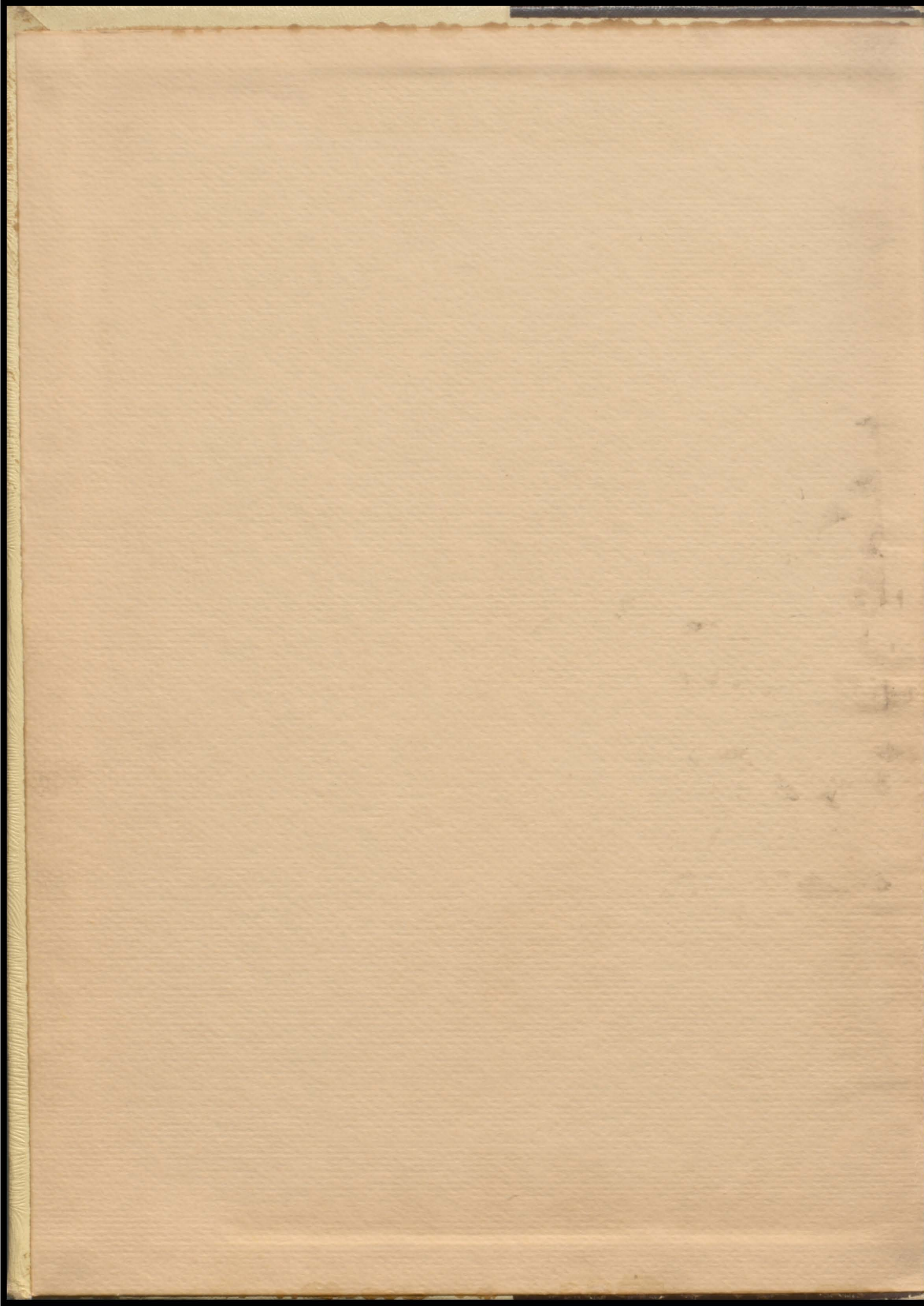


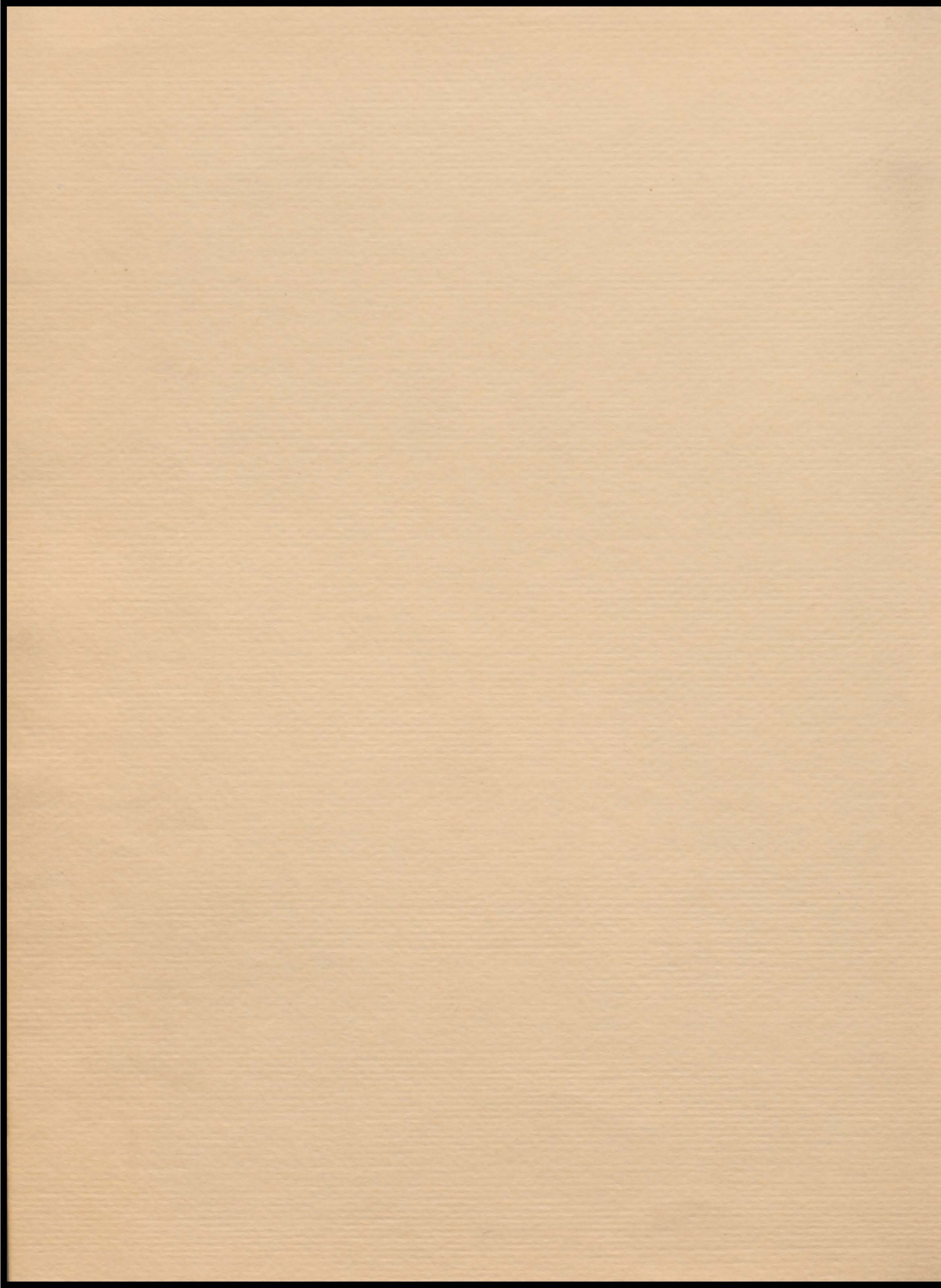
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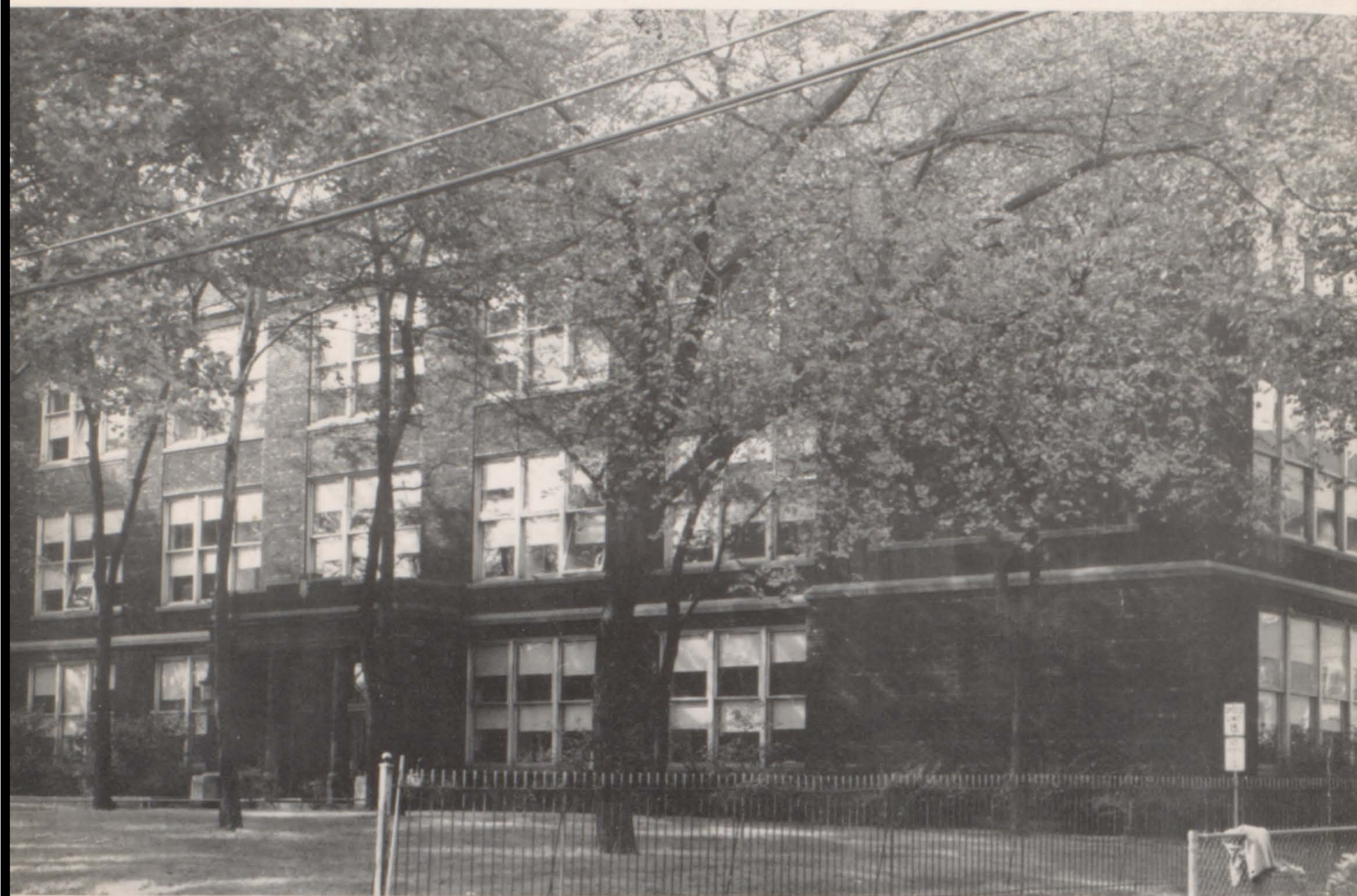
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SNATCHES OF SCHOOL LIFE

A typical day at SHS is a combination of classes, study, and breaks between periods.

These so called "breaks" were enjoyed by everyone because it was a time for relaxation. Every day in the halls between classes we saw people talking about their homework problems and tests. Later, the lunchroom had the atmosphere of deep concentration when George and "Emil" played their daily chess game. Driving was always a welcome change to Jean and Pat, who did their best to stay on the road.

Finally at the end of the day there was the usual run to the parking lot to see who could get away first.



The bell has rung — and away we go!

Upper Photo: Between bells — time for gossip!
Center Photo: Lunch hour — time for chess!
Lower Photo: The girls are ready — time for driving!



IN CLASS AND OUT

A year full of fun, gaiety, and activities galore — that was our 1957-1958 school term. Greeted with a friendly smile and efficient service, mother, freed from kitchen duty, was pleased the night of the Y-Teen Chicken Dinner.

Janet Malma, our 1957 Prom Queen, reigned over the Isle of Paradise and made it an outstanding event of our Junior Year. The entertainment made a hit at the "Sophomore Soundoff," their first social event at SHS.



Upper Photo: The service was good — the chicken was better!

Center Photo: Getting ready was fun — the Prom was fantabulous!

Lower Photo: The dancing was lively — the entertainment was tops!

Mary Jane crowns Franny our Y-Teen Sweetheart at the Harvest Ball.



ARE PART OF OUR EDUCATION

Barb, Bobbie Ann, and Gayle helped to bring a little Christmas joy into SHS by trimming the Y-Teen Christmas tree.

Janet Malma, Queen of the May, and her lovely court reigned over the annual May Day festivities. We re-lived our childhood days at the "Diaper Drag," the Senior Kid Party. A lot of hard work plus a barrel of fun went into making all our activities successful.



Upper Photo: Bright lights and tinsel — Christmas spirit runs high!

Center Photo: Never to be forgotten — the crowning event!

Lower Photo: Kiddie cars and rattles — nonsense prevails!



Everyone gathered 'round to hear the Night Owls accompanied by Jack Dempsey's Band.



Watch out — sparks will fly from that static machine!



Biology slides — doesn't everything look big?

IT'S NOT ONLY BOOKS



Danger — scientists at work.



Class demonstrations — both enjoyable and helpful.



Charts and fabrics — the basic steps in sewing.

THAT WE'VE LEARNED ABOUT

Some of the most fascinating classes were those in which we either experimented or made things, although the results weren't always what we had hoped for.

The physics, biology, and chemistry labs were full of new surprises. The more artistic sewing, cooking, and drawing classes were always busy improving their skills to the highest degree of perfection.

The skills attained in these classes will be profitable in the future.

Drawing was easy — but oh, the results!



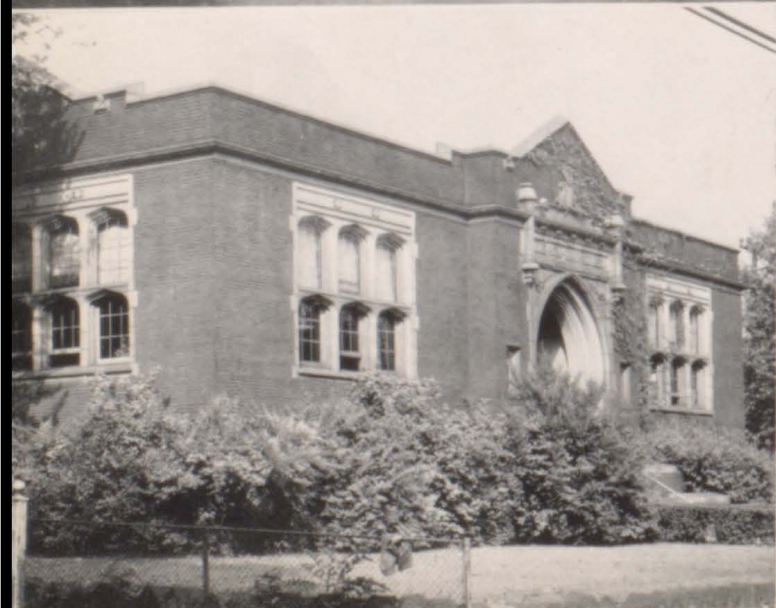


BUT TOGETHERNESS AND COOPERATION

Helpful and ready — that's Mr. Sylves.



