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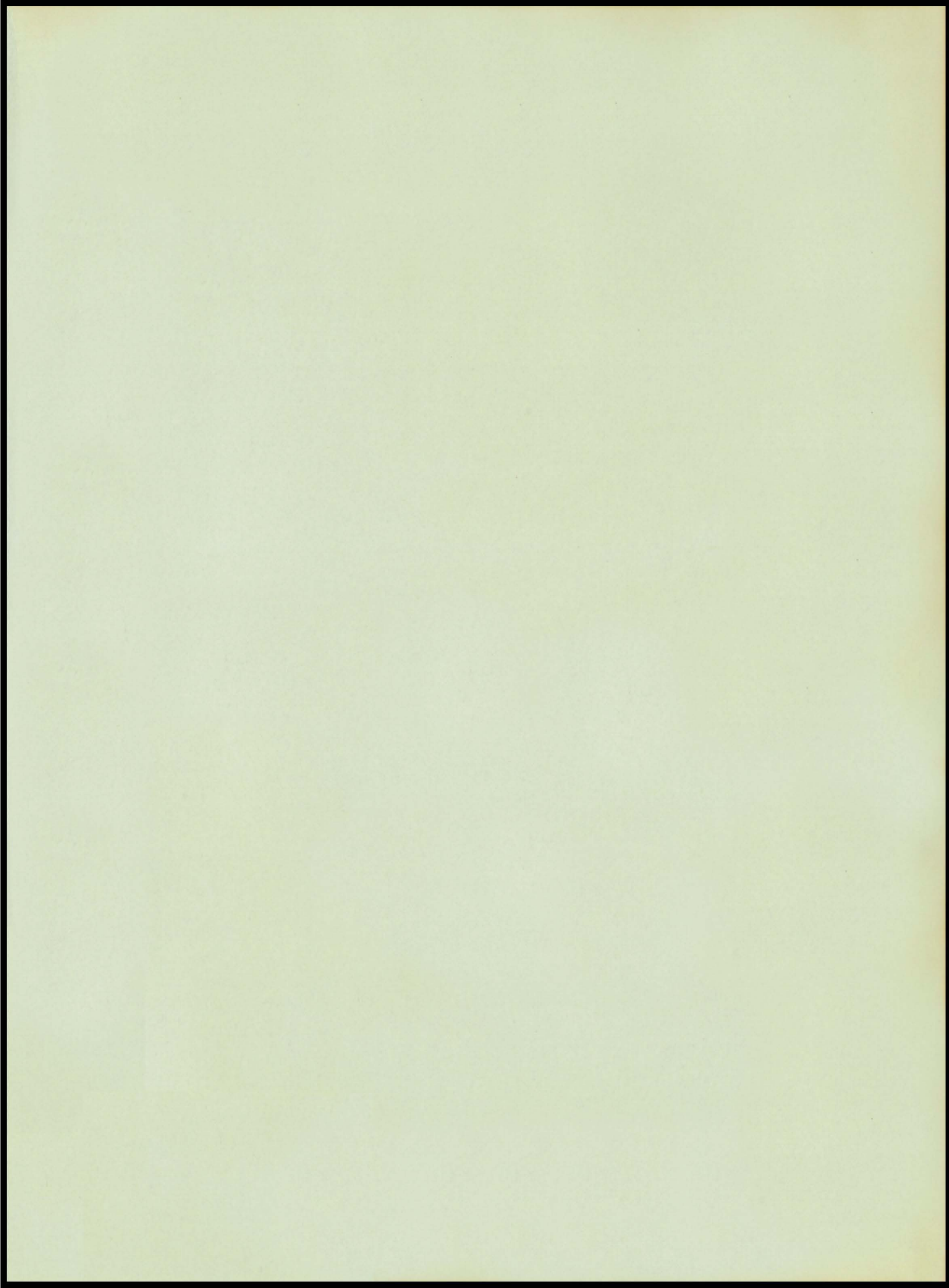
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