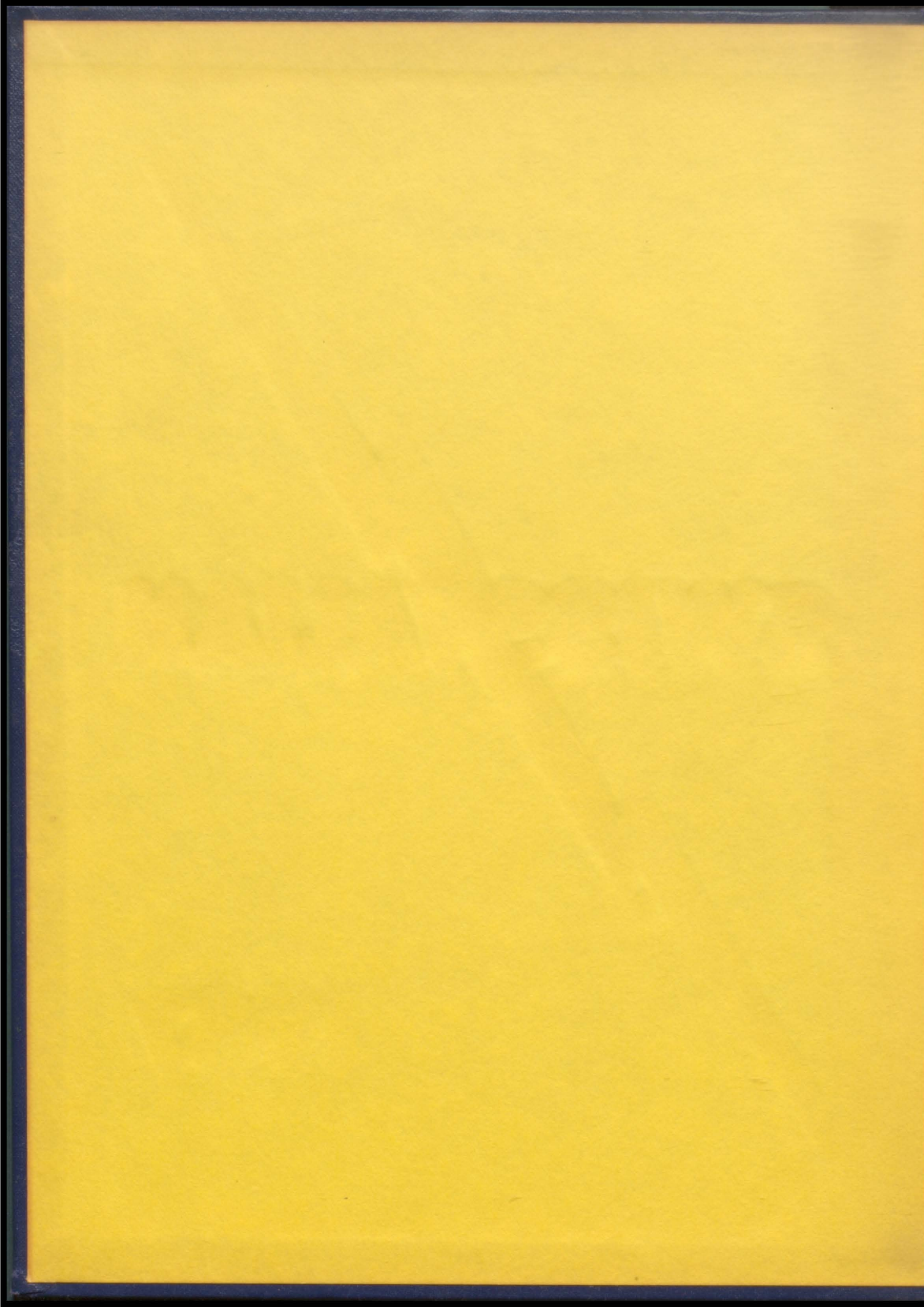
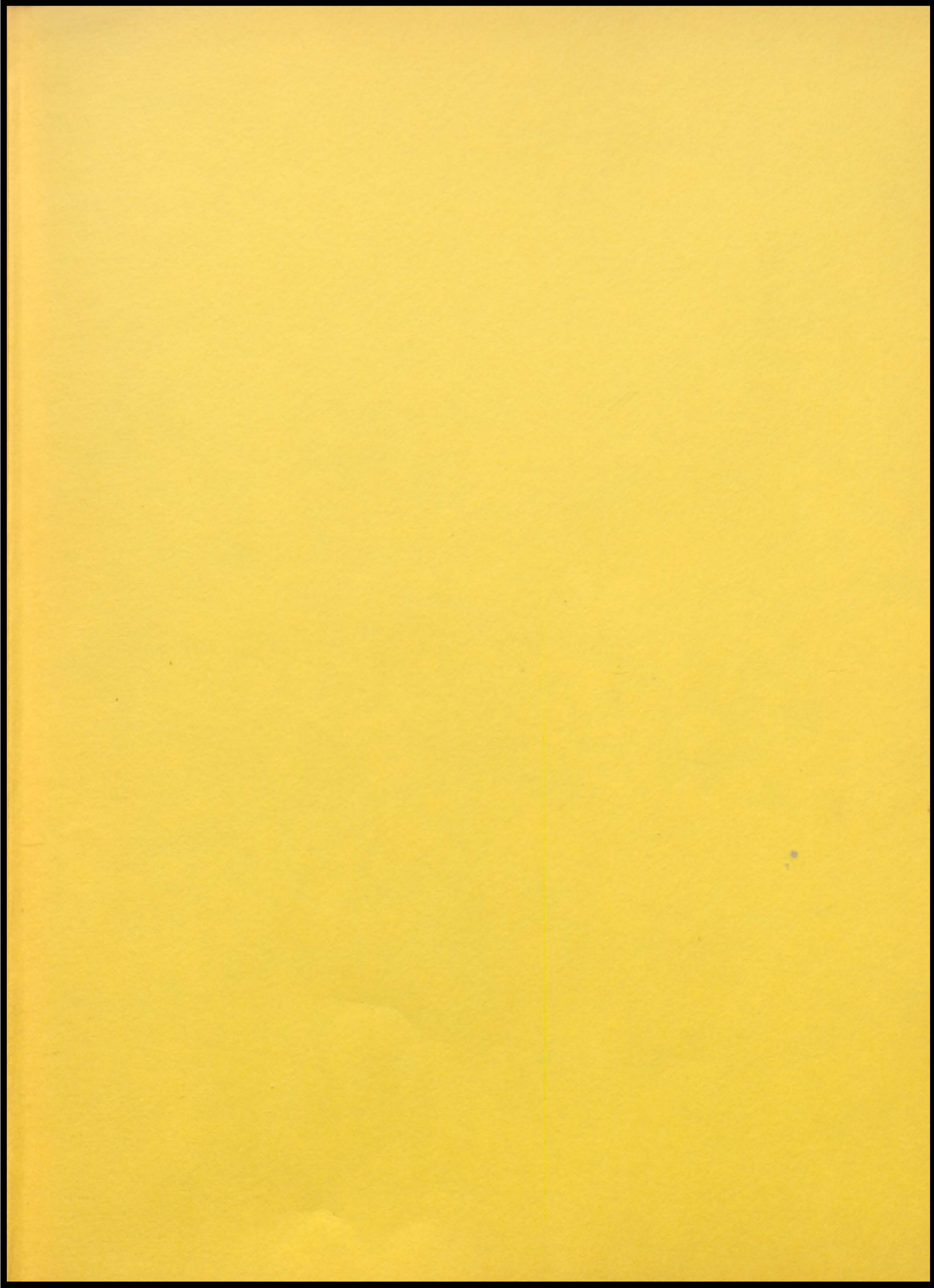


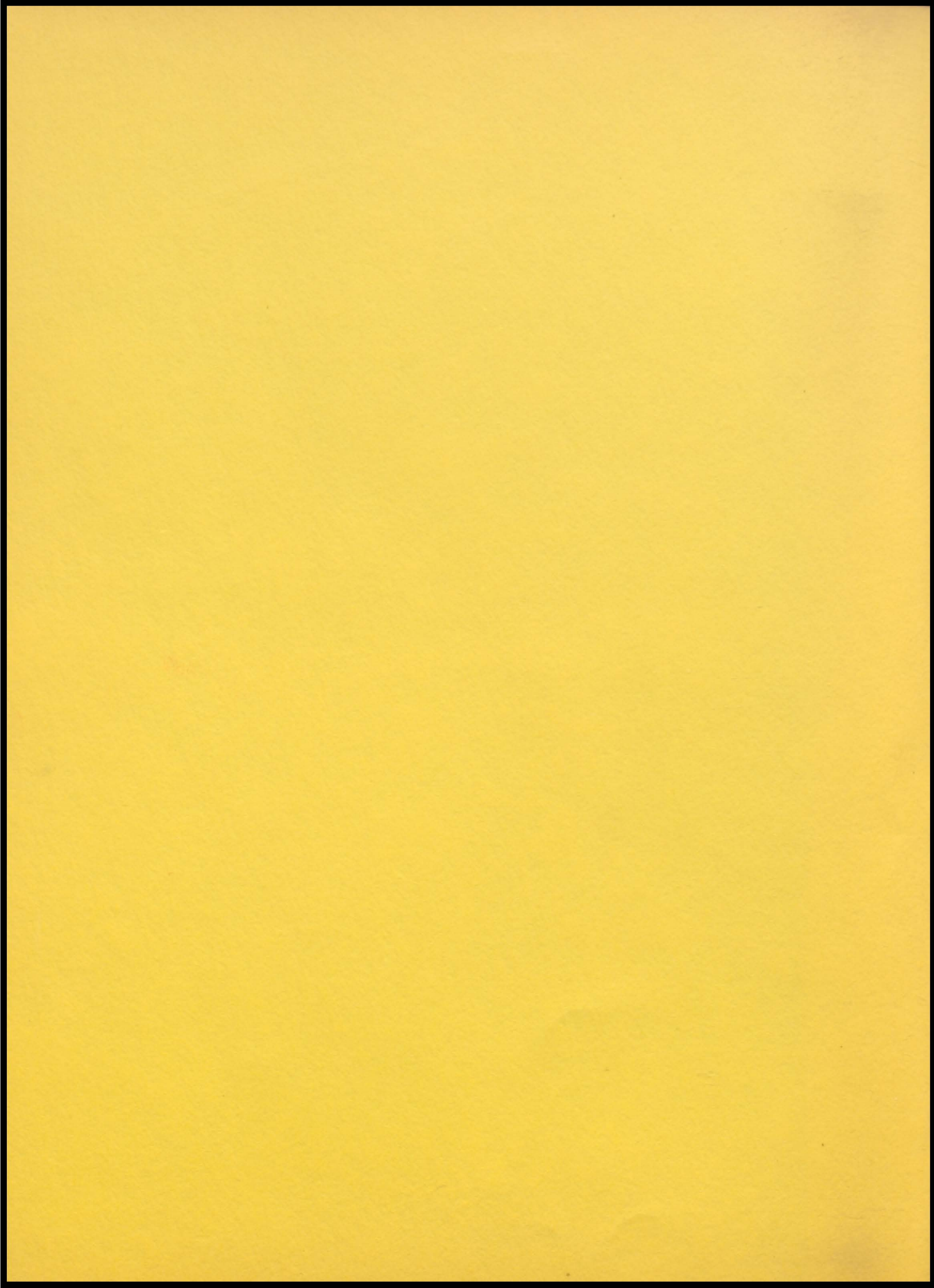


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THE 1957

A black and white photograph of a row of bare trees in front of a building. The trees are tall and thin, with many bare branches reaching upwards. The building behind them is a long, low structure with several windows. The ground in front of the trees is dark and appears to be a lawn or path.

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THE FUN

Boys, here's what the girls do in that little room at the Edgewood Community Club.

Arlene points to her Stevenson button, while Dennis says, "Huh-uh; it's going to be Eisenhower!"



Our cheerleaders and majorettes brought down the house dressed as football players.



WE HAD

Books and learning were not the only important phases of life here at SHS. Our students were always busy with some big project or major activity. During the first week of school interest was centered on rushing around to see who was in what class and which teachers were in charge.

Next came the furor of making plans for the election of home room officers and class officers. We even took part in the national elections by having a mock vote—and as Swissvale High went, so went the nation! By this time the Valistic was operating in high gear and bringing us all the news of elections hot from the “presses” in Room 6.

It seemed no time at all until the auditorium was alive with seniors hoping for a part in “Cheaper by the Dozen.” When the big evening finally arrived a smooth and lively cast put on a performance to be remembered.

Another successful theatrical venture was the Christmas operetta, which showed off the choir’s talents so well that another musical program was soon in rehearsal.



The biology classes tried their surgical skill on poor defenseless frogs.

The seniors sadly put away their uniforms for the last time, while Lois looks forward to next year.