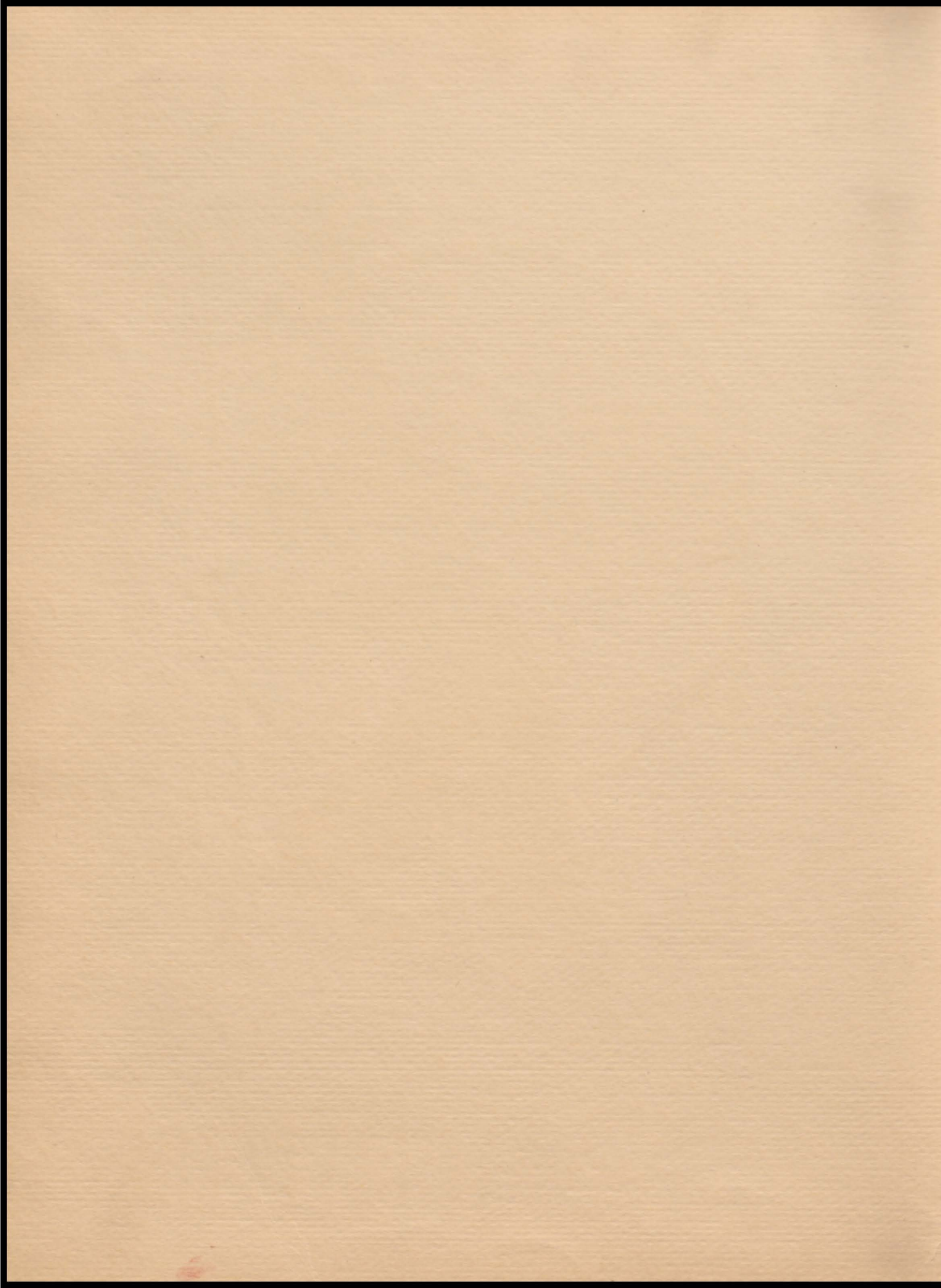
Finally — the last lap.



Looking for something? — the library's handy.



ACTIVITIES



LEADERS IN GOVERNMENT

- - - STUDENT COUNCIL

Student Council, the legislative body of SHS, was composed of one student elected from each homeroom. Under the sponsorship of Mr. Dandar and the leadership of the president, Jim Cimino, the Council met weekly and was responsible for such things as intramural games, the dances held after the championship games, raising money for worthy causes (the Flower Fund is an example), establishing the qualifications for the girls elected to the Prom and May Courts, and trying to better our school by holding various campaigns. This year they held a Clean-up Campaign which resulted in a cleaner and neater school. A plaque was awarded to the cleanest room. One room (senior Room 27) even went to all the trouble



John Pavlisko, treasurer; Lorraine Beninati, secretary; Jim Cimino, president; Arnold Habic, vice-president.

to polish the desks and clean them out with a vacuum cleaner.

It is an honor to belong to Student Council and the students elected have proved that they were worthy of the honor as they did all they could for the betterment of the students and the school.

Seated: Mary Jane McClintock, Marlene Danielson, Fredi Ann DiMarzio, Beth Hoover, Betty Ann Cooley, Gus Bahleda, John Elish, Mary Jane Martinich, Joyce Moorman. **Standing:** Sally Fish, Sandra Divers, Mary Janice Westin, Toby Miller, Ward Pope, Richard Denny, Phyllis Moorman, Mary Lou Flotta.





Upper Photo: **First Row:** Eileen Farren, Ethel Charnick, Elaine Kurtz, Beverly Dell, Lisa Battaglia, Fran-ny Coletta, Bobbie Ann Bliss, Elaine Fusia, Mary Lou Casillo, Carol Franzetta, Nancy Cravotta. **Second Row:** Pat Hughes, Clare Fahey, LaRue Grubb, Barb Kneebone, Charlene Floss, Joanne Gates, Joanne De-Nardo, Mary Ann Barclay, Arlene Chunko, Carol Coleman. **Third Row:** Georgene Carlo, Carol Mahler, Susan Bietenduefel, Betty Ann Cooley, Peggy Early, Delores Cresto.

Lower Photo: **First Row:** Ann Sullivan, Metalyn Yetka, Joan Spargo, Carole Scholtz, Judy Whalen, Pat Urbanic, Peggy Sproull, JoAnn Tomko, Barb Murray. **Second Row:** Alice Yankura, Jackie Weichel, She-ila O'Grady, Rose Marie Seaman, Jeannie McFarlane, Gayle Paulie, Rosemarie Mancen, Grace Page. **Third Row:** Gerry Tomasic, Sandi Wright, Georgia Pcholski, Illene Stein, Donna Pagano, Janet Malma, Rita Wach, Barbara Neff.

Y - TEENS - - - The seniors led

Left to right: Jackie Weichel, presi-dent; Alice Yankura, treasurer; Pat Ruffner, vice-president; Joan Yuhasz, representative; Mary Jane McClintock, secretary; Donna Capasso, representa-tive.



The largest club in our school was the Y-Teens, a branch of the YWCA. The membership was made up of seniors, juniors, and sophomore representatives.

Each year the Y-Teens sponsor events to raise money for a scholarship for the most deserving senior Y-Teen. Seniors and juniors, along with sophomores who were planning to become Y-Teens, held three bake sales to raise money for a summer picnic. The traditional chicken dinner was held at the Methodist Church. In addition, the girls sponsored two dances. One was a semi-formal at the Community Center where Franny Coletta was crowned Y-Teen Sweetheart by Mary Jane Martinich, the Junior Sweetheart. The guest singers of the second dance, which was a casual dance held at the school gym, were the winners of the annual talent show.

Other activities of the year 1958 were: a fashion show given by senior members, a grooming lecture, career discussions, religious assemblies, and a clothes and a toy drive for orphans at Christmastime.

All these activities plus active participation on the part of the members made the Y-Teens one of the outstanding organizations in SHS.

- - - The juniors followed

Upper Photo: **First Row:** Duane Baine, Fredi Ann DiMarzio, Madeline Donofrio, Arlene Culligan, Myrna Gatto, Kitty Austin, Pat Gigliotti, Louise Burgard, Kitty Lou Giordano, Pat Bodner, Kay Brylka, Carol Germanowski. **Second Row:** Gloria Costa, Nancy Dufalla, Charlotte Hysong, Lorraine Beninati, Mary Ellen Daw, Lenore Bell, Juanita Hilgenberg, Bonnie Evans, Beth Hoover. **Third Row:** Beverly Brannagan, Carol DiBerardin, Carol Henry, Barbara Becker, Maureen Byrnes, June Hutchison, Gladys Biehl, Joanne Badali, Eleanor Bucar, Marlene Danielson, Edith Dravecky, Edith Beerbower.

Lower Photo: **First Row:** Audrey Owens, Carol Seng, Dorothy McNair, Amelia Trepak, Rita Madden, Joyce Jones, Dorothy Madaras, Dorothy Stoffa, Carol Weimsker, Rita Varuola, Mary Laughery, Marilyn Lester. **Second Row:** June Thomas, Carol Swiatkowski, Rachel Vergona, Joanne Jessell, Pat Joynt, Mary Esther McGregor, Dorothy Mulkerin, Suzanne Kunic, Aleta McCall, Marge Kemerer, Elaine Steffy, Georganne Wilson. **Third Row:** Marilyn Ross, Barbara James, Bobbie Smith, Joyce Kirk, Virginia Olix, Noreen Milchalk, Mary Jane Martinich, Nancy Kann, Justine Mise, Sandy Payne, Bruna Riccobon, Kathy Madigan, Susan Steinmetz.





First Row: Rose Marie Seaman, Judy Whalen, Sheila O'Grady, Jo Ann Tomko, Rita Wach, Janet Malma, Nancy Cravotta, Peggy Sproull, Metalyn Yetka, Pat Hughes. **Second Row:** Alice Bechtol, Nancy Spinosa, Pat Gigliotti, Susan Bietenduefel, Liz Skover, Phyllis Gibson, Betty Ann Cooley, Loretta Veri, Gayle Paulie, Jean McFarlane. **Third Row:** Elaine Kurtz, Jim Cimino, Judy Christ, Alice Yankura, Nancy Preisach, Joan Yuhasz, Joan Spargo, Bonnie Evans, Anna Marie Mazarella, Elaine Fusia. **Fourth Row:** Barbara Neff, LaRue Grubb, Barbara Lewis, Barbara Kneebone, Jackie Weichel, Myrna Gatto, Nancy Dufalla, Mary Jane McClintock, Rachel Vergona. **Fifth Row:** Barbara Murray, Beverly Dell, Bobbie Ann Bliss, James McCluskey, Leo Toribio, Walter Allan, Bill Zelen, John McEliece, Rose Marie Mancen. **Not pictured:** Franny Coletta.

Service to others - - - RED CROSS CLUB

The Junior Red Cross Club was among the many new clubs formed this year. With its enrollment of fifty members from the sophomore, junior, and senior classes, this club has become one of the largest organizations in SHS.

The Junior Red Cross Club is a national organization and its purpose is to help

others. Through their projects, they learn how to work together, how to share, how to cooperate — all things they will have to do as responsible adults. They learn by doing.

In the future years, this club aims to rank among the most active Junior Red Cross Clubs in the area.

Mr. John Rodgers is club sponsor.



Bobbie Ann Bliss, co-president; Gayle Paulie, secretary; Nancy Dufalla, treasurer. Not in picture: Jim Cimino, co-president.



Around Counter: Steve Levine, Kay Brylka, Carolyn Napoleon, Georgeanne Wilson, Mary Ellen Daw, Marge Kemerer, Kathleen Madigan, Mary Jane Martinich, Gladys Biehl.

CANDY CORPORATION had good things in store



Candy Corporation Officers:
Maureen Byrnes, secretary; Charlotte Hysong, president; Joanne Badali, vice-president; Enos Williams, treasurer.

RECEPTIONISTS - - - helpful to everyone

Left Photo: Maude Simpson, Metalyn Yetka.
Center Photo: Pat Hughes, Georgene Carlo, Sandi Wright, Betty Hrizo, Elaine Steffy, Fredi Ann Di Marzio, Madeline Donofrio.
Seated: Diane Huot, Carol Coleman.
Right Photo: Arlene Chunko, Carole Scholtz.





First Row: Phyllis Moorman, Ray Schreiber, Donna Pagano, Diane Huot, Carol Coleman, Mary Ellen Gildroy, Kathy Madigan, Florence Catone, Ellen Kurtz. **Second Row:** Mary Lou Robinson, Carol Kilgour, Scott Norris, Nick Costello, Ed Rowland, Tom Franzetta, Roy Marino, Tom Millslagle, Pat Sutman. **Third Row:** Erwin Polanski, Jim Fullen, Richard Lester, Virginia Olix, Eugene Meglio, Pat O'Connor, Anthony Demase, Janet O'Connell.

BOWLING CLUB - - - ACTION!

Meeting every Wednesday at the Arcade Bowling Alleys, the Bowling Club, under the sponsorship of Miss Bertoline, enjoyed rolling those scores of 300 — well, not quite, but they tried anyway and enjoyed doing it.

FNA - - - ANGELS OF MERCY

Our most recent club and one that promises to become very active is the Future Nurses of America. Composed of about thirty girls and their sponsor, Miss MacLeod, the club hopes to increase both their members and their activities.

First Row: Jean McFarlane, treasurer; Pat Ruffner, president; Elaine Kurtz, vice-president; Barbara Neff, secretary. **Second Row:** Lenore Bell, Susan Steinmetz, Joanne DeNardo, Mary Anne Barclay, Barbara Lewis, Susan Bietenduefel. **Third Row:** Patricia Hayes, Linda Beeman, Pat Sutman, Susan Foster, Dorothy Mulkerin, Joan Tate, Jackie Doyle. **Fourth Row:** Marge Kemerer, Dorothy Madaras, Gloria Costa, Sandy Payne, Pat Robinson, Kitty Lou Giordano, Carolyn Webber.



Outside the Darkroom are the Camera Club officers, Rita Wach, treasurer; Elaine Fusia, secretary; Janet Malma, president; Nick Costello, vice-president.



Our snapping shutterbugs - - - the CAMERA CLUB

Under the sponsorship of Mr. Jelbart, the Camera Club, an organization for those interested in photography, again flourished as one of the largest clubs in Swissvale High. Early in the year the club elected as officers Janet Malma, president; Nick Costello, vice-president; Elaine Fusia, secretary; and Rita Wach, treasurer.

The club held its annual photo contest in

the Spring. Prizes were awarded to the best pictures in each category. Selection of the winners was left up to a committee, among whom were faculty members Emil Dandar, Elizabeth Jacobs, Edward McNutt, and John Rodgers.

As usual, the club held a picnic at the end of the year, at which everyone had a ball.

First Row: Rose Seaman, Judy Whalen, Illene Stein, JoAnn Tomko, Franny Coletta, Rosemarie Mancen, Joanne DeNardo, Elaine Kurtz, Grace Page, Nancy Preisach, Arlene Culligan. **Second Row:** Margie White, Elaine Steffy, Fredi Ann DiMarzio, Amelia Trepak, Aleta McCall, Louise Burgard, Caroline Napoleon, Noreen Milchalk, Kathy Madigan, Joanne Borellis, Marge Kemerer. **Third Row:** Mary Lou Hergenrother, Justine Mise, June Hutchison, Shirley Clark, Sally Grant, Edith Dravecky, Lorraine Beninati, Duane Baine, Joanne Badali, Joan DiDomenico, Dorothy O'Connor, Georgeanne Wilson. **Fourth Row:** Mary Lou Robinson, Pat Hayes, Joyce Jones, Sue Kunic, Lenore Bell, Linda Beeman, Mary Laughery, Pat Bodner, Nancy Kann, Pat Gigliotti, Judy Cashdollar, Charlene Klein, John Cafaro, Joan Tate, Dorothy Schwarzbach, Edith Beerbower.





Left to right: Emmett O'Hare, Business Manager; Barbara Neff, Literary Editor; Barbara Ann Bliss, Co-editor; George Seman, Sports Editor; Beverly Dell, Co-editor.

Pictorial and popular - - - our SWISSVALIAN

Perhaps one of the most anticipated days of the year—especially for the Seniors—is the day on which the SWISSVALIAN is presented to the students. For where else can

they find a more accurate and picturesque record of their last year in SHS?

This year's SWISSVALIAN is certainly no exception—just a quick look through the pages of this book will prove it to you.

For most, the SWISSVALIAN will just bring back memories of their high school days, but there are some who will see through the published copy to the long hours spent working to bring the students the 1958 SWISSVALIAN. They will never forget the days spent with the photographer, and the hours spent after school cutting and pasting pictures, writing, proofreading, and typing.

Can Beverly and Bobbie Ann, the co-editors, ever forget the hours spent assembling the material? Or Barb—it will be hard not to remember the difficult time she had getting her literary staff to get their assignments in on time.



Franny Coletta, a member of the literary staff, admires the 1958 SWISSVALIAN.

Literary staff: Carole Scholtz, Joan Yuhasz, Charlene Floss, Barbara Lewis, Joanne Gates, Gayle Paulie, Clare Fahey, Jean McFarlane, LaRue Grubb, Arlene Chunko, Grace Page.



Business staff: Ray Schreiber, Betty Hrizo, Diane Huot, Carol Coleman, Elaine Fusia, Joanne DeNardo, Pat Ruffner.



"Please bring in an ad or a patron." These words could only come from Emmett, our business manager. And of course George—thanks to him and the sports staff, the SWISSVALIAN has all the colorful write-ups of our different sports seasons. Will these people ever forget the work put into each and every picture and sentence? Of course not. But they'll also remember the good time they had doing it. Hardly a moment went by when they weren't laughing over some matter or having a friendly argument about some trivial thing.

Yes, it was fun working together and the only reward we want for our work is that you, the students, will enjoy the 1958 SWISSVALIAN.

