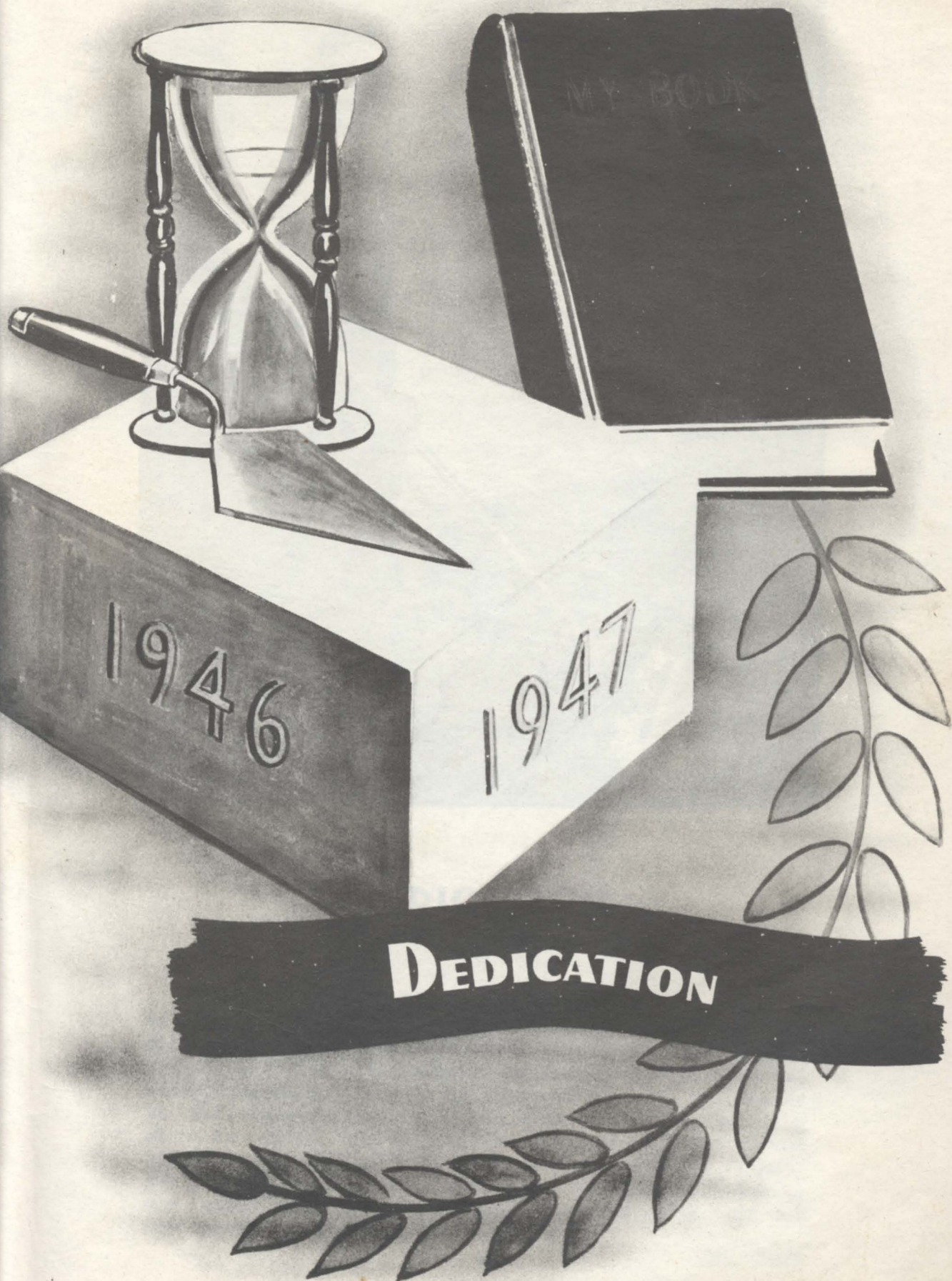


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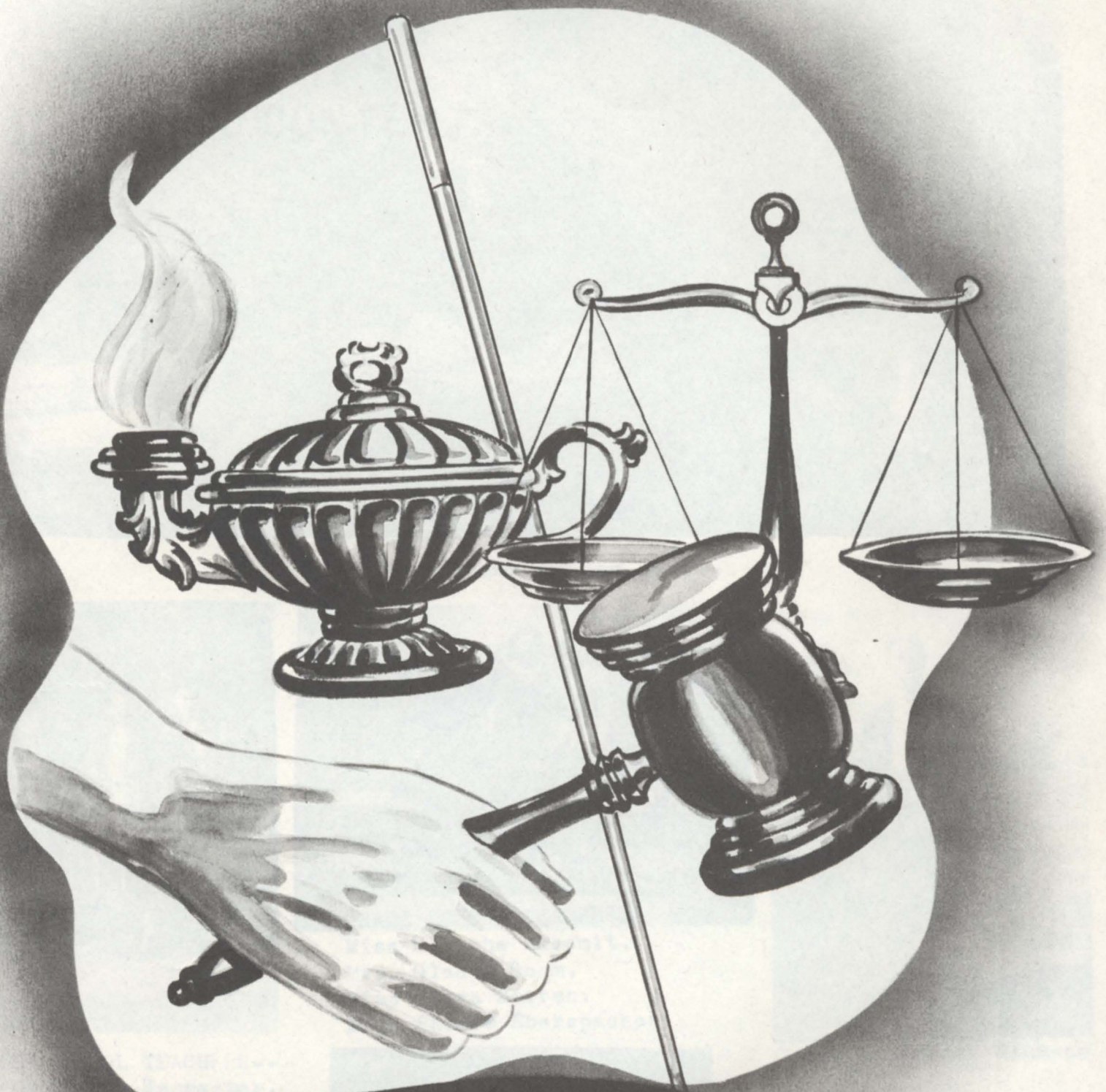




DEDICATION

To Cap, the faithful, energetic and obliging janitor of D.H.S. His cheery greeting, his ever ready smile, his willingness to perform each duty asked of him, and his great generosity will always be remembered by each and every student who leaves the good old school. Our thanks to you, Cap--you who struggled hard to keep our building clean in spite of our endless muddy tracks, who worked night and day trying to warm the building despite frightful weather conditions. Thanks a lot for brightening our year and being so considerate of us as we wend our way through school.

THE STAFF



ADMINISTRATION



Superintendent Sam Dahl



GRADE SCHOOL TEACHERS--
Miss Blanche Aksamit,
Mrs. Gladys Boom,
Miss Clara Marren,
Miss Phoebe Eberspacher



Coach Frederick Neumann

HIGH SCHOOL TEACHERS--
Mrs. Regina Bermaster,
Mrs. Marjorie Jonas,
Miss Irene Vrbsky.