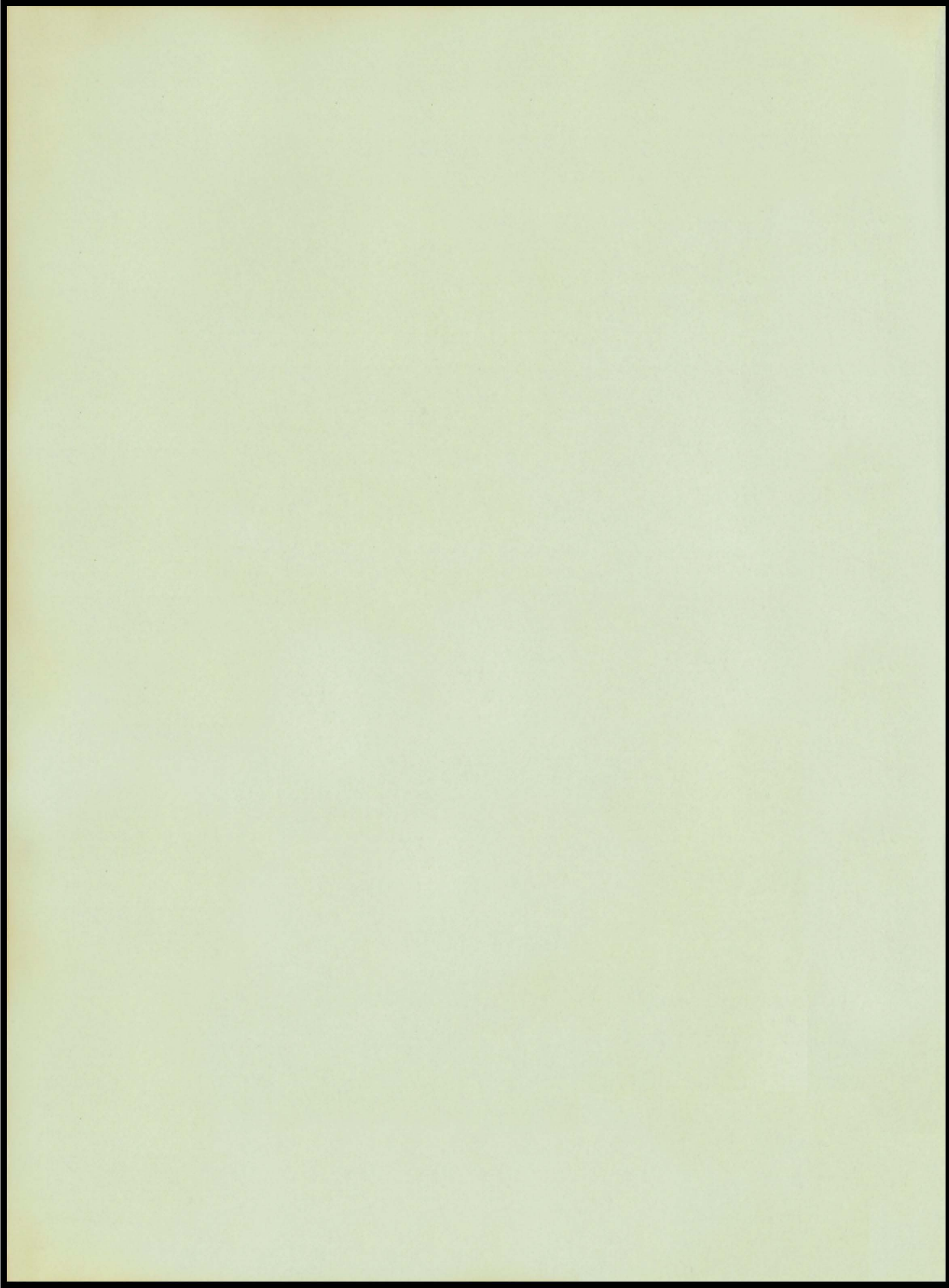
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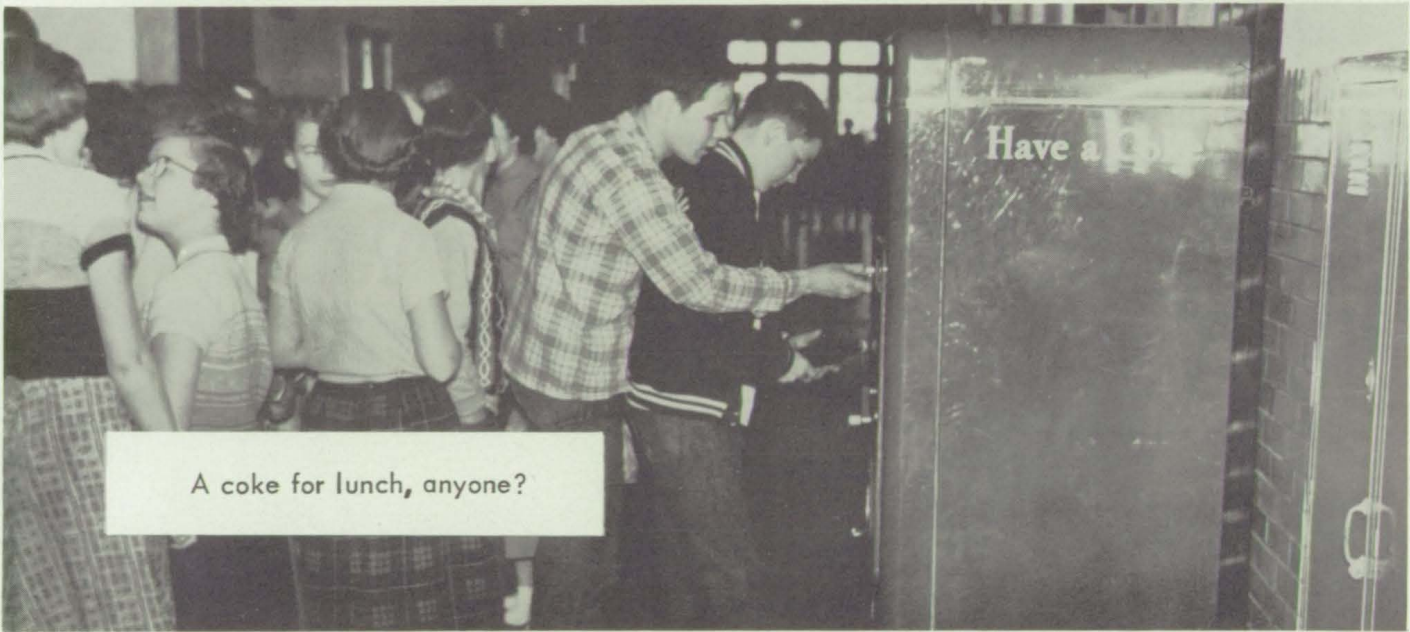
