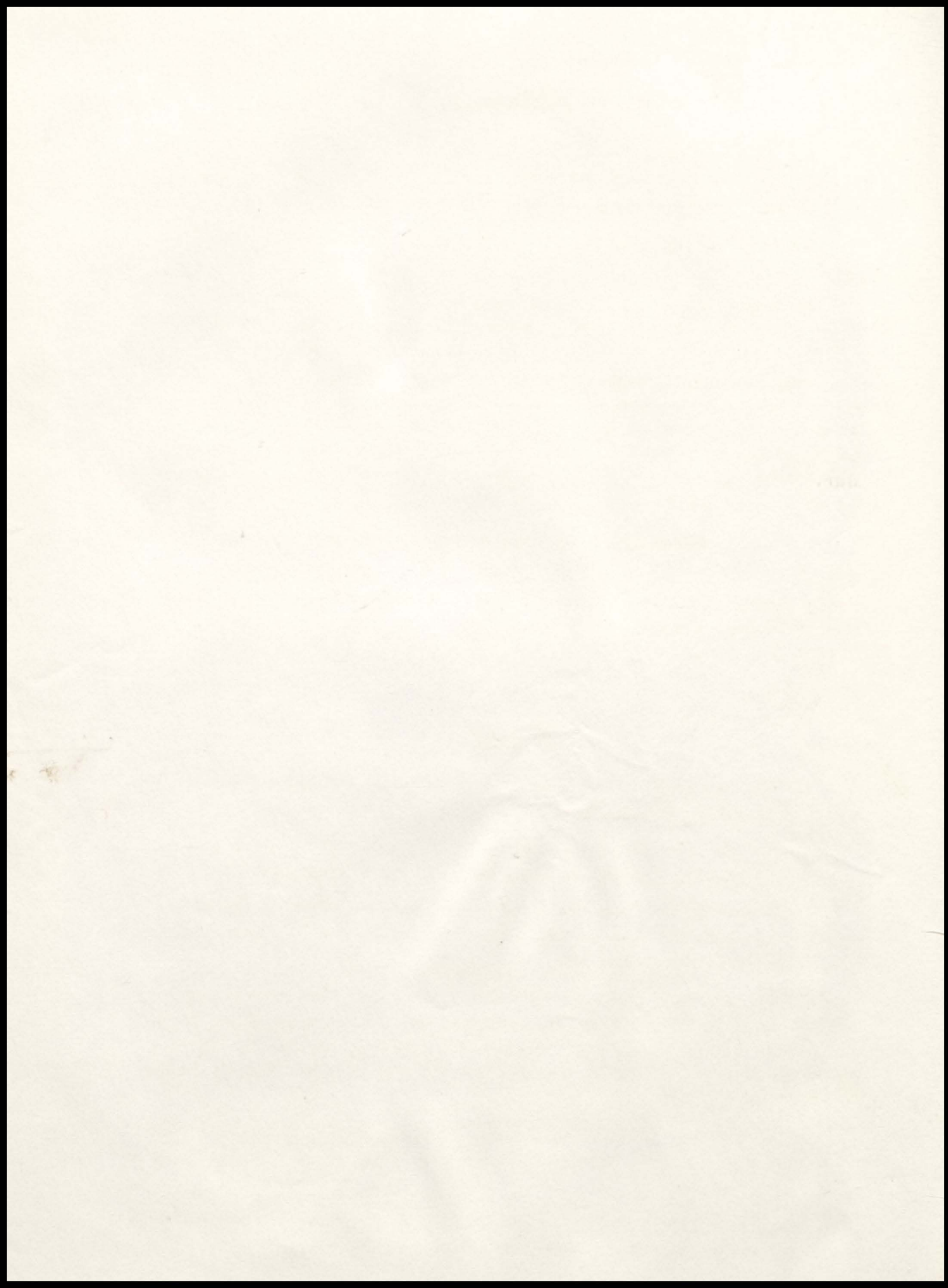
Second row: Phyllis Murphy, Linda Byerline, Marilyn Jordan, Della Evans, Martha
Boyd, Bob Collins, Bruce Still, Jim Drawhorn, Donna Crook

Third row: Nancy Postlewait, Jim Day, Mary Lincicum, Inez Forcum, Louise Hodam,
Doris Brittenham, Peggy Bradley, Dean Stout, Ralph Van Vleet

Fourth row: David Dobson, Betty Dukeman, Eileen Hardimon, Oneta Smith, J. D.
Carroll, LaMar Grunewald, Bob Kirk, Don Vandercreek

BETONI LOYALTY





Chorus

This year our Chorus was composed of fifty-one members. The group was divided into a boys' chorus and girls' chorus, which met alternately on Tuesdays. On Thursdays the whole chorus assembled.

A selected group attended the Piatt County Music Festival at Monticello in February.

On March 29, several ensembles and soloists participated in the district contest at Charleston. In high voices, Phyllis Murphy won first and Mary Della Heckman, second. In medium voice, Louise Hodam and Charlotte Tiffin each won second. In low voice, Florence Scott won first and Daraleen Still, second. Bruce Still won second and Bob Collins, third for the boys' medium voice. J. D. Cavanaugh was rated second in the boys' unchanged range. Two trios, one composed of Phyllis Murphy, Mary Della Heckman, Daraleen Still; and the other, of Edna Probus, Louise Hodam, Florence Scott, each won second place ratings.

A selected chorus of twenty girls won a second class rating in Class C at the contest held in Charleston, April 20.

A spring contest was given by all the music departments of the grade and high schools.



Band

All year we have heard the Betohe band practicing during the sixth hour on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays.

During the football season the band was a colorful attraction at all our games, playing stirring music to urge the team to victory.

On December 19, 1946, the band and chorus presented a Christmas concert. Later, in the month of February, they attended the Piatt County Music Festival at Monticello.

In the solo and ensemble District Contest at Charleston, Louise Hodam received second prize for bassoon; Phyllis Murphy, Bruce Still, Della Mae Evans and Nancy Postlewait received second in clarinet quartets; Barbara Hampton received second and Phyllis Murphy third in piano solo.

At the District Contest for band and chorus held at Charleston on April 19, the band won second. This was the highest rating given any group in class C.

This group finished off the season by participating in the spring concert and playing for the Commencement Exercises.