Art, Typing, and Sports staff: Diane Huot, Jackie Weichel, Ray Schreiber, JoAnn Tomko, Nancy Preisach.





Joan Yuhasz, Art Editor; Barbara Murray, Co-editor; Janice Gambino, Co-Editor; George Seman, Sports Editor; Alice Yankura, Feature Editor.

Newsy but not nosy - - - our VALISTIC



The busiest and noisiest room in SHS after school was Room 6—why? Well, this was home base for the Valistic, our biweekly school publication. The Valistic was awaited eagerly by all the students for it always kept them up to date on all the things that happened within the walls of our Alma Mater. But little did the readers of the paper realize how much work it took to bring the news to them.

Never a day went by that the Valistic editors didn't stay late after school to assemble the news written by the reporters and to put the paper together. But under the capable editorship of Barb and Janice, and their assistant editors Alice, Joanie, and George, the paper always came out on time.

And since a paper is only as good as its reporters, much needs to be said for those of the Valistic. They worked hard to get their stories in on time and did their best work to bring the news to everyone.

Upper Photo: Peggy Early, Pat Everett, Dennis Legal, Arlene Chunko, Elaine Kurtz, Nancy Kann.

Lower Photo: Carol Franzetta, Nancy Preisach, Janet Malma, Rose Marie Seaman, Judy Whalen.



Feature and News staffs: **First Row:** Gene Miller, Arnie Habic, Bob Hilf. **Second Row:** Barbara Neff, Susan Steinmetz, Clare Fahey, Elaine Fusia, Rosemarie Mancen, Sue Kunic, Barbara Kneebone, Gayle Paulie. **Third Row:** June Thomas, Betty Hrizo, JoAnn Tomko, Dorothy McNair, Ann Sullivan, Grace Page, Beverly Dell.



Sports staff: **Seated:** Jim Cimino, Donna Pagano, Tom Harris. **Standing:** Ed Bednarczyk, Steve Levine, Andy Kandra.

The feature staff, too, made the paper what it was—their stories and interesting articles kept everyone amused and informed. And what would a paper be without a sports section, funny cartoons, and illustrations? Yes, the Valistic had all this, and all the people on the paper are to be commended for their fine work.

But wait—stories aren't all that make a

paper, for those stories have to be typed and, worst of all, they have to be mimeographed. Just ask any mimeographer how much fun that is!

However, the good times spent in Room 6 counteracted all the hard work—leaving the staff with the most cherished memories of the Valistic, of Mrs. Miller, and of Room 6.

Cub reporters: **Seated:** Janet O'Connell, Mary Pat Webb, Carol Kunkle, Rita Scolata, Mary Jo Kunic, Lenore Bell. **Standing:** Janet Zaccari, Diane Prodanovich, LaRue Grubb, Linda Beman, Rachel Radakovic, Cathy Carleo, Sally Fish.

Art staff: Rita Wach, Dan Dugan, Diane Huot, Sam Begg, Jackie Weichel, Sally Grant, Dorothy Madaras.



QUILL AND SCROLL - - - recorded life at SHS

Every year, because of their outstanding work on either the SWISSVALIAN or the Valistic, a group of seniors is chosen to become members of the International Honorary Society for High School Journalists. This year there were nine worthy students selected for this honor: Bobbie Ann Bliss, Beverly Dell, Janice Gambino, Barbara Murray, Barbara Neff, Emmett O'Hare, Donna Pagano, Alice Yankura, and Joan Yuhasz.

These people were largely responsible for the publications made available to the stu-

dent body and faculty. They gave much of their time and talents unselfishly for the enjoyment of others—for which they were rewarded by being made members of Quill and Scroll.

Besides having done superior work in some phase of journalistic or creative endeavor, they must be of senior standing, be in the upper third of their class, be recommended by the sponsors of the publications, and their applications must be approved by the Executive Secretary of the society.

Left to right: Janice Gambino, Barbara Neff, Joan Yuhasz, Alice Yankura, Emmett O'Hare, Barbara Murray, Donna Pagano, Beverly Dell, Bobbie Ann Bliss.





Intercom Crew: **Standing:** Nick Costello, John Yuhas, Dale Wentroble. **Seated:** Ed Petro, Carl Munch.

Our Servicemen - - - and Women

The Intercom Crew starts off a typical school day with their cheerful but sleepy "Good Morning!" followed by devotions. They are always on hand in the morning and after lunch to tell us of the activities and meetings of the day. Controlling the mike for assembly is also one of their responsibilities. So, students, keep tuned to Station SHS, with its familiar "squeak beat."

The people behind the scenes with the props for the different assembly programs make up the Stage Crew. They take care of such details as lighting and sound effects and

are responsible for the settings at Dickson Field for May Day. Under the direction of Mr. Brown, the boys have done a wonderful job on all occasions.

A new crew this year, but one which is very handy, is the Projection Crew. Every teacher at one time or another needs someone to run the projector for a movie, and with our well-trained projectionists they won't have to look very far. Under the training of Mr. Dandar you will find each member of this crew competent and capable. Their motto—"Have projector—will run it."

Stage Crew: **Kneeling:** Joe Doran, Bill Barefoot, Jim Cimino, Walter Allan, Bill Tishko, Guy Cato. **Standing:** Mrs. Jox, Dick Bennett, Andy Kandra, Nick Costello, Walter Laney, Ron Johnson, Richard Cencarik, Richard Thompson, Butch Ravella, Dave Thomas, Dave Thompson, Wayne Richter, Jack Neal, Jim Biscup.

Projection Crew: Girls: Joan Tate, Beverly Dell, Bobbie Ann Bliss. Boys: John Cafaro, Leo Toribio, Carl Munch, John Thorne, Butch Ravella, Dave Thomas, Dale Wentroble, Richard Schuda, Jim Miller.





First Row: Kitty Lou Giordano, Dorothy Madaras, Metalyn Yetka, Eileen Farren, Loretta Veri, Betty Fish, Elaine Kurtz, Carol Coleman, Beth Hoover. **Second Row:** Mary Ann Barclay, Pat Ruffner, Donna Capasso, Carol Franzetta, Gayle Paulie, Joanne Badali, Joyce Moorman, Vernice Jones. **Third Row:** Madeline Weber, Dick Rupp, Tom Millslagle, Timmy Roth, Gilbert Smith, Steve Levine, Don Renner, Mary Jane Martinich, Diane Huot. **Fourth Row:** Joyce Kirk, Jim Abraham, Jim Fulmer, Tom Harris, Andy Kandra, John Yuhas, Emmett O'Hare, Marty Poad.

OUR CHOIR - - - whose



Mrs. Paul W. Shogren, representing the Woman's Club of Swissvale, and Edgar J. Hill, music director, are seen with the plaque commemorating the presentation of a Hammond organ to the school. A joint gift of the Woman's Club and the Junior Woman's Club, the organ afforded many hours of enjoyment to the students.

Under the direction of Mr. Hill, our choir again provided SHS with musical entertainment. Among their many activities they sang for the Evaluation Assembly in March and later in the Spring presented an operetta, "The Singing Freshman."

Composed of about sixty members, the choir worked very hard every fifth period to perfect their singing. They worked especially hard in the Spring to present their operetta, leads in which were sung by Donna Capasso and Ronnie Dukate.



First Row: Justine Mise, Florence Catone, Sally Grant, Mary Laughery, Arlene Culligan, Sally Fish, Phyllis Moorman, Janet Jessell. **Second Row:** Carole Shedlock, Elaine Steffy, Karen Ford, June Thomas, Pat Scharbo, Connie Chambers, Bernice Mise, Mary J. Westin, Madge Haberle, Edna Stumpf. **Third Row:** Marilyn Lester, Gerald Heller, Tom Franzetta, John Merringer, Richard Thompson, Jack Bellas, Joe Gigliotti, John Di Bernardo, David Thomas. **Fourth Row:** John Thorne, Toby Miller, Bill Barefoot, Ronald Dukate, Bill Hollstein, Don Kerr, John Caldwell, Gary Gibson, Ward Pope.

melodies we enjoyed

As has been customary in the past, the choir sang the traditional "tear-jerkers" at Senior Assembly, and mixed with the beautiful harmony were quite a few tears as the seniors realized that soon they would be a group no more. They also sang at the Baccalaureate Service which was their last yearly gathering.

As they leave SHS, the senior choir members will always be sure to remember the choir and the hard work they put into it and, of course, the joy they got out of it.

Choir president, Martin Poad, looks over some music with secretary-treasurer, Mary Jane Martinich and vice-president, Diane Huot.





Top Photo: **Seated:** Beverly Dell, Mary Ann Gallagher. **Around the piano:** Betty Balmer, Pat Pascarella, Pat O'Connor, Mary Pat Benson, Jane Caldwell, Ellen Kurtz, Mary Matta. **Second Row:** Ilona Dunay, Barbara Everett, Carol Craig, Betty Uram, Maureen Grainsy, Barbara Trusilo, Dorothy Rhoades, Pat Nuzzo, Mary Lou Robinson, Terry Rocco, Arlene Otto, Jackie Walsh, Rachel Radokovic, Arlene Fisher, Joyce Axon, Mary June Anderson, Mary Lou Hergenrother, Pat O'Connor, Chalice Purbaugh.
Bottom Photo: **Around the piano:** Pat Sliva, Cathy Capezuto, Joanne Coletta, Mary Jo Kunic, Karen Johnson, Carol Kilgour, Carol Kunkle, Pat Bradley, Anena Dowd, Judy Borland, Dan Donnelly, Barbara Clinger. **Second Row:** Eddie Mae Munford, Carol Johnson, Barbara Eger, Pat Sutman, Irene Brunner, Janice Burg, Joan Stokes, Pat Hayes, Jeanne Catone, Bernice Andrejko, Mary Pat Hanley, Janet O'Connell, Andrea Berry, Donna Frank, Jayne Galvin, Mary Ann Fiumara, Mickey Clinger, Trudy Barefoot, Gerry Kennedy, Sandy Divers, Carol Doddato.

GLEE CLUB - - - music to our ears

F T A - - - teachers someday!

First Row: Mary Ellen Gildroy, Alice Yankura, Donna Pagano, Barbara Murray, president; Carol Coleman, secretary-treasurer; LaRue Grubb, Barb Kneebone, Elaine Fusia. **Second Row:** Tom Harris, Nick Andrejko, Gayle Paulie, Grace Page, Louise Burgard, vice-president; Dorothy McNair, Judy Whalen, Carol Kunkle. **Third Row:** Sally Grant, Andrew Kandra, Eugene Miller, Nick Costello, Rita Varuola, Carol Henry, Elaine Steffy, Dorothy Schwarzbach.

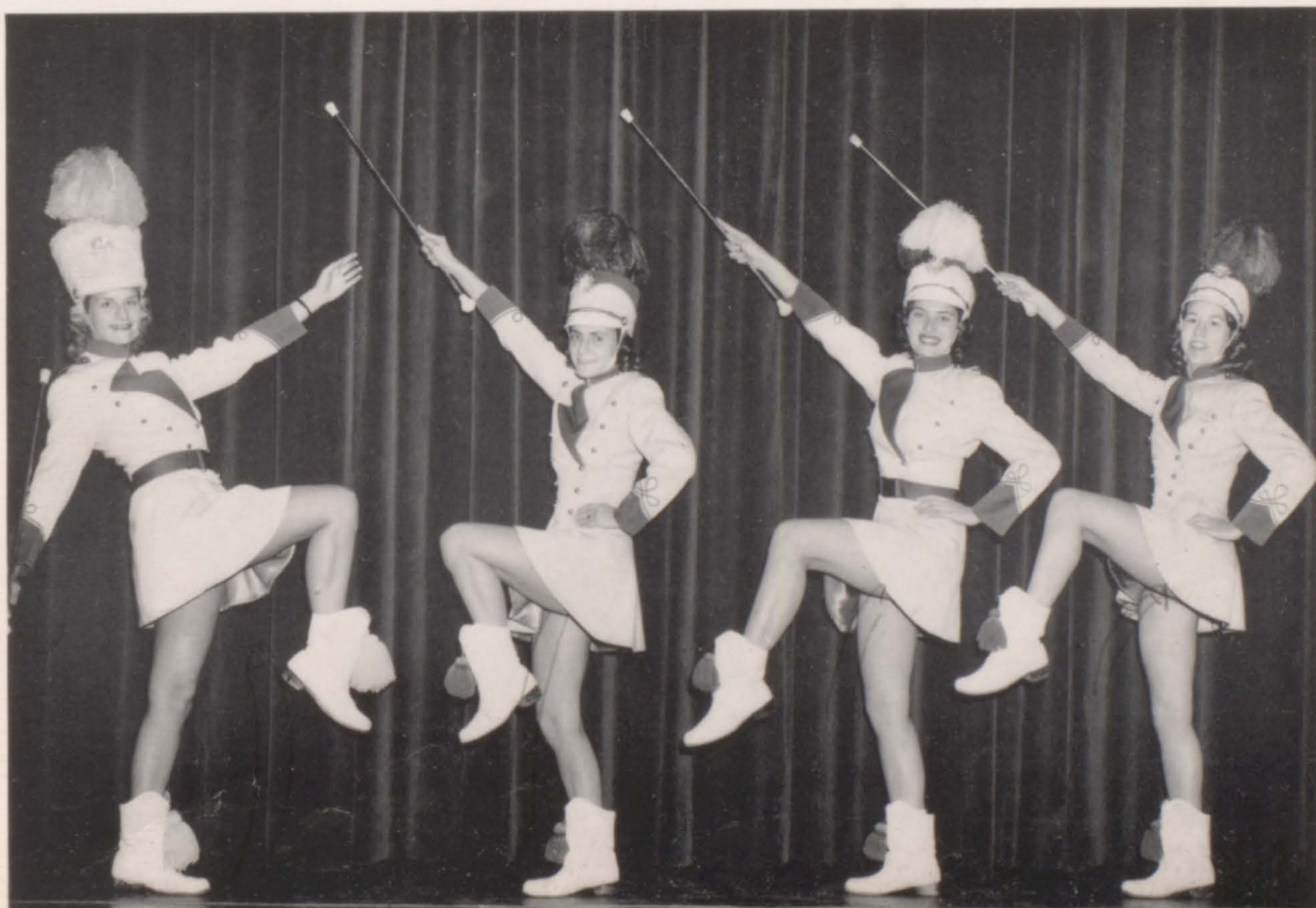




Phyllis Moorman, Peggy Anderson, Mitzi Begg, Mary Lou Flotta, Justine Mise, Charlene Floss, Alice Yankura, Diane Huot, Janet Malma, Carol Wach, Noreen Milchalk, Myrna Gatto, Mary Pat Bodner, Dorothy Stoffa, Kitty Lou Giordano, Rita Scolata.

Half time favorites - - - OUR MAJORETTES

Senior majorettes: Diane Huot, head field majorette; Charlene Floss; Janet Malma, head street majorette; Alice Yankura.





Off we go to the big parade!

No one can "beat the band"

First Row: Keith Irvine, Linda Beeman, Jane Caldwell, Vincent Palmiero, David Parrish, William Lehm, Charles Furjanic, John Ludwig. **Second Row:** Carol Coleman, Joan Spargo, Nancy Carlson, Dorothy Mulkerin, Dorothy Schwarzbach, Robert Cramer, Tom Lemaxk. **Third Row:** Norman Urban, James Ralston, Gerald Hagadorn, Jerry Levine, Charles Meigs, Jack Simmons, William Hollstein. **Fourth Row:** Jim Christie, Emmett O'Hare, Frank Coletta, Russell Ragan, Michael McKee, Donald Gratton.



Mr. Hill leads the band as they practice for the big parade.



as OUR BAND can

First Row: Edward Novosel, Robert Kropp, Jean Bennett, Joe Cresto, Emily Brugh, Pat Bradley, Clair John, Gregory Eadie. **Second Row:** Gilbert Smith, Patty Schwarzbach, Richard Brozek, Richard Spagnolli, James Dukate, Rebecca Bowman. **Third Row:** John Preusse, Ronnie Dukate, Bill Hood, Richard Lester, Gary Weaver, Gloria Costa, Lois Lanyi, Thomas Franzetta. **Fourth Row:** Gerald Zeok, Douglas Hags, Richard Bennett, Leo Toribio, Robert Hilf, Edward Keller, Bill Joyce.



CHEERLEADERS - - - kept our spirits high



Aka-Laka-ching
Aka-laka-chow



Sis-boom-ba



Aka-laka-ching, ching
Chow-chow-chow.



Swissvale High School



Boom-laka, booma-laka

Rah, rah, rah!