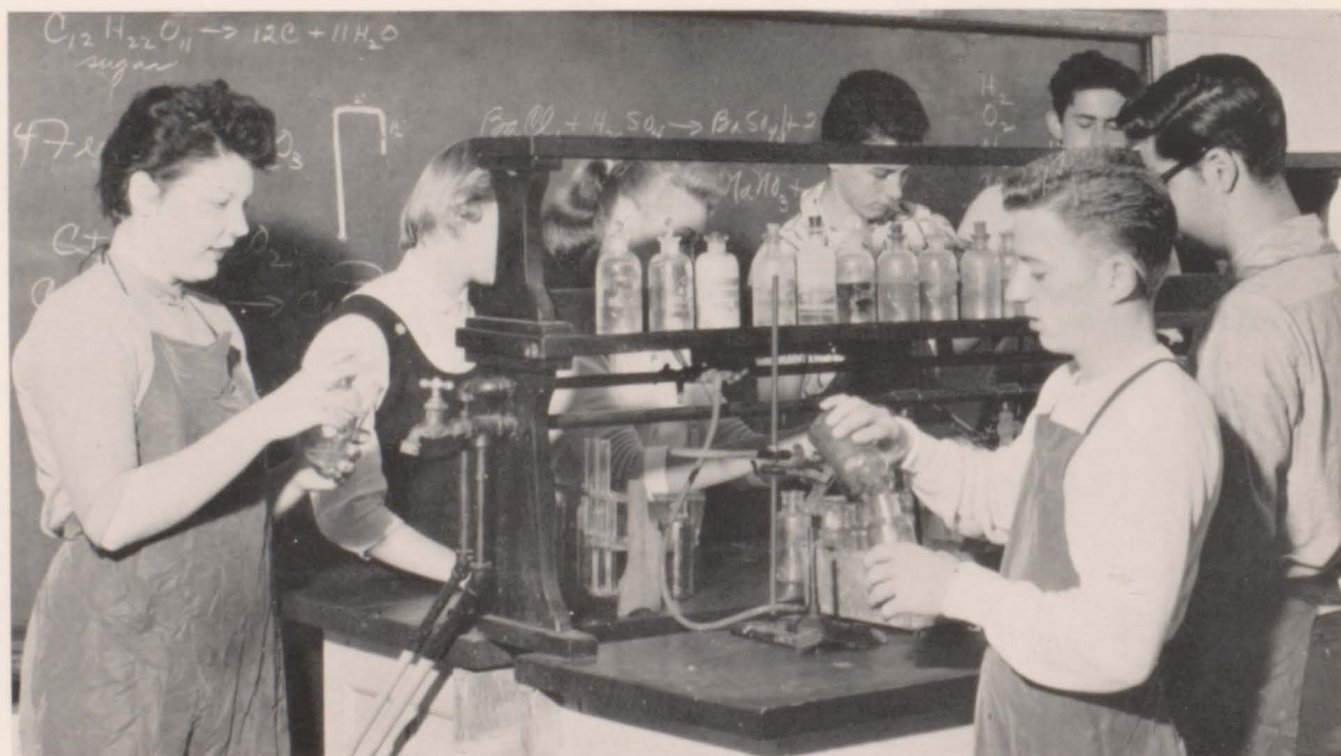


Connie warns Carol—"Watch that pin!"



Who let them out of the playpen?

WILL BE **MOMENTS**



This lab technique should bring the sixth period chemists a D.



Photo by Pittsburgh Press

Mr. Weichel introduces Mr. Hanson, Publicity Director of the Union Switch and Signal Company, Mr. Marasco, and Mr. Buchanan to the first period physics class.

WE'LL REMEMBER

Although most of our experiences were happy ones, we had a very sad one when our highly esteemed physics teacher, Harry Elder, died unexpectedly. After several weeks of unsuccessful hunting for someone to take his place, the Union Switch and Signal Company came to the rescue by releasing two physicists to teach Mr. Elder's classes until a replacement could be found.

Practically the entire school entered into the Polio Program, with over three hundred students and teachers baring their arms for a "shot" of vaccine administered painlessly by Dr. Barnett. Another activity that claimed almost everyone's interest was the Junior Prom, beyond a doubt the most exciting event of the year—unless it was the Junior Class Play, "Home Sweet Homicide."

No resume of the year would be complete without mentioning those peppy Pep Meetings, where our cheerleaders were always coming up with something new. And then the grand finale—May Day, with the lovely Queen and her court enjoying the program of dances and stunts presented by the underclassmen.

Aldean, Joan, and Gretchen are reminded that graduation isn't far away.



LET US

LOOK AT THE MOST

IMPORTANT

INGREDIENTS OF OUR SCHOOL—

THE PEOPLE





Members of the Board of Education are, beginning at the far right: Charles C. Thomas, president; Mrs. Dorothy Petrovsky, secretary; Dr. Roy M. Smith, vice-president; Charles J. Wright, Jr.; John R. Smith, solicitor; Frank Stewart; Clyde O. Brugh; Dr. Leonard A. Burgard; Clarence H. Lewis.

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Our administrators Carl S. Baily and John C. Weichel, along with Swissvale's Board of Education, deserve the thanks and recognition not only of the students but of all the members of the community as well. They are generous with their time, sincere in their interest, and understanding in their handling of problems connected with the schools.



CARL S. BAILY
Superintendent of Schools



JOHN C. WEICHEL
High School Principal

In Memoriam



HARRY L. ELDER

November 17, 1956

The passing of this brilliant scientist and dedicated teacher was sadly felt by the students and faculty of Swissvale High School.



MISS NAOMI STERNAT
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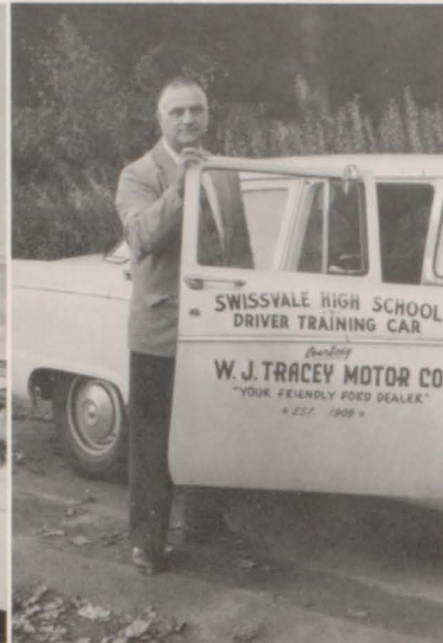
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SENIORS

PAUL AGNEW

To fulfill his ambition to become an engineer, Paul is looking forward to going to Carnegie Tech. Although he is a serious student, Paul likes to swim and fish and was a member of our Stage Crew. He really has a promising future before him.

SALVATORE AMODEO

Sully did a good job as a basketball and baseball player. He was a regular at the school's various activities and was always seen with a different girl. After graduation he hopes to take his irrepressible personality to Penn State or Otterbein.

DREW ANDERSON

It wasn't often that anyone ever caught Drew *walking* down the hill towards school. An auto enthusiast and former Boy Scout, Drew is thinking seriously of joining the Navy (probably the result of his best friend's influence)—and then he'll be even more attractive to the girls.

JOHN R. ANDERSON

From Room 17 comes this friendly and ambitious senior. Andy was very active in the school sports program, having served as both a baseball and basketball manager. He also contributed much to his home room's senior volleyball championship. A future electrical engineer, he will attend Pitt next year.

NORMA LEE BAREFOOT

Here is a really versatile girl. If you want a peppy cheerleader, she's made to order for that. If you want some excellent art work done or an exhibition of acrobatic dancing, call on her! The Valistic staff, Bowling Club, intramurals, and the Y-Teens shared her interest. Tech night school and commercial art are in the future.

GERALDINE BIEHL

Jerry had a busy time in her senior year. If she wasn't at a Bowling Club meeting or a Y-Teen meeting, she was attending the Camera Club. In addition to this she put her heart and soul into home room intramurals. Jerry works at Murphy's now, but she hopes to make a career as a model before long.

PAUL BOORY

Irv has been an asset to the SHS Choir for three years. Eating and volleyball rate high with him. If you're near Isaly's and hear someone saying "I don't know," chances are it's he. Paul soon will be responsible for beautifying many homes, since his ambition is to become an interior decorator.

MICHAEL BORELLIS

Stamp collecting and sports are the major pastimes of this future mathematician. An active member of the baseball team and editor of the Valistic sports staff, "Moose" also has an ear for popular music. Working after school at Isaly's keeps Mike busy at present, while in the future he will attend Duquesne U.

JOHN B. BRADLEY

Jack, one of our wittiest seniors, kept Room 19 laughing. He was very active in intramural volleyball and basketball, and you could count on Jack in a close game. In his spare time, Jack enjoys dancing. He plans to join the Navy and be seeing the world in the next few years.

GRETCHEN BURGARD

Gretchen, the most traveled member of the senior class, helped to keep Room 24 laughing all the time. She was a member of the Camera Club, Y-Teens, and Glee Club. She wrote many Senior Spotlights for the Valistic and was an ardent fan of the football and basketball teams. Gretchen plans to attend college this Fall.

I O R S

MICHAEL BYRNE

Mike is a cheerful guy and is lots of fun. He showed his interest in tumbling by participating in the May Day program. His ambition is to go to college to become an accountant. Mike spent his after school hours working as a sales clerk at Isaly's.

WILLIAM C. CARLSON

To become an advertising executive is Bill's goal. His participation in both Junior and Senior Class Plays was a source of enjoyment to him and to all those who attended the plays. Along with his fondness for good music goes a gift of gab. Northwestern U. appears in the future.

BARBARA ANN CHIZMAR

Barbara, a carefree, fun-loving lass with a beautiful smile, will make a fine model. She was an attractive member of the Bowling Club, Camera Club, and Room 13's intramural teams. She enjoys dancing and swimming. We will miss Barbara and her pleasant ways.

CONSTANCE M. CLIFFORD

When Connie gets that secretarial job in one of Pittsburgh's modern office buildings at the Point, her pleasant personality will be appreciated there, too. She was a member of the Glee Club here at school; at home, Connie likes to cook, dance, and enter contests (and who knows, she might win one some day).

PHILIP COLLINS

Phil's lively personality was such a part of Room 24 that we just can't imagine it without him. Basketball, intramurals, and tearing into the parking lot were among his activities. To be a pilot in the Air Force is Phil's ambition.

FRANCIS CONTI

Our Student Council president has also shown his capability and leadership as president of both his sophomore and junior class. Franny has taken an active part in sports, playing on the football, basketball, and baseball teams. The Army comes next for him — and then business school.

WILLIAM F. CREIGHTON

Bill, a Varsity Club member for three years, played on the football team for three years, and was a member of the basketball team for three years. Our senior class secretary also played on Room 17's intramural teams. His love of sports is leading him into a career as a football coach following college.

JOHN CRESTO

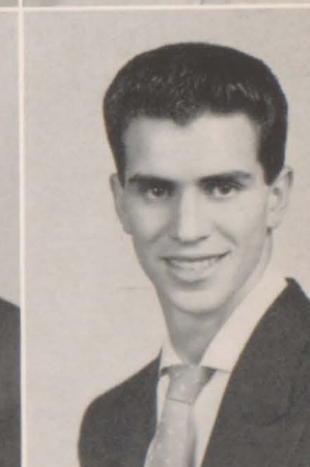
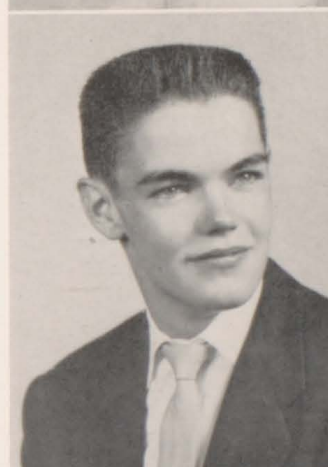
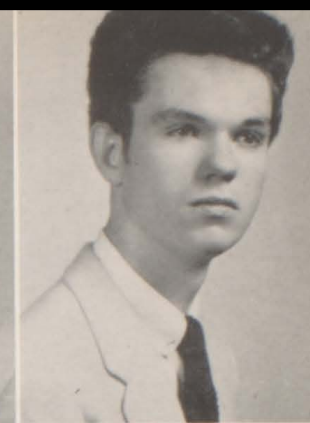
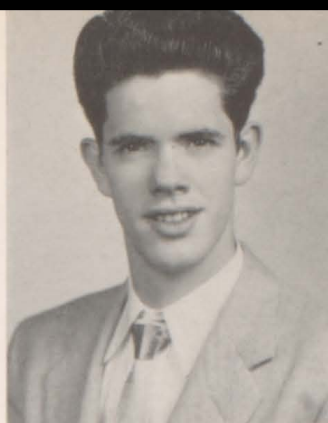
Is that the SHS Band marching down the street? If it is, you can be sure Johnny is in the back row corner, blowing away on his trusty trumpet. Fuzzy enjoys bowling and playing his trumpet in his spare time. He is now studying electronics, which he intends to take up as a career.

RICHARD J. DAVIES

Dick is one of our good-looking senior boys. He was an active member of intramurals and an ardent sports fan. Cars, swimming, eating, and sleeping were among his favorite interests. His great ambition is to graduate from SHS and then, perhaps, attend college.

BETTE GRACE DAVISON

This pert lass has been very active at SHS. Her varied activities included the Valistic, on which she served for three years, Y-Teens, and being an officer in the SHS Candy Corporation. B. G. plans to enter Wooster College in the Fall and to make good with that wonderful personality of hers.



SEN

ANTHONY DELIA

Tony, a Choir member for three years, plans to go to business college after graduation to become an accountant. He has been laying groundwork for his chosen career with his job as sales clerk at Homewood Produce. One of our better drivers.

JOHN DELUCIA

This really sharp boy from Room 17 has added his personality to the Class of '57. He was class treasurer and participated in basketball and baseball, and added a great deal to both class plays. He loves to listen to records and his ambition is to go to college and enter the medical field.

BERNARDO DiBERNARDO

Bernie took a big part in our SHS athletic program. He played guard for the Flashes, baseball, and intramural basketball and volleyball for Room 16. In addition to sports, he played the clarinet in the Band and saxophone in the Dance Band. Duquesne University is next for Bernie.

JOHN R. DIERST

John's wit was a source of entertainment to all of us. He was in the Band and Choir, as well as being treasurer of Student Council. In September he will enter Bucknell University to prepare for law school. John has an extensive record collection comprised mainly of jazz and Harry Bellafonte records.

GRACE ESTHER DOLAK

This new addition to Room 12 came originally from St. Louis, Mo. Intramural sports, Bowling Club, Y-Teens, reading, and typing for the Valistic occupied much of her time. After graduation Grace plans to attend business school to become a private secretary. She has made many friends here at SHS.

JACQUELINE A. DONOHUE

Jackie, one of Mr. Brace's "crazy drivers," was a member of the Y-Teens and the Glee Club. Her very pleasant personality and pretty smile have made her well-liked here at school and a pleasure to work with as a photographer's model. We wouldn't be surprised if next Fall she'll be modeling her pretty clothes professionally.