Future Homemakers of America

Audine Tompkins, president	Edna Probus, vice-president
Mary Lincicum, secretary	Bonita Hixson, treasurer
Sarah Fairbanks, parliamentarian	Martha Turney, historian
Phyllis Fish, reporter	Doris Wheeler, songleader

First row: Sara Fairbanks, Phyllis Fish, Edna Probus, Audine Tompkins, Mary Lincicum, Bonita Hixson, Martha Turney, Mrs. Knoop

Second row: Wilma Gulliford, Barbara Fair, Charlotte Tiffin, Norma Munson, Olive Beals, Carolyn Ford, Mary Della Heckman, Eileen Christman, Ruth McConaha

Third row: Ervilla Lefever, Carol Ann Votaw, Betty Weatherford, Mary Jane Vance, Louise Hodam, Ann Tynan, Jacqueline Poundstone, Carolee Patterson, Doris Wheeler, Mary Lou Redman

Fourth row: Eileen Hardimon, Mary Hinton, Mary Kay Ray, Barbara Cooper, Joan Fisher, Della Mae Evans, Jean Wright, Doris Brittenham, Betty Fombelle, Peggy Bradley

Fifth row: Ada Sebens, Shirley Noe, Harriet Slusser, Shirley Lamb, Ivaline Poundstone, Martha Boyd, Daraleen Still, Arlene Rittenhouse, Barbara Hampton, Lois Hord, Carrie Sebens

Future Farmers of America

Alan Hendrix, president	Kenneth Eckstein, vice-president
Arlen Rittenhouse, secretary	Stanley Funk, treasurer
Bob Postlewait, reporter	

First row: Stanley Funk, Arlen Rittenhouse, Alan Hendrix, Bob Postlewait, Kenneth Eckstein, Mr. Hodam

Second row: Charles Morris, Don White, Edward Lamb, Lowell Redman, Orville Frye, Bill Tompkins, Duane Bentley, Dale Comerford, Bill Strater, Jim Byerline, Harold Weakley, John Metzger, J. D. Cavanaugh

Third row: Bob Taphorn, Ralph Van Vleet, Jerry Clark, Bob Clark, Ray Warner, Glenn Eades, Charles Lawson, Jack Carlin, Herb Wiggins, Thurman Larimore, Warren Foran, Homer Van Vleet, Jack Gallivan, Leslie Durbin, George Cotter

Fourth row: Francis Durbin, Merrill Strater, Bill Cooper, Raymond Yockey, Edward Phipps, Kinzel Coffey, Dwight Yockey, Phillip Bales, Jack Plummer, Bob Collins, John Johnson, Bob Kirk, Gene High Donald Schum, Dean Wright

Fifth row: Dale Warren, Dick Cahill, Bob Foran, Bert Barber, John Born, Ernest Phipps, Kenneth Christman, George Camden, Jim Morgan, Dean Buckner, John Moery, Roscoe Sebens, Gene Hill

Girls' Athletic Association

Louise Hodam, president	Audine Tompkins, vice-president
Bonita Hixson, secretary-treasurer	Wanda Romack, point secretary
Shirley Lamb, assistant point secretary	

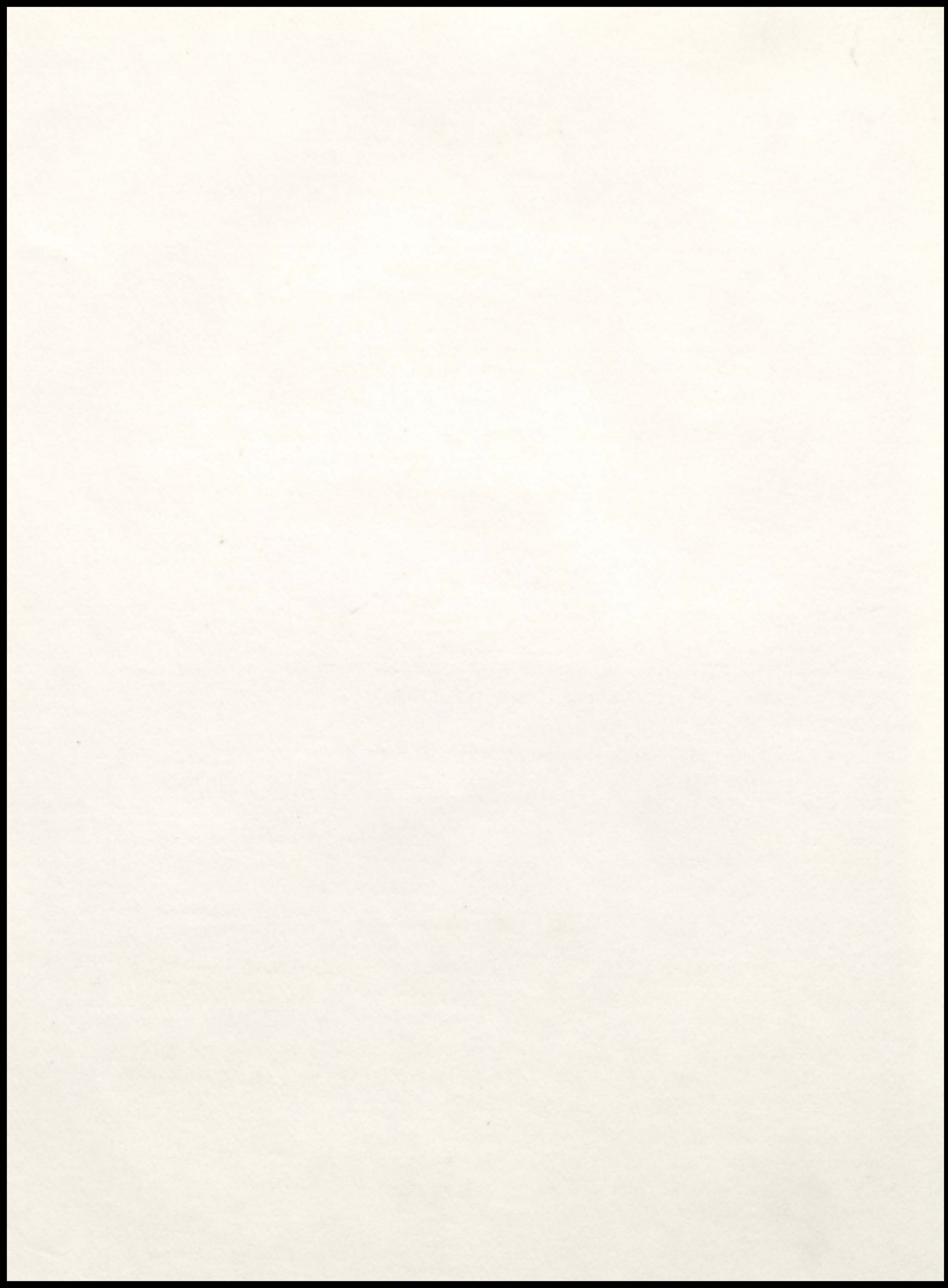
First row: Mrs. Siders, Martha Turney, Katie Gallivan, Daraleen Still, Ervilla Lefever, Joan Fisher, Bonita Hixson, Wanda Romack

Second row: Joan Heiple, Grace Somers, Audine Tompkins, Olive Beals, Mary Jane Vance, Carolee Patterson, Martha Boyd

Third row: Wanda Strater, Shirley Lamb, Natalie Johnson, Barbara Cooper, Ruth Ella Defore, Ivaline Poundstone

Fourth row: Donna Jean Crook, Shirley Noe, Marilyn Jordan, Charlotte Tiffin, Eileen Christman, Betty Weatherford, Mary Della Heckman, Phyllis Murphy, Barbara Hampton, Jacqueline Poundstone, Louise Hodam, Peggy Bradley





F. H. A.

Activity has been the key note of the F. H. A. during the 1946-1947 school year.