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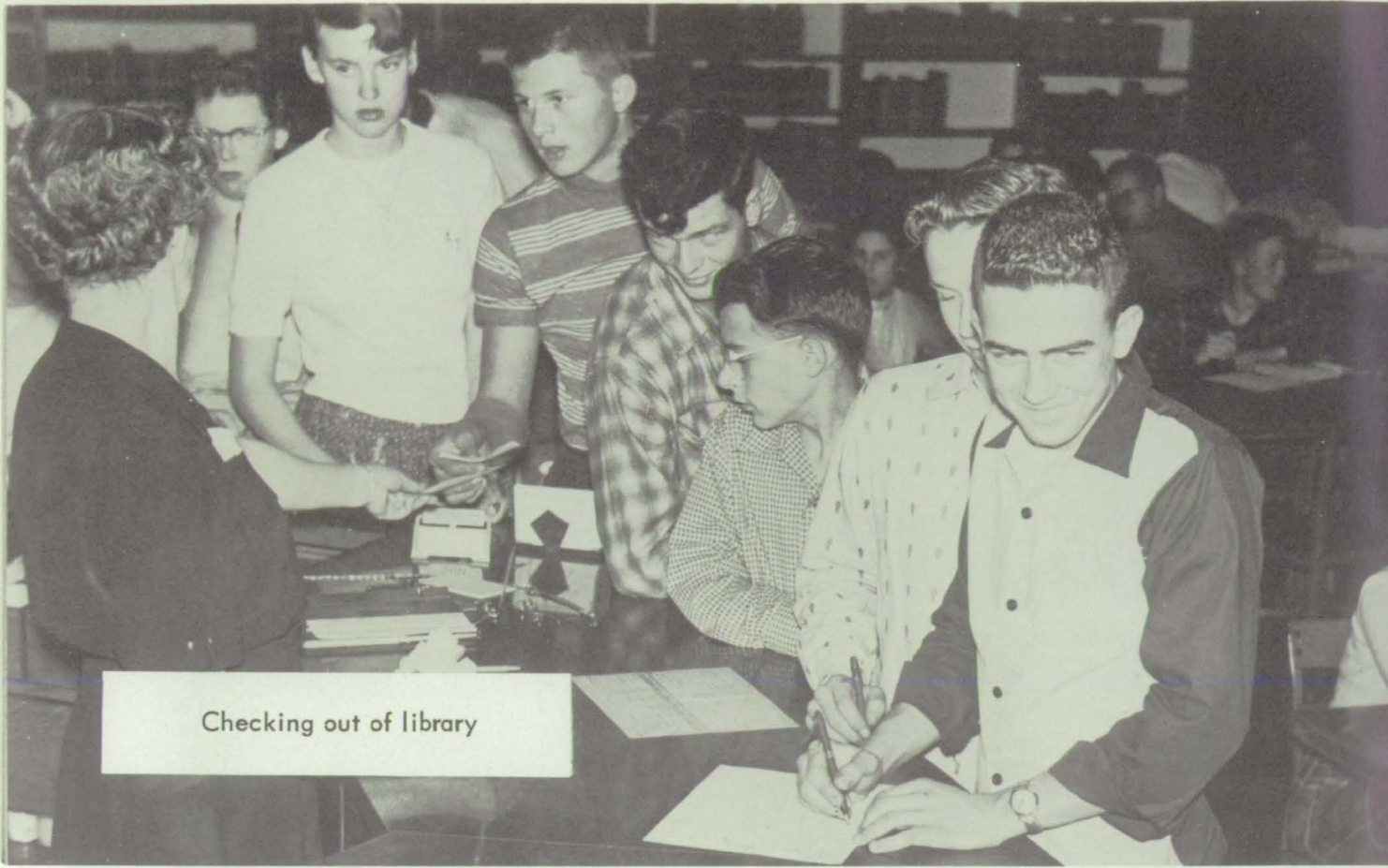
Tickets for the big game