Barb Murray
Kay Brylka
Connie Chambers

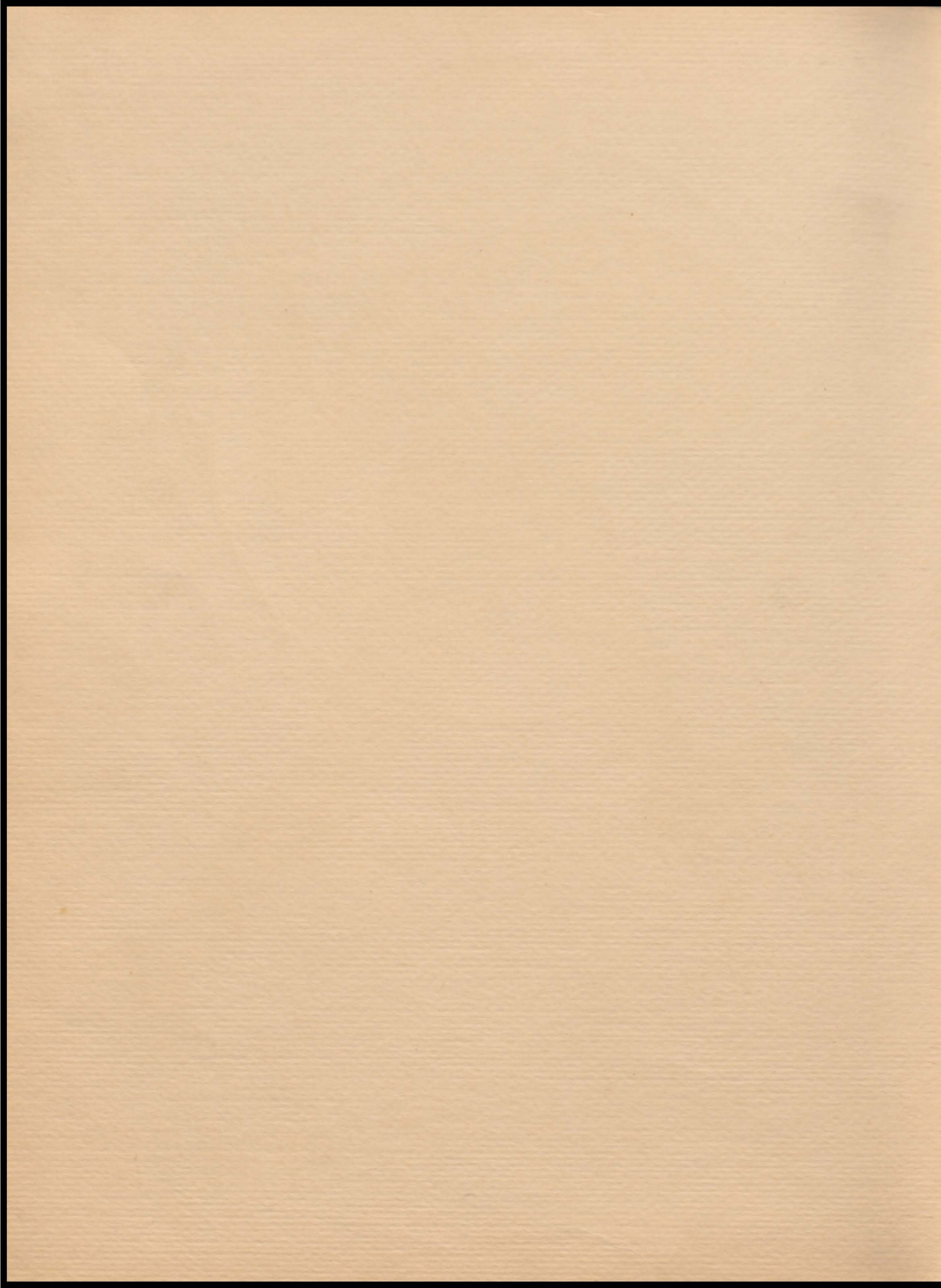
Carol Franzetta
Mary Jane Martinich
Lisa Battaglia

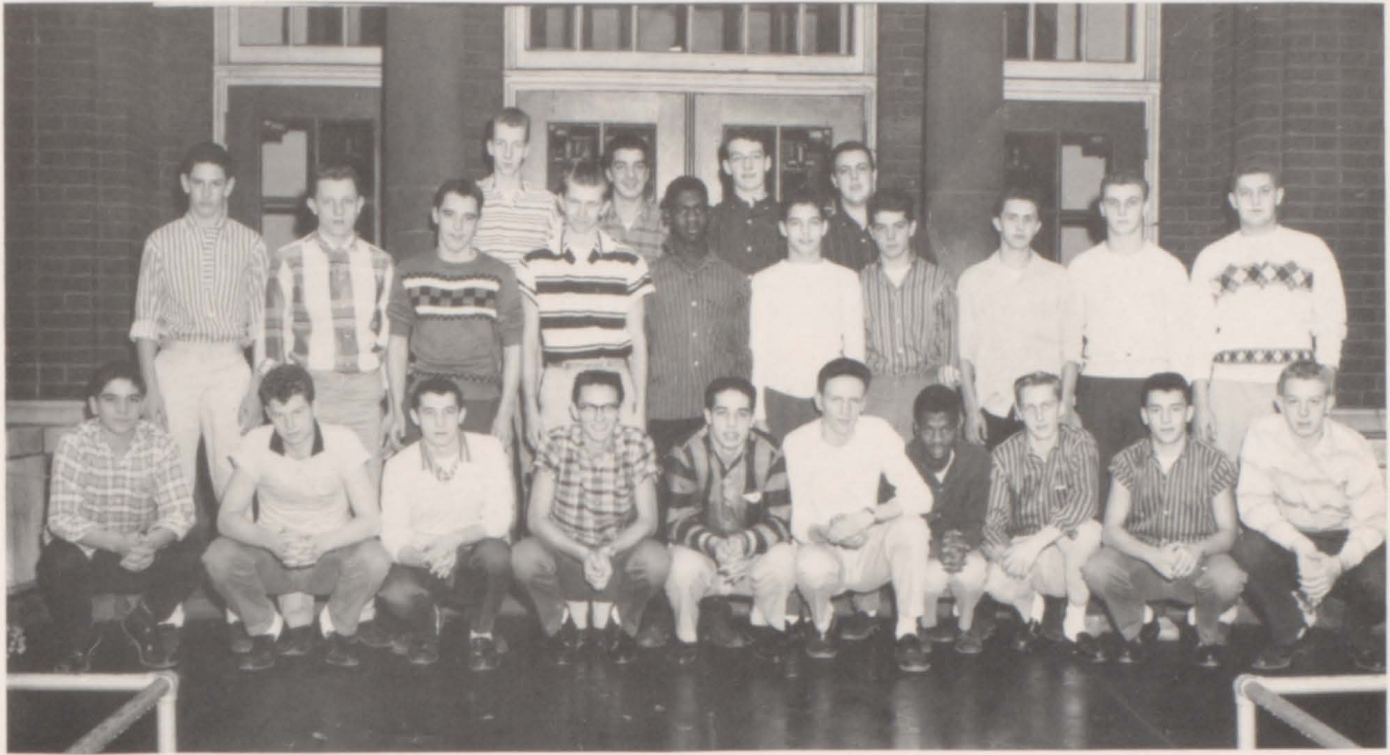
ALMA MATER

Sing the praise of Swissvale High School
With her Gold and Blue;
May her emblem stand forever,
Glorious to view.
Lift her praises up together,
Hang her banner high;
Hail to thee, our Alma Mater,
Hail to Swissvale High.



SPORTS





First Row: Joe Dello Stritto, Jim Fulmer, Nick Andrejko, John Elish, Marty Poad, Ray Schreiber, Louis Greene, Gus Bahleda, Tom Harris, Chuck Begg. **Second Row:** Ward Pope, Tom Faulds, Ed Fry, Don Kerr, John Greene, Bill Barefoot, John Pavlisko, Mike Lesko, Toby Miller, Arnie Habic. **Third Row:** Scott Norris, Jim Russo, Rick Hogan, Eugene Horcholic. Not pictured, George Seman.

VARSITY CLUB - - - our athletic stars.



The senior football players receive their sweaters from Mr. Koepka.



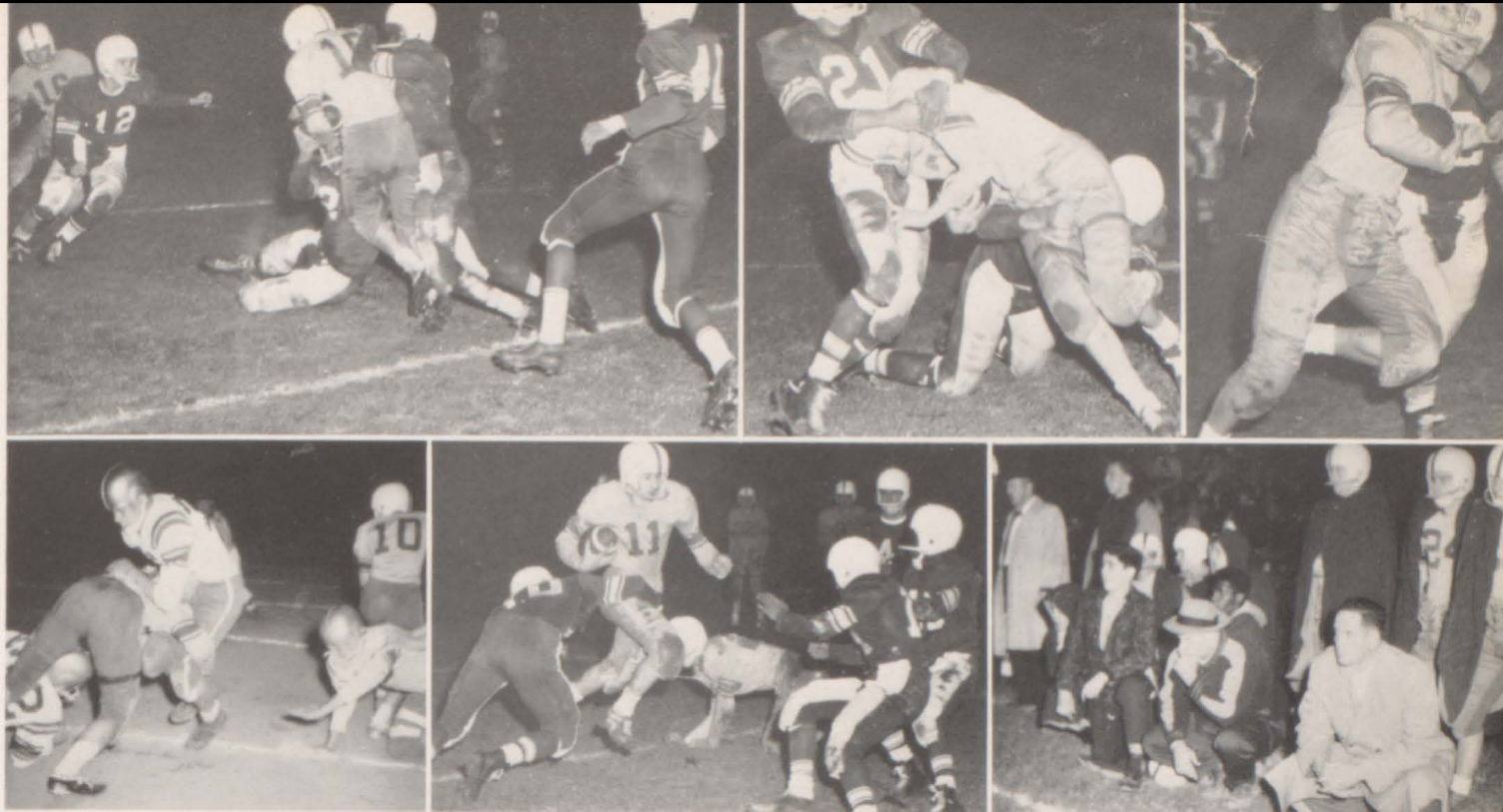
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FOOTBALL RECORD FOR 1957-58

Swissvale	6	Rankin	6
Swissvale	6	Turtle Creek	20
Swissvale	0	Scott Twp.	46
Swissvale	0	Shaler	34
Swissvale	12	Homestead	33
Swissvale	0	Braddock	33
Swissvale	0	Midland	19
Swissvale	6	Glassport	32
Swissvale	0	Wilmerding	0
Total	30		223



Assistant Coach Brace hands Coach Koepka the football as Fall practice gets under way.



These shots show the tense and exciting moments that Swissvale showed their opponents.

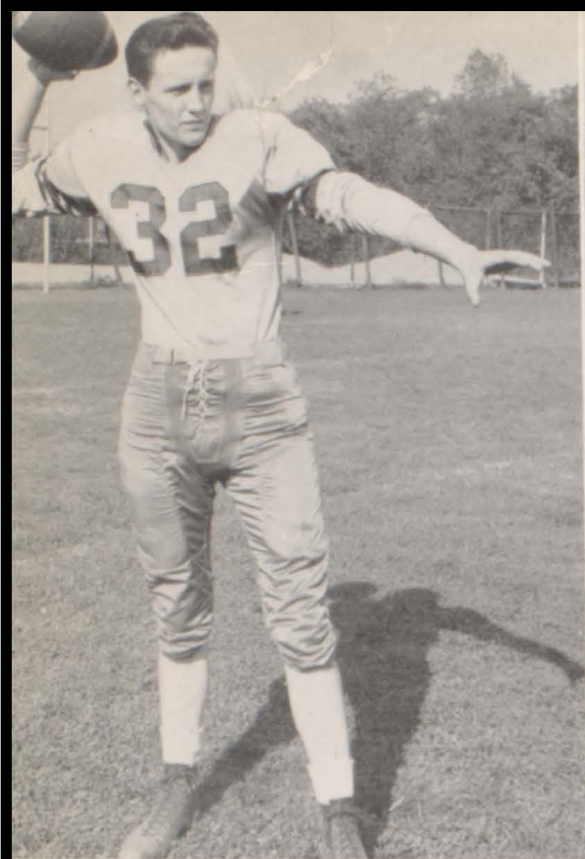
School spirit and

The Flashes didn't have a very successful season in '57 mainly because they had a schedule in which they were booked against three contenders for Class A Honors (Scott Township, Braddock and Braddock went on to the playoffs. This, combined with sidelined some of our top players and inexperience of the incoming sophomores kept our team

from full strength most of the time. The turnout of players this year was a great improvement over previous years for the team consisted of four seniors, eight juniors, and fifteen sophomores. As one can see, the sophomore class gave the team more players than the other two classes combined, so next year's team should be a successful one.

The cheerleaders and managers were behind our team all the way. Managers: **Kneeling:** Steve Levine — Trainer, Ed Rowland, Joe Chirumbolo. **Standing:** Ken Munster, Erwin Polanski, Tom Harris, Louis Greene.





RAY SCHREIBER Crazy Legs

Our senior quarterback, Ray, kept the team running through thick and thin. We could always be sure that under his guidance our team would make its best showing. His fight was typical of the feeling of our entire team.

Good sportsmanship - - - win or lose

NICK ANDREJKO Speed Demon

Nick was very much needed by our team because he was able to play a couple of positions. He was able to fill in where Coach Koepka needed him.





MARTIN POAD

Mr. Fullback

Marty was the only three letterman on our team. It was his fight and determination that got us the extra yard or two when we needed it.

that was our FOOTBALL TEAM

GUS BAHLEDA

Glue Fingers

Gus, the only senior end on our team, caught every pass that was within his reach. It was his fight and desire that kept our team trying all the time.





First Row: Scott Norris, Tom Faulds, Nick Andrejko, Don Kerr, Jim Fulmer, Jack Byrnes, Bill Byrnes, Marty Poad, Walter Laney, Toby Miller. **Second Row:** Jim Kane, Joe Kasher, Chuck Begg, Steve Marks, Bill Joyce, Joe Colondrea, Eugene Horcholic, Ed Bednarczyk.

We loved to watch - - -

In his first complete year as head coach, John Brace proved his ability by leading the Flashes to a 13-7 record, the best in seven years. Swissvale was contender for the Section crown until some of the top men were sidelined by injuries, thus handicapping the Flashes in some of the games.

The first five men on the team were seniors Gus Bahleda, Marty Poad, Jim Fulmer,

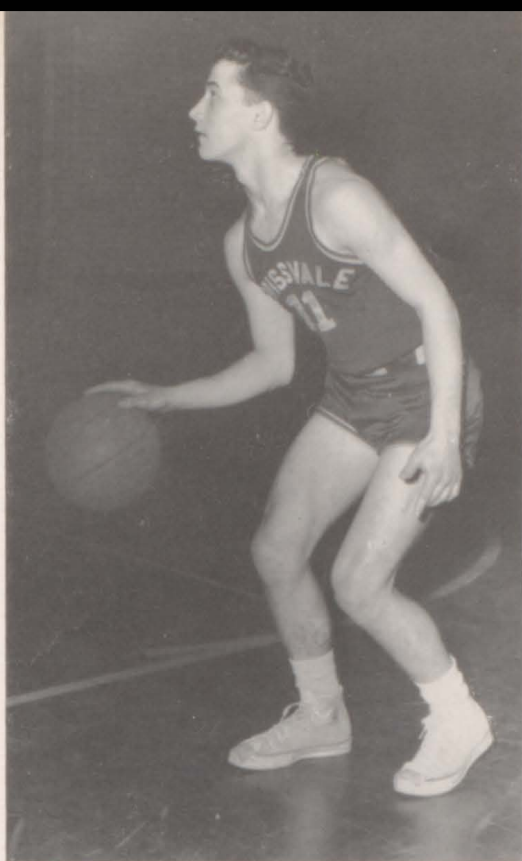
Bill Byrnes, and sophomore Jack Byrnes. Another senior, Nick Andrejko, made the sixth man, with a strong second team giving strength in depth.