After the initiates were taken into the club, the F. H. A. provided entertainment by sponsoring an all-school Sadie Hawkins Party on November 9. Mrs. Murphy, who was selected as our chapter mother, presided at our Christmas tea. F. H. A. and F. F. A. joined forces to give their annual party which was a Valentine Party this year. The members of the F. F. A. selected Audine Tompkins to be Queen of Hearts while the F. H. A. selected Jack Plummer to be the King of Hearts.

In March, Audine Tompkins was appointed as delegate to Home Ec. Camp. Martha Turney was chosen as alternate.

Several members of the club attended a district rally at Villa Grove where Barbara Hampton led a discussion on handicraft.

F. F. A.

The Bement Chapter of Future Farmers under the direction of Mr. L. A. Hodam started the year's activities by initiating thirty-five new members. The initiates, or "Greenhands," were required to wear dress suits to school, but exchanged these for work clothes for the final activities in the evening.

Mr. Alkire, Mr. Hodam, and several of the F. F. A. boys made a wire recording telling about their projects for W-D-Z to broadcast on December 28, 1946, at 11:30-12:00 o'clock.

In December, the F. F. A. boys went to the International Livestock show in Chicago. They also took part in the judging contest.

G. A. A.

The Girls Athletic Association is an organization of our school established for the purpose of promoting interest in girls' athletics and in building good health and character.

On Wednesday, February 4, the new members were initiated into G. A. A. After a chili supper the initiates did the dishes. The rest of the evening was spent playing basketball.

In the fall the girls played baseball. Later when the boys were not practicing basketball, they played volleyball and girls' basketball. After the boys' basketball season was over, the girls met regularly on Wednesdays and Fridays and played volleyball and basketball.

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Advisor.....	Miss Houston

BOOKWORMS

Under the guidance of Miss Houston, the group met every other morning at 8:30 to discuss library problems. Each week they arranged an original bulletin board in the assembly to indicate the reading material available. Each librarian was on duty one period each day to sign books out and to take care of other library routine.

Sitting: Barbara Fair, Miss Houston,
Phyllis Fish, Mary Hinton

Standing: Warren Foran, Doris
Wheeler, Gene High, Rosemary
Mundy, George Camden, Leonard
Lamkin

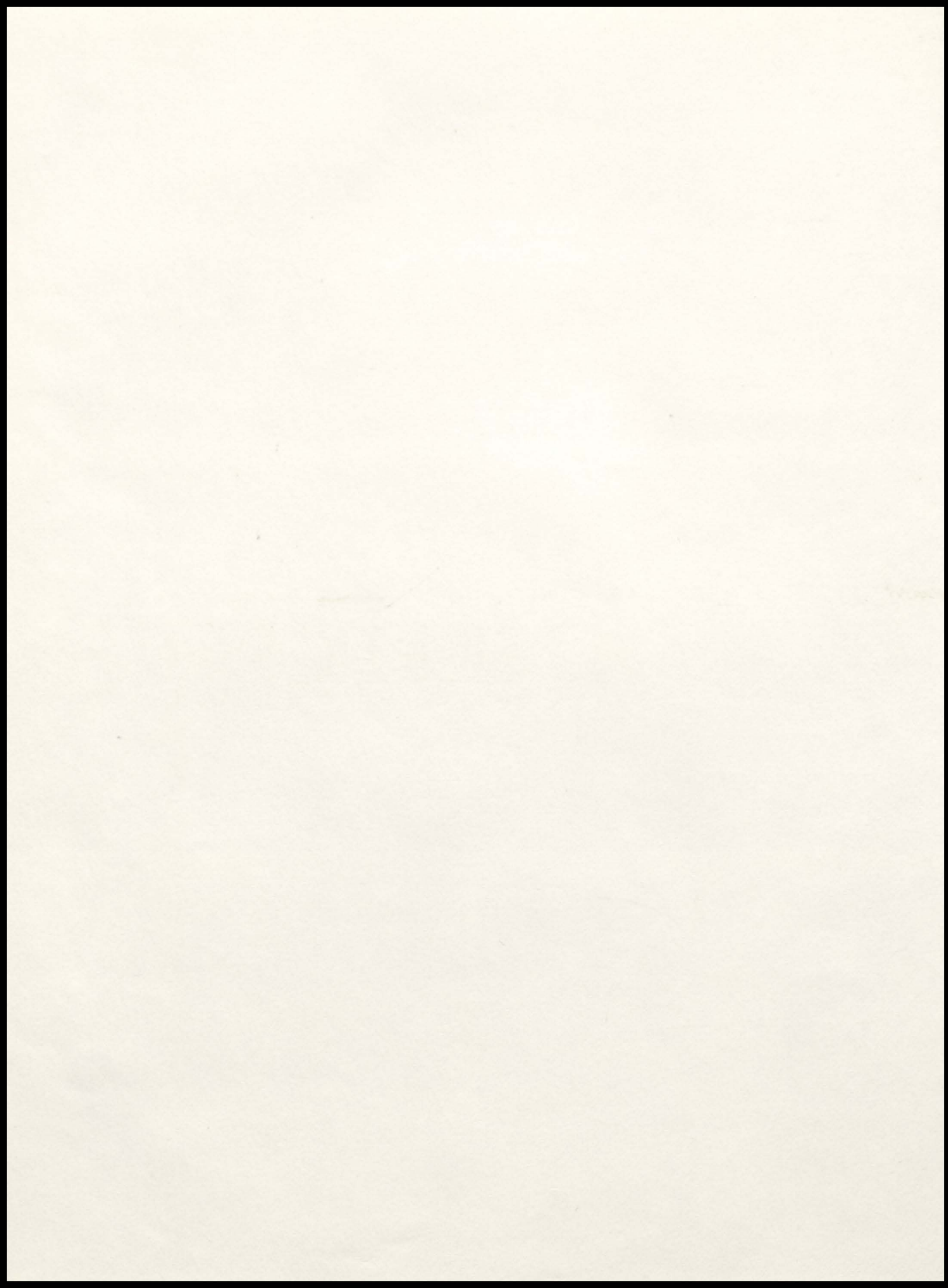
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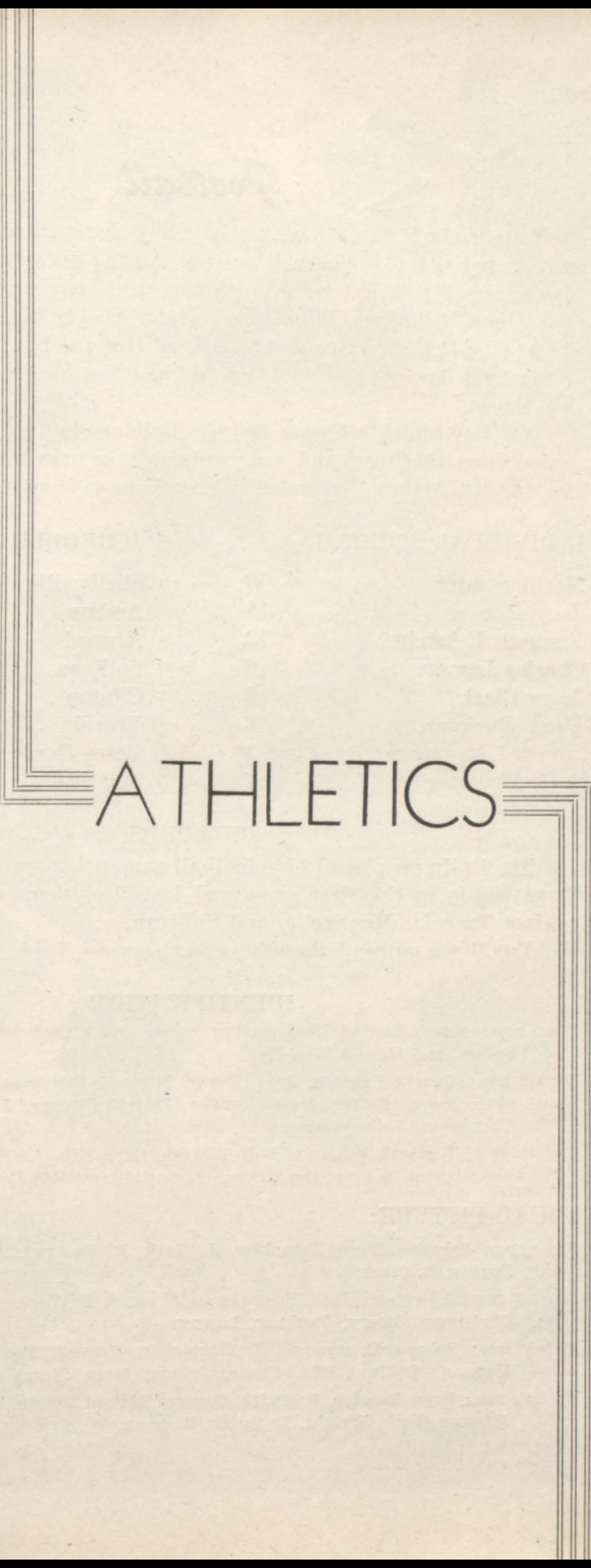
This is the first year that Betohi has had a student council. The class officers composed the council. They met at various times with Mr. Alkire to discuss student problems and activities. At Homecoming time they constituted a planning committee, which appointed other committees to assist in arranging the activities.