Christmas tree, 1946

HS



HONORS



BASKETBALL QUEEN

ARDIS AXLINE



BASKETBALL CAPTAIN

LEONARD BURES

"D" PIN STUDENTS

Velma Stehlik
Dolores Nerud
Harold Fette
Vivian Nerud
Darlene Stehlik
Dorene Duba
Fat Thompson
Gerald Gerner

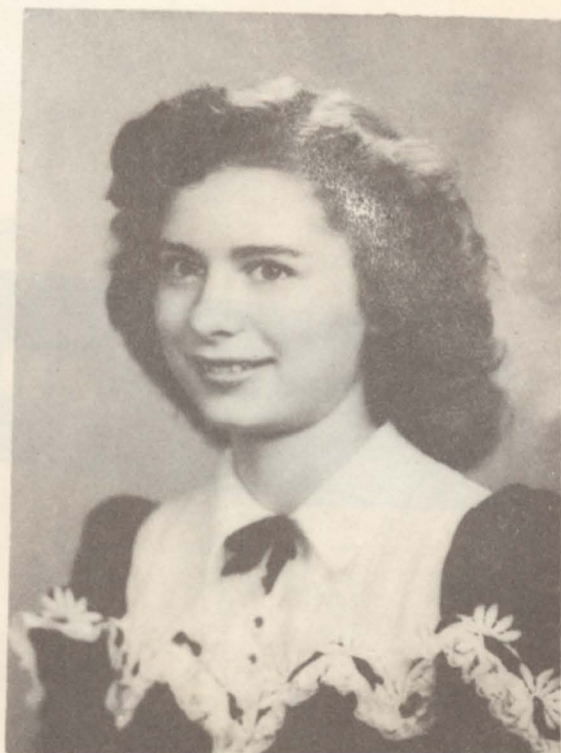
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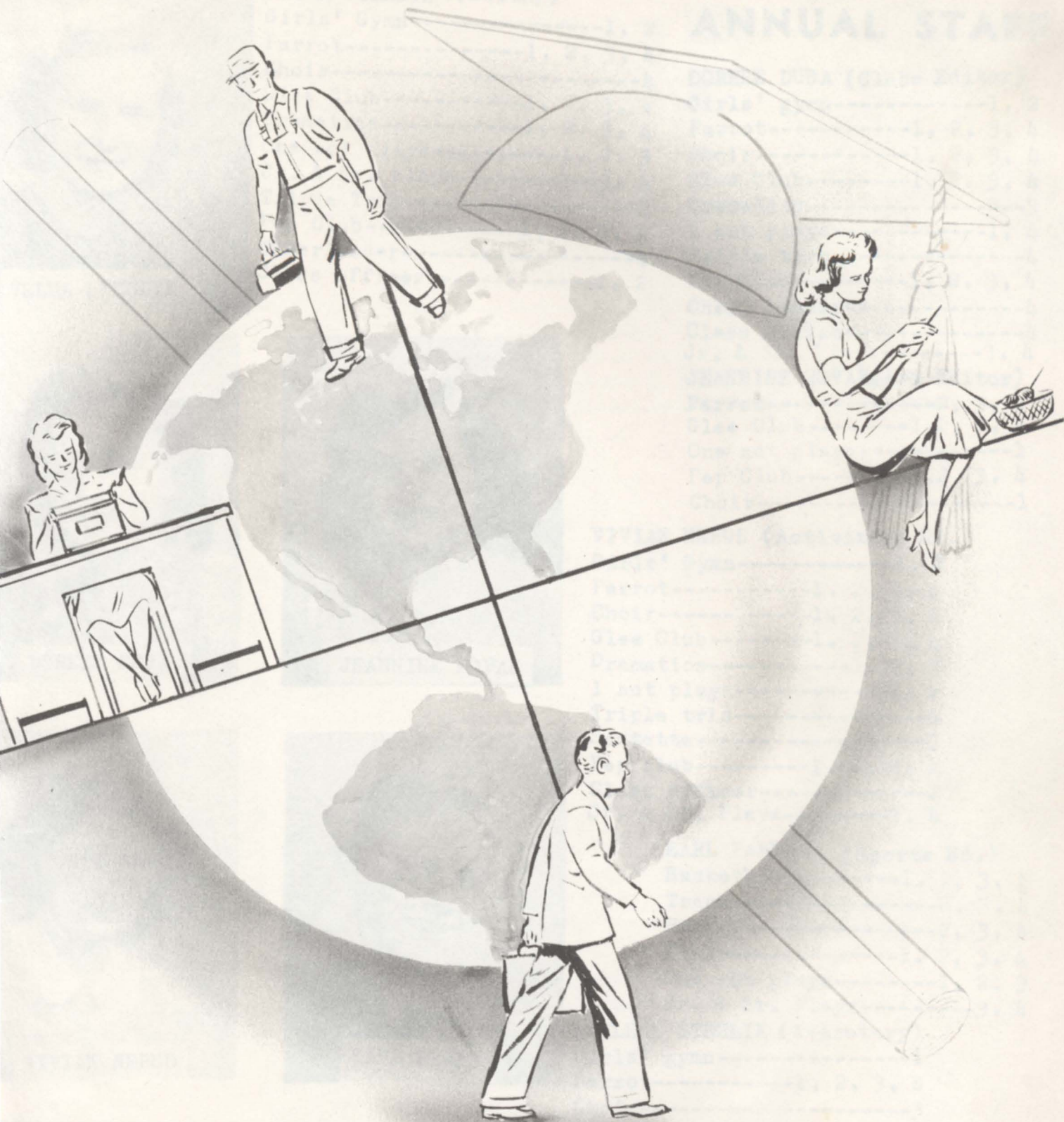
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SALUTATORIAN

DOLORES NERUD





SENIORS



VELMA STEHLIK (Editor)

Girls' Gymn-----1, 2
 Parrot-----1, 2, 3, 4
 Choir-----4
 Glee Club-----1, 2, 3, 4
 Dramatics-----1, 2, 3, 4
 One act plays-----1, 2, 3
 Jr. & Sr. Plays-----3, 4
 Triple Trio-----4
 Pep Club-----1, 2, 3, 4
 Cheerleader-----4
 Class Officer-----1, 2



DORENE DUBA



JEANNINE NOVAK



VIVIAN NERUD



EARL PARKS



DARLENE STEHLIK



GERALD GERNER

ANNUAL STAFF

DORENE DUBA (Class Editor)

Girls' gymn-----1, 2
 Parrot-----1, 2, 3, 4
 Choir-----1, 2, 3, 4
 Glee Club-----1, 2, 3, 4
 Dramatics-----3
 1 act plays-----1, 4
 Triple trio-----4
 Pep Club-----1, 2, 3, 4
 Cheer leader-----4
 Class officer-----4
 Jr. & Sr. Plays-----3, 4
 JEANNINE NOVAK (Art Editor)
 Parrot-----2, 3, 4
 Glee Club-----1, 2, 3, 4
 One act plays-----1
 Pep Club-----1, 2, 3, 4
 Choir-----1

VIVIAN NERUD (Activities Ed.)

Girls' Gymn-----1, 2
 Parrot-----1, 2, 3, 4
 Choir-----1, 2, 3, 4
 Glee Club-----1, 2, 3, 4
 Dramatics-----1, 2, 3
 1 act plays-----1, 2
 Triple trio-----4
 Sextette-----3
 Pep club-----1, 2, 3, 4
 Class officer-----2
 Jr. & Sr. Plays-----3, 4

EARL PARKS (Sports Ed.)

Basketball-----1, 2, 3, 4
 Track-----2, 3, 4
 Parrot-----2, 3, 4
 Choir-----1, 2, 3, 4
 One act plays-----1, 2, 3
 Jr. & Sr. Plays-----3, 4

DARLENE STEHLIK (Secretary)

Girls' gymn-----1
 Parrot-----1, 2, 3, 4
 Choir-----3
 Glee Club-----3
 Dramatics-----1, 2, 3
 1 act plays-----1
 Pep Club-----1, 2, 3, 4
 Jr. & Sr. Plays-----3, 4

GERALD GERNER (Business Mgr.)

Basketball-----1, 3, 4
 Track-----3
 Parrot-----2, 3, 4
 Choir-----3
 Dramatics-----1, 2, 3
 One act plays-----1, 2
 Jr. & Sr. Plays-----3, 4
 Class Officer-----3



PEARL NEIHART

Girls' Gymn-----1, 2
 Parrot-----1, 2, 3, 4
 Choir-----1, 2, 3, 4
 Glee Club-----1, 2, 3, 4
 One act play-----1
 Triple Trio-----4
 Sextette-----3
 Pep Club-----1, 2, 3, 4

ARDIS AXLINE

Girls' Gymn-----1, 2
 Parrot-----1, 2, 3, 4
 Choir-----1, 2, 3, 4
 Glee Club-----1, 2, 3, 4
 One act play-----1
 Pep Club-----1, 2, 3, 4
 Sr. Play-----4



PAT THOMPSON

Parrot-----2, 3, 4
 Choir-----3
 Glee Club-----3
 1 act play-----3
 Pep Club-----2, 3, 4
 Jr. & Sr. Plays-----3, 4

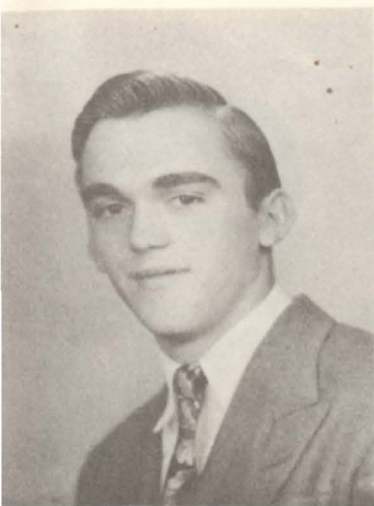
JERRY STIEGELMAR

Basketball-----1, 4
 Track-----3
 Parrot-----3, 4



DELORIS FICKEN (no Photo)

Parrot-----3
 Choir-----3
 Dramatics-----3
 One act play-----1



LEONARD BURES

Basketball-----1, 2, 3, 4
 Track-----1, 2, 3
 One act plays-----1
 Jr. & Sr. Plays-----3, 4
 Class Officer-----3

BETTY JEAN STEELE

Girls' gymn-----1
 Choir-----3, 4
 Parrot-----1, 2, 3, 4
 Glee Club-----3, 4
 Triple trio-----4
 Pep Club-----1, 2, 3, 4
 Jr. Play-----3





MARJORIE KORTRIGHT

Parrot-----4
 Play-----3
 Pep Club-----4



DOLORES NERUD

Editor-----4
 Girls' Gymn-----1, 2
 Parrot-----1, 2, 3, 4
 Glee Club-----1, 2, 3
 Dramatics-----1, 2, 3, 4
 One act plays-----1, 3
 Jr. & Sr. Plays-----3, 4
 Pep Club-----1, 2, 3, 4
 Cheerleader-----4
 Class Officer-----1, 4

CLASS OFFICERS

Harold Fette, Pres.