A coke for lunch, anyone?



Just try to get through!



Checking out of library



"Oh, what a mess!"





"Let's go, fellows"



Looking "smoo-oth" so early in the morning.



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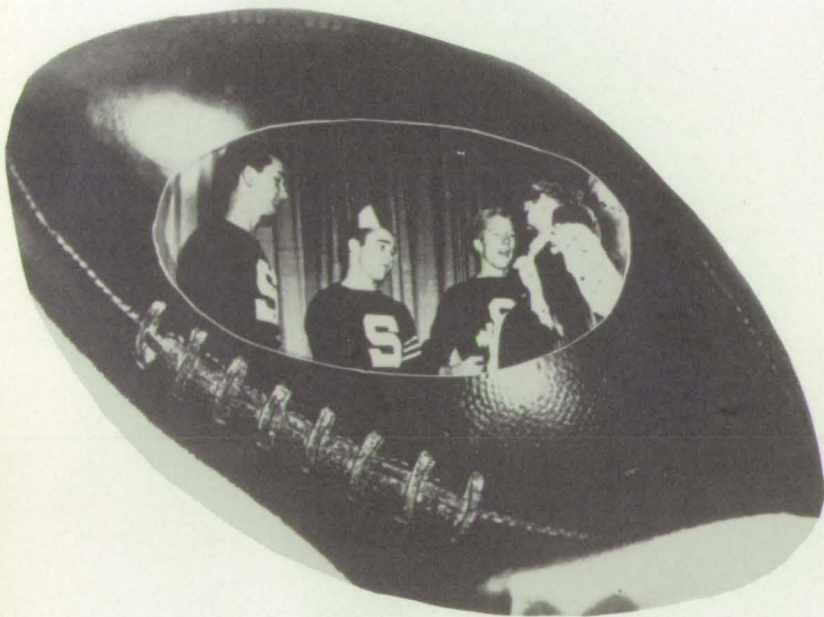