Sitting: John Moery, Audine Tompkins,
Dale Warren, Barbara Fair,
Mr. Alkire

Standing: John Johnson, Bill Strater,
Dick Cahill, Eileen Christman,
Jack Plummer, Alan Hendrix,
Dean Wright, Jerry Clark







ATHLETICS

Football

Late in the hot month of August, forty-five spirited boys donned pads and started the 1946 football season. Among these gridders were nine boys who had won letters in previous years. They were Kenneth Christman, Gene Hill, Jack Plummer, Dwight Yockey, Merill Strater, Jack Hooper, John Moery, George Cotter, and Howard Lawrence.

Dwight Yockey and Jack Hooper had been elected captains for the 1946 season.

Mr. Ray Smith, who coached the Bulldogs in 1942 and 1943, had returned from the Navy and was ready to take over the squad. Assisting him was Mr. Arthur Wehmeier, who came to us from Griggsville, Illinois.

INDIVIDUAL SCORING		SCHEDULE		Bement
Merill Strater	50	Shelbyville	14	6
Jack Hooper	18	Arthur	7	24
Kenneth Eckstein	12	Atwood	0	26
Charles Lawson	6	Sullivan	0	6
Jerry Clark	6	Clinton	6	19
Dean Buckner	6	Tuscola	26	0
Howard Lawrence	1	Cerro Gordo	6	13
Jack Plummer	1	Monticello	19	6

BULLPUPS

The Bullpups played four football games this season. They won over Cerro Gordo in the first game and lost the others which were played against Tuscola, Monticello, and Sullivan.

You'll see more of these boys next season. Look for them!!!

IDENTIFICATION

First row: Coach Smith; Homecoming queen and attendants; Managers—Roscoe Sebens and Harold Weakley

Second row: George Camden, John Moery, Howard Lawrence, Dean Buckner

Third row: George Cotter, Merill Strater, Dwight Yockey, Jack Hooper, Kenneth Christman, Jack Plummer

Fourth row: Kenneth Eckstein, Dale Warren, Gene Hill

Fifth row: Charles Lawson, Don Schum, Jack Gallivan, Bob Foran, Bill Strater

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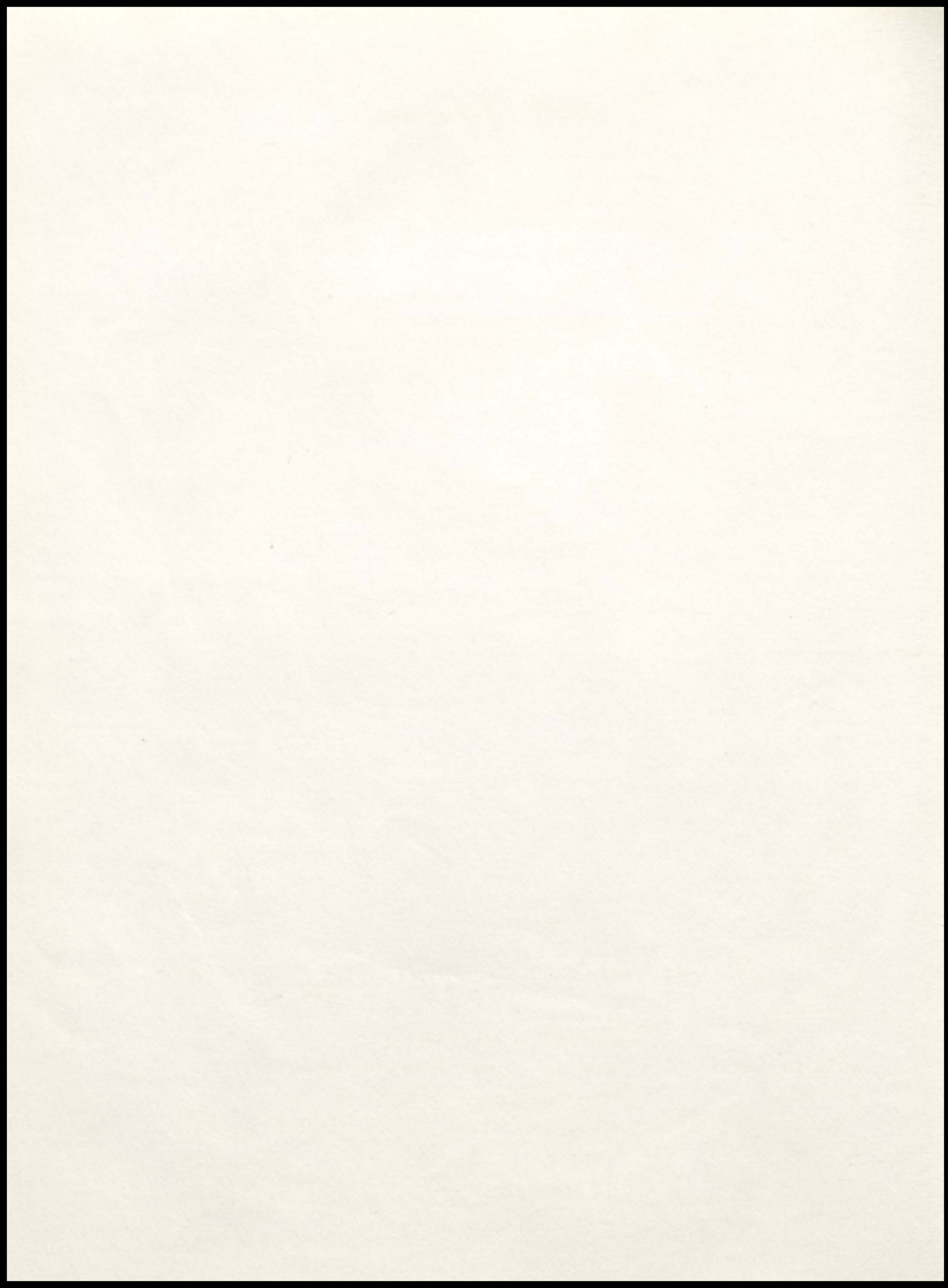
First row: Byerline, Stout, Tompkins, J. Clark, R. Yockey, Cahill, Barber, Spencer, Durbin, B. Clark