Dorcas Daba, Vice Pres.

Dolores Nerud, Sec.-Treas.



LOIS ARNOLD

Girls' Gymn-----1, 2
 Parrot-----1, 2, 3, 4
 Choir-----1, 2, 3, 4
 Glee Club-----1, 2, 3, 4
 Dramatics-----2, 3
 1 act plays-----1, 2, 3
 Tripple trio-----4
 Sextette-----3
 Pep Club-----1, 2, 3, 4

HAROLD FETTE

Basketball-----1, 2, 3, 4
 Track-----3
 Parrot-----3
 Choir-----3
 One act plays-----1
 Dramatics-----1, 2, 3
 Jr. & Sr. Plays-----3, 4
 Class Officer-----4



BOARD OF EDUCATION

JAMES NERUD

Basketball-----1
 Track-----3, 4
 Choir-----2
 Class Officer-----2

ELLEN FAVLISH

Girls' Gymn-----1
 Parrot-----1, 2, 3, 4
 Choir-----1, 2, 3, 4
 Glee Club-----3, 4
 One act plays-----1
 Pep Club-----1, 2, 3, 4
 Class Officer-----1





CLASS COLORS

Royal Blue and White

CLASS MOTTO

"We Will Find a Path or Make One"

CLASS FLOWER

White Rose

CLASS OFFICERS

Harold Fette, Pres.

Dorene Duba, Vice Pres.

Dolores Nerud, Sec.-Treas.

SENIOR CLASS

Arnold, Lois
Axline, Ardis
Bures, Leonard
Duba, Dorene
Fette, Harold
Ficken, Delores
Gerner, Gerald
Kortright, Marjorie
Neihart, Pearl
Nerud, Dolores

Nerud, James
Nerud, Vivian
Novak, Jeannine
Parks, Earl
Pavlish, Ellen
Steele, Betty Jean
Stehlik, Darlene
Stehlik, Velma
Stiegelmar, Jerry
Thompson, Pat

FACULTY

Sam Dahl, Sup't.

Irene Vrbsky
Marjorie Jonas

Regenia Bermaster
Frederick Neumann

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Wm. Sanburn
J. Owen Potter
Wm. Burgess

Adolph Stehlik
Floyd Beck
Lambert Tichy



CLASS POEM

We were 26 little freshmen,
In the fall of '43
For the first time wandering into Senior high,
To see what we could see.

There was Earl who's not a very big guy
Not even very strong,
But when you possess his friendly ways,
You can't very well go wrong.

Harold Fette is the kid,
Who has more than his share of brains,
He very seldom studies a book,
Still higher grades he claims.

Pearl Neihart is the gal,
Who is really sweet and ooy,
Where you look to see Pearl
There's certain to be a boy.


Betty Jean has a voice,
Crystal sweet and clear,
Some day she hopes to sing away
For all the world to hear.

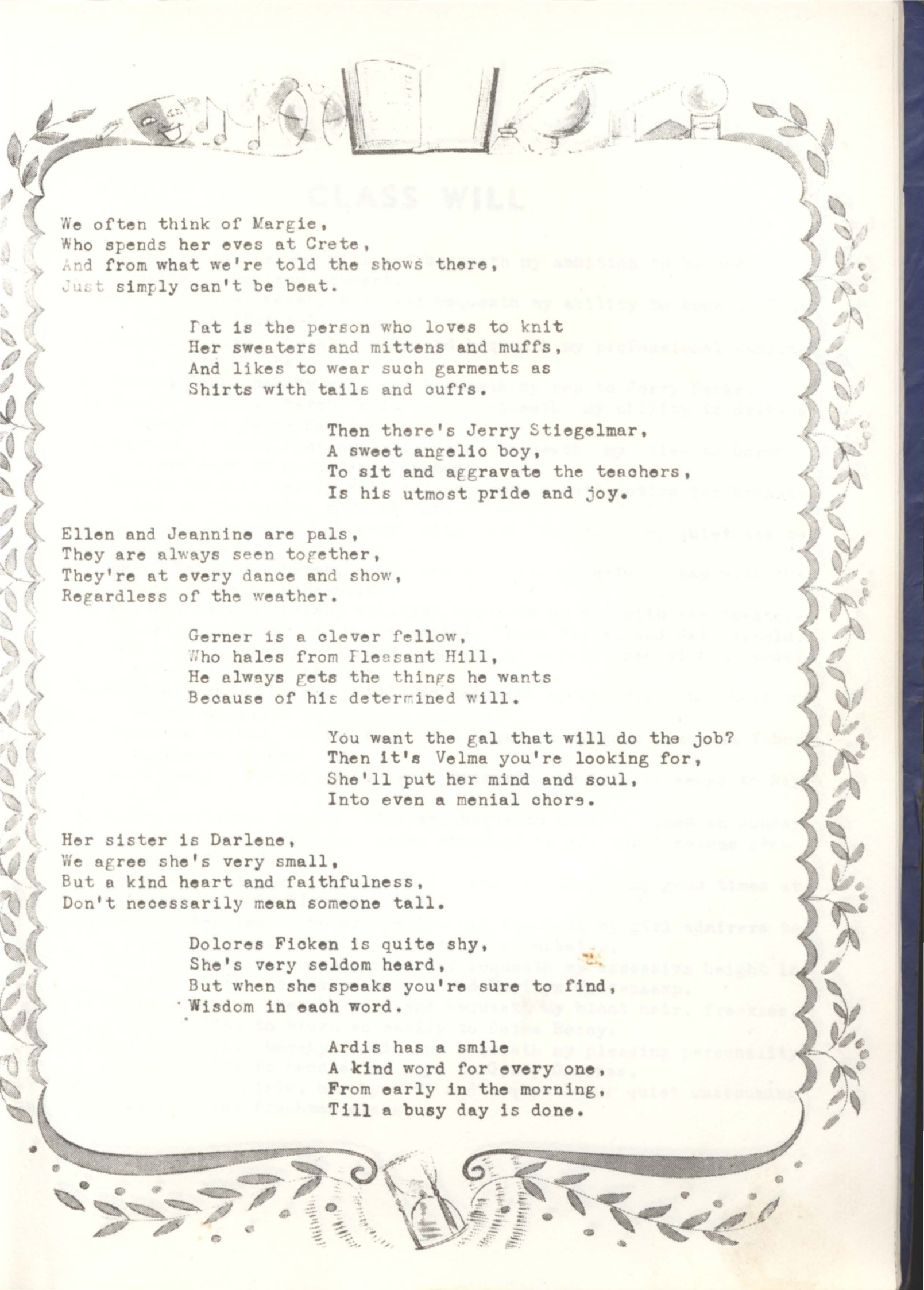
When you hear the horns a blowing
And see the aerals fly,
You'll know that it's Jim Nerud,
And his Ford a rolling by.

There is a girl named Lois,
Who would like to be here next year,
She doesn't want to leave high school,
For reasons that are clear.

Slowly, slowly Leonard moves along,
He's never in a hurry,
He only rushes when he hunts,
The game warden's his only worry.

Dorene is a dark haired lass,
She likes to do the jive,
She spends those nights at the dance hall,
And never gets home till five.





CLASS WILL

We often think of Margie,
Who spends her eves at Crete,
And from what we're told the shows there,
Just simply can't be beat.

Fat is the person who loves to knit
Her sweaters and mittens and muffs,
And likes to wear such garments as
Shirts with tails and cuffs.

Then there's Jerry Stiegelmar,
A sweet angelic boy,
To sit and aggravate the teachers,
Is his utmost pride and joy.

Ellen and Jeannine are pals,
They are always seen together,
They're at every dance and show,
Regardless of the weather.

Gerner is a clever fellow,
Who hales from Flessant Hill,
He always gets the things he wants
Because of his determined will.

You want the gal that will do the job?
Then it's Velma you're looking for,
She'll put her mind and soul,
Into even a menial chore.


Her sister is Darlene,
We agree she's very small,
But a kind heart and faithfulness,
Don't necessarily mean someone tall.

Dolores Ficken is quite shy,
She's very seldom heard,
But when she speaks you're sure to find,
Wisdom in each word.

Ardis has a smile
A kind word for every one,
From early in the morning,
Till a busy day is done.