This year the school was really behind the Flashes and for almost every game the gym was filled to capacity. The players showed their appreciation of this support by their fight and hustle on the floor.

SCORES

Swissvale 66	Coraopolis 51
Swissvale 74	Arnold 59
Swissvale 70	Latrobe 67
Swissvale 84	Avalon 51
Swissvale 68	Peabody 62
Swissvale 59	Alumni 67
Swissvale 78	Jeannette 57
*Swissvale 72	Penn 45
*Swissvale 59	Scott 64
*Swissvale 61	Braddock 69
*Swissvale 38	Wilkinsburg 55

*Swissvale 74	Turtle Creek 70
Swissvale 68	W. P. S. D. 54
*Swissvale 78	Rankin 60
*Swissvale 65	Penn 72
*Swissvale 55	Scott 74
*Swissvale 83	Braddock 112
*Swissvale 52	Wilkinsburg 49
*Swissvale 55	Turtle Creek 49
Swissvale 69	Central 79
*Swissvale 65	Rankin 59
1393	1325
*League Games	



NICK ANDREJKO Hustler

When we saw Nick on the floor we could be sure that he was giving all he had to keep the team going. Nick had what it takes to do a good job.



BILL BYRNES Board Man

Bill made a terrific showing in his first year on the varsity by outjumping some of the biggest boys in the section. Bill is also a great shot and ball-handler.

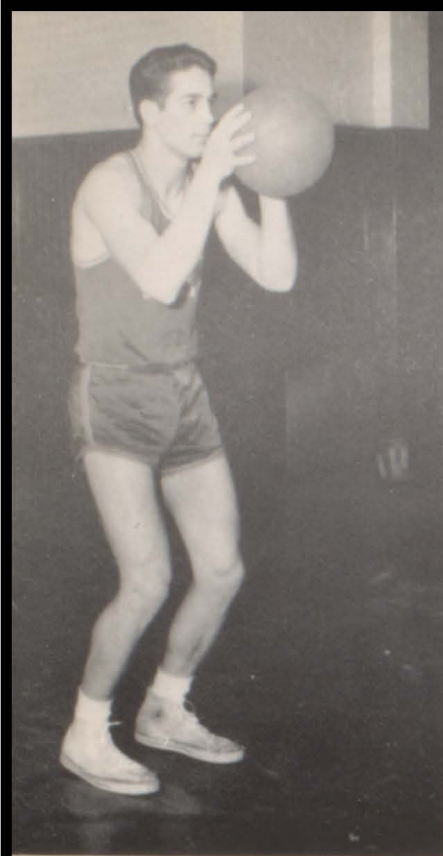


our FAVORITE FIVE in action

GUS BAHLEDA Pass Wizard

Coach Brace could always count on Gus's passing and shooting to keep us out of trouble. His hustle and spirit kept the team going through thick and thin.





MARTY POAD

Fighter

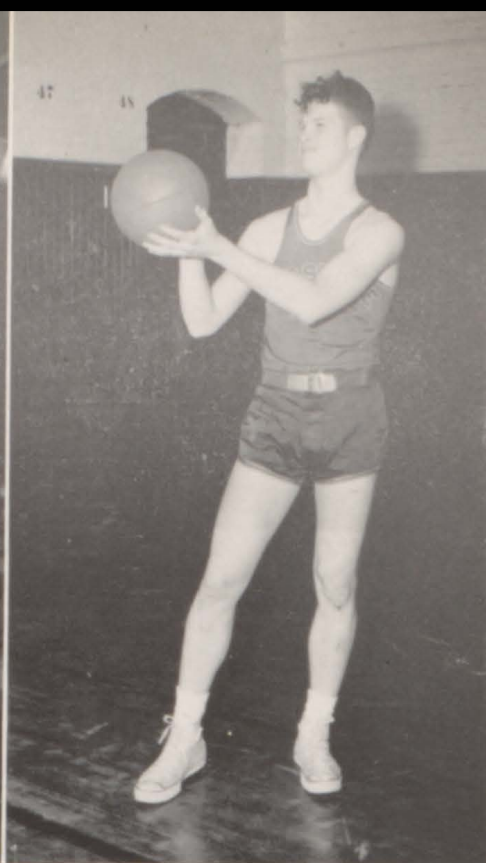
Marty, our only three year man, was the backbone of the team with his terrific shooting and defensive play. The Flashes will lose a great player when Marty graduates.



JIM FULMER

Swish

Jim, our top scorer, started the season off right by breaking Dick Groat's individual scoring record in the first game of the season. A dead shot, "Swish" helped keep us on top.



They gave us a lot of thrills

Mr. Brace looks over athletic equipment for the coming season. (Mr. William McJunkin, left, one of the salesmen, is a former graduate of SHS.)





Kneeling: Scott Norris, Richard Bishirjian, Gene Meglio, Joe Colondrea, Paul Battaglia, Ed Bednarczyk, Joe Kasher, Frank Giordano, Dave Thompson, Joe D'Illo, Stritto. **Standing:** Nick Pascarella, Joe Biehl, Bill Joyce, Bill Wonders, Bill Rutter, John Pavlisko, Tom Harris, Gus Bahleda, Jim Miller, George Papula, Ray Schreiber, Coach Joe Dennison.

BATTERS UP --- watch those curves

Due to the fact that baseball season comes at that time of year when it is too late to meet the printer's deadline and too early to miss the spring showers which cause postponement of many a game—we can't have much of a write-up in the SWISSVALIAN. However, because of the hard work our favorite nine put into making our baseball team a good one, a word must be mentioned about them. Under the leadership of Coach Joseph Dennison, the team practiced every night to perfect their playing and made a credible showing on the diamond.

Games played through April 21:

Swissvale --- 0 Wilkinsburg --- 9

On this year's team, we had only two seniors playing Varsity baseball, Ray Schreiber and Gus Bahleda. Ray, our catcher, has three years of Varsity experience behind him plus the fact that he played on the American Legion team. He is a top-notch player and his absence will be felt when he graduates. Gus, our pitcher, made his pitching debut this spring and looked very good in his first start.

Our ball club, though young, with a few breaks and that always needed experience will stir up a lot of trouble in Section XII this coming year.

Swissvale --- 4 Penn --- 8

Three-armed Skooter tips the ball in the basket.

Room 14 takes a break during a rough game.

A mad scramble as the girls fight for the ball.

Mickey Bracs demonstrates his tumbling ability as he dives over the boys and rolls into a somersault.

INTRAMURALS - - - everyone's favorite

Toby spikes the ball over the net in an exciting game.

Jim scores again as he catches his opponents unaware.

A tense moment as the ball hangs in the air.

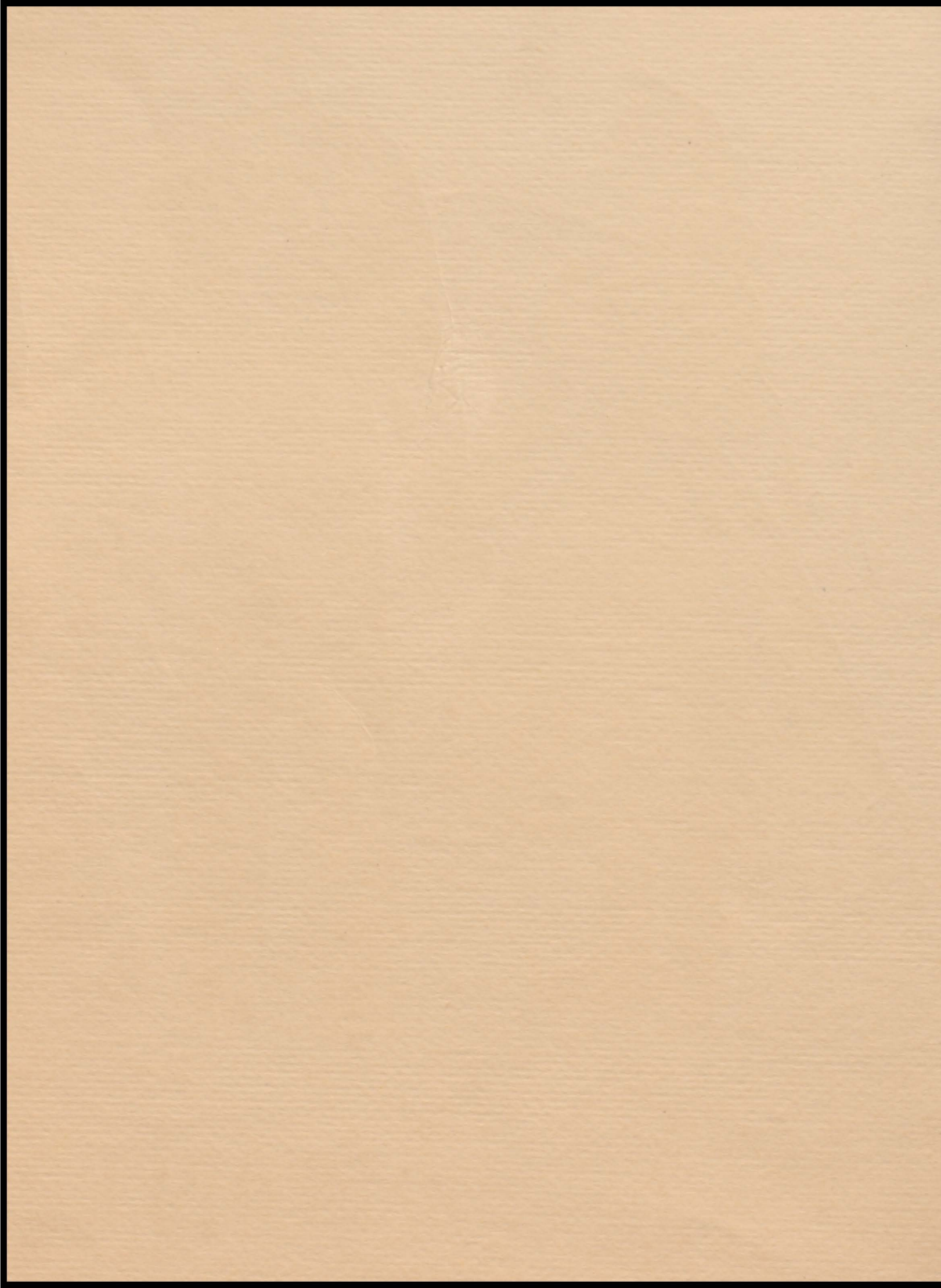
Everyone waits as Nancy returns the serve.





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PEOPLE





John C. Weichel, Principal



C. S. Baily, Superintendent of Schools

Our wise leaders - - - THE ADMINISTRATION

The students of SHS will always be grateful to those who guided them through school. Therefore, it is fitting that we acknowledge those who are the recipients of our thanks.

Mr. Baily, our superintendent, is always willing to hear our side of the story and to deal fairly with our problems.

Another man whom we can turn to for

counsel is Mr. Weichel, our principal, always unselfish with his time and energy so that he can help us.

Behind the scenes is the Board of Education, who, unknown to most students, is responsible for the smooth, efficient running of the Swissvale Schools.

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Superintendent of buildings and
grounds, mechanical drawing

Not pictured: SARAH S. DENNISON
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Home and School Visitor

Seniors give special thanks to the FACULTY

Without the help of our teachers, especially our homeroom teachers who guided us through our three years at SHS, we never would have attained our goal—graduation. And of course, special mention must be made of those who were in charge of our activities, guidance counselling, and cooperation between school and home.

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Elaine and Carol make sure every hair is in place as they anxiously wait to have their senior pictures taken.

The Class that's great is '58



When we look back over our high school years, the year we will remember the best is our senior year—a year when we elected a female president for the first time; a year highlighted by the class play, "Dear Phoebe," which was a huge success; the kid party, "Diaper Drag," when we once again acted like kids; a year when everything we did turned to gold—the gold of fun and friendship.

As Senior Day and graduation grew closer, we became sad as we realized that soon we'd be saying farewell to our Alma Mater and the many friends we had made. But our joyous high school days will live forever in our memories and we will always be proud to say that we're the Swissvale High School Class of 1958.

The senior class officers, Jim Speer, vice-president; Beverly Dell, treasurer; Donna Capasso, president; and Marty Poad, secretary; discuss their plans for the senior year.



WALTER ALLAN

This happy-go-lucky senior reported to Room 27. He was a long standing member of the Stage Crew (three years) and also took part in intramurals. Babe likes to tinker with radios and after he graduates he would like to get into the radio or television field.



MARTIN AMODEO

Marty, a member of Room 8's intramural team, was treasurer of his homeroom in his junior year and was vice-president his senior year. He participated in the Junior Class Play and belonged to the Bowling Club. Amo works for his father now, but he would like to become a scientist or lawyer.

NICKOLAS ANDREJKO

The Class of '58 will remember Nick as an efficient sophomore class president and one of our star football and basketball players. He was a member of Student Council for two years and took an active part in intramurals. After graduation Nick plans to enter college.



GILBERT F. AUSTIN

Gil was one of the few boys reporting to Room 15 (what a break for him!). After graduating from SHS he plans to see what Uncle Sam has to offer. Following a hitch in the Army he hopes to get a good job. Among his many interests is the 332nd Transportation Movement Control Group.

AUGUSTINE BAHLEDA

This sports-minded fellow was president of Room 10 his senior year. Gus's activities included football, baseball, basketball, and intramurals. Cars are included among his many interests. After June, look for him in college or in the Marine Corps. Anywhere, his personality will bring Gus success.



HELEN R. A. BARBARINO

Lenie, a member of Room 8, has helped her room win a number of intramural championships in both volleyball and basketball. This lively girl enjoys art, driving, and eating pizza, the favorite food of most teenagers. Helen's plans for next year include working in an office.

MARY ANNE BARCLAY

A beautiful face and sparkling personality made Mary Ann one of SHS's richest assets. Intramurals, Choir, Bowling Club, and Y-Teens just would not leave her a moment to spare. Just think what a pleasure it will be to take a plane trip with Mary Ann as your lovely hostess!



LISA ANN BATTAGLIA

One of our "little" seniors this year was Lisa. She was a member of the Y-Teens and a substitute cheerleader in her senior year. Lisa played in intramurals, and she likes to draw, dance, and listen to records. Picture her as a secretary or as a fashion designer before very long.

SUSAN ANN BIETENDUEFEL

Susie, one of the most cheerful students at SHS, was active in Y-Teens, intramurals, (for Room 26), and Bowling Club. Susie enjoyed pep meetings and displayed her fine school spirit by attending football and basketball games. This future Florence Nightingale enjoys swimming and horseback riding.



BARBARA ANN BLISS

Y-Teens, Camera Club, intramurals, and Junior Red Cross Club (she was co-president), were just a few of Bobbie Ann's many activities in school. Under her capable assistance as co-editor, the SWISSVALIAN moved along at a brisk pace. Her sweet personality will brighten the office she will work in as a secretary.

WILLIAM BYRNES

Anyone for a game of basketball? You can count on Bill to be there. Bill used his athletic ability on the varsity and helped our team to win many of those great games. He also participated in homeroom intramurals. Bill's easy-to-get-along-with personality will help him gain many friends in the Air Force.

GEORGIA JEAN CARLO

As a receptionist, George's pleasant personality made a good impression on visitors to our school. A friendly girl with lots of friends, she was a member of Room 27's intramural team, the Y-Teens, and the Glee Club. This secretary-to-be likes to drive, dance, and listen to records and the radio.

GUY CATONE

Rube, who was known to all of us for his sense of humor, was secretary of the junior class, a member of the "Home, Sweet Homicide" cast, a basketball manager, a member of Student Council for two years, and an active intramural player. Among Guy's hobbies are sports, cars, ivy league clothes, and running for class president.

ETHEL M. CHARNICK

This future secretary was active in Y-Teens, intramurals (she was a member of Room 8's team), and will be remembered for her role as Slukey in the Junior Class Play. Dancing, swimming, attending football games, and working at G. C. Murphy's also took a great deal of Ethel's time and interest.

JAMES R. CIMINO, JR.