Second row: Lawrence, Hill, Eckstein, D. Warren, D. Yockey, Hooper, M. Strater, Christman, Moery, Buckner, Lawson

Third row: Sebens, Cavanaugh, J. Warren, B. Strater, Funk, Gallivan, Camden, Hannon, Collins, Still, Foran, Schum, Born, Coach Smith

Fourth row: Frye, Bentley, E. Smith, Cooper, Edward Phipps, Coffey, Ernest Phipps, Johnson, Kirk, Wright, R. Smith, Redman





Football Banquet

On the night of November 13, at 6:30, two hundred twenty-five persons attended the football banquet in the gymnasium sponsored by the Bement Lions club.

After a delicious meal, Mr. R. N. Holloway, toastmaster, introduced the principal speaker, Mr. T. O. White of the News-Gazette sports staff. Mr. White spoke on "High School Athletics."

Coach Ray Smith then introduced Assistant Coach Arthur Wehmeier, the entire squad, and lettermen of the 1946 season. Those boys were: Seniors—Dwight Yockey, Jack Hooper, Dale Warren, Merrill Strater, Jack Plummer, Gene Hill, Kenneth Eckstein, and Kenneth Christman; Juniors—Donald Schum, John Moery, Howard Lawrence, Jack Gallivan, Bob Foran, George Cotter, George Camden, and Dean Buckner; Sophomores—Bill Strater and Charles Lawson.

Short talks were given by Co-captains of 1946, Dwight Yockey and Jack Hooper, Mr. Alkire, and Co-captains of the 1947 season, John Moery and Howard Lawrence.

Homecoming

October 18 was a day of festivity for the students of BTHS as they celebrated their annual homecoming.

Activities started at one o'clock with a snake dance led by the band. After this, the rooters gathered at the football field to see the Bulldogs trounce Clinton 19 to 6.

At 6:30 the football players were honored guests at a potluck in the high school building.

At eight o'clock a trumpet blare announced the arrival of the queen and her court. The cheerleaders, carrying trumpets and banners, started the colorful procession. Following them were the attendants, Martha Turney, Jean Wright, and Eileen Christman. Then came little Ann Wilkinson escorted by Wayne Hill, the two of them carrying the crown on a white satin pillow. Finally the queen, Sara Fairbanks appeared.

When the queen and her cortege had assembled on the beautiful dias at the north end of the gym floor, the crown of baby mums was placed on the queen's head by the co-captains.

After the Grand March, the queen and attendants descended from the throne and with Dwight Yockey, Jack Hooper, Dale Warren, and John Moery as escorts, led the first dance.

The rest of the evening was spent dancing under a ceiling of purple and white streamers to the music of Paul Douglas' orchestra.

Cheer--Cheer--Cheer

In looking back over a school's athletic events, there is one group not mentioned enough. This group is the cheerleaders.

To this fine threesome, Wilma Gulliford, Florence Scott, and Barbara Fair, who carried us loyally and enegetically through both the football and basketball season, we say, "A job well done."

Basketball

First row: Coach Wehmeier; Cheerleaders—Barbara Fair, Florence Scott, Wilma Gulliford; Managers—Stan Funk, Orville Frye

Second row: Bill Hixson, John Moery, Bob Curry

Third row: Bob Postlewait, Jack Hooper

Fourth row: Kenneth Eckstein, Bruce Still, Jack Plummer, Merrill Strater, Dale Warren

SQUAD PICTURE:

First row: Still, M. Strater, Hixson, Warren, Curry, Eckstein, Moery, Plummer, Hooper Postlewait

Second row: Coach Wehmeier, Lawrence, Clark, Johnson, Buckner, Ernest Phipps, Camden, Cahill, Cooper, B. Strater, Hendrix, Coach Smith

Third row: Tompkins, Buckner, R. Yockey, Coffey, Barber, Edward Phipps, Durbin, Kirk, Comerford

Fourth row: Funk, Cavanaugh, Stout, Redman, Warren, Byerline, Smith, Frye

The basketball season opened on November 13, when thirty-eight boys reported. Six lettermen, Jack Plummer, Jack Hooper, John Moery, Bob Postlewait, Bob Curry, and Bruce Still returned.

Kenneth Eckstein, Jack Hooper, Merrill Strater, Bill Hixson, Jack Plummer, Dale Warren, Bruce Still, Bob Curry, Bob Postlewait, and John Moery won major letters this year. Bill Strater, John Johnson, Bill Cooper, Dean Phipps, George Camden, Jerry Clark, Alan Hendrix, Howard Lawrence and Dean Buckner won minor letters.

Kenneth Eckstein, with a percentage of .553, won the free throw award, which was a small gold basketball.

SCHEDULE

	Bement		Bement
Sadorus	27	34	37
* Cerro Gordo	64	42	55
Alumni	31	36	43
* Villa Grove	35	16	60
* Oakland	29	54	54
* Arcola	39	32	52
t Arcola	39	40	48
t Monticello	49	30	62
Sadorus	44	53	43
t Mansfield	35	28	—
* Sullivan	28	40	956
* Atwood	37	30	818
* Newman	45	38	—
		Total	956
		* Conference games	818
		t Tournament games	—