GLORIA L. DUGAN

Gloria has set her sights on business school, so you can guess her ambition! No loafer in school, she was a member of the Y-Teens, Glee Club, and home room intramurals. She served as treasurer of the Candy Corporation and on the Junior Class Play makeup committee.

JACQUELYN H. ELZER

Jackie was one of our peppy cheerleaders, so naturally her favorite saying was, "Yea, Swissvale!" She also was a member of the Y-Teens, Valistic, and intramural teams. She spends her spare time writing letters, baking, and sewing. Her fond memories of SHS will surely include her being in the Prom Court.

ROSEMARY ERRERA

Ro, like all of us, enjoys gaiety and found pleasure in such activities as Y-Teens, bowling, and even chess. To gain business experience as well as pocket money, Ro has been clerking in a grocery store, but she plans to attend Robert Morris Business School in the Fall.

JEANNE LOUISE FORD

As Choir pianist, Jeanne was constantly in demand to play for one program or another. She was also kept busy with the Valistic, Y-Teens, and the intramural program. In her spare time, Jeanne likes to—you guessed it—play the piano. One of these days soon we'll see Jeanne as a Woman in White.

I O R S

WILSON EDWARD FRANTZ

A friendly, happy-go-lucky senior who reported to Room 19, Eddie was a mainstay on the Stage Crew for three years and a member of the Band for five. After graduation, Eddie will probably be a man in blue—with the Navy, of course.

FRANK GAMBINO

Tinkering with cars and driving them around town gives Frisky a lot of pleasure. No appearance of the Band was complete without Frank marching up front with the Color Guard. He plans to attend Pitt to become an electrical engineer. "That's the way it goes" with Frank.

JACQUELINE LEE GHRIST

Beautiful copper-red hair, brains, and a pleasing personality — all these go to make up Jacquie, feature editor of the Valistic. She was a member of the Choir and took part in intramurals. Her extra hours were spent reading, swimming, or playing the piano. Thiel College comes next.

EDITH GRANITE

Edi, a pleasant young miss who came to us from our neighboring rival, Rankin, reported to Room 19. Dancing is the most popular activity in her life at present, and she goes to various dances whenever she has a chance. After her school days are over, Edi is planning to work for the Bell Telephone Company.

CAROLE H. GRIMM

Carole, a peppy senior from Room 12, has set her sights on a secretarial career. She likes to dance and to listen to records in her leisure time. She was a member of the Y-Teens, the Bowling Club, and the Glee Club. What, we wonder, will Room 12 do now for a faithful salesman?

HENRY FUSARINI

Foose is a hard-working boy who meets life with a cheerful heart. His likes are typical—girls, the gang, sports, loafing, and an after school job. For the future he plans to work in electronics, a field he hopes to learn more about next Fall.

EMILY K. GERNHARDT

Emily, or Em, as she is known to her many friends, was one of our sweetest seniors. She participated in Y-Teens, Bowling Club, and intramurals — but dancing, swimming, and listening to records ran those activities a close second. In the Fall, Em would like to further her education at Pitt.

CONSTANCE L. GRANATIR

Connie, one of our attractive blondes, loved driving her sharp red convertible in her leisure hours. She was always buying new clothes to keep up with the latest styles. Eventually Connie hopes some good will come from her fashionable dressing by venturing into the modeling business.

ROBERT GRATTON

This hard-working senior reported to Room 12. It was a common sight to see Bob driving around in his hopped-up Merc—his best spare time friend. This lad from the Square hopes to find a good job after graduation, so before long he and the Merc will be out hunting.

FRANCIS J. HABIC

Although Burr isn't sure about what he wants to study in college, with his experience he might as well aim for the presidency! He has been home room president, Choir president, and was leader of the senior class. In between his duties as prexy he found time to participate in football and intramurals.



SENIORS

DALE HAYES

Doc, a member of the Color Guard, proudly escorted the Band to the athletic field for three years. He turned in a good performance in "Cheaper by the Dozen" and took part in intramural games. His future depends on the Air Force, but in the meantime Dale keeps busy after school at Gardill's Drug Store.

JOHN HOGAN

Jack had so much interest in his Alma Mater that even during the summer he could be found working in the halls of SHS. He served as home room officer a number of times and was an intramural participant. Jack played varsity football for two years as an outstanding lineman. The Army is for him after graduation.

ELIZABETH MAE HOSIE

Elma's activities run a wide range; after school it's been a job at Kaufmann's, baby-sitting, painting, swimming, and horseback riding, while here at Swissvale High, Y-Teens, the Bowling Club, and the Glee Club have been important. Elma would someday like to be a Navy nurse.

CATHERINE HOSPER

Cathy was chosen by her class to be one of the attendants in the Prom Court. She took part in the Bowling Club, Y-Teens, and intramural sports. Dancing and collecting and listening to records were her out-of-school interests. After graduation she plans to attend business school.

ALDEAN WINIFRED JOHNS

An airline hostess is what Aldean wants to be in the future. Blondie really has some out of the ordinary hobbies: hypnosis and horse racing. This is indeed an interesting combination! Around school she participated in Y-Teens and home room intramurals. After graduation she plans to go to college.

ANNETTE ELIZABETH JOHNSON

Net-Net, a future student of nursing, is a jolly girl who enjoys dancing more than anything else. Y-Teens, basketball, volleyball, other intramural sports, and Glee Club held her interest in school. A busy life for a lively senior from Room 12.

LaVERNE M. JOHNSON

This strawberry blonde was a member of the Band, Y-Teens, Valistic, and the SWISSVALIAN staff. She graced the Prom Court and helped Room 13 to a number of intramural championships. LaVerne enjoys ice skating, swimming, and reading. It will be a pleasure to be sick when she is your nurse.

PATRICIA L. KEARNS

Our pretty senior president of Y-Teens has been quite an asset to our school. Among her many activities were bowling, intramurals, and the Valistic. Pat was very successful in never missing a school football game. Her friends are confident that she will make a pleasing nurse.

GRETCHEN KELLEY

Gretchen lent her lovely voice to the Choir and her pep to the Bowling Club and the Y-Teens. She had a part in the Junior Class Play and contributed her athletic ability to intramurals. This super-duper ticket salesman plans to go to Baker University to become a nurse.

BARBARA KERR

A lovely miss is Bobbie, with interests ranging from bowling to baby-sitting and Y-Teens (of which she was an officer) to the Valistic. Soft spoken and patient (a prompter in *both* class plays), our fair-haired Bobbie will be a welcome angel of mercy after nurse's training.

I O R S

ROBERT KLEMMER

Bob, one of our very active seniors, is also one of the best looking. He was a member of our football team for three years and was also a basketball manager. He took part in the school intramurals and this year was our class vice-president. Someday Bob hopes to be an aeronautical engineer.

STEVEN KUZMICH

Just what would Room 13 have done without Kuz and his ability to draw cartoons? We think he could really do something with that gift, but Steve's main interests lie in fixing cars and listening to rock 'n roll. He'll make a pleasant and cooperative mechanic.

JOSEPH LAVERDE

Joe's plans for a career in the future consist of going into industry. Right now, though, he likes to loaf and paint his car, which he could tell you just can't be done at the same time. He was a valuable member of Room 12's intramural teams.

PHILIP M. LYNCH

This happy-go-lucky senior hailed from Room 13. When it comes to cars, Phil knows his stuff. Loafing suits him to a T, but he was right there when it came to intramural games. Phil soon will become a Boy in Blue and then he'd better know "What's happening."

DAVID P. MADIGAN

Dave, a joy-loving senior, reported to Room 24. He was very active in intramurals and has enjoyed many good times in high school. He has an after school job helping his father, but his favorite pastimes are sports, sleeping, and driving his "Hot Merc."

CONSTANCE KOVAL

Our Junior Prom Queen was very active in school affairs. She was a majorette, a Y-Teen member, a reporter for the Valistic, and secretary of Student Council. Swimming and listening to music take up Connie's extra time. After college, she plans to be a home economist.

ANTHONY S. LAMBERTI

One of our school's best artists was Tony, but in addition he contributed much to the football and baseball teams. He spends most of his leisure time listening to records or dancing, and resting up from last summer when he had a tremendous amount of experience doing construction jobs—which he hopes to make his life work.

RUTH A. LUDWIG

Ruth is a pretty and popular senior, with a pleasing personality and a winning smile. Being news editor for the Valistic, secretary for the Y-Teens, a member of the Band, Choir, and Student Council were among Ruthie's activities. This future nurse is also very handy with the paintbrush and pencil.

BARBARA MACCUMBEE

Barb claims her ambition (besides marriage) is to make lots of money, but she'll have to add work to her list of interests—dancing, swimming, and eating—to achieve it! Y-Teens, intramurals, and Everett's Little Store have taken up much of her time in the past few years.

REGIS S. MAJOR

Regis, who hailed from Room 16, was active in sports, especially in home room intramurals—in which he excelled. In his spare time, when not working at Bard's, he enjoys driving his car. Regis has one great ambition, to attend the Navy Air School.



SENIORS

JOSEPH S. MALLEY

Joe, who is a lot of fun, did a commendable job in the Senior Class Play, "Cheaper by the Dozen." His favorite interests are sleeping, swimming and school (?). He would like very much to go to college next year to prove his ability in the field of business administration.

SAMUEL LEWIS MAURY

One of Room 17's sturdiest boosters was Sam, who went in for intramurals in a great way. He was in the Choir for three years and was a member of the sound crew for the Senior Class Play. After Ohio State, his greatest ambition is to become a doctor like his father.

NORMA JEAN MCCOLLOUGH

Norma, one of our pretty Swiss Misses, was a very efficient typist on the Valistic. The Bowling Club, Y-Teens, and Camera Club were also among her school activities. She has won many honors with her skill in archery. Norma plans to take up business administration in college.

DAVID MCGOUGH

Dave, one of our leading athletes ever since junior high, has played football, basketball, and baseball during his three years at SHS. He intends to go right on playing sports when he enters college, but after that, "Da-Da," one of Room 13's selected few, plans to become a draftsman.

WILLARD A. MCKAY

Willy, a future engineer, hopes to be counted among the alumni of Carnegie Tech. He spends some of his spare time hunting and swimming and was a member of the Color Guard. Willy was a credit to his home room in all intramural sports. He was dependable in everything he undertook.

ELIZABETH J. MCKIM

This happy-go-lucky miss, with a sweet smile and disposition to match, will make a very good airline hostess someday. Liz was a faithful member of the Bowling and Camera Clubs and was a great asset in intramural games. Swimming and dancing rate tops on Liz's list.

BARBARA ANN MCTIERNAN

Barb's future plans are in action right now, as she has been attending business school as well as SHS during the year. She was a faithful member of the Choir and was in the business law play. In addition to her willingness to help out in intramurals, Barb also enjoyed bowling.

RITA MCTIERNAN

Are the Flashes playing tonight? If so, you can count on seeing Rita there to cheer them on to victory. One of our most enthusiastic students, she took part in the Camera Club, Bowling Club, Valistic, Y-Teens, and intramurals. Rita hopes to venture into the business world.

KIRK J. METZGER

Kirk, an active volleyball and basketball intramural player, and considered a fine home room friend, also found time to be a reliable football manager. Like all boys, he enjoys eating and playing football with his pals. After graduation, Kirk plans to enter college, though he hasn't decided just what course he'll take.

JOANNE MARY MIELE

Here is a cute girl who adds a laugh wherever she may be. "Pidge" has been vice-president or secretary of her home room during each of her three years at SHS. Joanne, who loves to dance and collect records, is considered a terrific athlete by her classmates.

I O R S

AUDREY MILLER

Booby is a very active and beautiful girl from Room 13. Her long list of activities included Y-Teens, Valistic, "Cheaper by the Dozen," Intramurals, Bowling Club, and Student Council. Her outside interests are swimming, sports, and drive-ins. After graduation it's secretarial work for this lass.

CAROL ANN MORRISSEY

Painting landscapes and portraits is one of Carol's hobbies. Another interest is fashions, wearing the latest, and reading fashion magazines. She is now a sales girl in an East Liberty store, but eventually she wants to go into the field of interior decorating or dress designing.

GRANT NORRIS

During his three years at SHS, Bucky won seven varsity letters. When he wasn't at practice, Bucky was either eating or sleeping. He served on Student Council for three years and was vice-president of our junior class. In the future we may see him hitting homeruns at Forbes Field.

JEANNE E. O'GRADY

Jeanne is a lovely, lively lass, active both in school and out. In school she was a Y-Teen officer, Candy Corporation officer, and an ardent intramural participant. She also enjoys dancing, swimming, and driving. Her ambition is to make a success of whatever field she chooses.

GRETCHEN L. PAFF

Combining business with pleasure has been the lot of this pleasurable girl, who just loves dancing and who teaches it for the Fillion Studios. One of our dependable receptionists. Gretchen enjoyed bowling, dramatics, and Y-Teens. College is her ambition for next Fall.

NIKOLAOS MORAYTIS

One of our most active boys, Nick was kept busy this year as co-editor of the SWISSVALIAN. He also participated in Band, Dance Band, Student Council (as vice-president), both class plays, intramurals, and Intercom Crew. Nick's goal is an engineering career after college.

LINDA K. MURRAY

Linda is a vivacious girl who helped to make the Junior Prom Court more beautiful. Her favorite activities were the Valistic feature staff, Y-Teens, Bowling Club, Camera Club, Junior Class Play, and intramurals. She likes to listen to good music and plans to study journalism in a small college.

TERRENCE O'CONNOR

This sandy haired senior from Room 17 played intramurals at noon, but after school his time was devoted to the blue Plymouth. He kept his car in top-notch condition so he wouldn't have to walk to school from the Square. Terry plans to become a mechanic, a job he hopes to learn more about at night school.

LAWRENCE OLINGER

Larry was a great asset to Room 22's intramural teams as well as serving as our junior class treasurer and as home room officer for three years. He was also a member of the Prom Court selection committee. This Road Saint spends all his time working on cars, especially his roadster.