CLASS WILL

- I, Lois Arnold, hereby will and bequeath my ambition to become a nurse to Marlene Sehnert.
 - I, Ardis Axline, hereby will and bequeath my ability to cook to Dale Arnold's "Future".
 - I, Leonard Bures, hereby will and bequeath my professional dancing to Lester Bruns.
 - I, Dorene Duba, hereby will and bequeath my pep to Jerry Parks.
 - I, Harold Fette, hereby will and bequeath my ability to drive a Chevie to Jesse Harding.
 - I, Delores Ficken, hereby will and bequeath my ties to Dorchester High to my under classmen.
 - I, Gerald Gerner, hereby will and bequeath my attraction for brunettes to the Senior boys of '48.
 - I, Marjorie Kortright, hereby will and bequeath my quietness to Edith Harding.
 - I, Pearl Neihart, hereby will and bequeath my natural way with the boys to Retha McReynolds.
 - I, Dolores Nerud, hereby will and bequeath my way with the teachers (Mrs. Bermaster) to Harry Axline, Tommy Parks, and Dale Arnold.
 - I, Jim Nerud, hereby will and bequeath my experiences with my Model A-Ford to Butch Plouzek.
 - I, Vivian Nerud, hereby will and bequeath my natural curly hair to George Kasl.
 - I, Jeannine Novak, hereby will and bequeath my good times at Tabor to Elaine Luzum.
 - I, Earl Parks, hereby will and bequeath my talkativeness to Ray Harms.
 - I, Ellen Pavlish, hereby will and bequeath my good times on Sunday evenings, and various other evenings to all the lonesome students of D. H. S.
 - I, Betty Jean Steele, hereby will and bequeath my good times at Wilber to Lois Nickols.
 - I, Jerry Stiegelmar, hereby will and bequeath my girl admirers to Stanley Varva. I've decided to be a bachelor.
 - I, Darlene Stehlik, hereby will and bequeath my excessive height in equal shares to Marion Andelt and Marilyn Wickenkamp.
 - I, Velma Stehlik, hereby will and bequeath my blond hair, freckles, and ability to blush so easily to Delma Rezny.
 - I, Pat Thompson, hereby will and bequeath my pleasing personality and ability to handle the boys to Gerry Danekas.
 - We, the senior girls, hereby will and bequeath our quiet unassuming ways to the freshmen class.
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CLASS HISTORY

Twelve years ago, the Senior Class of '47 or part of it, walked through the door of our school building for the first time, and optimistically demanded an education. Of the sixteen first graders who started here in 1935, Darlene Stehlik, Velma Stehlik, Betty Jean Steele, and Jerry Stiegelmar, have completed their entire twelve years of school in Dorchester High School. The rest have joined these, either in the grades, or in high school. Dorothy Lorenzon, our first teacher met the following children in the first and second grade room. Sylvia Schweitzer, Jerry Stiegelmar, Darlene Stehlik, Velma Stehlik, Betty Jean Steele, Ardis Jean Axline, Earl Parks, Junior Svoboda, Forest Simpson, Voneal Kennedy, Betty Horky, Francis Johnson, Donnette Nicholson, James Crick, Lois Hayes and Everett Parks.

We entered the second grade less willingly and with more self-confidence, with the exception of Voneal Kennedy, Betty Horky, Francis Johnson, Donnette Nicholson, Everett Parks, and Earl Parks. Marjorie Albrecht and Clifford Urban joined us.


We started our third grade with a new teacher, Amy Moran. The following were enrolled: Marjorie Albrecht, Lois Hayes, Darlene Stehlik, Velma Stehlik, Jerry Stiegelmar, Betty Jean Steele, Junior Svoboda, Clifford Urban, Ardis Axline, and Forest Simpson. Jimmie Crick left and Mary Evelyn Godbey joined us.

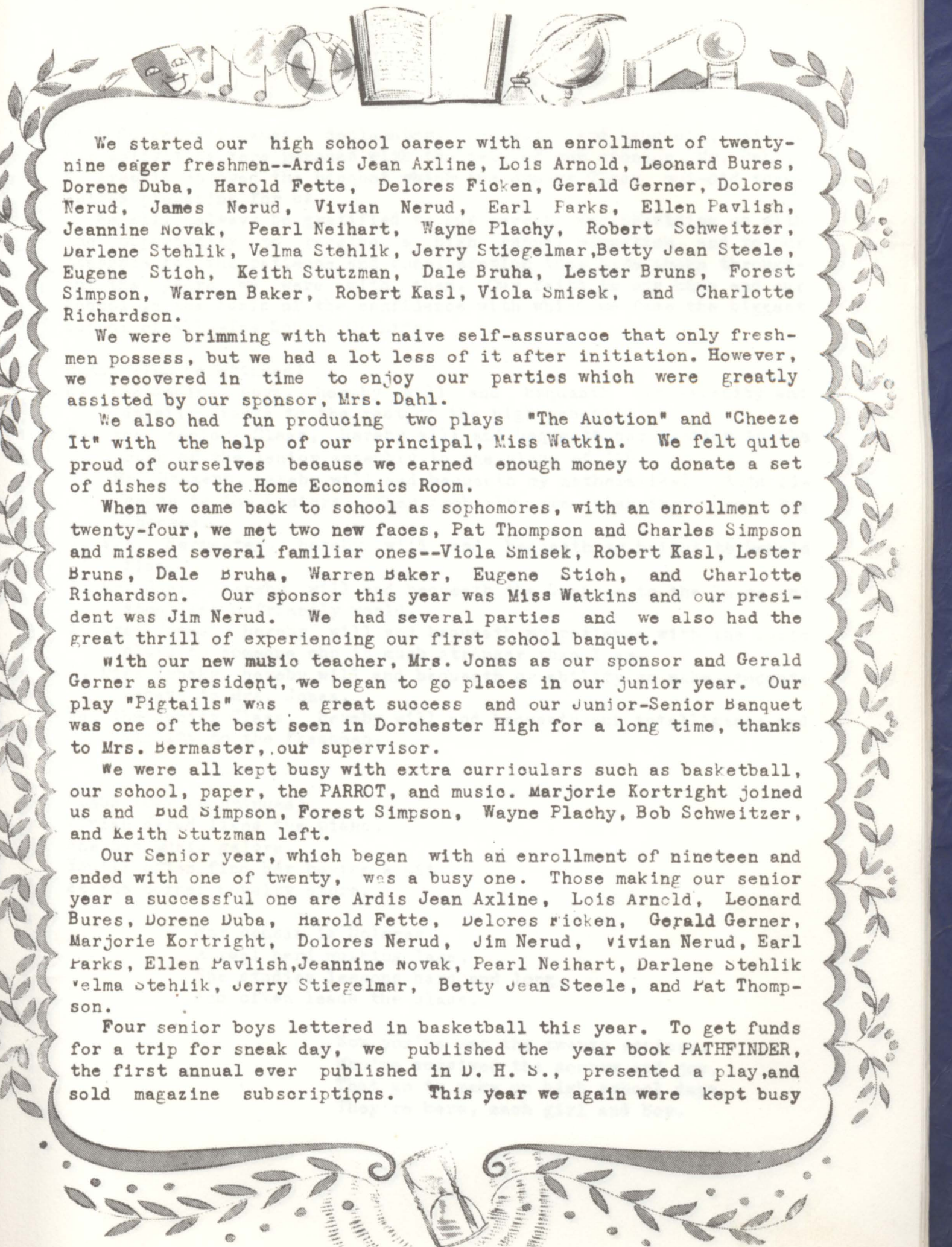
With a new teacher Lorene Atkinson to meet us we, now 5th graders, filed into a new room with new adventurers. There were Lois Hayes, Darlene Stehlik, Velma Stehlik, Jerry Stiegelmar, Betty Jean Steele, Junior Svoboda, Clifford Urban, Ardis Jean Axline, Forest Simpson, Marcille Barton, Jeannine Novak, Dorene Duba, Gertrude Yant, and George Yant.

When the 6th grade rolled around we were all back again to greet Miss Atkinson with the exception of Gertrude and George Yant. Everett Parks and Bob Kunert started with us the first semester but left again the second semester.

In September of '41 we eagerly climbed the stairs to the second floor to meet Mrs. Gausman, our teacher for the 7th grade. There were Lois Hayes, Darlene Stehlik, Velma Stehlik, Jerry Stiegelmar, Betty Jean Steele, Clifford Urban, Ardis Jean Axline, Forest Simpson, Marcille Barton, Jeannine Novak, Dorene Duba, Alvin Bye, Gene Egger, Leonard Kennedy and Ardis Jean Axline.

For the eighth grade we all came to spend our last year in grade school, with the exception of Marcille Barton. Mrs. Gausman taught us again. Jack Hayes and Charlotte and Eldon Richardson joined us later on in the year.





We started our high school career with an enrollment of twenty-nine eager freshmen--Ardis Jean Axline, Lois Arnold, Leonard Bures, Dorene Duba, Harold Fette, Delores Ficken, Gerald Gerner, Dolores Nerud, James Nerud, Vivian Nerud, Earl Parks, Ellen Pavlish, Jeannine Novak, Pearl Neihart, Wayne Plachy, Robert Schweitzer, Darlene Stehlik, Velma Stehlik, Jerry Stiegelmar, Betty Jean Steele, Eugene Stich, Keith Stutzman, Dale Bruha, Lester Bruns, Forest Simpson, Warren Baker, Robert Kasl, Viola Smisek, and Charlotte Richardson.

We were brimming with that naive self-assurance that only freshmen possess, but we had a lot less of it after initiation. However, we recovered in time to enjoy our parties which were greatly assisted by our sponsor, Mrs. Dahl.