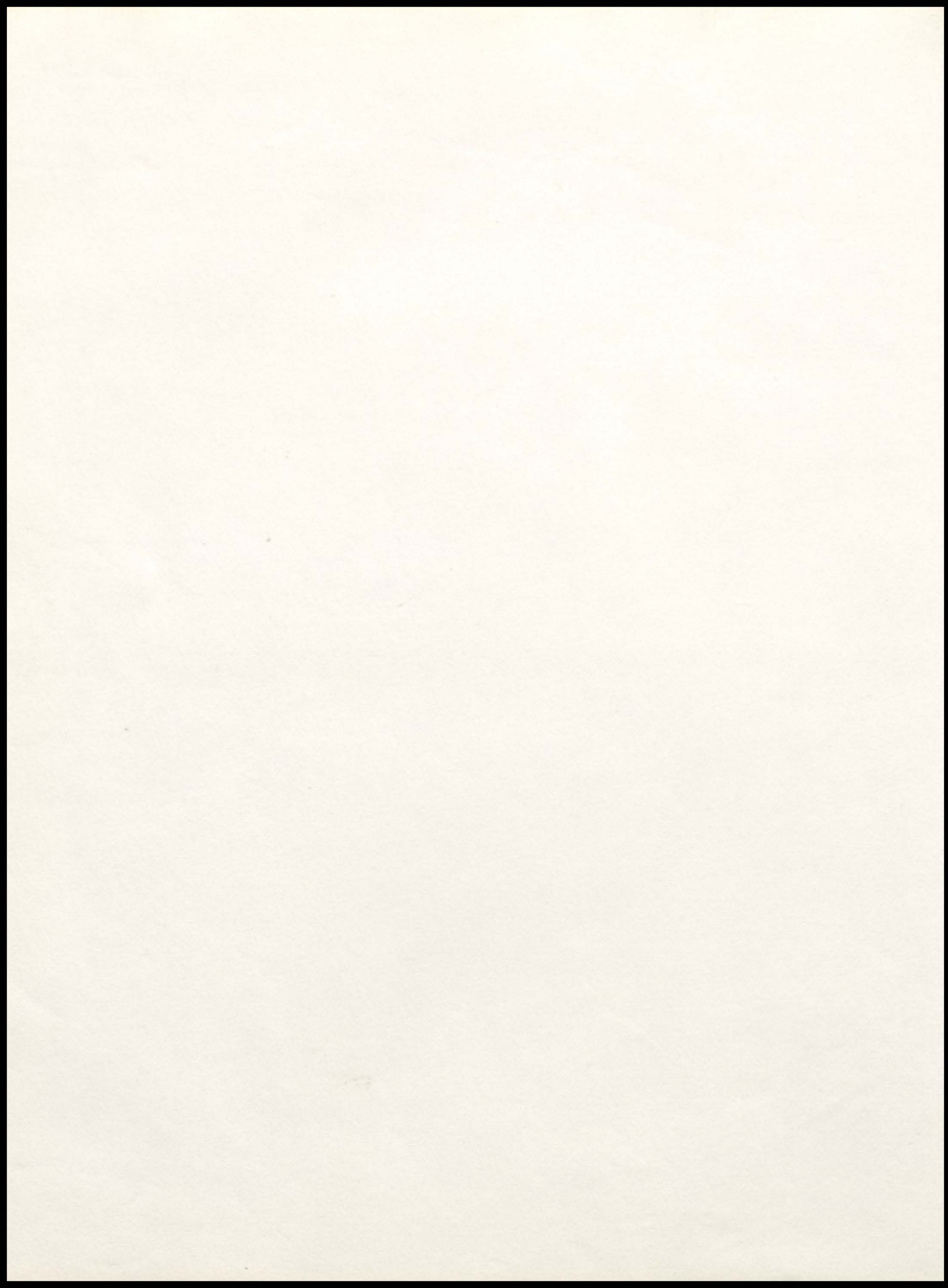
INDIVIDUAL SCORING: John Moery 178, Bob Curry 121, Kenneth Eckstein 114, Jack Plummer 114, Bob Postlewait 96, Bill Hixson 78, Jack Hooper 54, Bruce Still 25, Merrill Strater 21, Dale Warren 7, John Johnson 5, George Camden 2, Dean Phipps 2, Bill Strater 1.


Track and Baseball

Due to the early date the 1947 annual must be sent to the publisher we can not give the results of this season. Forty-four men reported for track. Those winning letters last year were Merrill Strater, Kenneth Eckstein, Dale Warren, Dwight Yockey, Gene Hill, Kenneth Christman, Jack Hooper, Dean Wright, Bill Strater, and Bob Curry.

Baseball promises to be a popular sport, although this year's team is the first since 1945.