MADELINE T. PARIS

Lynn is a very delightful person to be with. She proved her acting ability in the Junior Play and the business law play. Lynn could often be seen running into Room 6 to hand in her Valistic assignment. Business school is next, then secretarial work.



SENIORS

VINCENT J. PASCARELLA

Vince's favorite sports are basketball and intramurals and his favorite pastimes are cars and having fun with the boys. Caddying at Edgewood Country Club takes much of his time. His ambition is to be an engineer, so next Fall will find him at college.

CAROL ANN PRENTICE

Since Carol plans to be a Lady Marine, we'll probably see her picture in the paper as an attractive example. Her neat appearance and pleasant manner made her a well-liked member of the Class of '57. Intramural sports were her favorite school activity.

DONALD PROTHEROE

This good looking future Navy pilot is quite an outdoor sports enthusiast. He enjoys fishing and hunting as well as home room volleyball and basketball. Don also turned in an excellent performance in the Senior Class Play, "Cheaper by the Dozen."

JOSEPHINE MARY RADELJA

Josie's exceptional artistic ability was put to good use as art editor of the Valistic and in the division pages of the SWISS-VALIAN. Her pleasant nature made her a welcome member of the Y-Teens and the Choir. Out of school, Josie likes to read, dance, or go swimming. This Fall she plans to prepare for a career in art.

NANCY J. RAYNOR

Nance is a wonderful girl with a nice disposition and a smile to match. She is an all-round student who participated in many activities, among them the Valistic, Y-Teens, Senior Class Play, and Candy Corporation. Nancy hopes to enter college in the Fall and is planning on a teaching career.

MARY LOU PASCARELLA

A sparkling personality and nice manner belong to Mary Lou. One of the lovelies of the Prom Court, she is happiest when dancing or swimming. She was a Y-Teen member and a home room officer for three years. Since secretarial work appeals to Mary Lou, business school may come next.

MARGARET POLLARD

That big grin and fancy hairdos are Peggie's trademarks. She was especially popular in speech classes when she brought her luscious cakes along for a demonstration. A future nurse (and a kind one she'll be!), Peggie enjoyed Glee Club and intramurals.

NANCY MARIE PRICE

This cute senior put her brains and personality to good use for the Valistic, Student Council, Choir, and the Y-Teens (as its treasurer). Nancy a future nurse, was in the Junior Class Play and the Prom Court. She also spent many hours working as co-editor of the SWISS-VALIAN.

KATHRYN LOUISE RADAKOVIC

This future school teacher was a member of the Choir for three years and the competent editor of the Valistic. Kathy showed her capability as an actress, performing in both Junior and Senior Class Plays. She also served on Student Council during this past year. A lovely valedictorian for the class of '57.

GEORGIA RATICA

Bunny is an attractive and friendly girl who has been ever-loyal to that wandering room—18, 1, and 19. She played intramurals for three years and was also very active in Y-Teens and the Valistic. Georgia hopes to be wearing a little white uniform and cap to match in a few years.

I O R S

ALBERT R. REID

It's hard to tell just what is uppermost in this well-liked boy's mind—cars, sports, or his job at the YM & WHA. Football, basketball, baseball, volleyball—you name it, he plays it. Engineering in college comes next and *then* that big Cadillac he aims to own.

MARIE E. RUSSO

Pleasing to be with is one of Marie's many qualities. She's a very good athlete when it comes to intramural volleyball and basketball. Marie was a faithful typist on the Valistic staff, a member of the Glee Club, and a help on the SWISSVALIAN.

PAUL SCHULTZ

Paul was on the Valistic staff for two years and a member of the Senior Play cast. He played solo trumpet in the band for six years and was business manager of the SWISSVALIAN. After receiving his diploma, he plans to go to college and in time he will become Paul Schultz, M.D.

MARGARET ANN SHEDLOCK

Peggy, a member of Room 12, was one of our most ardent intramural participants. She took part in both basketball and volleyball all three years. In her out of school time, she likes to dance or swim. In a few years, Peggy hopes to be a private secretary to some big executive.

WILLIAM O. SHORTZ

Bill has certainly been busy in school activities! This vice-president of the Choir was selected to sing in the District Choir for the past two years. He made a great contribution to both of his class plays. His future plans are to attend Upsala College and later seminary where he will train to become a minister.

MARWIN RUBENSTEIN

Ruby, who wants to be a finger print expert, also had a real interest in Room 22's intramural games. Catching criminals, making money, sleeping, and eating are Ruby's pastimes when he's not working with the 336th Military Police Corps.

THOMAS SCANIO

Tom, one of our well-liked seniors, played the drums in the Band for six years. His after school activities include working at Zinn's Pharmacy and being vice-president of the Road Kings. Tom enjoys driving the Plymouth and going out with the "Big Five."

ARDEN LEE SCHWEINBERG

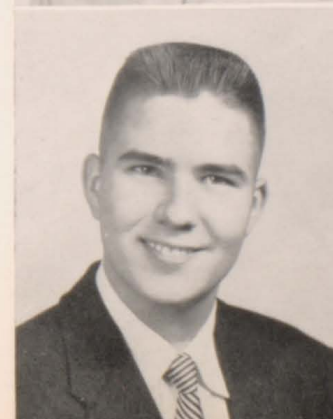
Ardie was an active member of Student Council, Y-Teens, and Valistic. We all enjoyed seeing her in "Cheaper by the Dozen" and at football games as a majorette. Ardie, our sophomore class vice-president, enjoys swimming and dancing. Her beauty and personality will add much to a business office.

VIRGINIA SHOGAN

Ginny is a peppy person who can be counted on to keep things going in Glee Club and in intramurals. She also has many outside activities, such as dancing, skating, and riding. Some boss will be mighty pleased to have such a pleasant secretary to brighten up his office.

NANCY LOU SIMONELLI

Nancy's high school days have been busy ones, what with leading cheers for our athletes, taking part in plays, singing important roles in school musicals, participating in Y-Teen activities, and intramurals—and having fun with it all. She hopes to attend Pinkerton's after graduation.



SENIORS

ROBERT SIVACK

Known better as Bob, this senior's favorite activities, which helped to occupy most of his spare time, were bowling and being one of the efficient members of the Stage Crew. After graduation, you may expect to find Bob a soldier in the United States Army.

JOHN K. SMITH

Smitty's plans for the future call for seeing the world—courtesy of the U. S. Navy. Most of his spare time was spent talking and laughing with the kids. His interests include eating, loafing, and especially working on cars. John also enjoyed playing in intramurals.

JAMES SMOLINSKI

Jim's special interests were the Choir, of which he was a member for three years, and the Stage Crew, on which he served two years. He is now a hard-working clerk at Allen's Drug Store, but plans to enter the Air Force after graduation.

JOAN SPANGLER

Driving the Caddy, dancing, and swimming appeal most to Joan. However, various school activities and her after school job at Edgewood Cleaners laid claim to much of Flick's time. A lively personality and attractive appearance characterized this girl and are certain to be an asset in a secretarial career.

WILLIAM S. STANTON

Bill is an attractive, sports-minded senior from Room 12. He was a home room officer and was active in basketball and intramurals. Besides these interests, Bill also enjoys hunting, driving, and baseball. After high school, it's college for this boy, where he plans to take up business administration.

JOAN THOMPSON

Joan is a neat and well-liked young lady who has won many friends with her quick and friendly smile. The Choir and Y-Teens were among Joan's activities, and she could always be depended upon when you needed her. Beautician's school is in Joan's future.

WILLIAM M. THOMPSON

Bill, one of our nicest and most reliable classmates, was a member of the notable Room 17. He could often be seen driving around town in a green Chevy, but he also liked to play basketball with his friends and go swimming and skating. He hopes to be an electrician someday soon.

CAROL TOMASIC

This sweet girl from Room 24 spent her free time working at Kleen-Ette Cleaners during the past few years. Gertie was always ready to go dancing, swimming, or skating. Y-Teens and the Camera Club kept her busy during school. Her ambition is to be an airline hostess.

GLENN TOPPING

A future college student, this friendly senior has a likable personality. Glenn, who reported to Room 24, was active in all intramural sports and plans to be an engineer in the near future. His favorite pastimes are hunting, fishing, delivering groceries, and loafing in the Square.

MICHAEL TOTH

Mike, a friendly senior from Room 16, was an active member of their intramural teams. When he wasn't at work as a clerk in the Swissvale Isaly's, he was probably out driving his big Buick. Mike's many friends in the Class of '57 wish the best to this class member.

I O R S

MICHAEL VALKO

This amusing lad intends to be an engineer and is preparing for it well with a full program of science and math courses. Mike was a member of Room 12's intramural teams in both basketball and volleyball. He spends his after school time working at the Regent Bottling Company.

JOHN F. WALSH

John was one of our more handsome boys and a welcome addition from Oakmont. Tall and soft-spoken, he hailed from Room 16 and was liked by everyone. Being a sports-minded lad, he was a member of the football, baseball, and basketball teams. After graduation, it's college for him.

JEAN WATERS

The Bowling Club kept Jean busy on Wednesdays until she left us for the sunny south, but she was never too busy to attend dances. She loved to watch basketball games and was a regular on her home room's intramural teams. This carefree member of Room 13 thinks the job of housewife will be good enough for her.

CAROL A. WHALEN

This faithful member of the Y-Teens enjoys driving, reading, and when she has time, bowling. She was interested in school and was always ready to help out when needed. She's had a great deal of experience working at the Thorofare Market, so she won't have to go job hunting after graduation.

PATRICIA LOUISE WOLLERTON

Pat is a snappy cheerleader from Room 22. She was an attendant in the Prom Court and also took part in Y-Teens and intramurals. Pat was our class treasurer her sophomore year and class secretary her junior year. She enjoys swimming or driving a car whenever she has a chance.

MARTHA ANNE WAHL

This pert blonde sang in the Choir for three years and was a member of the Y-Teens for two. Her beauty and personality contributed much to our Halls of Ivy as well as the Prom Court. When not at the basketball games, future secretary Marty enjoys driving the "Big Green."

SHIRLEY JEAN WARDROPE

Shirley, well known all over this area for her skill as a Scottish dancer, admits to a fondness for all kinds of dancing. This petite member of the Y-Teens, Glee Club, Valistic staff, and Senior Play cast, was also a receptionist and intramural participant. Grove City College comes next.

HENRY J. WEBER

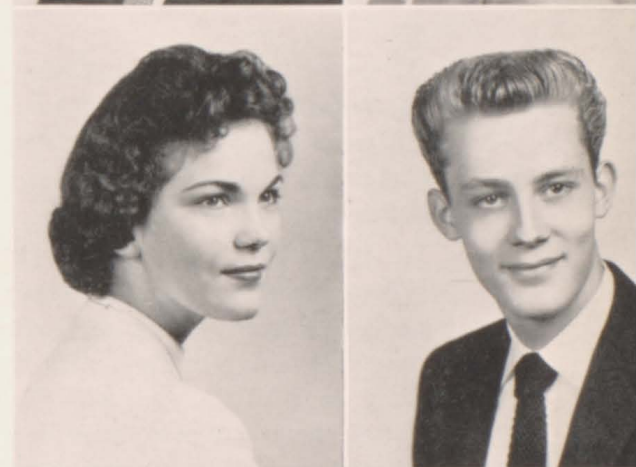
Landscaping has been Henry's method of earning pocket money while in high school, but he won't have much use for that skill when he joins the Navy. Driving, dancing, and home room intramural sports have shared a large part of Henry's special interests.

NOREEN WHALEN

Noreen is a cute doll who has been president of her home room for three years. Rene has been a Y-Teen, a member of the Bowling Club and the Camera Club. She also participated in intramural games. After school hours, she was a secretary for Guide Post Research, but her ambition is to become a nurse.

SARAH JANE WONDERS

Sally is one of our cute seniors who is always fun to be with. She has had an active year serving on the SWISSVALIAN as literary editor, Valistic, the Bowling Club, Y-Teens, and the class plays. Sally would like to attend college to become a dietitian, so next year will see her at Carnegie Tech.





CHARLOTTE ZACCARI

Most everyone knows Chich, who is very much in evidence around SHS. Not only was she a secretary for her home room but she also played intramural sports for it. Y-Teens was another activity popular with her, as were swimming, dancing, and collecting records.

JAMES ZETWO

Jim, or Zippy, as he is better known, contributed much to his home room, 16. He belonged to the Bowling Club, was a member of the Stage Crew, and played baseball for the high school. After graduation, he hopes to attend college and major in the field of business administration.

One of the many things that distinguished the Class of '57 from other senior classes at Swissvale High was its all male administration. Frank Habic served as president, with Bob Klemmer as vice-president, Bill Creighton as secretary, and John DeLucia as treasurer.

"Cheaper by the Dozen," the senior class play, was a smashing success because of Sally Wonders, Audrey Miller, and Bill Shortz, to name a few. The cast will never forget that jellyfish sandwich!

In April the class held their Kid Party—and how many seniors wished they were starting all over again. Then, after three years of waiting, came Senior Day, with Franny Conti serving as Mr. Baily, Frank Habic as Mr. Weichel, Connie Koval as Helen, and many other seniors acting as teachers. The Senior Luncheon was given the same day, and in the afternoon the entertainment highlight of the year, Senior Assembly, was presented to the underclassmen.

The seniors left their mark on the underclassmen in many ways, notably by the beautiful aromas they fanned out of the chemistry laboratory so everyone could have a sniff. These same seniors will always bear in mind the lectures on "Senior Baby Sitters" and "Cradle Snatchers" they received in Room 7.

On June 3, another class of seniors passed on from Swissvale High School. These seniors were overjoyed when graduation day arrived, but the tears showed that some will miss SHS more than others. The Class of '57 received their diplomas looking forward to a bright future full of opportunity.

John makes a wisecrack to his fellow officers Frank, Bob, and Bill.