Busy as a beaver — that describes our Jimmy. His leadership was well displayed, as he was president of Student Council, president of the junior class, and co-president of the Junior Red Cross Club. Camera Club, Band, intramurals, and the Senior Class Play can also be added to Jim's long list of activities.



DONNA MARIE CAPASSO

The senior class placed great confidence in Donna by electing her as its first woman president. And Donna has proved that she well deserved their trust. A lovely member of the Prom Court, she also took part in intramurals and Y-Teens. With her beautiful voice she sang many solos in the Choir and Dance Band.



MARY LOU CASILLO

Some office will be made all the more attractive when Mary Lou starts working there as an IBM operator. Here in school, she took part in intramurals and was in Y-Teens, Choir, Camera Club, and Bowling Club. Away from school, she enjoys swimming, dancing, and popular music.



RICHARD JOHN CENCARIK

A member of Room 27, Dick was active in homeroom intramurals. This mechanic and hunter could usually be found working in the Union Food Store after school. Following graduation, the "Wild Blue Yonder" will be his theme song as he plans to join the Air Force. The Stage Crew will miss their co-chairman.



ARLENE H. CHUNKO

One of our prettiest seniors, Arlene was very active in school with Y-Teens, intramurals, Valistic, SWISS-VALIAN, Glee Club, and Camera Club. After school she could be found working as a clerk at the Edgewood Cleaning Co. It will be hard for SHS to give Arlene up to some college or business school.



SHIRLEY ANN CLARK

This friendly senior, better known to her friends as Shirl, hopes to become a secretary after graduation. She was an active member of the Glee Club and Camera Club and was also a member of Room 14's intramural team. Shirl enjoys popular music as well as skating, sewing, and cooking.

CAROL COLEMAN

This well known and well liked lass reported to Room 26. Her activities included Y-Teens, Bowling Club, year-book staff, Band, and intramurals. A cute receptionist, Carol was quite a busy girl around school. Her ambition — Slippery Rock State Teachers College to take up elementary education.

ELIZABETH ANNE COOLEY

A beautiful smile and a cheery hello have always characterized Betty Anne, an attractive and popular girl who came to SHS as a junior. She was always on the run for Y-Teens, intramurals, and Student Council. Business school and an IBM machine stand highest in Betty's future plans.

NANCY CAROLE CRAVOTTA

A pert little senior from Room 10 is Nanc. She has no time for loafing, for when not in school she keeps busy with her job at McKinley's Jewelry Store. Most of her pep and vigor were taken up in intramurals, Bowling Club, and Y-Teens. Beautician School is her next step.

LAWRENCE CUCCARO

This useful basketball and volleyball player is from Room 26. After school and on Saturdays Larry worked as a delivery boy, using some of that energy he had so much of. He is a spare time hunter and a full time enthusiast for cars. Naturally, he intends to enter the field of automotive engineering.

JOANNE DeNARDO

Dean was noted for her beautiful, expressive eyes and her cheerful personality. She was a member of Room 15's intramural team, was on the business staff of the SWISSVALIAN, and belonged to Y-Teens, Bowling Club, and Camera Club. In her spare time Joanne enjoys swimming, dancing, and music.



FRANCES COLETTA

Frannie's sweet personality added to the Junior Prom Court as well as to the Y-Teens, Camera Club, Valistic and SWISSVALIAN staffs, and both class plays. Our charming Y-Teen Sweetheart, she was also a homeroom officer and participated in all intramurals. Her lovely voice added much to the Choir and Dance Band.



RITA COSTELLO

This energetic senior with the cute pony tail reported to Room 26. Ree was a member of the Camera Club, worked on the Valistic, and played hard in intramurals. Rita is interested in sports and sewing, but she plans to be an airline hostess or office worker after leaving Swissvale High.



DELORES ANN CRESTO

Hailing from Room 14, Cress was one of the liveliest of that lively group. Among her activities were the Bowling Club, Y-Teens, and intramurals. Besides working at Andrews Dairy Store, Delores got pleasure from dancing and from popular music. A stenographic job lies ahead.



BEVERLY COLLEEN DELL

Bev, a popular senior, has been really busy in her high school years with the Valistic, co-editor of the SWISSVALIAN, Y-Teens, and intramurals. Another of her achievements was being elected a member of the Prom Court. As treasurer of the senior class, she kept us solvent. A secretarial position is next for this pretty girl.



PATRICIA LEE DURBIN

A member of Room 8, Pat helped her room win several homeroom championships. She was treasurer of Room 8 in her senior year, was a member of the Y-Teens, and participated in the activities of the Bowling and Camera Clubs. This good-looking future beautician enjoys skating and listening to records.

MARGARET CATHERINE EARLY

Homeroom vice-president in her junior year, the Valistic (the mimeograph was her special pet), Glee Club, and Y-Teens were just a few of the activities of this pert senior from Room 14. Peggy's out of school interests are sewing and good music. An office job comes next for her.

CLARE MARITA FAHEY

Looking for someone to serve on a props committee? Just call on Clare. Or someone to be on your literary staff? Clare has had plenty of experience, for she was on the staffs of both the Valistic and SWISSVALIAN. Being a Y-Teen also kept her on the move. A lab technician's job sounds great to Clare.

BETTY ANN FISH

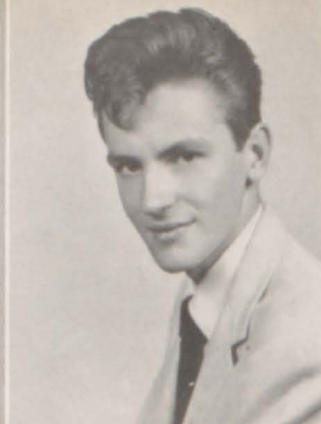
If you have ever wondered who made those neat signs for the G. C. Murphy Co. in Swissvale, your curiosity can now be satisfied. It's Betty Ann. And, as you can guess, art is her chief hobby. A member of SHS's Choir and Room 8's intramural teams, this future secretary is just bound to make good.

CHARLENE A. FLOSS

Char, a good-looking girl with a great interest in sports, showed her loyalty to Room 15 by her participation in intramurals. This, along with Y-Teens, Band, Camera Club, and a position on the yearbook staff made her well known in school. This lovely majorette plans to be a surgeon.

MARION ELAINE FUSIA

Fuss, one of our cutest seniors, reported to Room 26. She took part in intramurals, Bowling Club, Glee Club, Y-Teens, and was on both SWISSVALIAN and Valistic staffs. Laughing tops Elaine's list of favorite pastimes. She hopes to study dress designing next year.



JOHN EDWARD ELISH

John joined our class as a junior and has been a real part of our group. He played a leading role in the Junior Class Play, was a member of Student Council, captain of Room 27's intramural team, and was an able member of the baseball team. He plans to study electrical engineering.

EILEEN FRANCES FARREN

Eileen, who reported to Room 27, will make a cute nurse. In school she was a member of the Choir, intramurals, and Y-Teens. Add to those her other interests, such as dancing, swimming, skating, and bowling, and you can see that Eileen is quite a busy girl.

JAMES FULMER

Swish was a name that suited Jim to a T, for on the basketball court he seldom missed. Being a member of Choir and of our basketball team (during which time he broke a record and set a new one for SHS) took up most of his time. College and then more basketball follows for Jim.

CAROL ANN FRANZETTA

The Y-Teens and Choir shared the enthusiasm of our lively cheerleader Carol. An attractive Prom Court attendant, she was also an officer in Room 10 and took an active part in intramurals. Dancing, swimming, and listening to records are a few of her hobbies. She'll make an excellent secretary, we're sure.

JANICE GAMBINO

Dependable Jan was kept very busy in school as co-editor of the Valistic, a member of the Y-Teens, and an intramural player for Room 14. One of the most outstanding girls in SHS, Jan likes to draw, go to the movies, and read. Business school—and a bright future—comes after graduation.

JOANNE GATES

Jo, one of Room 8's intramural players, was a member of the Bowling Club, Y-Teens, Valistic, and was on the literary staff of the SWISSVALIAN. Besides her job at Guide-Post Research, she enjoys music, driving, sports, and teaching Sunday School. You'll find Joanne at Robert Morris Business School before long.

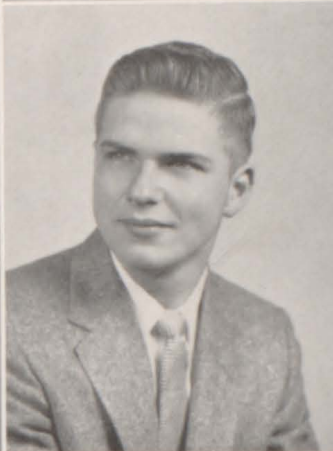


PHYLLIS JOY GIBSON

Homeroom intramurals for Room 10 and singing with the Glee Club were the main interests of this pleasant Swiss Miss. One of Murphy's faithfuls, Phyllis plans to become a secretary—a good one. For relaxation she enjoys reading, riding, movies, and just having a good time.

MARY ELLEN GILDROY

A neat, attractive senior from Room 14, Mary Ellen showed her loyalty to her homeroom by taking part in intramurals. She was a member of the Junior Play cast, and besides dramatics found pleasure in art, cooking, skating, and reading. She hopes to attend Mount Mercy College to become a dietitian.



LANCE GOOD

A familiar sight roaring into the parking lot was Lance and his jalopy—which gives a clue as to his special interest. Bowling Club, intramurals, and flying model planes came next, along with his job at O'Brien's. Model planes will soon be exchanged for the real thing when he joins the Air Force.

LOUIS GREENE

Scooter was a lad of note in the sports department at SHS. He played football, basketball, and helped Room 8 to a strong intramural setup. SHS just won't be the same without Scooter, but maybe we'll be reading his name in the sports headlines one of these days.



LARUE EDYTHE GRUBB

LaRue was one of the most kind-hearted girls in Swissvale High. She was an active member of the Bowling Club, Camera Club, Y-Teens, and both the Valistic and the SWISSVALIAN staffs. Her liking for people and her ability to get along with them will help her when she is a school teacher.

JOHN A. HALCHAK

John added his pleasant personality to the Bowling Club, Camera Club, Junior Class Play, and intramurals. This future metallurgist has made a good start toward his career, for in his junior year he won the Harry Elder Science Award, the first person at SHS to achieve this honor.



CAROLE HALL

Cookie, a friendly senior from 15, was known for her great enthusiasm for intramurals. She enjoys swimming, skating, and occasional baby-sitting. Helping Uncle Sam by joining the WAC is her ambition for the future. Carole claims that her only enemy is the alarm clock.

THOMAS HARRIS

For three years Tom has been of assistance to the Choir, intramurals, Stage Crew, Valistic, and the football and basketball teams as manager. He even had time for his own business of fixing TV and radio tubes. You guessed it—Tom plans to go into the field of electronics.



JOHN BARRY HOLMES

Barry enjoys eating, driving the Merc, and listening to popular music. He kept busy in school with the Bowling Club, homeroom intramurals, and by working on the Stage Crew. After graduation he hopes to be a high flier by becoming a member of the Air Force.

WILLIAM A. HOOD

If you have ever stopped at Bard's for a soda, you may have been greeted by the pleasant voice of Bill. Band, Dance Band, and intramurals played a big part in his life here at school. Being in the Band, he naturally states a preference for music and Hi-Fi. His ambition—to be an electrician.

PATRICIA LYNNE HUGHES

Dancing, swimming, and baking are just a few of Pat's outside interests. The Y-Teens and her homeroom intramurals enjoyed her cheerful personality, as will her customers when she opens her own shop following a course at the Pittsburgh Beauty Academy.

EDWIN P. HUTCHISON

Hutch's good voice was one of Room 10's contributions to SHS. A friendly young man, Ed hasn't quite made up his mind whether to be an engineer or to specialize in some trade. Tennis, hunting, fishing, and swimming are just a few of Hutch's special interests.

DAVID R. JAMES

If you happen to deal at the Leader Service Station, without doubt you know "Jesse" as the obliging attendant working there. A wide range of special interests includes food—and of course cars. After graduation Jesse plans to take in more school to insure a successful career.

DAVID JONES

Dave has achieved fame at SHS on several grounds—basketball (where his height was of importance), dramatics (both Junior and Senior Class Plays), his white rats (a rather temporary but interesting phase), and his dry humor (real wit!) The big trees will claim Dave's interest when he launches his career as a forester.



ELIZABETH ANN HRIZO

Reliable and helpful—that's Betts. Taking part in the Glee Club, Valistic, SWISSVALIAN, and intramurals took up a good part of her time. The remainder went to working part time and driving. To be a court stenographer or a top notch secretary is this senior's ambition.



DIANE HUOT

Diane, one of the striking Prom Court attendants, was also Secretary-treasurer of the Choir, captain of the majorettes, active in intramurals and the Junior Play, and was a member of the SWISSVALIAN art staff. Even with all these activities, this future art student found time for sports and modeling.



GRACE JADOT

One of the Room 26 group was this lively senior. She played a big part in homeroom intramurals and was a member of the Camera Club. Her interests range from dancing and swimming to babysitting. "Kitten" is in doubt about her future—will she be a beautician or a secretary? Here's wishing her success in either.



RONALD JOHNSON

Ronnie's extra special coordination won him recognition in our May Day programs. Intramural games for Room 8 also used his gymnastic talents. Stage Crew, his car, and working on cars were his favorite means of employing spare time. Next year he'll be answering to the name of G. I. Joe.



JOHN JONES

Jack is like most senior boys—he enjoys driving his Chevy, eating pizza, and attending baseball, football, and basketball games. His hobbies are collecting stamps and listening to good music. Jack is looking forward to worn-out tires and aching knuckles as a future traveling salesman.

BARBARA J. KNEEBONE

Although Indiana State Teachers College is the aim of this future elementary teacher, Barb had many and varied interests in school—the Y-Teens, Bowling Club, Valistic, and Camera Club. Outside of school she enjoyed being with her friends, baby sitting, horseback riding, drawing, swimming, and reading.

LOIS ANN LANYI

Lois and the Chrysler were one of the best known combinations at SHS. This musically inclined lass was a member of the Choir, Band, and Dance Band. As can be guessed, her chief interest lies in music, especially light classical. Lois can't quite make up her mind whether to be a secretary or an IBM operator.

BARBARA ANN LEWIS

Barb is looking forward to graduation with great anticipation so that she may start on the road to becoming a nurse. Her witticisms helped liven up Room 27, and they should help make her patients well. A few of Barb's many interests were Y-Teens, homeroom intramurals, and the SWISS-VALIAN. Outside of school Barb enjoyed swimming, eating and drawing.

EILEEN MADDEN

A sweet and neat little miss—that's Eileen. Intramurals, Y-Teens, and her job at the G. C. Murphy Co. occupied a lot of her time, along with radio, records, sewing, movies, and swimming. After graduation, business school follows for Eileen.

JANET MALMA

Leading the Band as co-captain of the majorettes took up much of Janet's time in school. Our vivacious Prom Queen, she was also a homeroom officer and a member of Y-Teens. Janet began her high school dramatic career with "Home Sweet Homicide" and will long be remembered for her role as Rochelle Mignonne in "Dear Phoebe."



ELAINE RAE KURTZ

Have a pain? Call Elaine! This future Woman in White plans to enter Pittsburgh Hospital's School of Nursing. She was a faithful member of Y-Teens, Valistic, Camera Club, Bowling Club, and the Choir. She also participated in all intramurals. Outside of school, her main interests include dancing and swimming.

DENNIS ANDREW LEGAL

Being a soda jerk at Isaly's took up most of Denny's after school hours. He participated in arguing and intramurals and added that final touch to the Junior Class Play. Because of his salesmanship for the past three years, more people enjoyed the SWISSVALIAN. His mathematical ability makes his choice of career—engineering—a logical one.



PAUL KENNETH LUCAS

This fair-haired lad reported to Room 8. Luke worked at the bowling alley through the week and, as is understandable, he enjoyed the Bowling Club of which he was vice-president. He spent one year playing baseball and likes sports in general. "The Wild Blue Yonder" is his desire after graduation.



CAROLE MAHLER

Carole was a lively senior from Room 14. Active in school affairs, she belonged to the Y-Teens, the Camera Club, and intramural teams. Among her many interests are dancing, swimming, and cooking. After graduation this Swiss Miss plans to attend a business training college to become a medical secretary.



ROSEMARIE MANCEN

This busy senior was a member of the Camera Club, Bowling Club, and Y-Teens. "Ro" took part in Room 26's intramurals and she worked just as hard on the Valistic, too. She was enthusiastic about football games and other sports, and will doubtless always enjoy music and dancing. Next year will find her enhancing an office.



LOIS HAYS MAXWELL

A happy-go-lucky red-head with a friendly personality and loads of friends is Lois. Throughout her high school years she has been active in the Bowling Club, Y-Teens, Glee Club, and intramurals. "Hi, Teach" will be music to her ears after she graduates from college as an education major.