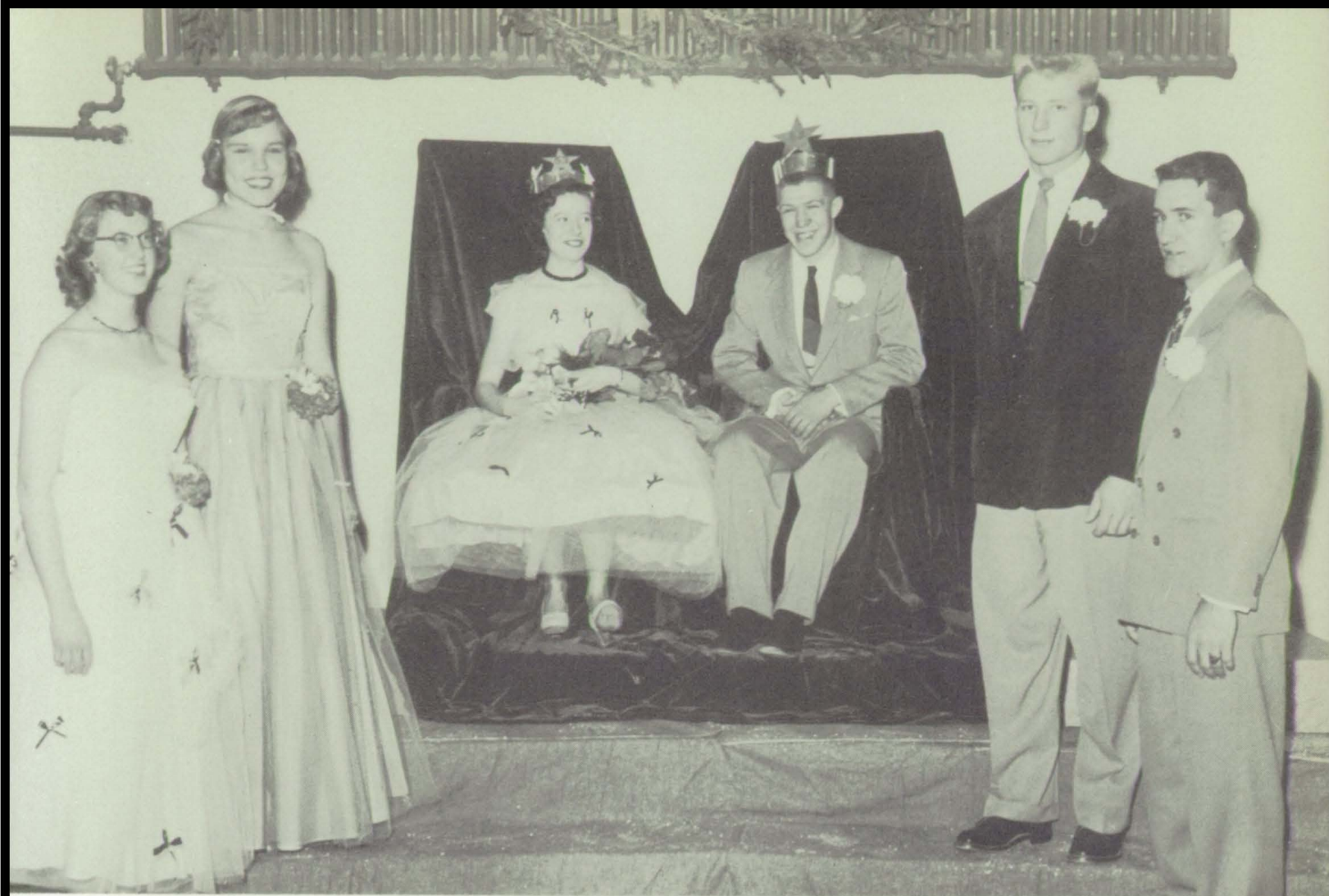
## HOMEcomings

This year marked the third annual Homecoming celebration in honor of all SHS alumni. The big parade in the afternoon started the train of events which commemorated the celebration. Floats from each of the classes and several organizations, decorated cars, and the Sidney High band made the parade a colorful procession. A pep rally was held on a down town intersection at which place the award for the best float, the senior one incidentally, was presented.