We also had fun producing two plays "The Auction" and "Cheeze It" with the help of our principal, Miss Watkin. We felt quite proud of ourselves because we earned enough money to donate a set of dishes to the Home Economics Room.


When we came back to school as sophomores, with an enrollment of twenty-four, we met two new faces, Pat Thompson and Charles Simpson and missed several familiar ones--Viola Smisek, Robert Kasl, Lester Bruns, Dale Bruha, Warren Baker, Eugene Stich, and Charlotte Richardson. Our sponsor this year was Miss Watkins and our president was Jim Nerud. We had several parties and we also had the great thrill of experiencing our first school banquet.

With our new music teacher, Mrs. Jonas as our sponsor and Gerald Gerner as president, we began to go places in our junior year. Our play "Pigtails" was a great success and our Junior-Senior Banquet was one of the best seen in Dorchester High for a long time, thanks to Mrs. Bermaster, our supervisor.

We were all kept busy with extra curriculars such as basketball, our school, paper, the PARROT, and music. Marjorie Kortright joined us and Bud Simpson, Forest Simpson, Wayne Plachy, Bob Schweitzer, and Keith Stutzman left.

Our Senior year, which began with an enrollment of nineteen and ended with one of twenty, was a busy one. Those making our senior year a successful one are Ardis Jean Axline, Lois Arnold, Leonard Bures, Dorene Duba, Harold Fette, Delores Ficken, Gerald Gerner, Marjorie Kortright, Dolores Nerud, Jim Nerud, Vivian Nerud, Earl Parks, Ellen Pavlish, Jeannine Novak, Pearl Neihart, Darlene Stehlik, Velma Stehlik, Jerry Stiegelmar, Betty Jean Steele, and Pat Thompson.

Four senior boys lettered in basketball this year. To get funds for a trip for sneak day, we published the year book PATHFINDER, the first annual ever published in D. H. S., presented a play, and sold magazine subscriptions. This year we again were kept busy



with Basketball games, declamatory contests and banquets. All of our activities were pursued with the help of our sponsor, Mr. Dahl. We greatly enjoyed the banquet which the Junior Class out-did themselves preparing for us.

We will always be gratified to our parents for providing us with the opportunity to receive a high school education, and to our teachers for the patience and consideration they have shown throughout the years we were with them. Our faith in our home and our school is the basis of the confidence with which we face the biggest school of all--The School Of Life.

CLASS WILL (continued)

We, the Senior boys, hereby will and bequeath our serenity and angelic pranks to the rest of the high school.

We, the senior Class, hereby will and bequeath our section in the back of the senior assembly to the class of '48.

I, Mr. Neumann, hereby will and bequeath my mathematical intelligence to the Seniors. They probably are planning on big incomes.

I, Mrs. Bermaster, hereby will and bequeath my height to Donald Pizar.

I, Mr. Dahl, hereby will and bequeath the Seniors to the large and sometimes unfriendly world.

I, Mrs. Jonas, hereby will and bequeath my patience with the music class to someone who is much stronger than I am.

I, Miss Vrbsky, hereby will and bequeath my ability to make students behave to Mrs. Jonas.


We, the Senior Class, hereby will and bequeath our intelligence and dignity to the freshmen.

CLASS POEM (continued)

Vivian Nerud likes the piano,
She has music galore,
You'll often find her buying a hit
At the corner novelty store.

Her cousin is Dolores,
A real hard working lass,
She studies lessons hard and long,
And often leads the class.

Now you've met the twenty seniors,
Who've survived the sorrow and joy,
That go to make up high school days,
They're here, each girl and boy.





CLASS PROPHECY

LOIS ARNOLD, registered nurse has opened a private clinic for decrepid basket ball players.

ARDIS J. AXLINE, is private beautician to Lana Turner in Hollywood.

LEONARD BURES, is president of an insurance company.

DORENE DUBA, is now a cheer leader at University of Nebraska.

HAROLD FETTE, is following in Coach Neumann's footsteps.

DELORES FICKEN, is married and living on a farm near Seward.

GERALD GERNER, English Professor at the University of Nebraska.

MARJORIE KORTRIGHT, after 5 years of married life, Margie and Leonard are still on their honeymoon.

DOLORES NERUD, has established a nursery school for small children in Dorchester, Nebraska.

JIM NERUD, is farming near Pleasant Hill when not driving around in his new Studebaker.

VIVIAN NERUD, is making a concert tour of U. S. and recently appeared in the Community Hall, Dorchester, Nebraska.

PEARL NEIHART, is vocalist with the Legionnaire's Orchestra, but takes time out to come to Tabor when there is a dance.

JEANNINE NOVAK, is elevator operator in Stuart Building and still is trying to decide between her two boy friends.

EARL PARKS, serenades his chickens while working on his farm.

ELLEN PAVLISH, is living on her ranch in Texas.

BETTY JEAN STEELE, is finally building her 5 story house she always talks about.

DARLENE STEHLIK, has now given up beauty work for something she'd rather do. It has a lot to do with cooking and sewing.

VELMA STEHLIK, has finished studing interior decorating and has returned from England. She is practicing in Hollywood and has decorated Van Johnson's house.

JERRY STIEGELMAR, now weighs 250 pounds and is still making eyes at the girls.

FATTY THOMPSON, is dancing in a night club in Chicago.


MISS VRBSKY, has given up school teaching for domestic life and likes it very much.

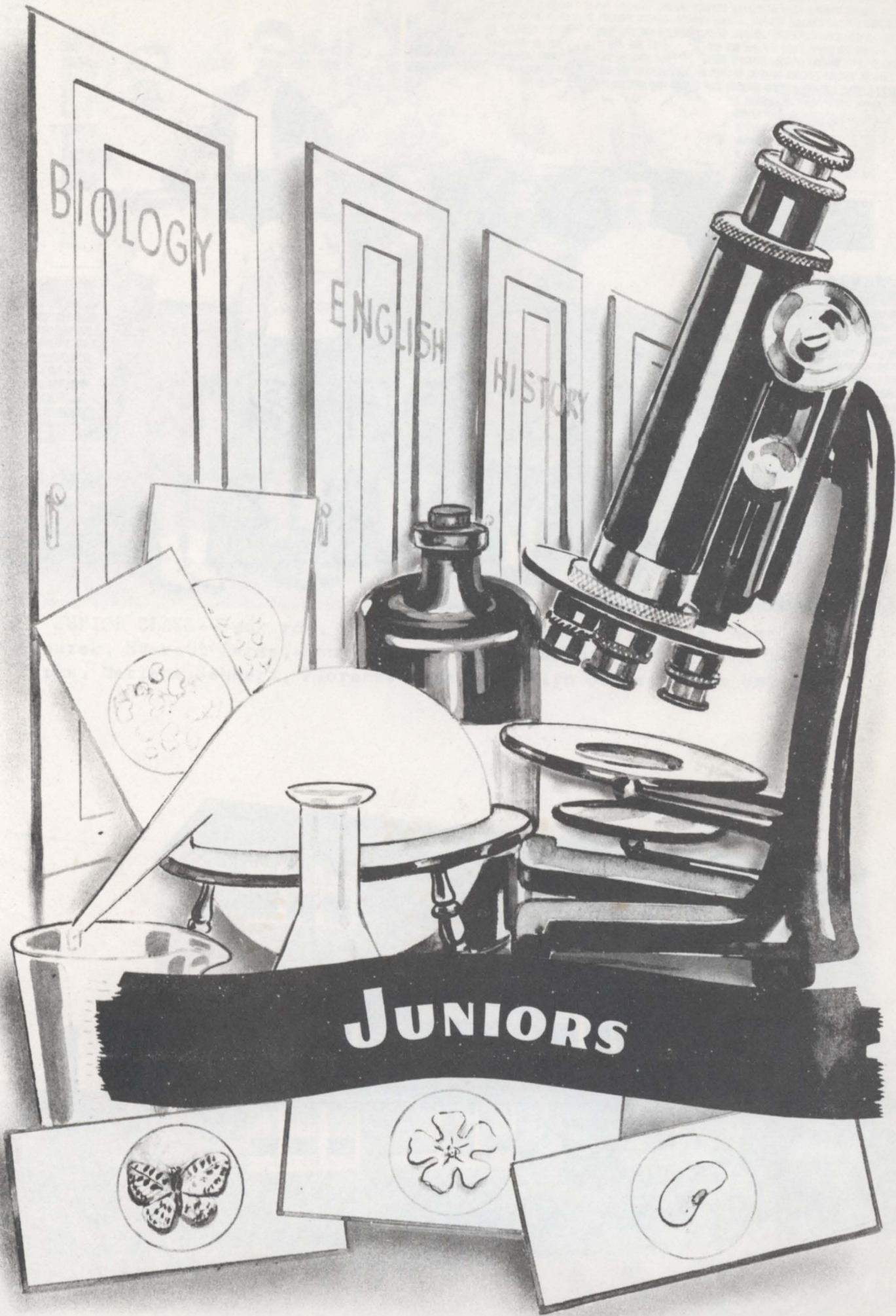
MR. DAHL, is still superintendent of D. H. S. and has a whole crop of new jokes.

MRS. JCNAS, is happily spending all her time in Lincoln keeping house for her husband.