JAMES McCLUSKEY

Jim, or Mac, claimed Room 27 as his school home. He was active in intramurals and spent his spare time working at the J&J Lunchonette, listening to good music, eating pizza, and working on cars. Mac plans to enlist in some branch of the service soon.

JOHN RESSLER McFARLAND

One of Miss Schimmel's homeroom boys, John's outstanding interest in school was sports — football, basketball, and baseball — he liked them all. Intramurals naturally were important to him, too. Fishing is another interest, as is his job at David's Dairy Store. Night school and a career in engineering are planned for the future.

ETHEL P. McGAHEE

Penny, as she is called by everyone, comes from Room 26. Some of her special interests include driving, sewing, cooking, and playing the piano, organ, and xylophone. Intramurals was one of her school activities. Wedding bells will ring for Penny in the future, and we expect her domestic talents will be put to use before long.

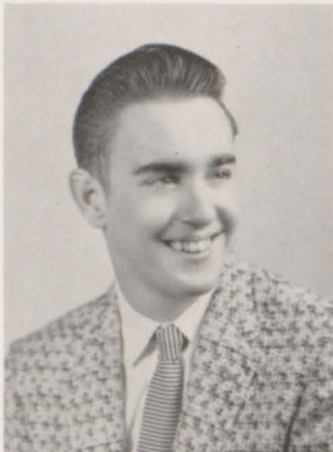
JOYCE ROSETTA MOORMAN

Joyce's personality just can't be beat! Homeroom president, Student Council, intramurals, Y-Teens, and Choir played an important part in her activities at Swissvale High. She was an attractive usherette at the class plays and her lovely voice was used as narrator for May Day. Business college is her aim for next year.



MARY JANE McCLINTOCK

This lovely young lass was a member of Student Council, secretary of the Y-Teens, president of her homeroom for two years, and a participant in intramurals. She graced our Junior Prom Court and lent her talents to the Junior Class Play. Mary Jane likes everyone and everyone likes her, so we're sure she'll make a wonderful secretary.



JOHN THOMAS McELIECE

Mack, a tall lad from Room 27, plans to be an electrician in the future. His activities in school included Choir and homeroom intramurals. Outside activities include his hobby, which is building model trains. Like most boys, John spends much of his spare time on cars.



JEANNE E. I. McFARLANE

This bonnie Scotch lass was kept busy at SHS with CAMERA CLUB, Y-Teens, and SWISSVALIAN activities. Jeannie's athletic ability gave a boost to Room 27's intramurals. Her hobby is an unusual one — playing the bagpipes. Anyone with a sweet tooth should visit Sheats' Candy Store for service with a sweet smile.



JOHN MEHALIK

John's liking for cars will be an asset to him, for he plans to become an auto mechanic, specializing in body and fender work. A member of Room 8's intramural team, John can be found working in his spare time at a nursery (plant variety) or as a carpenter.



MARIE RITA MORELLI

"Ree" is a fun-loving student who is always on the go. Dancing, swimming, skating, driving, and keeping her scrapbook up to date uses most of her time. Her interest in basketball and volleyball helped her enjoy high school. To be a secretary is Marie's ambition.

BARBARA JEAN MURRAY

This snappy cheerleader played an active part in Swissvale High as co-editor of the Valistic and homeroom officer for two years. Barb helped Room 14 win intramural games and took part in the Y-Teens, Bowling Club, and the Junior Class Play. Her pleasing personality will be an addition to Slippery Rock State Teachers College.

RUTH M. NELSON

With so many careers to choose from, most teenagers just can't decide which one to follow — but not Ruth. She has her mind all made up to buy a farm. Of course there is the little matter of money, but she'll get a job, save up, then buy. Sewing and painting are her favorite hobbies.

JAMES G. NOWAK

Jim, who has rapidly adjusted himself as one of the happy members of Room 14, came to us in his junior year from Central Catholic. Hunting and fishing rate high among Jim's favorite pastimes. He can often be seen helping his dad after school and on weekends.

EMMETT E. O'HARE

Looking for Emmett? Then just say, "Chess, anyone?" and he'll show up. He was kept busy by Band, Choir, intramurals, both class plays, and as business manager for the SWISS-VALIAN. Emmett, who was Room 8's vice-president in his junior year, has his eye on the field of engineering.

DONNA PAGANO

As captain of Room 8's intramurals, Donna will be remembered as the girl who helped her room to all those championships. A whiz at sports, Donna was also an energetic member of the Bowling Club. Y-Teens was on her list of interests. Her athletic ability will be invaluable to this future gym teacher.



JOHN T. NEAL

John, or Huck, as he was better known, was active in homeroom intramurals and was a member of the Stage Crew. After school Jack served as a soda jerk at Zinn's Pharmacy. His special interests are driving, hunting, and fishing. Jack plans to join the Coast Guard after graduation, where he'll doubtless enjoy the adventurous life.

BARBARA JEAN NEFF

This attractive senior was very busy as the literary editor of this year's SWISS-VALIAN. Many other activities, such as Y-Teens, Valistic, intramurals, and Junior Class Play kept Neff busy, but not too busy to keep her grades high. Next year will find Barb well on her way toward becoming an Angel of Mercy.

SHEILA ANN O'GRADY

This young lady who hailed from Room 10 was active in their girls' intramurals. You could also see her at Bowling Club, Camera Club, and Y-Teen meetings. This attractive and efficient miss will make some boss a fine secretary. After school hours, dancing, swimming, and music rate high with Sheila.

JOHN OSLEY

One of our many sports-minded seniors, John played football for three years. Hoss was also active in playing for Room 26 in the intramural games. His interests include driving, playing baseball, football, and basketball, and listening to good music. His future plans include becoming a commercial artist.

FRED RITTER

Fred, or Tex, as he is known to all his friends, left us in his junior year to attend Wesleyan Methodist Academy but returned late in his senior year to finish his high school years in SHS. Tex is an avid sports fan. College is included in his plans for the future.

GRACE ELIZABETH PAGE

Some of Grace's interests, besides helping people and catching the train for McKeesport, were intramurals, Y-Teens, the SWISSVALIAN, and the Valistic. When Grace was not busy with her school activities, she kept busy reading and writing poetry. This bundle of energy has as her ambition being a member of Westminster College's Class of 1962.

MARY ALICE PANCURAK

Braddock's loss was our gain, for in her junior year Pan came to SHS and reported to Room 15. Among her many hobbies her favorites are oil painting, cooking, swimming, and dancing. Although Mary Alice has not decided upon her future plans, we know she will succeed in any field.

GEORGIA ANNE PCHOLINSKI

This energetic girl from Room 26 participated in many school activities — intramurals, Bowling Club, Y-Teens, and Glee Club, to name a few. Swimming, dancing, clothes and popular music were Georgia's chief out-of-school interests. The boss who gets Georgia for his secretary will be a lucky man.

MARTIN L. POAD

Marty, one of the most active boys in school, has been a three-year letterman in football and basketball. He served as vice-president of the sophomore and junior classes and as secretary of the senior class. He was also a member of the Choir. In the future Marty plans to attend college.

NANCY MARLENE PREISACH

Nancy's typing ability was well proved as she was a typist on both Valistic and SWISSVALIAN staffs. While at SHS, Nancy took part in homeroom intramurals and was in the Glee Club. Some of the hobbies of this future office worker are sewing, crocheting, and cooking.



ANDREW W. PANCURAK

If a storm of laughter rolls through the halls from Room 10, you can be sure Sach was responsible, coming up with one of his amusing anecdotes. A sports-minded senior, Andy could be counted on for all intramurals. Surely the world of journalism will profit by him.

GAYLE JEAN PAULIE

A lovely member of the Junior Prom Court and an active participant in both Junior and Senior Class Plays was Gayle, who reported to Room 27. She took part in intramurals as homeroom captain, was a homeroom officer for two years, and sang with the Choir. Slippery Rock State Teachers College is her plan for the future.

EDWARD PETRO

To fulfill his ambition of becoming a pharmacist, Pete is clerking at Woodstock Pharmacy. He was most active in homeroom intramurals and belonged to the Intercom Crew. Next to liking study periods and gym, his favorite pastime is collecting coins, which might be worth a fortune some day.

JOSEPH PONSI

Joe, often seen in the Plymouth, was a sensible young man and well liked by his friends because of his pleasant manner. A member of Room 26, Joe belonged to the Bowling Club. Although his course isn't certain, college is on his horizon for the future.

JOHN PREUSSE

This future electronic engineer reported to Room 14. His ability to play the clarinet has helped the band considerably. Johnny also has been in the Choir and played intramural sports. He can be found working at Regent Pharmacy, better known as Sidehamer's.

RUSSELL W. RAGAN

Russ managed the money bags for Room 14, but his other activities included intramurals, Bowling Club, and both class plays. (Remember him in "Dear Phoebe?") When you saw the Band, you saw Russ all wrapped up in his tuba. His spare time found him fishing, hunting, or working on "The Car." After school, Russ plans to take up forestry.

PATRICIA ANN RUFFNER

People like Pat are the salt of the earth! She was our pretty Y-Teen vice-president and also Room 14's vice-president. Intramurals, Choir, and the SWISSVALIAN kept her busy during her school years. It will be a pleasure being sick, with Pat as your nurse.

RAYMOND JOHN SCHREIBER

Ray's interests in school will certainly help him attain his future goal of professional baseball, for while in SHS this good-looking boy participated in all types of sports including baseball, football, and intramurals. Ray, also on the yearbook staff, was the treasurer of Room 26 in his senior year.

ROSE MARIE SEAMAN

Coming from Wilmerding in her junior year, Rose was a welcome addition to Room 10. With her activities, such as Bowling Club, Y-Teens, intramurals, Camera Club, and Valistic, she has made many new friends. Pretty soon some fortunate businessman will have Rose as his efficient secretary.

JOHN SHIPMAN

John hasn't quite decided which field to enter, but college will give him that necessary boost. He is a reliable clerk at the Regent Pharmacy and can often be seen behind the wheel of his car. John is real hep over bowling, as it is his favorite sport.



ELEANOR REID

Room 14 can lay claim to El, a pleasant and witty member of the Class of '58. Ice skating, dancing, and riding in her sister's red convertible rate high among her special interests. A secretarial position in some office will fulfill Eleanor's plans for the future.

CAROLE LOU SCHOLTZ

Carole graced our halls with her blonde beauty. As one of our receptionists, she greeted any visitors that came to SHS. Blondie helped Room 8 to a number of intramural championships. She was also a member of the Y-Teens and the Bowling Club and was on the literary staff of the SWISSVALIAN.

RICHARD V. SCHUDA

A member of Room 8, Rich belonged to the Camera Club. Rich enjoys sports of all kinds—football, baseball, and basketball are just a few. His hobby outside of school is constructing things. Although his course isn't certain, Rich is planning to attend college after graduation.

GEORGE WILLIAM SEMAN

This well-liked fellow classmate certainly was kept busy in SHS, for George not only was the sports editor of the SWISSVALIAN, but also a member of the Valistic, manager of the basketball team and a participant in the intramural games for Room 10. This future electrical engineer chose having fun as his hobby.

MAUDE SIMPSON

This lively senior from Room 10 was often called Sampson by her classmates. She was active in home-room intramurals and in Glee Club. After graduation she hopes to attend business school. Among her many interests, besides the Candy Corporation and her job at Swissvale Cleaners, are dancing, singing, and football games.

ELIZABETH ANN SKOVER

Liz, a fair-haired lovely from Room 10, was always on hand for intramurals. The Y-Teens could also claim her as an active member. Although dancing, sewing, and cooking all rate high with Liz, she has often expressed a preference for a medical career.

JOAN SPARGO

Joan, with her pep, could always be counted on to help her homeroom in intramural games. She belonged to the Y-Teens, Junior Red Cross Club, and Bowling Club, besides using her musical talents in the Choir and Band. Next year you will be able to find her as a cute little freshman on Duquesne's campus.

NANCY SPINOSA

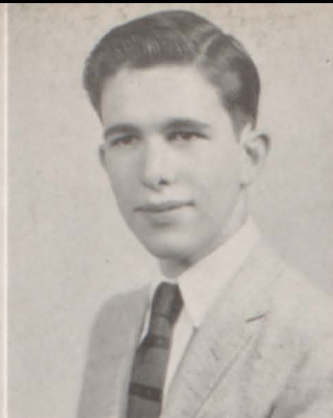
This snappy dark-eyed senior reported to Room 14 and added much to their intramural games. Nancy was also a member of the Red Cross Club. She enjoyed sports and collecting records in her spare time. Her future boss will be pleased to have Nancy as his secretary.

ILLENE CHERYL STEIN

"I" was one of the most enthusiastic participants in intramural games in SHS. So, being loyal to Room 26, she could always be found playing for her homeroom. Illene's other activities included Y-Teens, Camera Club, and art class. Carnegie Tech is on her horizon for the future.

WILLIAM N. TAYLOR

To those in the Square, Bill is a familiar sight, because most of his spare time is spent working as a clerk at Isaly's. His special activity in school was intramurals. After a trying day, tinkering with automobiles and collecting guns is his pleasure. Bill directs his future plans toward joining the Air Force.



DAVID H. SPAGNOLLI

This Isaac Walton from Room 8 played an active part in the Camera Club during his years at SHS. Besides his job at a grocery store, archery, photography, hunting, and working on cars also take up much of Dave's spare time. College and a job as a civil engineer come next.



JAMES K. SPEER

Intramurals and both the Senior and Junior Class Plays played an important part in this sharp senior's life at SHS. He was vice-president of the Senior Class and in his spare time worked at Kroger's. Looking for Jim in the future? Well, look to the skies, for it's a career as a pilot for Jim.



MARGARET JOYCE SPROULL

Peggy, one of the smallest girls in the senior class, was a member of the Y-Teens, Bowling Club, Red Cross Club, and participated in intramurals for Room 27. Her interests out of school included swimming, water skiing, and dancing. After she graduates, Peggy's ambition is to become a beautician.



ANN SULLIVAN

This cheerful senior from Room 15 played in home-room intramurals. Ann was a member of the Bowling Club as well as the Glee Club, Valistic, and Y-Teens. A few of her many interests are dancing and swimming. After leaving SHS, Ann plans to attend business school.



GERALDINE GAY TOMASIC

Geri could always be counted on for a lot of fun anywhere she went. Swimming, dancing, good books, and driver training rate high with her. In school her activities included intramurals, Camera Club, Glee Club, and Y-Teens. Business school and a job at Westinghouse look like just the ticket for her future.

GLORIA ANN TOMASIC

Gloria, who was a member of Room 15, was an active intramural player. In her spare time Gogi likes to listen to the radio and read. She enjoys that great American pastime of teenagers — driving. After graduation from SHS, Gloria plans to attend business school.

PATRICIA CAROL URBANIC

Pat's interests and activities in school covered a wide range — sports, Band, Y-Teens, Camera Club, Bowling Club, intramurals, and the Valistic. Pat's hobby — art — was often used around school for posters, etc. Swimming, dancing, and trips to Texas were favorite pastimes out of school. "Teach" will be her nickname after college.

LORETTA VERI

Loretta was known throughout the halls of SHS as a very able and competent artist — so it seems only natural that she has chosen to become a commercial artist. Y-Teens, Choir, and intramurals (for Room 10, of course) claimed Loretta and kept her very active in school.

CAROLYN ANN WEBBER

Because Carol came to SHS in her senior year, she didn't have a chance to join any of our organizations — but she has fitted in very well. At South High School in Youngstown, Ohio, she was very active on the school paper and yearbook. Carol plans to make nursing her career.

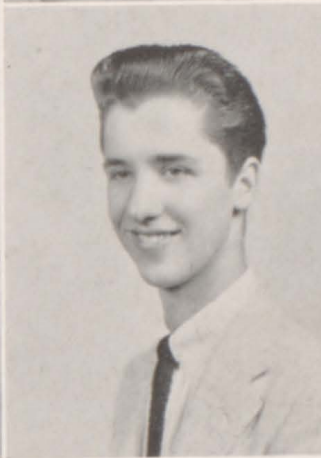
JACLYN WEICHEL

Under Jackie's leadership as president, the Y-Teens grew and flourished this year. Bowling Club and Camera Club also counted her among their most faithful members, as did the Valistic and SWISSVALIAN, where she put her artistic talents to work. Next year will find Jackie in college as an art major.



JO ANN TOMKO

Jo Ann's lively personality added much to Swissvale High and especially to Room 15, which she served as treasurer. This vivacious member of the Valistic, Y-Teens, and Camera Club also took part in intramurals and in class plays. Although dancing, swimming, and driving appeal most to Jo Ann, she aims for a secretarial career.