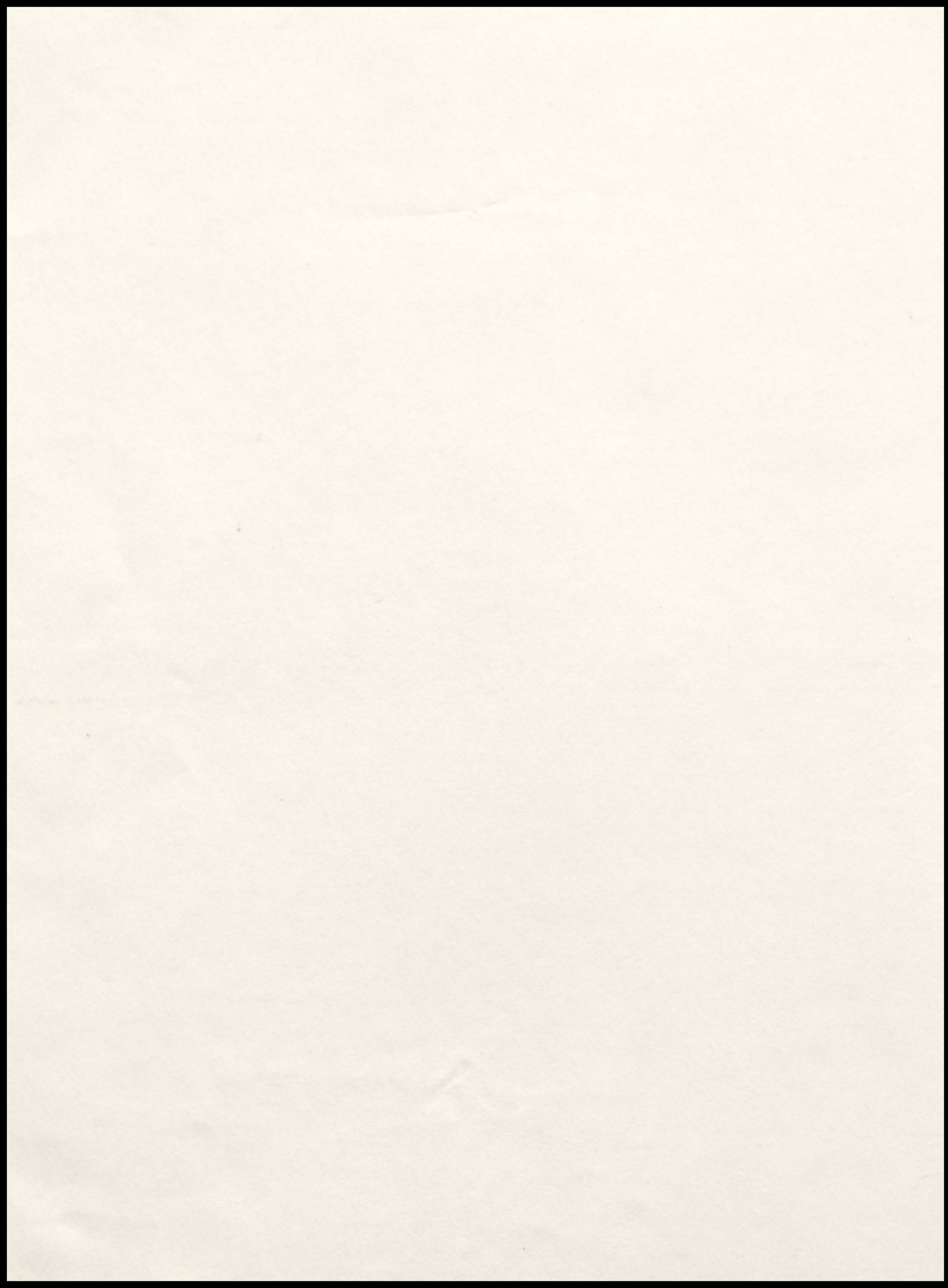


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- September 3: "Open the door Richard! Why don't you open that door??" He did and one hundred sixty-seven Betohi students ambled in to start the school year.
Besides having a new superintendent, Mr. Alkire, six new faculty members and a new secretary, we were confronted by a six-hour-day schedule instead of the usual eight-hour-day schedule.
- 13: Did you cast your vote? For What? Class elections of course. Much campaigning has been going on for the past weeks and today we received the final returns. Congratulations, officers.
- 26: Yea, Purple! It is just the new cheerleaders trying out their lungs. The girls selected to lead our fans on the old gridiron were Florence Scott, Wilma Gulliford, and Barb Fair.
- 27: Since the team did us high honors in the Arthur game, the Student Council decided to give an all-school party.
- October 11: Teachers get a dose of their own medicine at the Teachers' Institute while students lead the life of Riley.
- 18: Who-Rah! Who-Rah! We won our Homecoming Game and a good time was had by all at the rest of the day's festivities.
- November 8: Run, all you "Lil Abners"! The B. T. H. S. Daisy Maes squire the Lil Abners and also the Hairless Joes, Earthquake McGoons, Barney Barnsmells, and Available Joneses to an all-school Sadie Hawkins party sponsored by the Home Ec Club.
- 11-16 The girls of B. T. H. S. enjoyed a week of peace, quiet, and uninterrupted conversations. When the males tried to carry out a "Woman Haters' Week" they found that the females were just as happy without their flattering attention.
- 13: Boys, don't let the coach pass you up with those letters. The annual football banquet was sponsored by the Lion's Club and served by the Methodist ladies.
- 21: Look at the birdie! Smile for the man! Mr. Blankenburg took the Senior's graduation pictures. Oh, to see those proofs!
- 22: Did you notice any clowns, fortune-tellers or confetti flying around the old alma mater? Those original juniors decided on a Carnival instead of the customary play.
- 28: Well, what do you know? Four days vacation to rest, eat turkey, and enjoy life.
- December 10: How's your I. Q. rating? Today juniors and seniors had a big bold test from the University of Illinois laid in front of them and orders were issued to Hurry! Think! Write!
- 13: If you had been promenading through the halls of Betohi today, you very likely would have heard beautiful strains of music drifting from the assembly. Mr. Ramsey, a very talented musician, favored us with some selections on his electric Novachord.
- 18: The F. H. A. daughters entertained their mothers at a tea this afternoon. The girls placed gifts under the Christmas tree for their mothers, and had a grab bag among themselves. Everyone took part in singing merry carols.





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December 19: Hark the Herald Angels Sing . . . this and many other selections were played at the Christmas Concert. Everyone is in a joyful spirit and many eager Betohi students (and teachers) await the arrival of Santa.

20: Last day of school until Christmas vacation. The student-body and faculty were entertained by a recorded program under the supervision of Mr. Alkire with the help of Mr. Taylor. If you noticed any starry-eyed freshmen girls, (or seniors) it was due to J. D. Cavanaugh's beautiful solo, "White Christmas."

20: The doors were closed at 4:00 o'clock today to remain forgotten for two whole weeks by us, the students. It seems that "Bunk" worked hard during his vacation, because the building was as shiny as a new penny when we returned.

January 6: After our two weeks vacation we came back arrayed in new clothes, happy to see our friends but much to our teachers' despair, our minds were a **little** blank.

16 -17: Oh Mona! Semester exams are here! It's tough to lead this type of life, but we'll live through it, won't we?

23: Graduation is slowly creeping into the lives of the seniors. Today, slips were signed with names as they are to appear on the diplomas.

30: Hear Ye! Hear Ye! The honor roll was posted. The situation looks bad. The freshman class has the highest rating.

February 3: The students and faculty of B. T. H. S. attend the Illinois-Michigan game in the assembly. Zowie! What a game! Don't get excited, it was only a movie.

5: Wham! Slap! Bang! But then it is an annual occurrence. The older G. A. A. members put the initiates through a nerve wracking evening. Just don't forget it, girls. You can get even next year.

12: The sophomores have planned a good time for themselves this evening at a party given in the gym.

13: Oh, those excited whispers! The girls are planning their boxes for the Box Social tonight. There is much eager anticipation among the girls and each keeps her fingers crossed that her box catches the eye of her best beau.

14: Watch out! Cupid's arrows are flying. F. H. A. and F. F. A. members enjoyed themselves at a Valentine Dance tonight. Audine Tompkins was voted queen of Ag boys' hearts, and Jack Plummer was the king of Home Ec girls' hearts.

21: Everyone was decked out in his "Sunday-go-to meetin' " clothes today. Mr. Blankenburg came to take faculty, class, and activity pictures.