SENIORS

HONOR ROLL

MICHAEL BORELLIS
JACQUELINE GHRIST, Salutatorian
FRANK HABIC
ANDREY MILLER
NIKOLAOS MORAYTIS
NANCY PRICE
KATHRYN RADAKOVIC, Valedictorian
NANCY RAYNOR
PAUL SCHULTZ
WILLIAM SHORTZ
ARDEN SCHWEINBERG
CAROL WHALEN
SALLY WONDERS

JUNIORS

GUY CATONE
JANICE GAMBINO
MARY ELLEN GILDROY
JOHN HALCHAK
JEAN McFARLANE
EMMETT O'HARE

MARTIN POAD
GEORGE SEMAN
JUDITH WHALEN
ALICE YANKURA
JOAN YUHASZ

SOPHOMORES

MYRNA GATTO
ARNOLD HABIC
ROBERT HILF

MARY McGREGOR
DOROTHY MULKERIN
BRUNA RICCOBON

The seniors listed have maintained an average of 90% or better throughout their four years of high school. The undergraduates' names have appeared on all honor rolls published through March of the current school year, indicating no grade below 85 and a citizenship average of A or B. Many of the students noted on this page are leaders in school activities as well as leaders in scholarship.



Seated: Ruth Ludwig, Kathy Radakovic, Nancy Price, Jacqueline Ghrist
Standing: Paul Schultz, Michael Borellis, Sally Wonders, Nick Moraytis

YEARBOOK EDITORS



Literary editor of the 1957 SWISSVALIAN, Sally Wonders, helps co-editors Nancy Price and Nick Moraytis lay plans for the year as business manager Paul Schultz looks on.

The Jane Grey Swisshelm Chapter of Quill and Scroll includes in its membership the outstanding students who publish the Valistic and Swissvalian. Quill and Scroll is an international society for high school journalists. Its members are found on college campuses in many countries of the world and its emblem is recognized as standing for exceptional work on school publications.

Students who are recommended for this honor must, in addition to their journalistic work, maintain a high scholastic rating and must be a member of the senior class. Their activities speak for themselves in the bi-weekly issues of the school paper and the publishing of the Swissvalian.



John Dierst, Connie Koval, Tom Scanio, Ardie Schweinberg, Bernie DiBernardo, members of the business staff

The editors of the 1957 **SWISSVALIAN** worked feverishly all year to bring you the biggest and best yearbook ever. The literary department, headed by Sally Wonders, contributed much to the yearbook with their original and clever writeups and activities reports. Although the assignments were not always turned in on time, to the editors' anguish, they eventually arrived and were usu-

ally worth the wait.

The business staff, under the management of Paul Schultz, brought in many ads and patrons to help the yearbook meet its budget. Because of this staff's excellent work, the editors of the **SWISSVALIAN** were able to present a bigger book with more pictures and a special cover designed expressly for Swissvale High School.



First row: Linda Murray, Bette Grace Davison, Marie Russo, Nancy Raynor, Norma McCollough

Second row: Sam Maury, Frank Habic, John DeLucia, Bob Klemmer, members of the editorial staff. Not pictured: LaVerne Johnson

MAY QUEEN AND COURT



PAT
WOLLERTON
Maid of Honor



ARDEN
SCHWEINBERG



LAVERNE JOHNSON
Queen



JACQUELYN
ELZER



MARY LOU
PASCARELLA



CONSTANCE
KOVAL



MARTHA
WAHL



First row: Joe, Don, Dale
 Second row: Nancy S., Shirley, Ardie, Sally, Kathy, Audrey
 Third row: Phil, Norma, Bill S., Nick, Paul, John, Bill C.,
 Nancy R., Miss Emmerling



Ardie, Don, and Phil look on as Paul tells Nancy, "It's your move."

SENIOR PLAY . . . Cheaper by the Dozen

THE CAST

Lillian Gilbreth, the mother.....SALLY WONDERS
 Frank Gilbreth, the father.....BILL SHORTZ
 AnnAUDREY MILLER
 FrankPAUL SCHULTZ
 BillJOHN DELUCIA
 FredJOE MALLEY
 DanDALE HAYES
 JackieDON PROTHEROE

ErnestineNANCY SIMONELLI
 MarthaKATHY RADAKOVIC
 LillianSHIRLEY WARDROPE
 Miss BrillARDIE SCHWEINBERG
 Dr. BurtonPHIL COLLINS
 Joe ScalesBILL CARLSON
 LarryNICK MORAYTIS
 Mrs. FitzgeraldNANCY RAYNOR

Bill leads the gang with a "Hoo-rah-ray and a tiger."

The whole family: Paul, Audrey, John, Joe, Dale, Nancy, Kathy, Don, Shirley, Sally, Bill "Eight seconds—not bad."





Where's Mr. Weichel while Joanne, Carol, Donna, Judy, Sheila, and Betty Ann are throwing snowballs?

The Class of '58 spent a busy year, safe in the knowledge that we had another to enjoy at SHS. The year passed quickly and pleasantly. The first thing of importance was the election of our class officers, Jimmy, Marty, Anne, and Guy. Of course, we also held elections for home room officers. We participated in all the activities offered by the school—especially Y-Teens, Bowling Club, Camera Club, football, basketball, baseball, and intramurals.

Another exciting event was our first class play. Will we ever forget the suspense until the cast was announced? At last we performed for the public and "Home Sweet Homicide" was now history.

One of the most awaited events was the Junior Prom, for which we started preparations months ahead. Oh! The time we spent making decorations for our Hawaiian theme. Finally May 3 arrived and what a wonderful time we had!

Then came June 3 and with it the realization that we had but one more year in which to enjoy our beloved SHS.

J U N



MARTIN POAD
vice-president

ANNE GALVIN
treasurer

JAMES CIMINO
president

GUY CATONE
secretary

MR. HARRY ELDER
Physics

ROOM 8

Martin Amodeo, treasurer
Helen Barbarino
Sharon Bole
Bill Byrnes

David Champion
Ethel Charnick
Patricia Durbin
Betty Fish

Joanne Gates
Louis Greene
Paul Hosper
Ronald Johnson

Margaret Logan
Kenneth Lucas
John Mehalik
Joyce Moorman
Donna Pagano, sec'y
Martin Poad, pres.

Wayne Richter
Richard Schuda
Carol Scholtz
David Spagnoli
Madeline Weber
Dale Wentroble
Emmett O'Hare, vice-president
(Not pictured)



I O R S

ROOM 10

Nick Andrejko, president
Augustine Bahleda
Mary Ann Barclay,
vice-president
Arlene Chunko

Nancy Cravotta
Gail Eagleson
Constance Franey
Carol Franzetta

Phyllis Gibson
John Halchak
Mary Jane Holderbaum
Betty Ann Hrizo

Edwin Hutchison
Marie Morelli
Sheila O'Grady
Richard Ozarchuk
George Seman
Maude Simpson

Elizabeth Skover
William Taylor
William Tishko
Loretta Veri
Judy Whalen,
secretary-treasurer
Sandra Wright



MRS. MARGARET HILL
English

MRS. MARIE FRAZER
Problems, Psychology



ROOM 14

Lisa Battaglia
Jim Cimino, president
Shirley Clark
Delores Cresto, secretary

Peggy Early, vice-president
Jim Fulmer
Janice Gambino
Gilbert Gigliotti

Mary Ellen Gildroy
Lance Good
Tom Harris
Patricia Hughes

David Jones
Carole Mahler
Barbara Murray
John Preusse
Russell Ragan
Eleanor Reid

Pat Ruffner
James Speer
Nancy Spinosa, treasurer
Margie White
Alice Yankura
Rudy Yurko

JUN

MISS MARGARET BROWNE
Stenography



ROOM 15

Gilbert Austin
Virginia Benson
Donna Capasso, secretary

Joanne DeNardo
Clare Fahey
Charlene Floss

LaRue Grubb, treasurer
Carol Hall
Diane Huot

Eileen Madden
Janet Malma, vice-president
Mary Jane McClintock,
president
Grace Page
Nancy Preisach
John Shipman

Ann Sullivan
Gloria Tomasic
Joanne Tomko
Rita Wach

ROOM 27

Walter Allan
Barbara Bliss
Marie Capezzuto, secretary

Georgene Carlo
Richard Cencarik
Frances Coletta

John Elish, vice-president
Anne Galvin, president
Elaine Kurtz
Barbara Lewis
Lois Maxwell
John McEliece

James McCluskey
John McFarland
Jean McFarlane
Carl Munch
Barbara Neff
Gayle Paulie

Richard Simko
Joan Spargo
Margaret Sproull
Patricia Urbanic, treas.
Eugene Valko
William Zelen

MISS HILDA SCHIMMEL
Spanish, Algebra



I O R S

ROOM 26

Susan Bietenduefel
Mary Louise Casillo
Guy Catone, president
Carol Coleman

Elizabeth Cooley
Rita Costello
Larry Cuccaro
Beverly Dell, vice-pres.

Patricia Donnelly
Elaine Fusia
Barry Holmes
Grace Jadot

David James
Lois Lanyi
Dennis Legal
Rosemary Mancen, treas.
Penny McGahee
John Neal

Ruth Nelson
John Osley
Georgia Pcholinski
Edward Petro
Joe Ponsi
Ray Schreiber

Illene Stein
Jaclyn Weichel
Metalyn Yetka, secretary
Joan Yuhasz

MRS. AGNES MILLER
Latin, Publications



JUNIOR PROM QUEEN AND COURT



JANET MALMA
Queen



**CAROL
FRANZETTA**



**MARY JANE
McCLINTOCK**



**GAYLE
PAULIE**



**DONNA
CAPASSO**



**RITA
WACH**



**DIANE
HUOT**



**FRANCES
COLETTA**



**BEVERLY
DELL**



Upper photo—

Talking things over are, seated, John Elish and Barbara Neff
Standing: Martin Amodeo, Guy Catone, Martin Poad

Center photo—

The entire cast. First row: John Elish, John Halchak, Dennis Legal, Emmett O'Hare, Jim Speer

Second row: Janet Malma, Ethel Charnick, Mary Jane McClintock, Joanne Tomko, Joan Yuhasz, Frannie Coleta, Mary Ellen Gildroy

Third row: Miss Emmerling, Gayle Paulie, Diane Huot, Guy Catone, Martin Poad, David Jones, Russell Ragan, Martin Amodeo, Barbara Neff, Barbara Murray

Right photo—

Frannie, Joan, and Joanne introduce John to Barbara Neff



"You did it. You're the murderer!" Left to right:
Martin, John, Russell, Diane, Dennis, Mary Ellen, Joan,
Frannie, Joanne

Enjoying a party are: Jimmy and Mary Jane; John
and Ethel; Janet and David; Barbara and Emmett

JUNIOR PLAY . . . Home Sweet Homicide

THE CAST

Marian Carstairs	BARBARA NEFF
Susie	JOANNE TOMKO
April	FRANCES COLETTA
Dinah	JOAN YUHASZ
Polly Walker	DIANE HUOT
Wallie Sanford	GUY CATONE
Mrs. Cherington	MARY ELLEN GILDROY
Mr. Cherington	DENNIS LEGAL
Rupert Van Deusen	MARTIN AMODEO
Frankie Riley	RUSSELL RAGAN

Bill Smith	JOHN ELISH
Sergeant O'Hare	MARTIN POAD
Pete	JIMMY SPEER
Joella	MARY JANE MCCLINTOCK
Flashlight	JOHN HALCHAK
Slukey	ETHEL CHARNICK
Wendy	BARBARA MURRAY
May	JANET MALMA
Joe	DAVID JONES
Ralph	EMMETT O'HARE



Louise, Fredi Ann, Arnie, and Madeline discuss plans for livening the sophomore class.

Our versatile sophomore class arrived in the stately halls of Swissvale High School slightly bewildered but outstanding as one of the largest classes to appear on the scene in recent years.

One of our first honors was the election of class officers. After a heated campaign carried on with much enthusiasm and brilliant speeches on the part of the candidates, the following class officers were chosen: president Arnold Habic; vice-president Madeline Donofrio; secretary Louise Burgard; and treasurer Fredi Ann DiMarzio.

Our Sophomore Party was without a doubt the best, jolliest, and funniest ever given, although we are not given to boasting! Some of the novelty acts were "Patience and Prudence," portrayed by Norman Urban and Matt Ballaban. Other notable features were dancing acts, singing, and instrumental numbers.

We always managed to get to class on time, sometimes with our tongues hanging and hair flying—and the famous words, "Just made it!" At assemblies and pep meetings, we waited patiently for the seniors to depart, hopefully anticipating the day when we will be members of that privileged class.

S O P H O

MISS MARY EMMERLING
Speech, Dramatics



ROOM 3

Jim Abraham
Kitty Austin
Lorraine Beninati, pres.
Dick Bennett

Mary Beth Burger
Jim Christie
Sara Jane Cottom
Edith Dravecky

Jim Frank
Mary Fusco
Pat Gigliotti
Joanne Horsman

Andrew Kandra
Marie Keefe
Marge Kemerer, vice-pres.
Jim Logan
Dorothy McNair
Dan Meggenson

Noreen Milchalk
Caroline Napoleon
Jim Nesbitt
Sandra Payne
Don Renner
Francis Singer

Joe Shea
Mary Tammariello
June Thomas
Bill Venturini
Arlene Culligan, sec'y-treas.
(Not pictured)

MISS MARGARET JONES
English

ROOM 18

Barbara Becker, president
Edward Bednarczyk, treas.
Donald Bradley
Elizabeth Bradley

Maureen Byrnes
John Cafaro
Joan DiDominico
Danny Dugan

Jerry Harrell
Carol Henry
Joyce Jones
Mary Laughery

Danny McConnell
Ray Mareno
Mary Jane Martinich,
secretary
Tommy Matthews
Polly Ann Medved,
vice-president
Jean Munson

Scott Norris
Sandra Nye
Kenny Ryan
Elaine Schalles
Susan Steinmetz
Loretta Vitartas



M O R E S

ROOM 7

Joanne Badali, vice-president
Duane Baine
Beverly Brannagan

Ronald Chizmar
Judy Christ
John Cohill

Nick Costello
Robert Cramer
Mary Ellen Daw

Nancy Dufalla, president
Eddie Fry, treasurer
Myrna Gatto
June Hutchison
Nancy Jean Kann
Mike Lesko

Aleta McCall
John Wertz
Nina Newton
Jim O'Connor
Johnny Pavlisko
Mary McGregor

Mary Ann Praska
Bob Rhoades
Roberta Smith, secretary
Paul Tomko
Amelia Trepak
Joe Zidanic



MR. CHESTER JELBART
Chemistry

MRS. EMILY BAILY
English



ROOM 21

John Bucar
Mary Pat Bodner
Rolando Colaquari

Thomas Conaboy
Gregory Cunningham
Marlene Danielson, treas.