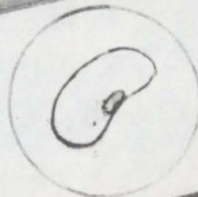
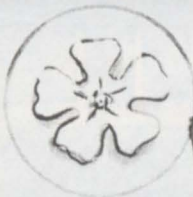
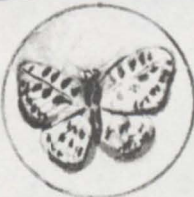
MR. NEUMANN, is now the father of a basketball team of his own plus a water boy and a cheerleader of his own.

MRS. BERMASTER, has retired on the enormous sum of money she has made from radio quiz programs.





JUNIORS

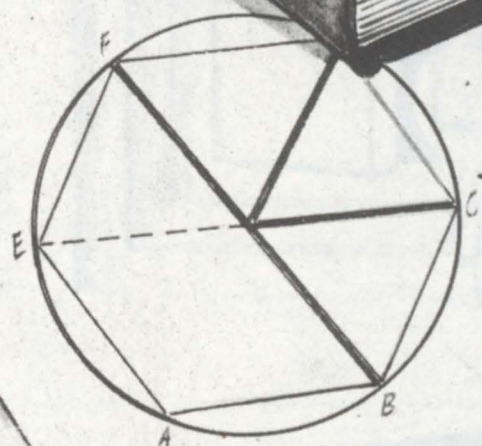


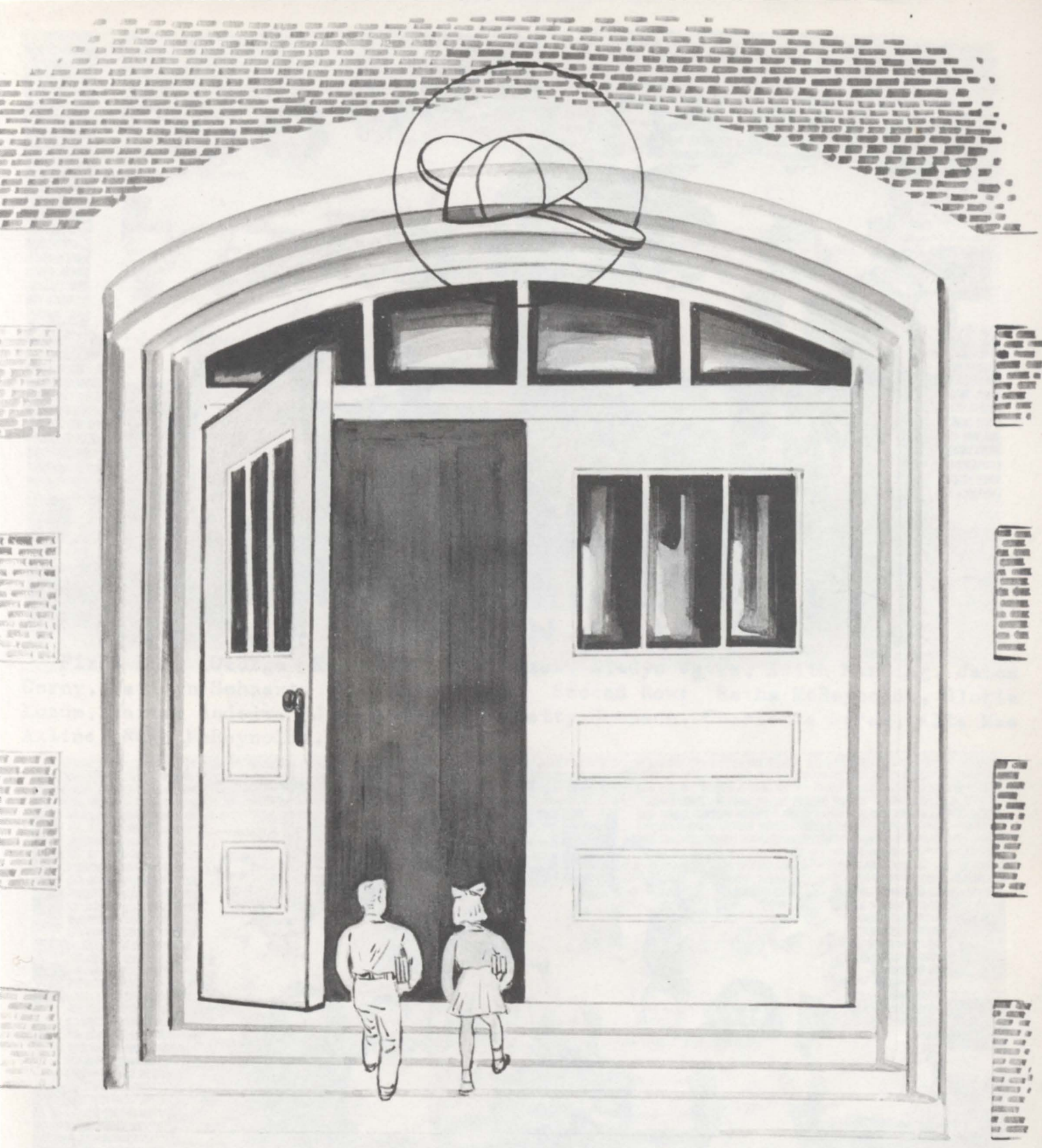


JUNIOR CLASS--Back row, left to right, Tom Parks, Dale Arnols, Bill Flouzek, Everett Parks, Donald Eret, Lester Bruns. Front row, Geraldene Parks, Marlene Sehnert, Florence Pizar, Marilyn Jonas, Viola Smisek.



"Good Old D. H. S."





FRESHMEN



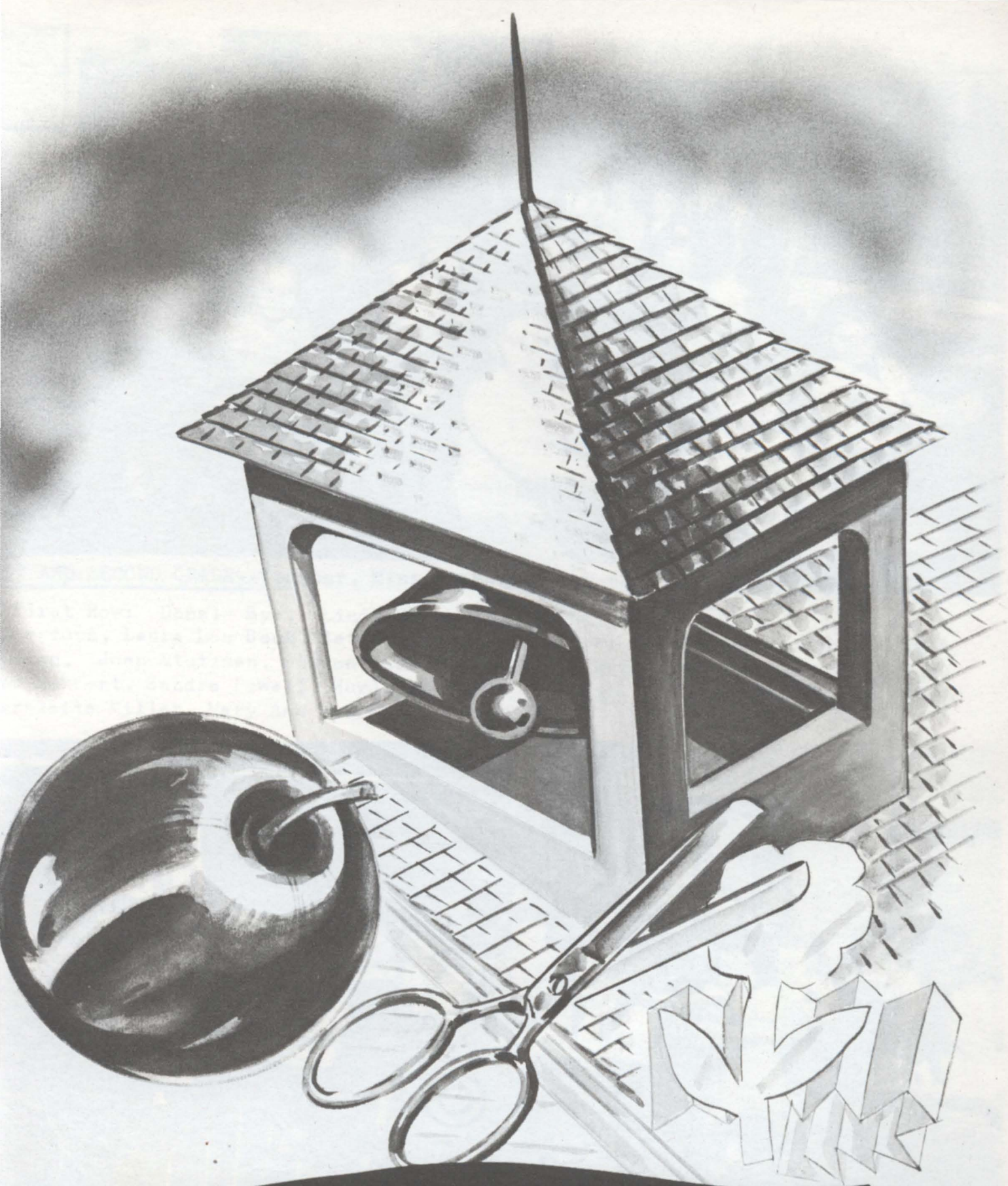
FRESHMAN CLASS

First Row: George Kasl, Eugene Plouzek, Gladys Vavra, Edith Harding, James Cerny, Marilyn Sehnert, Sam Richardson, Second Row: Retha McReynolds, Gloria Luzum, Marian Andelt, Jesse Harding, Betty Johnson, Charlotte Nerud, Alta Mae Axline, Ruth McReynolds.