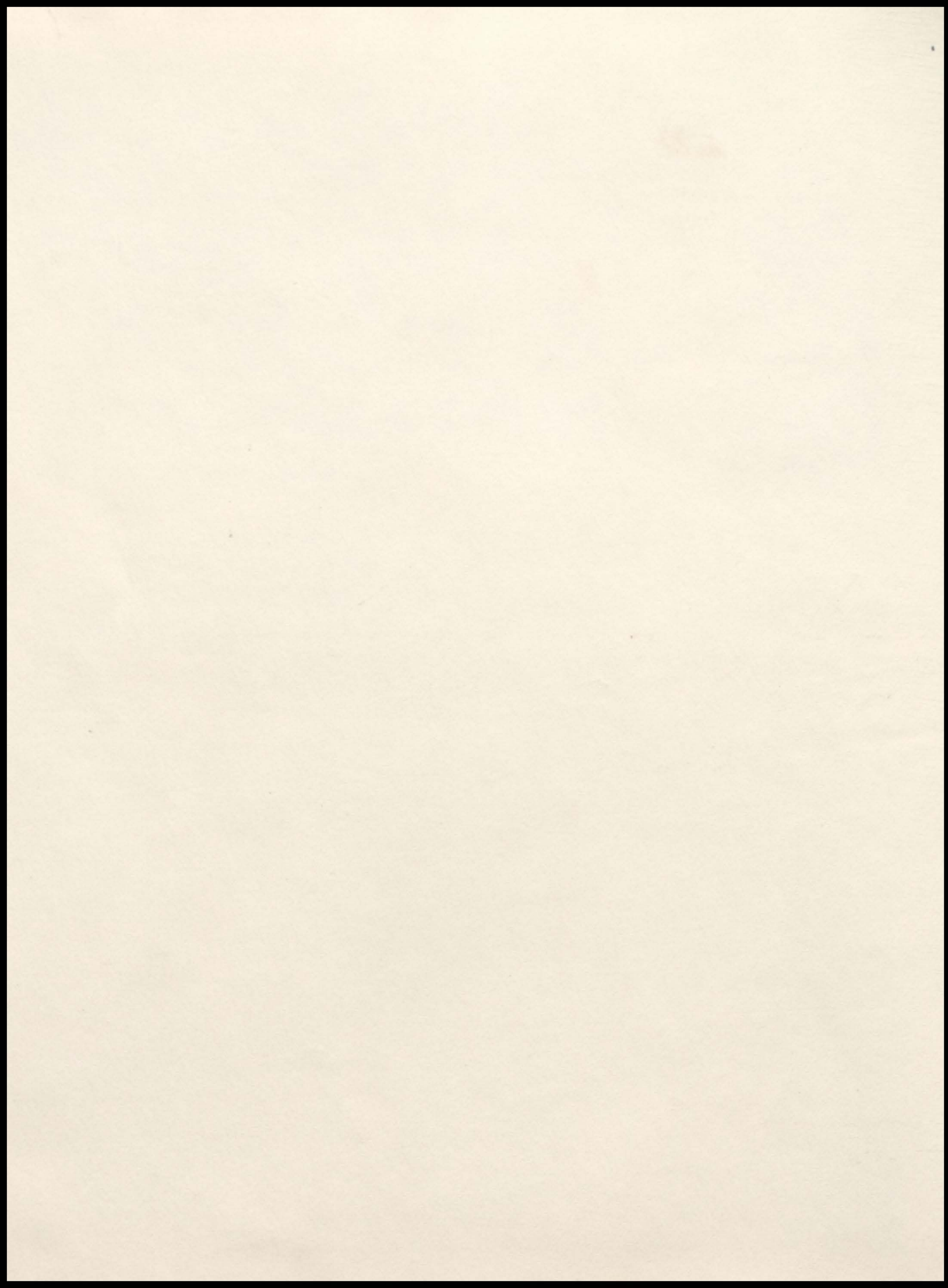
26: Extra-Extra—Mrs. Hammond barely escapes death! Well, it is almost true. The ceiling in the typing room fell down this afternoon. While there were no critical injuries, there sure was some excitement.

27: B. T. H. S. was well represented at the Piatt County Music Festival held at Monticello. If it was anything like the lovely (though sometimes ear-wracking) strains we hear drifting from the music room we will have reason to be proud of them.

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- March 3: Teacher's Pets? The advanced stenography girls ate angel food cake in class today. It was some of the left-overs from Mrs. Hammond's surprise birthday party given by the advanced girls.
- 5: The school was honored by a talk given by Dr. T. E. Musselman today. Birds, his hobby, were the main subject of his interesting, animated talk.
- 22: Phyllis Murphy and Dean Stout wrote in the District Latin Contest at the University of Illinois High School. Dean placed second and Phyllis third.
- 28: April Fool. Maybe we are a few days early, but this was the general theme carried out at the Senior-Junior Party. A style show was presented by the senior boys. A good time was had by everyone.
- April 3: A good many teachers and students are absent from school due to the flu epidemic. Maybe some of those colds are due to the window that blew out in the history room.
- 11: Time Marches On! The Jolly Juniors gave an all-school party. The featured entertainment was to show us how the art of dancing was developed from the minuet to modern swing.
- 12: After winning second place in the District Latin Contest, Dean Stout participated in the Regional contest held at Normal.
- 19: The Band and Chorus attended a Contest at Charleston. Both the Band and Chorus received second honors.
- 24: The seniors close their stationery sale. Dale Warren's team won the sales contest and are eager for the party from the losing side.
- May 8: The seniors were entertained very royally at the annual prom given in their honor by the juniors. After a very interesting program, there was dancing to the music of Bill Oetzel's orchestra. Everyone had a wonderful time.
- 9: The freshmen donned their straw hats, calico dresses, and blue jeans and went on a hayride.
- 15: Smash hit of the season! Of course we're talking about the senior play, "Going Places."
- 22: This is the beginning of the end. Seniors sweat through one-hour exams during class periods but they get out of regular semester exams.
- 23: Baccalaureate practice in the gym.
- 25: At eight o'clock the class of '47 and their friends met in the gym to attend the baccalaureate service. The message was delivered by Reverend Grunewald of the Presbyterian church.
- 26-27: Semester exams! Enough's said!
- 28: The seniors, attired in their caps and gowns, marched solemnly to the stage for the big event of their lives, High School Commencement. Mr. Harry C. McKown was the speaker.





If a Telephone Call Came Where Would You Find Them?

Shirley Lamb: In the girls' room telling jokes.

Eldon Plummer: In his "La Salle."

Bob Curry: Escorting "Katie" Gallivan to Typing Class.

"Bunk" Hill: Behind his dust mop.

Mary Della Heckman: In the Home Ec room performing wonders with her needle.

Barbara Cooper: In the office talking to Jean.

Miss Swaim: Teaching her famous 9th hour "Gum-chewers" class.

Phillip Bales and Warren Foran: Running around looking after that complicated movie projector.

Inez Forcum and Edna Probus: Almost anywhere—but always working on the Annual.

Harold Weakley: In the study hall flirting with the senior girls.

Charlotte Ridge: Dashing after Mary Shumard to exchange bits of "up to the minute" gossip.

Betty Weatherford: In a group of girls discussing Jud.

Mr. Taylor: Wandering about the 5th hour study hall hunting those comic books.

Gracie Somers: In the assembly desperately trying to tape her dilapidated history book together.

Audine Tompkins and Betty Dukeman: In the girls' room combing their blonde locks.

Do You Know That

Ada Sebens raises goats?

Betty Fombelle burns her fingers when she shows boys how to do match tricks?

Jack Gallivan mysteriously gets lipstick on his handkerchief?

Barbara Cooper's and Della Mae Evans' password is S. S.?

Audine Tompkins was "The Queen of Hearts"?

The second hour study hall is "dry"?

The sixth hour history class has actually signed the Declaration of Independence? (Mr. Krane's copy that is.)

Alan Hendrix likes a certain blonde freshman from Milmine?

Joe Hannon and Shirley Lamb got a ticket for running a stop sign the night of the Sadie Hawkins party?

J. D. Cavanaugh had to stay ten hours after school for chewing gum in English class?

Norma Hall can hit Q above high C?

Miss Houston's grandfather's father was Sam Houston's cousin?

The ten seniors in the lower left hand corner of the first snap page have gone all through grade and high school together?

Betohi Loyalty

Love and honor to Bement
Our high school fair and grand,
Joyfully we sing thy praises
Over all the land.

Rah! Rah! Rah!

Alma Mater, now we hail thee
With loyal hearts and gay;
To thee we pledge our fair allegiance
Forever and a day.