Sue Foster
Kitty Lou Giordano,
vice-president
James Henderson

Joanne Jessell
Susan Kunic
Walter Laney, secretary
Rita Madden
James Mazzone
Charles McKinley

Thomas Millslagle
Dorothy Mulkerin
Marilyn Ross
Ray Ruth
Diane Sherer
Joseph Venturella

S O P H O

MISS MARGARET BORETSKY
Girls Physical Education



ROOM 11

Matt Ballaban
June Barefoot
Gladys Biehl

Ed Booher
Louise Burgard, vice-pres.
Martin Cosgrove

Gloria Costa
Dick Crawford
Carol DiBerardin

Madeline Donofrio
Carol Germanowski
Arnold Habic, president
Charlotte Hysong,
secretary-treasurer
Joe Kasher
Joyce Kirk

Steve Levine
Dorothy Madaras
Mike Marino
Gene Miller
Justine Mise
Virginia Olixia

Ivrie Pegues
Bruna Riccobon
Elaine Steffy
Norman Urban
Carol Weimsker
Enos Williams

MISS VERONICA BERTOLINE
French

ROOM 23

Lenore Bell
John Bliss
Eleanor Bucar, vice-pres.
Francis Byrne

Connie Chambers
Frank Coletta
Jacqueline Doyle
Pat Everett

Tom Faulds
Beth Hoover
Robert Hyland
Vernice Jones
Kathleen Madigan
Jerry Malley

Kenneth Munster
Dorothy O'Connor
Edward Rowland
Harry Rubenstein
George Scherba
Carol Shedlock

Thomas Silvasy
Dorothy Stoffa, sec'y-treas.
Georganne Wilson
Bill Wonders



M O R E S

MR. EMIL DANDER
Sales, Typing

ROOM 28

Edith Beerbower
James Biscup
Kathleen Brylka

Robert Burkhart
Shirley Cecchino
Fred Ann DiMarzio,
president

Bonnie Evans
Joseph Elborne
Robert Hilf, sec'y-treas.

Juanita Hilgenberg
Eugene Horscholic
Bill Joyce
Patricia Joynt
Marilyn Lester
Anna M. Mazzarello

Bernice Mise
Audrey Owens
Erwin Polansky
Richard Rupp
Bill Rutter, vice-pres.
Carol Seng

Carol Swiatkowski
Rachel Vergona
Joseph Vigliotti
Jim Wintermantel



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Seated: Connie Koval, secretary; Franny Conti, president; Noreen Whalen, Ardie Schweinberg, Anne Galvin, Kathy Radakovic, John Dierst, treasurer; Pat Kearns, Nick Moraytis, vice-president

Standing: Martin Poad, Guy Catone, Nick Andrejko, Barbara Becker, Arnie Habic, Nancy Dufalla, Fredi Ann DiMarzio, Frank Habic, Lorraine Beninati, John Bucar, Bill Wonders, Jim Cimino, Mary Jane McClintock, Mr. Toth, faculty adviser

STUDENT COUNCIL

Student Council was a migratory group this year, meeting in whatever room was available. Every Monday morning at the beginning of the 25 minute period a voice over the intercom would announce: "Student Council will meet this morning in Room 1 (or 19 or 20 or 25)" and off would go our representatives, who in most cases were also our home room officers.

Headed by president Franny Conti, vice-president Nick Moraytis, secretary Connie Koval, and treasurer John Dierst, and sponsored by Mr. Toth, Student Council kept their meetings running smoothly and efficiently.

Student Council had, as usual, many responsibilities. One of the most important of these was setting up the intramural schedule and seeing to it that it was carried through to

the championship playoffs. Many were the 25 minute periods spent arguing over eligibility rules, but eventually an agreement would be reached and the rules passed. Championship games were played at Dickson before highly partisan students, with a dance following to celebrate the victory.

Student Council also had charge of elections for the Prom and May Queen Courts. This was a real chore, but the group, assisted by several faculty members, handled it admirably.

In May Student Council sponsored the Awards Assembly, at which time the winners of scholarships were revealed, pins were given to senior members of the choir and two-year members of the council, art awards were presented, and members of Quill and Scroll announced.



First row: Jacquie Ghrist, feature editor; Kathy Radakovic, editor-in-chief; Ruthie Ludwig, news editor

Second row: Josephine Radelja, art editor; Mike Borellis, sports editor

VALISTIC

To keep the students and faculty of SHS up to date about news happenings we had our paper, the Valistic. Under the very efficient editorship of Kathy Radakovic, this year's paper was timely and readable. Kathy's trademark was the question, "Any news today?" Her editors, Ruthie, Jacquie, Josie, and Mike were on the jump giving out assignments to answer that question.

One big problem of publishing our paper, since we are a DO IT YOURSELF group, was our dear old mimeograph. In spite of a big sign reading, "THIS MACHINE IS CLEAN—Keep it that way" it was frequently found running over with ink. Of course no one had ever left it that way! When a page was run off, Bobbie could often be heard saying, "Darn this machine, this ink gets over everything—and everyone." Our little black cloth was always in use, either for our hands or the floor. But when such troubles arose and were beyond our knowledge, we could always call in Mr. Weichel, who can fix ANYTHING. He is one friend whom all those connected with publishing the Valistic will never forget.

Upper Photo—

Seated: Delores Cresto, Peggy Early
Standing: Rita Costello, Margie White, Elaine Kurtz, Georgia Ratica, Bobbie Kerr

Lower Photo—

Seated: Pat Urbanic, Jim Cimino, Norma Barefoot, Donna Pagano
Standing: Tom Harris, Jackie Weichel, George Seman, Nancy Raynor





VALISTIC

Often heard in the Valistic department of Room 6 were: "Where's the correction fluid?" "Oops!" "Oh, that reporter!" "To be typed." "Oh, brother!" But a more efficient group you just couldn't have found anywhere. The typists gave up many a study period to aid the march of progress. Typing for a newspaper is hard work—you must know how to spell and how to hyphenate, especially on a stencil! The public is only too ready to pick up errors!

To provide the Valistic with an attractive

cover was the work of the art staff. Many colorful covers were achieved, with the crowning glory being a silk-screen copy for Easter.

One of the most popular features of the paper was the Senior Spotlight page. The three girls in charge of this page were Jeanne Ford, Pat Kearns, and Gretchen Burgard. The sports minded could always find a page or two devoted to sports at SHS. Of course the ever-popular intramurals were included in this section.

Top—
Seated: Sally Wonders, Bobbie Bliss, Jackie Elzer, LaVerne Johnson, Beverly Dell
Standing: Jeanne O'Grady, Norma McCollough, Marie Russo, Barbara Kneebone, Bette Grace Davison, Janice Gambino, Audrey Miller
Below—
First row: Betty Ann Hrizo, Grace Page
Second row: Ann Sullivan, Rosemarie Mancen, Elaine Fusia, Linda Murray, Connie Koval, Gretchen Burgard
Third row: Pat Kearns, Jeanne Ford, Madeline Paris, Joan Yuhasz, Barbara Murray, Alice Yankura



Rosemarie Mancen, Nancy Raynor, Barb Kneebone, Alice Yankura, and Jackie Weichel are stapling the Valistic and recording each subscriber's "John Henry."

The day before each issue was to be distributed was always a busy one. Typists, editors, staplers—all were in a dither upholding the honor of the Valistic, which always comes out **ON TIME**. Then it was Bette Grace Davison's turn to be busy, sending out our paper in exchange for those from other schools.

Mention must be made of Mrs. Miller's journalism classes which were held throughout the first semester to train the cub reporters in the way they should go. Here writing

styles were discussed and practiced and the mechanics of putting out a paper explained. Those who made the grade became full-fledged staff members the second semester.

But all was not work on the Valistic. At Christmas and at the close of school, after the last issue had come out, the staff met to make merry. Special guests were Mrs. Miller, Valistic adviser, whose help and patience were inexhaustible, and Miss Jacobs and her **SWISS-VALIAN** staff.

Seated is Mrs. Miller, surrounded by her "cubs:" First row: Amelia Trepak, Carol Whalen, Gayle Paulie, Joanne Tomko, Steve Levine, Eddie Bednarczyk, Frances Coletta

Second row: Nick Costello, Bob Hilf, Andrew Kandra, Sue Kunic, Gene Miller, Arnie Habic, Clare Fahey, Barbara Neff, Sue Steinmetz





First row: Betty A. Fish, Dorothy Madaras, Beth Hoover, Nancy Simonelli, Josephine Radelja, Metalyn Yetka, Lois Lanyi, Joanne Badali, Loretta Veri
 Second row: Donna Capasso, Carol Franzetta, Vernice Jones, Barbara McTiernan, Jacquie Ghrist, Mary Laughery, Phyllis Kirk, Marie Keefe, Rita Wach
 Third row: Eddie Bednarczyk, Martha Wahl, Bob Hilf, Richard Rupp, Tom Harris, Frank Singer, Erwin Polansky, Don Renner, James Abraham
 Fourth row: Sam Maury, John Dierst, Jim Fulmer, Frank Habic

CHOIR . . . A pleasure to hear



Mr. Hill requests some band member to get in step!

The Swissvale High School Choir, consisting of about sixty boys and girls who thoroughly enjoy singing, provided entertainment for the school and community throughout the year. Every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday during the fifth period, they would gather in the auditorium to learn and to practice new songs.

This year the Choir produced a Christmas operetta entitled "Merry Christmas," starring Donna Capasso and Bill Shortz. They were supported by the other members of the group, some of whom played dramatic parts.



First row: Eileen Farren, Kitty Lou Giordano, Elaine Steffy, Kathy Radakovic, Ruth Ludwig, Gretchen Kelley, Frances Coletta, Mary Ann Barclay, Elaine Kurtz
 Second row: Jeanne Ford, Carol Coleman, June Thomas, Nancy Price, Steve Levine, Tom Millslagle, Carol Shedlock, Pat Ruffner, Gayle Paulie, Nick Andrejko
 Third row: Mary Jane Martinich, Marilyn Lester, Joyce Moorman, Diane Huot, Tony DeLia, Dick Bennett, Dave Champion, Gene Miller, Andrew Kandra, Guy Catone
 Fourth row: Bill Hutchison, Paul Boory, Martin Poad, Bill Shortz

In the spring the choir produced another operetta entitled "Tennessee Tess." As you can guess, the setting was in the hills of Tennessee. Leads were sung by Donna Capasso and Frank Habic. As a reward for their hours of faithful practice, the students traveled to Saltsburg and Blairsville to reenact the operetta.

Especially honored were Bill Shortz and Paul Boory, who were selected to represent SHS at District Choir, held this year at Turtle Creek.

As is the custom, the choir sang for senior assembly and, as is also the custom, many of the members shed a few tears when they sang "Now Is the Hour" and "The Halls of Ivy." The choir sang for Baccalaureate—and was saddened by the thought that it would be the last time they would sing together.



OFFICERS

FRANK HABIC	president
DIANE HUOT	secretary-treasurer
BILL SHORTZ	vice-president



First row: Myrna Gatto, Gilbert Smith, Linda Beeman, Pat Urbanic, Jerry Levine, Jamie Ralston, James Dukate, Emily Brugh, Richard Brozek, John Bonacci, Joe Cresto
 Second row: Ardie Schweinberg, Bill Hood, Carol Coleman, Charlene Floss, Marie Capezzuto, Gloria Costa, Jackie Ludwig, Gary Weaver, Robert Cramer, Dorothy Schwarzbach
 Third row: Diane Huot, Willard McKay, Tom Scanio, John Dierst, Richard Bennett, John Preusse, Douglas Hags, Russell Ragan, Ronald Dukate, Leo Toribio, Jim Christie, Frank Gambino

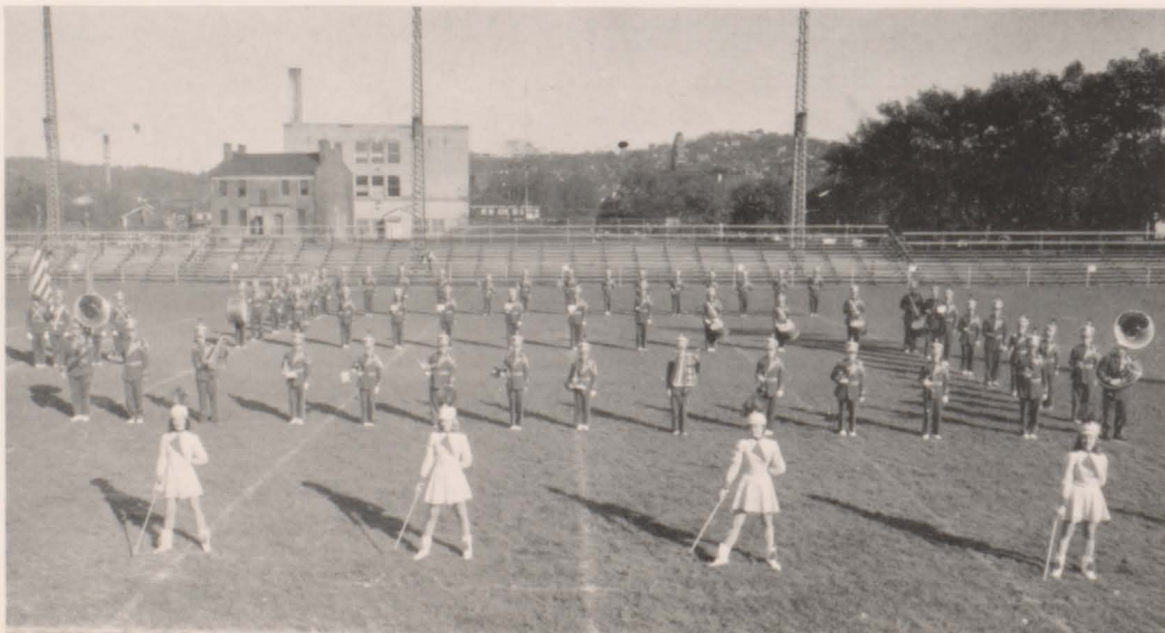
BAND . . .