SOPHOMORE CLASS

First Row: Dorothy Skalack, Geraldine Danekas, Donald Johnson, Pat Beranek, Ruth Sanburn, Donald Matthews, Delma Rezny, Harry Axline, Second Row: Elaine Luzum, Rodney Helget, Dale Sehnert, Raymond Harms, Robert Harms, Third Row: Stanley Vavra, Marilyn Wickenkamp, Donald Pisar, Robert Wolensky, Lois Nichols, Jeralyn Flachy, Joan Janda.



ELEMENTARY



FIRST AND SECOND GRADE--Teacher, Miss Phoebe Eberspacher

First Row: Donald Bye, Linda Clark, Goldie Richardson, Mona Johnson, F. A. Suggenmoss, Laura Lou Beck, Betty Bosak, Second Row: Virginia Richardson, Vern Johnson, Joan Stutzman, Sharon Rose, Nancy Dahl, Mary Jane Shestak, Third Row: Dean Sehnert, Sandra Lowell, Hurley Miller, Standing: Nell Meacham, Lois Good, Harralette Miller, Mary Ann Heeren, Tiffin Myers.



THIRD AND FOURTH GRADE--Teacher, Mrs. Gladys Boom

First Row: Marilyn Stutzman, Second Row: Mary Miller, Evelyn Shestak, Sherrill Burgess, Norman Helget, Alvina Kalkwarf, Alda Stutzman, Dick Sehnert, Mona Beggs, Dale Crofton, Doris Tichy, Gerald Boden, Jimmy Chandler, David Potter, Shirley Pavlish, Alvin Kalkwarf, Virginia Dahl, Nelda Stutzman, Marcia Boden. Not on the picture are Margil Allen, Wayne Moor, and Marilyn Fribyl.



FIFTH AND SIXTH GRADE--Teacher, Miss Blanche Aksamit

First Row: Jack Bruha, Shirley Vinson, Billie Johnson, John Potter, Gladys Met. Second Row: Beth Meacham, Dale Frahm, Earl Richardson, Roger Clark. Third Row: Gloria Schweitzer, Ronald Sehnert, Rose Marie Stehlik, Joan Powell.




SEVENTH AND EIGHTH GRADE--Teacher, Miss Clara Marren

First Row: Patricia Crofton, Jerry Sehnert, Phyllis Jean Beggs, Dolores Mack. Second Row: Jimmy Sehnert, Alvin Janda, Leonard Stehlik, Melvin Helget. Third Row: Belva Arnold, Karen Kenney, Winnifred Richardson. Fourth Row: Charles Johnson, Marilyn Simpson, Dick Parks.



ACTIVITIES



PARTIES

In our freshman year, under the sponsorship of Mrs. Dahl we had two class parties. The first was held in the Junior Assembly. We played games and danced, after which we had a lunch in the Home Ec Room. The second party we had in our freshman year was to be held at the recreation grounds. The weatherman had different motives however, and after a spring shower we had weiner roast in the Home Ec. Room. Then we played various games including baseball on the school ground.

As sophomores, with Miss Watkins as our sponsor, we enjoyed two theater parties. These were both preceded by a lunch at the school house.

With Mrs. Jonas as sponsor, our first Junior class party was held in the junior assembly. We played games and had lunch. Following this we all attended a show. Our second junior party was carried out with the valentine motif. We had a banquet in the gym, then played basket ball, and other games.


In our senior year we decided to abandon class parties in favor of all-school parties. These proved to be very enjoyable to all.

FRESHMEN INITIATION

When we, the seniors of '47, were mere Freshmen, we were submitted to the trickery and pranks of the Seniors of '43 in the form of Freshmen Initiation. After preparing us for the event weeks in advance with wierd tales of the fate that would befall us on the day of initiation, the '43 seniors finally announced the day. We were instructed to wear all our clothes backwards, our hair uncombed or braided, the girls with no makeup and the boys wore the makeup, ribbons in their hair and aprons. When we arrived in school we were expected to salute the seniors and to carry their books to classes. They lined us up in front of the assembly and painted green "f's" on our foreheads.

During the evening of the fatal day the seniors entertained us by having us do humerous tasks. Some of us had to measure the stage with wieners, drink milk out of baby bottles or throw tomatoes at each other. At the close of the evening ice cream was served to all.

Our chance to show our senior power came, however, on the 27th day of September, 1946. When we initiated the freshmen. They came to school dressed in the fashion of mother goose characters. Every hour they had to bow down and say a prayer suttable to the occa sion. At noon the seniors marched them through main street. In the evening the final ceremony was completed with various stunts played on the freshmen. A watermellon feed followed the activities.






'46 Junior & Senior Banquet



Scenes from the trip which the Seniors took in 1947, to Nebraska City.





FRESHMAN PLAYS

When we were Freshmen we gave two plays under the sponsorship of Miss Watkins. The proceeds of these plays went toward buying a set of dishes for the Home Ec Department. The plays were "Cheese It" and "The Auction." Those who took part in "Cheese It" were Dolores Nerud, Lois Arnold, Vivian Nerud, Harold Fette, Velma Stehlik, Ardis Axline, and Betty Jean Steele. Those who appeared in "The Auction" were Dorene Duba, Darlene Stehlik, Jeannine Novak, Harold Fette, Earl Parks, Deloris Ficken, Dolores Nerud, Viola Smisek, Charlotte Richardson, Gerald Gerner, Pearl Niehart, and Ellen Pavlish.

JUNIOR PLAYS

We presented "Pigtails" as our Junior class play in the high school auditorium, November 29, 1945. Mrs. Jonas proved to be an excellent play director and our play was a success. Those of the class who appeared in the play were--Velma Stehlik, Leonard Bures, Lois Arnold, Harold Fette, Vivian Nerud, Pat Thompson, Dolores Nerud, Darlene Stehlik, Dorene Duba, Earl Parks, Gerald Gerner, and Betty Jean Steele.

On October 22, 1946, at 8:00 the curtain lifted on the three act play, "A Pair of Country Kids" presented by the Junior class. The play went along very smoothly. Those Juniors who appeared in the play were as follows: Viola Smisek, Marilyn Jonas, Geraldene Parks, Marlene Sehnert, Florence Fisar, Dale Arnold, Donald Eret, Bill Flouzek, Everett Parks, and Thomas Parks.

SENIOR PLAY


As this is being written, the Seniors are working on their play "Aunt Susie Shoots the Works." The cast consists of Dolores Nerud, Velma Stehlik, Harold Fette, Gerald Gerner, Leonard Bures, Earl Parks, Dorene Duba, Pat Thompson, Ardis Axline, Darlene Stehlik and Vivian Nerud. April 24th has been set as the date of presentation. Mr. Neumann is our director.

A TRIP TO NEBRASKA CITY

As Juniors we won both semester attendance contests which gave us a day off from school in the spring of the year. We put this day to good use by taking a trip to Nebraska City.

Points of interest that we visited while there were Arbor Lodge, the Otoe Canning Factory, John Brown's Cave, The State Institution for the Blind. We also spent some time watching the boats on the Missouri River.

At noon we enjoyed a picnic at Arbor Lodge Park.





Back row: Pearl Neihart, Retha McReynolds, Gloria Luzum, Gladys Vavra, Joan Janda, Lois Nichols, Marilyn Wickenkamp, Betty Johnson, Betty Jean Steele, Marlene Sehnert, Marilyn Jonas, Second row: Marian Andelt, Viola Smisek, Ellen Pavlish, Jeannine Novak, Florence Pizar, Geraldene Parks, Jeralyn Plachy, Marjorie Kortright, Vivian Nerud, Lois Arnold, Pat Thompson, Bonnie Mangall, Miss Vrbsky, sponsor. First row: Charlotte Nerud, Ruth McReynolds, Doris Eret, Geraldine Danekas, Alta Mae Axline, Patricia Beranek, Marilyn Sehnert, Darlene Stehlik, Ardis Axline, Ruth Sanburn, Dorothy Skalak, Cheerleaders: Dolores Nerud, Velma Stehlik, Dorene Duba.