EUGENE G. VALKO

Gene, a faithful player of Room 27's intramural team, enjoyed playing basketball, speedball, and volleyball. You can find Gene working after school and Saturdays at Braddock Instrument Company. In his spare time he likes to fish. College and a degree in engineering are his goals for the future.



RITA WACH

This real beauty (as you can see) was an attendant in the Junior Prom Court. Her many activities at SHS included the Valistic, Y-Teens, Choir, Band, intramurals, and art. Rita works part time at Edgewood Cleaners, but next year she plans to do secretarial work, with modeling as a side line.



MADELINE M. WEBER

Sis, an active member of the Y-Teens and Bowling Club, can always be seen at football and basketball games. She enjoys music, swimming, and driving her car, but oh, how she hated to get up for school! In the future will she be a nurse or an airline hostess?



DALE E. WENTROBLE

Wendy is the boy who greeted us every day with a cheerful "Good morning!" for he has been a very faithful servant of the SHS intercom crew. This young man's mechanical and electronic ability got a workout on the projection crew here at school, but it will be an asset when he enters the field of uranium.

JUDITH A. WHALEN

If you want to see a pretty combination of brown hair, brown eyes, and dimples, look at Judy. Bowling Club, Y-Teens, intramurals, and Camera Club all helped to make her high school years pleasant ones. This active little senior is sure to make a fine college student and future teacher.

SANDRA LEE WRIGHT

A cheerful outlook on life made Sandi a pleasant gal to have around. An ardent member of Room 10, she naturally helped on their intramural teams. Glee Club, Y-Teens, and the receptionist corps were other activities which claimed her interest. Sandi has high hopes of becoming a secretary.

METALYNN ELIZABETH YETKA

Metalynn was one of our most talented seniors. Her beautiful voice graced not only the Choir but was also heard at most school functions. To be a professional singer is her main ambition, although a secretary's life appeals to her, too. Meta's other interests are piano, reading, and dancing.

RUDOLPH YURKOV

Full of fun and pep — that's Rudy. In homeroom intramurals as well as in working with the Stage Crew, Rudy gave his all. Customizing and working on cars (and dancing for his lighter moments) rate high with this lad. A course in business administration is in Rudy's immediate future.



MARJORIE ANN WHITE

This trim Swiss Miss, known to most of us as Margie, was one of the "inky" members of the Valistic's mimeograph staff. When not removing ink from herself, she found time to be in the Glee Club, Camera Club, and intramurals. Margie plans to make office work her career.



ALICE CATHERINE YANKURA

Busy as a bee and then some — a description such as this could fit no one better than it does Alice. Being a lovely majorette, feature editor of the Valistic, and treasurer of the Y-Teens kept this all-round student very active at SHS. Alice plans to make high school teaching her profession.



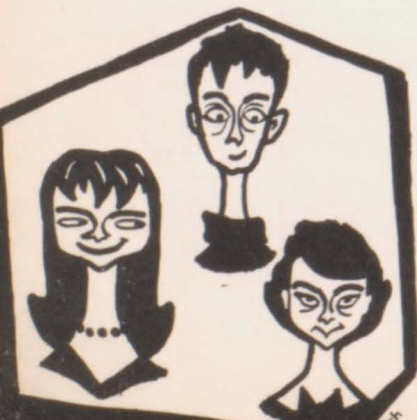
JOAN HELEN YUHASZ

Joannie, one of the sweetest girls in the senior class, spent many long hours working on the Valistic as art editor. Her flair for writing was put to good use by the SWISSVALIAN and her talent for acting was displayed in both class plays. Her future plans call for college.



WILLIAM ZELEN

Bill's lively and likeable personality has won him many friends at SHS. His skill in tumbling won him recognition when he participated in May Day last year. A member of the Red Cross Club, he also enjoys swimming and driving. Further schooling is Bill's ambition, though along what line we don't know as yet.



HONOR ROLL

SENIORS

Barbara Ann Bliss
Charlene Floss
Janice Gambino, Salutatorian
Mary Ellen Gildroy
John Halchak
Diane Huot
Dennis Legal
Mary Jane McClintock
Barbara Murray
Barbara Neff

Emmett O'Hare
Grace Page
Martin Poad
Nancy Preisach
Patricia Ruffner
George Seman
Sandra Wright
Alice Yankura, Valedictorian
Joan Yuhasz

SOPHOMORES

Linda Beeman
Charles Begg
Cathy Capezuto
Florence Catone
Jeanne Catone
Mary Lou Flotta
Frank Giordano
Lana Luther
Mary Margaret Matta
Eugene Meglio
Toby Miller

Phyllis Moorman
Patricia Nuzzo
Patricia Pascarella
Anna Marie Perrone
Raymond Price
Diane Prodanovich
Rachel Radakovic
Terry Rocco
Timothy Roth
Dorothy Schwarzbach
Pat Sutman

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 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.

QUEEN OF THE MAY --and her lovely court

Gayle Paulie
Beverly Dell
Arlene Chunko

Mary Jane McClintock
Rita Wach
Frances Coletta, Maid-of-Honor

Janet Malma, Queen of the May





First Row: Jim Cimino, Janet Malma, Franny Coletta, Metalyn Yetka, Gayle Paulie, JoAnn Tomko, Jim Speer. **Second Row:** Sandi Wright, Mrs. Jox, Russell Ragan, Dave Jones, Emmett O'Hare, Tom Harris, Betty Cooley, Joan Yuhasz.

The auditorium shook with applause when the senior class presented "DEAR PHOEBE"

Bill Hastings	Emmett O'Hare
Mickey Riley	Franny Coletta
G. R. Fosdick	Tom Harris
Victoria Parrish	Metalyn Yetka
Humpy	Jim Speer
Maude Miller	Joan Yuhasz
Sandra Winchell	Gayle Paulie

Patsy Conners	JoAnn Tomko
Rochelle Mignonne	Janet Malma
Olga	Sandi Wright
Ricky Gilbert	Russ Ragan
Windy Hill	Dave Jones
Big Joe Moroni	Jim Cimino





Junior Class leaders: Arnie Habic, president; Mike Lesko, secretary; Louise Burgard, treasurer; Madeline Donofrio, vice-president.

The Class of 1959

The Junior Class had a year that they were proud of. They started off in fine style by electing class officers, Arnie, Madeline, Mike, and Louise, who led their class by planning activities that were a huge success. It has often been said that the junior year is the hardest one in which to maintain good grades, but the juniors didn't let this fact stop them, for they had time for both fun and study — even though none made the Honor Roll four consecutive times.

The biggest event, of course, was the Junior Prom for which plans were made weeks in advance. And the prom was all they had hoped for, highlighted by the crowning of the 1958 Prom Queen.

Not to be forgotten is the Junior Class play entitled "Girl Crazy," whose comedy made it a night to remember.

The class closed their junior year with a lot of happy memories as they looked forward with anticipation to their senior year.

Room 1 Miss Margaret Boretsky,
physical education, health

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June Barefoot
Gladys Biehl
Louise Burgard

Martin Cosgrove
Gloria Costa
Richard Crawford
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Madeline Donofrio
Carol Germanowski
Arnold Habic
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Ivrie Pegues
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Wayne Richter
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Norman Urban
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Enos Williams



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Joanne Badali

Beverly Brannagan
Judy Christ

Nick Costello
Robert Cramer

Mary Ellen Daw
Nancy Dufalla
Edward Fry
Myrna Gatto
June Hutchison
Nancy Kann

Michael Lesko
Aleta McCall
Robert McDonough
Mary McGregor
Nina Newton
John Pavlisko

Robert Rhoades
Roberta Smith
Amelia Trepak
John Wertz



Room 7 Mr. Chester Jelbart, chemistry, math

was surely tops ---outstanding, fine;

Room 21 Mrs. Emily Bailly, English



Alice Bechtol
Mary Pat Bodner
John Bucar

Rolando Colaquori
Marlene Danielson
Susan Foster

Kitty Lou Giordano
James Henderson
Joanne Jessell

Susanne Kunic
Walter Laney
Rita Madden

James Mazzoni
Charles McKinley
Thomas Millslagle
Dorothy Mulkerin
Marilyn Ross
Ray Ruth

Diane Sherer
Virginia Soltis
Rita Varuola
Joseph Venturella



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Edward Bednarczyk

Donald Bradley
Maureen Byrnes

John Cafaro
Joan DiDomenico
Daniel Donnelly
Daniel Dugan
Barbara James
Carol Henry

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Edward Keller
Mary Laughery
Mary Jane Martinich
Thomas Matthews
Daniel McConnell

Scott Norris
Geraldine Sabol
Susan Steinmetz
Joseph Zaccari

And as the seniors said goodbye,

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James Abraham
Kitty Austin
Lorraine Beninati
Richard Bennett

Mary E. Burger
James Christie
Arlene Culligan
Edith Dravecky

Pat Gigliotti
Andrew Kandra
Margaret Kemerer
Dorothy McNair

Noreen Milchalk
Caroline Napoleon
James Nesbitt
Sandra Payne

Donald Renner
Francis Singer
Mary Ann
Tammariello
June Thomas
William Venturini



Lenore Bell
John Bliss
Eleanor Bucar
Francis Byrne

Constance Chambers
Frank Coletta
Betty Crawford
Jacquie Doyle

Jerry Evans
Thomas Faulds
Elizabeth Hoover
Robert Hyland

William Jadot
Vernice Jones
Kathleen Madigan
Jerry Malley
Steve Marks
Kenneth Munster

Dorothy O'Connor
Edward Rowland
Sandy Rubenstein
Dorothy Stoffa
Georgeanne Wilson
William Wonders



Room 23 Miss Veronica Bertoline, French

The juniors reigned at Swissvale High.

Room 28 Mr. Edward McNutt, business arithmetic, history, geography



Edith Beerbower
James Biscup
Kay Brylka
Edward Coletta

Bonnie Evans
Gilbert Gigliotti
Robert Hilf
Juanita Hilgenberg

Eugene Horcholic
William Joyce
Patricia Joynt
Marilyn Lester

Bernice Mise
Audrey Owens
Richard Rupp
William Rutter

Carol Seng
Carole Swiatkowski
Rachel Vergona
Joseph Vigliotti

JUNIOR LOVELIES--- who reigned at the Prom

Mary Ellen Daw
Madeline Donofrio
Mary Pat Bodner

Nancy Dufalla
Mary Jane Martinich
Prom Queen
Carol Weimsker

Joanne Badali
Lorraine Beninati
Freda Ann Di Marzio





Top Left: Frank threatens Nezzzy as Jim, Norm, and Dick look on. Top Right: The Cast: **Seated:** Arlene Culligan, Carole Weimsker, Lorraine Beninati, Joanne Badali, Beth Hoover. **Standing:** Louise Burgard, Richard Bennett, Kitty Lou Giordano, Steve Levine, Don Renner, Jim Nesbitt, Norman Urban, Frank Coletta, Eugene Miller, Bill Rutter, Robert Cramer, Marge Kemerer, Jim Christie. **Bottom Left:** Everyone applauded as Nezzzy finished his speech. **Bottom Right:** Steve congratulates Nezzzy for the fine job while Kitty and Bob watch.

Lots of laughs and action when the juniors presented "GIRL CRAZY"

Molly	Kitty Lou Giordano
Rose	Arlene Culligan
Tess	Joanne Badali
Danny	Steve Levine
Louie	Jim Nesbitt
Sam	Bill Rutter
Betty	Marge Kemerer
Janet	Louise Burgard
Laura	Charlotte Hysong

Sally	Beth Hoover
Babs	Carole Weimsker
Jake	Bob Cramer
Cactus	Richard Bennett
Lucky	Jim Christie
Pete	Norman Urban
Lank	Frank Coletta
Eaglerock	Don Renner
Lt. Caddigan	Eugene Miller

Everyone enjoyed the square dance which was being called by Bob Cramer.





Sophomore class officers: Pat Scharbo, president; Phyllis Moorman, vice-president; Mary Lou Flotta, treasurer; Ward Pope, secretary, study the honor award plaques in the front hall and hope to find **their** names there someday.

As usual, the sophomore class entered SHS feeling frightened, bewildered, and very much confused. High school, they soon found out, was different from anything they had ever experienced. However, as the weeks passed, the zombies learned that elevator passes and cafeteria tickets so willingly sold to them by the upperclassmen were good for nothing but a laugh.

The class officers, Pat, Phyllis, Mary Lou,

Class of 1960

The zombies were kidded

and Ward led the class through their first and very successful year in SHS. The first big social event, the Sophomore Soundoff, was well attended and greatly enjoyed, as were all the activities and sports.

In June, as the class closed the first chapter of their life at SHS, the members looked forward to a junior year which would be as rewarding as their first had been.

Ruth Barefoot
Richard Bishirjian
Angela Bonacci

John Caldwell
Florence Catone
Carol Craig

Joseph DelloStritto
Nick DiDomenico
Carol Doddato

Gary Gibson
Jerry Heller
Carol Kilgour

Carol Kunkle
Jonathan Merringer
Myers Miller
Patricia Pagano
George Papula
Carolyn Payne

Steve Regrut
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Gilbert Smith

Room 11 Mrs. Jane Bower, office practice, typing, shorthand



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Charles Begg

Mitzi Begg
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Donald Churik
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Tom Fullen
Mary Ann Gallagher

Sarah Grant
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James Kasardo
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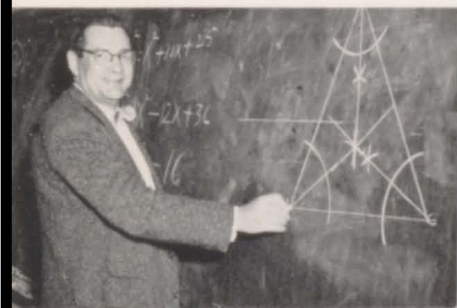
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James Veri
Anna M. Venturella



Room 12 Miss Margaret Eisaman, English

By upper classmen in fun,

Room 13 Mr. Joseph Dennison, mathematics



Margaret Anderson
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Janice Burg
Joseph Chirumbolo
Joseph Cresto

Barbara Everett
Sally Fish
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Mary June Anderson
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Room 16 Miss Ruth Sutter, typing

But now the year's over;

Room 17 Mrs. Carol Flannick, bookkeeping, business law



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Advancement they've won.

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Room 24 Mrs. Margaret Hill, history



Betty Bradley (18); Ray Moreno (18); Carl Munch (3); Kenny Ryan (18); Elaine Schalles (18); Loretta Vitaras (18).



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Madge Haberle (16) and Carol Wach (12) look over guidance information on the front hall bulletin board.



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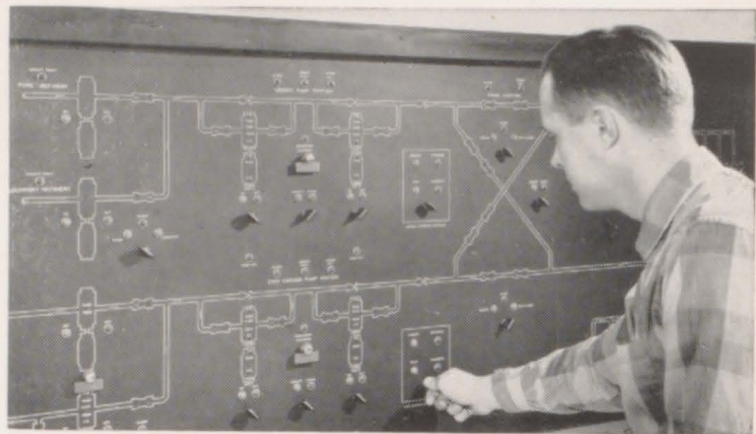
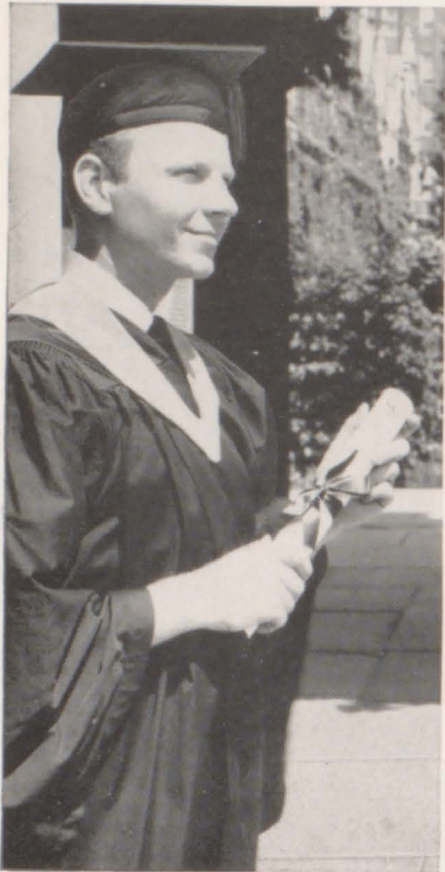
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