Steps out in style

Once again our band impressed the fans with their half-time entertainment at the football games and with their fine precision marching. These performances were possible only because of summer practice and scorching seventh period rehearsals.

If you have ever passed the field during a practice, surely you have heard the familiar words, "Hey, you, keep in line. We want a

"Sing the praise of Swissvale High School . . ."





First row: Billy Lehm, Greg Edie, Patty Schwarzbach, Billy Couse, Becky Bowman, Clair John, Charles Meigs, Douglas Topping, Jerry Hagadorn, Richard Lester, Kitty Lou Giordano
 Second row: Nancy Carlson, Gerald Zeok, Tommy Lemak, Joan Spargo, Lois Lanyi, Dorothy Mulkerin, Bill Hollstein, Ruth Ludwig, LaVerne Johnson, Connie Koval
 Third row: Dale Hayes, Donald Gratton, Rita Wach, Dave Champion, Paul Schultz, John Cresto, Eddie Frantz, Emmett O'Hare, Nick Moraytis, Jane Malma

straight one;" or perhaps you have heard Mr. Hill exclaim for the twelfth time, "O. K., we'll try it again; LEFT FACE 1, 2; RIGHT FACE 3, 4." After the final rehearsal seventh period Friday, the band would rush to the high school to add its pep, vigor, and music to the pep meetings.

Another feature of the band was its high-

stepping majorettes, who led our musicians through the streets of Swissvale, and the Color Guard who carried our beautiful flags.

We are losing quite a few of our band members this year through graduation, but there are more who are preparing to take their places by stepping into the handsome blue and gold uniforms.

DANCE BAND . . . Swing and sway with Edgar J.

The advanced members of our band are given a chance to play popular music in the Dance Band.

Front row: Mary Pat Webb, Ronald Dukate, Lois Lanyi, Carol Coleman, Bernie DiBernardo
 Second row: Dick Bennett, Bill Hood, Paul Schultz, John Cresto, Nick Moraytis, Gary Weaver, Jerry Hagadorn
 Standing: Drummer Ruth Ludwig, Pianist Bob Hilf, Vocalist Donna Capasso





GLEE CLUB

First row: Edith Beerbower, Arlene Culligan, Connie Chambers, Justine Mise, Loretta Vitartas, Elaine Schalles, Noreen Milchalk, Sandra Payne, Bernice Mise, Carol Seng

Second row: Lenore Bell, Dorothy O'Connor, Suzanne Kunic, Joanne Gates, Pat Everett, Marlene Danielson, Eleanor Bucar, Mary Ellen Daw, Lorraine Beninati, Charlotte Hysong

Third row: Maureen Byrnes, Mary Ann Tammariello, Pat Gigliotti, Marilyn Ross, Susan Foster, Joanne Jessell, Mary McGregor, Pat Joynt



A group of students from Room 27 chat with Miklos Barcs, recently arrived from Budapest, Hungary.



ART CLASSES

Upper Photo—

Front row: Connie Granatir, Rita McTiernan, Joanne Miele, Edith Granite, Shirley Wardrope

Second row: Marwin Rubenstein, Henry Weber, Tony Lamberti, John Cresto, Dave Madigan

Lower Photo—

First row: Judy Whalen, Elaine Fusia, Dennis Legal, Mary Ellen Gildroy, Rita Wach, Barbara Kneebone

Second row: Joan Yuhasz, Janice Gambino, Pat Urbanic, Jackie Weichel

CANDY CORPORATION . . .

For your sweet tooth

Nancy Raynor, Bette Grace Davison, Bill Joyce (buying candy), Peggy Logan, Jean O'Grady



One of the highest dividend paying businesses in the country is Swissvale High's Candy Corporation. Their wares appeal to

hungry students, and so flourishing is their business that what few shares become available are snapped up quickly.

RECEPTIONISTS . . . With a smile

With these girls on duty, no stranger ever has to flounder around in SHS looking for the superintendent's or principal's office. In addi-

tion to their duties as receptionists, they also helped Helen by delivering absence sheets and doing other chores to aid her.



Seated: Aldean Johns, Carol Whalen

Standing: Metalyn Yetka, Mary Ellen Gildroy, Connie Clifford, Carol Coleman, Susan Bietenduefel, Sandy Wright, Grace Page, Madeline Donorfrio



INTERCOM CREW

Seated: Dale Wentroble, Nick Moraytis
Standing: Nick Costello, John Shipman

The voices behind that familiar and cheery "Good morning!" you hear every morning belong to these boys. They informed the students what club was meeting where "immediately after devotions." When the intercom let out one of those piercing shrieks or when the mike began to ring during an assembly program, you could be sure that one of these boys had "goofed" and was going to hear about it!

The industrious lads of the Stage Crew were responsible for setting up scenery for the class plays and the choir's operettas. With the help of our new art teacher, Mr. Brown, they did a good job here as well as at Dickson Field for May Day. When not so industrious, they overlooked having a flag for us to salute in assembly—but they could usually be counted on to have everything ready for all occasions.

STAGE CREW

Seated: Jim Zetwo, Bill Tishko,
Jim Cimino, Jim Smolinski,
Nick Costello

Standing: Walter Allan, Dick
Simko, Dick Bennett, Dick
Cencarik, Eddie Frantz, Jack
Neal, Paul Agnew, Barry
Holmes, Jim Biscup, Don
Renner, Joe Shea





First row: Sally Wonders, Barbara MacCumbee, Carol Tomasic, Emily Gernhardt, Gloria Dugan, Norma McCollough, Joan Thompson, Grace Dolak, Connie Clifford, LaVerne Johnson, Jeanne Ford
 Second row: Gretchen Burgard, Ardie Schweinberg, Noreen Whalen, Pat Wollerton, Mary Lou Pascarella, Nancy Simonelli, Nancy Raynor, Elma Hosie, Norma Barefoot, Gretchen Kelley, Jackie Elzer
 Third row: Bette Grace Davison, Georgia Ratica, Josephine Radelja, Linda Murray, Cathy Hosper, Joan Spangler, Connie Koval, Carole Grimm, Carol Morrissey, Jerry Biehl
 Fourth row: Barbara Kerr, Rita McTiernan, Carol Whalen, Charlotte Zaccari, Jacquie Ghrist, Martha Wahl, Jackie Donohue, Audrey Miller

Y-TEEN SR. and

The Y-Teen Club, one of our school's most popular organizations, is composed of both junior and senior girls. Its present enrollment is 84 members, whose will to accomplish

things worthwhile is evident in even a partial list of their activities this year, such as having charge of the Thanksgiving and Easter assemblies, collecting toys for orphan children, going Christmas caroling, and holding a chicken dinner.

Although the girls are not obligated to take part in all activities, usually no persuasion is needed, for all agree that the end result of most of the activities is a good deed done and an enjoyable time for its participants. The projects undertaken by the group are not looked upon as tasks by the girls, for they gain valuable experience in learning to work with one another in performing a service to their community and to society as a whole.

The events which were particularly enjoyed by the girls this year were the visits of a fashion expert who is a familiar guest here and who spoke on good grooming, and a hair stylist who told the girls about cosmetology and willingly offered to cut and style some of the members' hair.



Jean O'Grady, vice-president; Pat Kearns, president; Nancy Price, treasurer; Ruthie Ludwig, secretary

One of the main goals of the club each year is to provide a deserving senior member with a one hundred dollar Y-Teen scholarship to be used in furthering her education. Dues are not used for this purpose, but the various money-making schemes of the girls raise the required amount.

A tour of Europe (though in imagination) was taken by the Y-Teens when Gretchen and Louise Burgard told us of their trip abroad last summer. They related amusingly and in detail their adventures, to the delight of all who were present. In October some of the junior Y-Teens presented a show for the senior girls. It was composed of three short skits which were thoroughly enjoyed. Another evidence of Y-Teen talent was an assembly presented in February for the benefit of the whole school by those members blessed with beautiful voices, musical ability, and various

other talents.

Y-Teen members also served as hostesses at the Open House in November, with the representatives assigned to their home rooms and others meeting and greeting parents and visitors at the door. Besides our industrious officers, the club also had a Valistic representative for publicity's sake and two council representatives to keep the girls informed about other Y-Teen clubs. In the same department, the success the club enjoyed this past year was surely due in large part to Mrs. Flannick, our counselor, who somehow managed to keep an eye on everything.

Even at this writing plans are being made for the Candlelight Service for the juniors and also a fashion assembly. And so one more school year is complete for Y-Teen members. The girls have accomplished much of value and deserve to be proud of their record.

Y-TEEN JR. . . . Played an important role

First row: Jean McFarlane, Beverly Dell, Barbara Bliss, Pat Urbanic, Carol Scholtz, Elaine Fusia, Lisa Battaglia, Frances Coletta, Eileen Farren, Ann Sullivan, Joanne Tomko
 Second row: Metalyn Yetka, Pat Hughes, Judy Whalen, Ethel Charnick, Nancy Cravotta, Joanne DeNardo, Grace Page, Clare Fahey, Joan Spargo, Elizabeth Skover
 Third row: Janice Gambino, Anne Galvin, Jackie Weichel, Barbara Kneebone, LaRue Grubb, Joan Yuhasz, Charlene Floss, Carol Franzetta, Donna Capasso, Pat Donnelly
 Fourth row: Mary Jane McClintock, Georgia Pcholinski, Marie Capezzuto, Georgine Carlo, Pat Durbin, Elaine Kurtz, Carol Coleman, Gayle Paulie, Barbara Murray, Peggy Logan
 Fifth row: Barbra Lewis, Joanne Gates, Pat Ruffner, Sandy Wright, Gerry Tomasic, Arlene Chunko, Rita Wach, Janet Malma, Alice Yankura
 Sixth row: Susan Bietenduefel, Carol Mahler, Barbara Neff, Joyce Moorman, Madeline Weber





Kneeling: Jim Zetwo, president; Ken Lucas, vice-president; Gayle Paulie, secretary; Willard McKay, treasurer
 First row: Audrey Miller, Rolando Colaquori, Anne Galvin, Jerry Biehl, Liz McKim, Connie Granatir, Aldean Johns, Carol Scholtz, Joan Spargo
 Second row: John Halchak, Barbara Chizmar, Ed Rowland, Georgia Pcholinski, Jackie Donohue, Kathy Madigan, Pat Durbin, Rose Errera
 Third row: Josephine Radelja, Barbara McTiernan, Donna Pagano, Pat Everett, Joanne Gates, Norma McCollough, Mary Jane McClintock
 Fourth row: Jean Waters, Georgia Ratica, Bobbie Kerr, Grace Dolak, Elma Hosie, Jim Cimino, Martin Amodeo
 Fifth row: Scott Norris, Bill Tishko, Russell Ragan, Mike Borellis, Barbara Murray, Pat Urbanic, Jim Smolinski, Joe Ponsi, Bill Thompson, Carol Coleman, Diane Huot

BOWLING CLUB



This year the Bowling Club found itself a new sponsor in Miss Bertoline, our new French teacher, who graciously consented to take over for Miss Robbins, absent this year because of illness. President of the club was Jim Zetwo, assisted by Ken Lucas, vice-president; Gayle Paulie, secretary; and Willard McKay, treasurer.

Every Wednesday after school the members trooped over to the new Arcade Bowling Alleys on Dickson Street. Averages ranged from a high 140 to a low 60, but everybody had fun. Trophies were awarded the boy and girl with the highest individual score and the highest average. Outstanding girl bowlers for the season were Pat Durbin, Donna Pagano, and Norma McCollough. Among the boys, Jim Zetwo, Al Reid, and Ken Lucas were stand-outs.



K—comma—K was the typing project for the day.

When their individual pictures were lost, these students posed willingly for a retake: First row: Eddie Coletta, Joe Zaccari
 Second row: Arlene Culligan, Louise Cohill, Alice Bechtol, Elaine Farren, Barbara Kneebone
 Third row: Jim Wollerton, Jerry Evans, Emmett O'Hare, John O'Donnell, Robert McDonough



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Carol Franzetta, Jackie Elzer, Norma Barefoot, Pat Wollerton, Nancy Simonelli



Myrna Gatto, Diane Huot, Connie Koval, Ardie Schweinberg, Janet Malma, Kitty Lou Giordano

One
of our
favorite sports
was

... FOOTBALL

Swissvale	13	Rankin	18
Swissvale	0	Turtle Creek	34
Swissvale	26	Scott Twp.	40
Swissvale	18	Shaler	40
Swissvale	0	Homestead	12
Swissvale	0	Braddock	39
Swissvale	0	Midland	25
Swissvale	6	Glassport	20
Swissvale	6	Wilmerding	12
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Assistant Coach John Brace and Head Coach Arnold Koepka plan the strategy for that night's game.

Coach Koepka sends in a play with Ray Schreiber



Huddle





Top: Franny Conti, Bucky Norris
Bottom: Dave McGough, Albert Reid, Bernie DiBernardo



Top: Tony Lamberti, Louis Greene
 Middle: Jack Hogan
 Bottom: Frank Habic, Bob Klemmer, Bill Creighton

See the next page for write-ups.