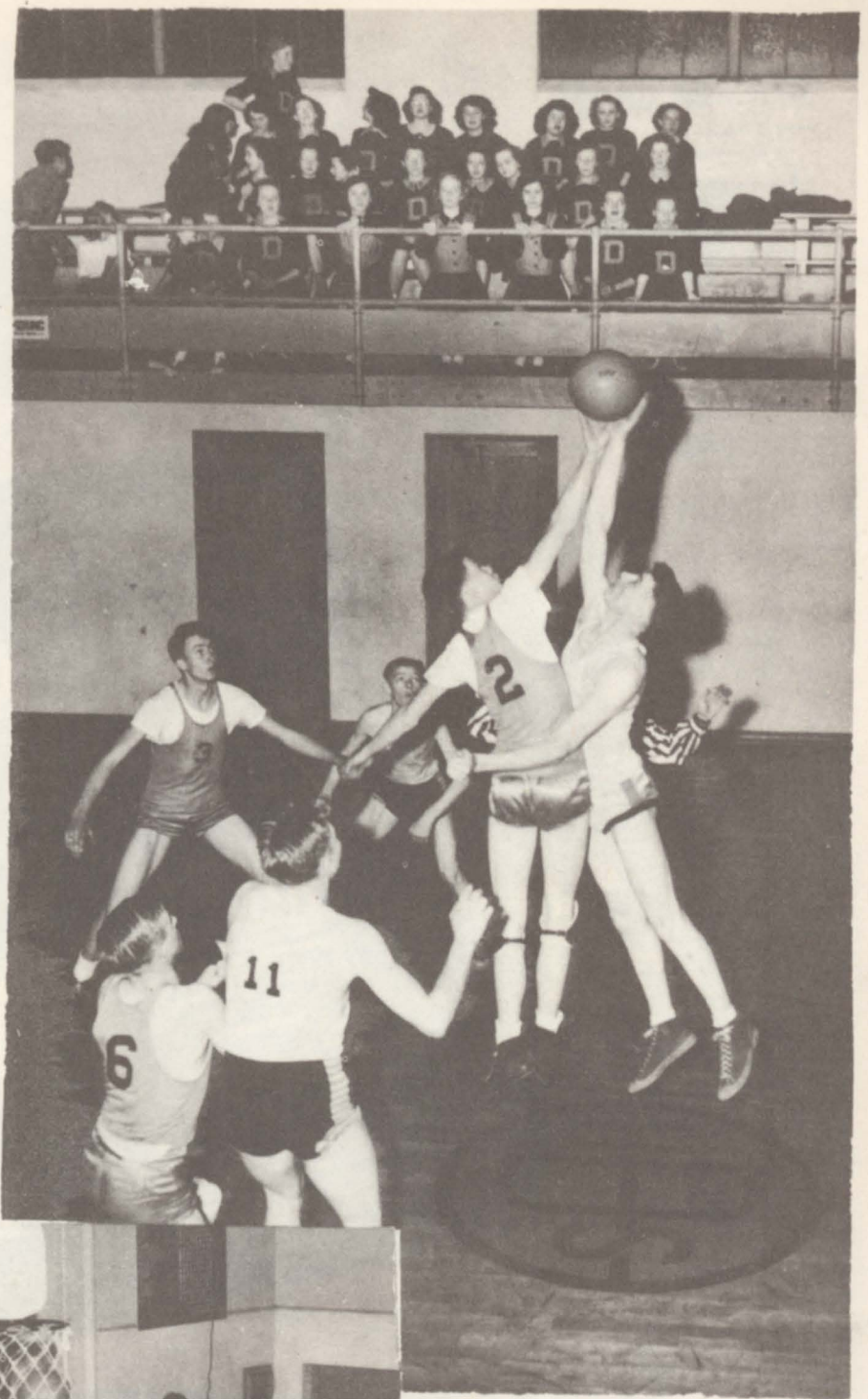
Assembly Scene



ATHLETICS



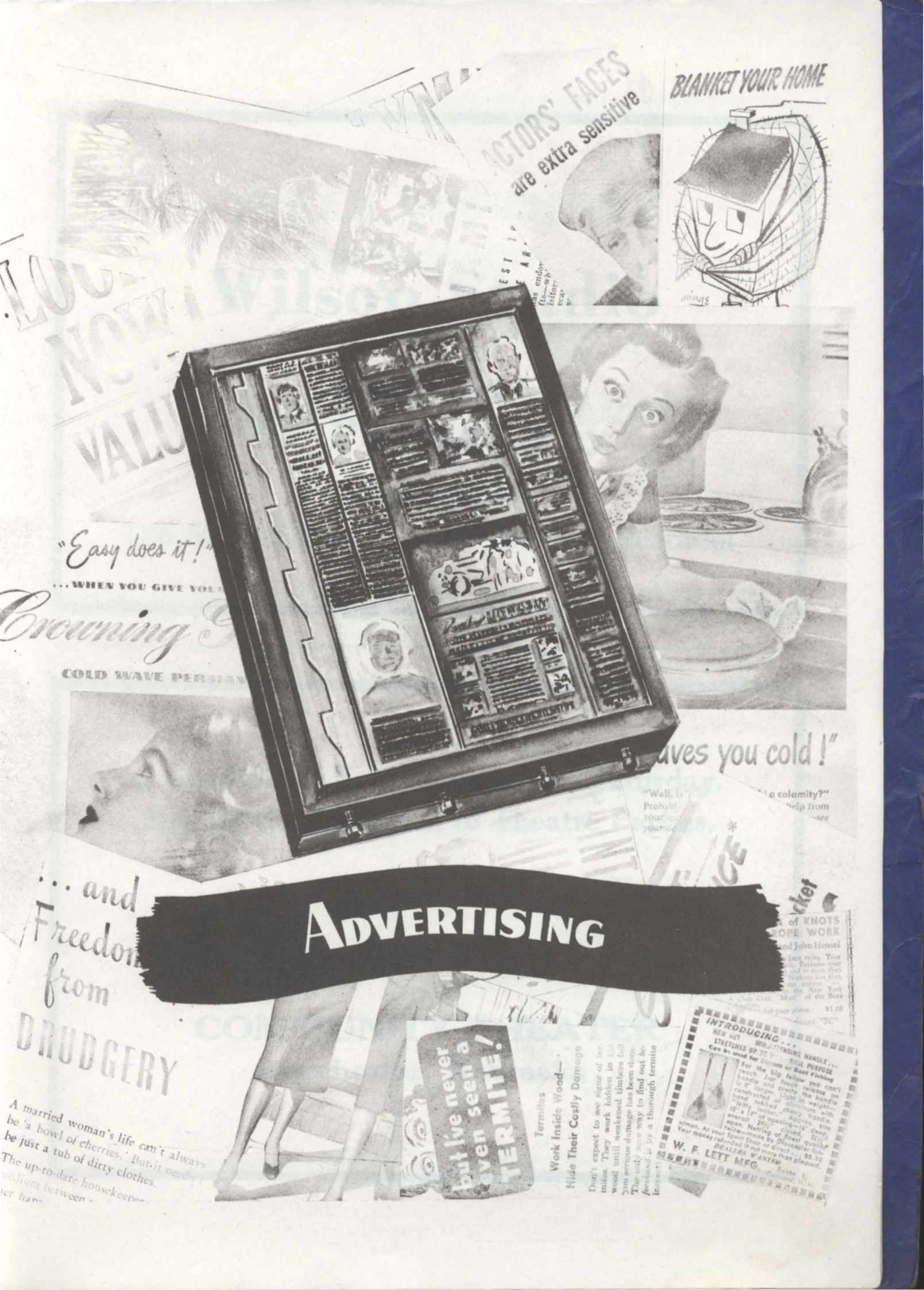
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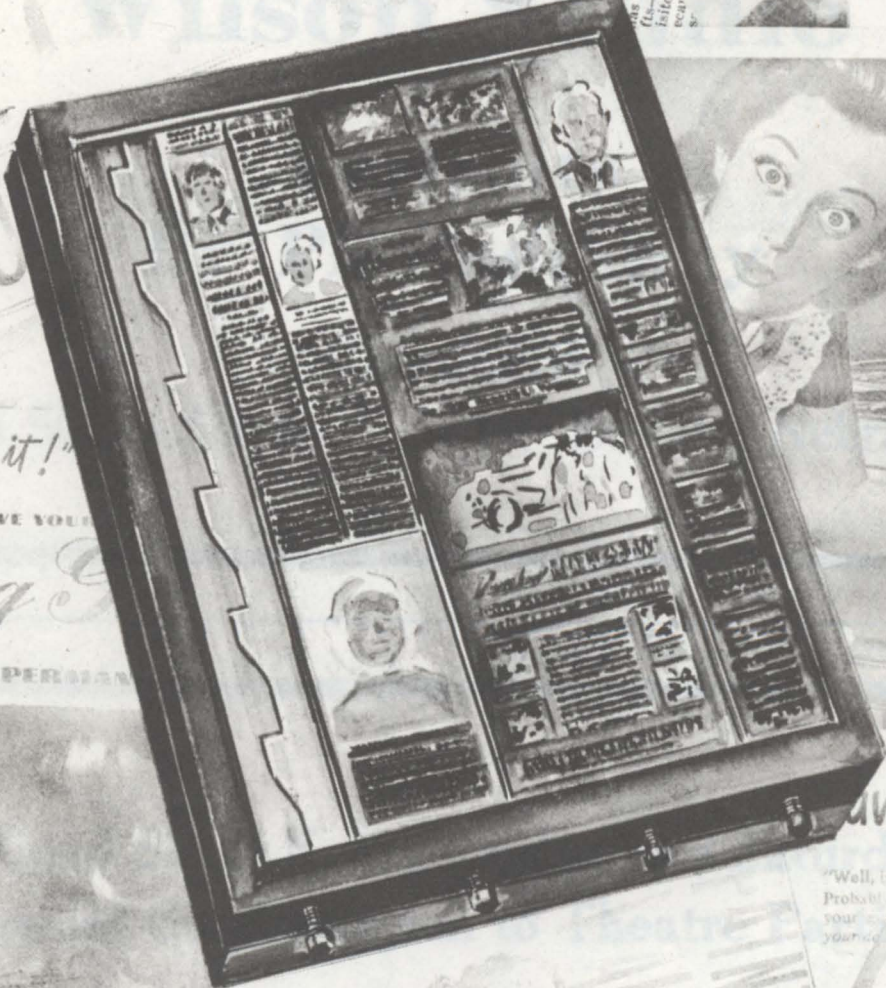


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