Upper left: Eugene Horcholic, Martin Poad, Arnie Habic

Upper right: Managers Tom Harris and Kirk Metzger

Lower left: Munster centers the ball to Schreiber; Elish and Marks wait for the play to start

Lower right: Bahleda, Kandra, Abraham, and Wintermantel on defensive line, with Lesko and Osley backing up

BILL CREIGHTON

Buzzsaw Bill

In earning three varsity letters, Bill showed his ability by sure handed pass catching, hard blocks, and jarring tackles.

JACK HOGAN

Jolting Jack

A hard charging tackle both offensively and defensively, Jack made his presence known in every game.

BOB KLEMMER

Bruising Bob

One of the strongest links in our forward wall, Bob was able on offense and particularly strong on defense.

FRANK HABIC

Fighting Frank

In his first try at football, Frank earned a varsity letter as the hub of our offensive barrage.

BERNIE DiBERNARDO

Belting Bernie

Bernie, our other guard, whose specialty was recovering fumbles, could always be counted on.

AL REID

Able Al

Al was our varsity linebacker and guard. When needed, Al was always there for the block or tackle.

DAVE MCGOUGH

Dangerous Dave

Both offensive tackle and end, Dave played where he was most needed. His forte was hard and rough play.

BUCKY NORRIS

Hustling Hugh

At either halfback or quarterback Buck was an offensive threat. He proved this by being leading scorer.

LOUIS GREENE

Scampering Scooter

This shifty back was our breakaway threat. He was also our best receiver in the backfield.

TONY LAMBERTI

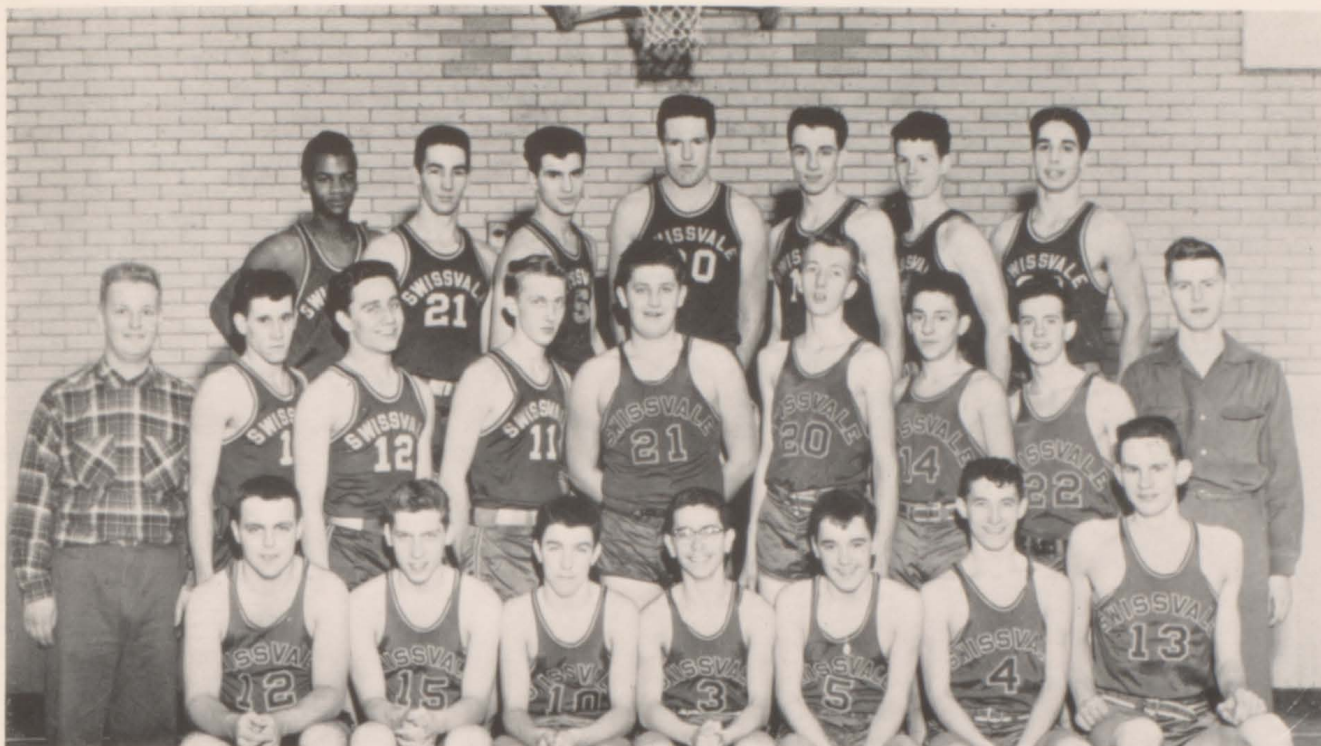
Tony the Tiger

Our right half on offense and defense, Tony, with his stamina, always drove for that last yard.

FRANNY CONTI

Fullback Franny

Being converted from center to fullback utilized his power where most needed. Fran was also a defensive backer-up.



First row: Eugene Horcholic, Andy Kandra, Joe Kasher, Eddie Bednarczyk, Eddie Fry, Nick Andrejko, Dave Jones

Second row: Ken Munster, John DeLucia, Al Reid, Gus Bahleda, Arnie Habic, Scott Norris, Tom Harris, John McFarland, John Anderson

Third row: Lou Greene, Bucky Norris, Franny Conti, Dave McGough, Bill Creighton, Jim Fulmer, Martin Poad

Popular also was . . . **BASKETBALL**

Under the new head coach John Brace, the varsity basketball team had an exciting year. After winning the first game of the season, the boys couldn't seem to pull in a victory, although some of their losses were close. When league competition started, hard luck still plagued the boys, as evidenced by some

of the scores. They finally got a win against Wilmerding and in the second half of the season they won four of their last five games. The highlight of the season was the Wilmerding game, at Wilmerding, in which Jim Fulmer scored 37 points, tying Swissvale's all-time scoring record for one game set by Dick Groat.

Statistics and Scores 1956 Season

Swissvale 76	Tarentum 72	Swissvale *37	Turtle Creek 63
Swissvale 47	Arnold 58	Swissvale *77	Wilmerding 69
Swissvale 55	Latrobe 76	Swissvale *60	Rankin 67
Swissvale 42	Hempfield Joint 59	Swissvale *53	Penn 88
Swissvale 35	Peabody 77	Swissvale *60	Scott 71
Swissvale 36	Pitcairn 38	Swissvale *71	Braddock 58
Swissvale 78	Jeannette 98	Swissvale *48	Wilkinsburg 67
Swissvale *63	Penn 69	Swissvale *71	Turtle Creek 69
Swissvale *48	Scott 78	Swissvale *83	Wilmerding 63
Swissvale *57	Braddock 61	Swissvale *79	Rankin 75
Swissvale *42	Wilkinsburg 60	*Denotes league games.	

AL REID

Al's bright spirit was a great asset to our team. He showed much promise during his varsity career at Swissvale.

BILL CREIGHTON

Bill was always jockeying for a position under the offensive and defensive boards. He was especially accurate on his foul shots.

JOHN DELUCIA

John was a three year man on the basketball team. A great hustler, he was at his best when driving.

DAVE MCGOUGH

Dave, our 6'4" pivot man was a great offensive threat with his hook and jump shots. He was one of the team's top rebounders.

LOUIS GREENE

Lou, a real try-guy, used his rangy 5'11" build to wriggle through the defense for those impossible looking layups.

BUCKY NORRIS

Bucky, with his quick reflexes and one hand push shot, was put to best use playing outside. He earned two varsity letters.

FRANNY CONTI

Fran used his 6'1" frame to good advantage, whether he was under the boards grabbing rebounds or shooting from outside.

VARSITY CLUB

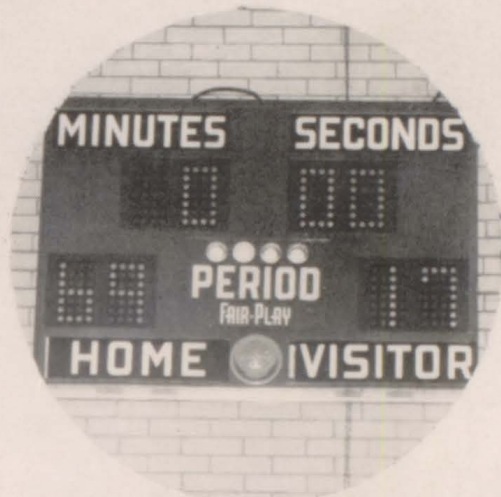
First row: Arnie Habic, Franny Conti, Louis Greene, Bob Klemmer, John DeLucia, Bernie DiBernardo, Tony Lamberti

Second row: Eugene Horcholic, Martin Poad, Bucky Norris, Sully Amodeo, Al Reid, Coach Koepka

Third row: Kirk Metzger, Ray Schreiber, Jack Hogan, Dave McGough, Bill Creighton, Frank Habic, Tom Harris



On opposite page, top left, clockwise: Al Reid, Bill Creighton, John DeLucia, Dave McGough, Louis Greene, Bucky Norris, Franny Conti



INTRAMURALS . . .

Popular with almost everyone



Room 8's girls were real champions, winning playoffs in basketball and volleyball. Kneeling are Betty Fish, Joanne Gates, and Carol Scholtz. Standing are Ethel Charnick, Peggy Logan, Donna Pagano, and Pat Durbin.

The boys from Room 19 walked off with the basketball championship. Here we see Willard McKay, Sully Amodeo, Mike Semler, Jack Bradley, and John Cresto. Jack Hogan is not in the picture.

Not pictured are the boys from Room 8, who won the volleyball championship.

One of the most popular activities sponsored by Student Council is the intramural sports program. These intramurals have a definite purpose in mind—to teach the students sportsmanship and to help them get along with their fellow students. Through the excellent cooperation of Miss Boretsky and Mr. Koepka, the intramural sports program has grown steadily in interest and popularity. This year more students than ever before have spent their lunch hours participating in this exciting extra curricular activity. Interest in the games, which is usually at a high level, reaches fever pitch as the playoffs approach.

The first intramural sport was volleyball. After close races, especially in the senior class, the playoffs for the championship were held in the Dickson gym. Room 8 made a clean sweep when their girls beat the senior girls from Room 13 and their boys edged out the senior boys from Room 17.

Next came basketball, and this year, as in past years, a fight was staged in Student Council over the eligibility of an ex-basketball team member. In the playoffs at Dickson, the girls of Room 8 won again, beating the senior girls of Room 12. The senior boys finally came through as Room 19 trounced the junior boys of Room 14, 70-40.

This year Student Council raised over seventy dollars at the championship playoffs for volleyball and basketball held at Dickson. As part of the Award Assembly in May, each member of the various school championship teams received a small silver cup.



Upper left: This lively volleyball game is between Room 17 and 24.

Upper right: Another shot of the same contest.

Center and lower photos: A hot basketball game between Room 14 and 27 found the girls fighting for each point.



SPECIAL EVENTS AT S.H.S.

An event of tremendous importance took place at Easter Assembly when a Hammond organ was presented to Swissvale High School as a gift from the Swissvale Woman's Club and the Junior Woman's Club. In the upper photo, left, Mrs. Vera Hugo, vice-president of the Woman's Club, taking over for club president, Mrs. Gertrude Shogren, who was seriously ill, makes the presentation. Mrs. Eleanor Rogers, president of the Junior Club, Frank Habic, senior class president, and Francis Conti, president of Student Council, are seated behind Mrs. Hugo. In the next picture, Mrs. Rogers hands the keys to the organ to James Cimino, president of the junior class, Francis Conti, and Frank Habic, as Mrs. Hugo smiles approval.

The lower photos show a number of the Swissvale High students who took part in a broadcast at WQED, giving a sample of activities at the school. At the left, Bill Nesbitt of KDKA and Sam Francis, of WQED, share a joke with Norma Barefoot. Others in the picture are Nancy Raynor, Lois Lanyi, Johnny Cresto, Frank Coletta, Carol Franzetta, Pat Wollerton, Bill Shortz, Nick Moraytis, and Diane Huot. At the right Sam Francis, a Swissvale High graduate, confers with Bill Nesbitt. Bob Hilf is at the piano.



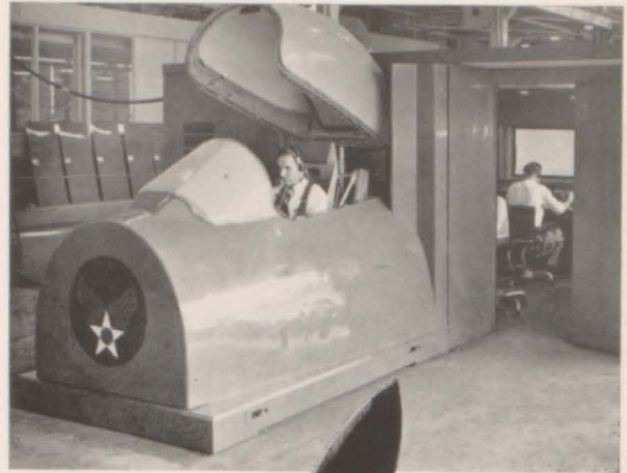
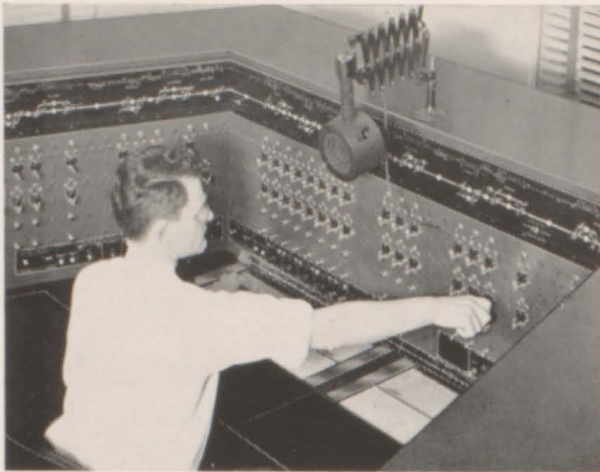
Dorothy Madaras, Class of '59, entertains the students with an organ number.



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