In the evening the Sidney Maroons locked horns with the McCook Bison in a hard fought football game. The Homecoming Queen was crowned during the halftime by Jim Krueger, president of the S Club. Jeannette Witters received this honor with Myra Mathewson and Margie Copley as attendants.

A dance sponsored by the alumni followed the game at which a Homecoming King was crowned by Jeanette. Kent Bond reigned as king with the help of his attendants, Vern Wagner and John Grove.





## CHRISTMAS COTILLION

One of the big events of the year in SHS was the annual Christmas Cotillion sponsored by the Seniors. The theme of the dance this year was a "Winter Wonderland". The class worked hard and finished with beautiful decorations of silver stars placed around the floor. Resting majestically on the side of the court was the throne of velvet and silver upon which the Cotillion King and Queen were crowned.

A completely new feature for Sidney High dances was the use of a dance band. Millard Musil and his band accompanied the couples as they moved in and about the trees.

The main event of the evening was the crowning. Three girls and three boys were chosen by the Seniors from their class and the final election was held with very few votes separating the candidates. Ancel Lewis and Margie Copley were the honored King and Queen. John Grove and Janet Shuman were first attendants with Vern Wagner and Janice Weber as second attendants.

The Cotillion ended as a big success with under classmen looking forward to the event next year.





Sweetheart crowning ceremony. Officiating girls: Jeannette Witters, extreme left and Myra Mathewson, extreme right. Sweetheart candidates: Marilyn Talcott, Carol Krueger, Charlene Anthony, Sweetheart Judy Bush, Janice Stanley, Shirley Van De Voorde, Nancy Davis, Margaret Olson.

## SWEETHEART OF SHS

The annual crowning of the Sidney High Valentine Sweetheart was a high point of activities again this year. After each class had nominated two candidates their names were presented to the student body who elected one girl as their sweetheart.

The crowning was held during the halftime of an exciting basketball game between Scottsbluff and Sidney.

Candidates from the freshman class were Marilyn Talcott and Margaret Olson. Nancy Davis and Carol Krueger represented the sophomores. Charlene Anthony and Shirley Van De Voorde were nominated from the junior class with Janice Stanley and Judy Bush as senior candidates. Judy was the lucky girl that stepped through the heart and was crowned SHS Valentine Sweetheart for '54.

A valentine sock-hop was held after the game for Sidney and Scottsbluff students. The dance was a big success and a good time was had by everyone.



Janet Shuman placed the sweetheart crown on the head of the happy queen, Judy Bush, as Myra Mathewson stood by awaiting her turn to present the traditional rose corsage.

# THE JUNIOR CLASS PRESENTS



## "THE GHOST TRAIN"

BY ARNOLD RIDLEY  
DIRECTED BY JANE AXTELL  
CAST

Richard Winthrop .....	Mike Frost
Elsie Winthrop .....	Jeanne Banta
Saul Hodgkin .....	Ronald Brown
Charles Murdock .....	Jerry Krueger
Peggy Murdock .....	Doris Davis
Miss Bourne .....	LoRene Barnes
Teddie Deakin .....	Tom Gilliland
Julia Price .....	Deanna Moseman
Herbert Price .....	Ronald Howerter
John Sterling .....	Wendell Pearson
Jackson .....	Ray Handsel
Officer I .....	Ronnie Brown
Officer II .....	Delbert Gheen





Reigning supreme at the Junior-Senior Prom: their Majesties, King Jim Jensen and Queen Nancy Hess



Attendants of honor: Joe Barnes, Verna Shoopman, Eloise Vernon and Billy Bauer



# THE FORTUNE TELLER

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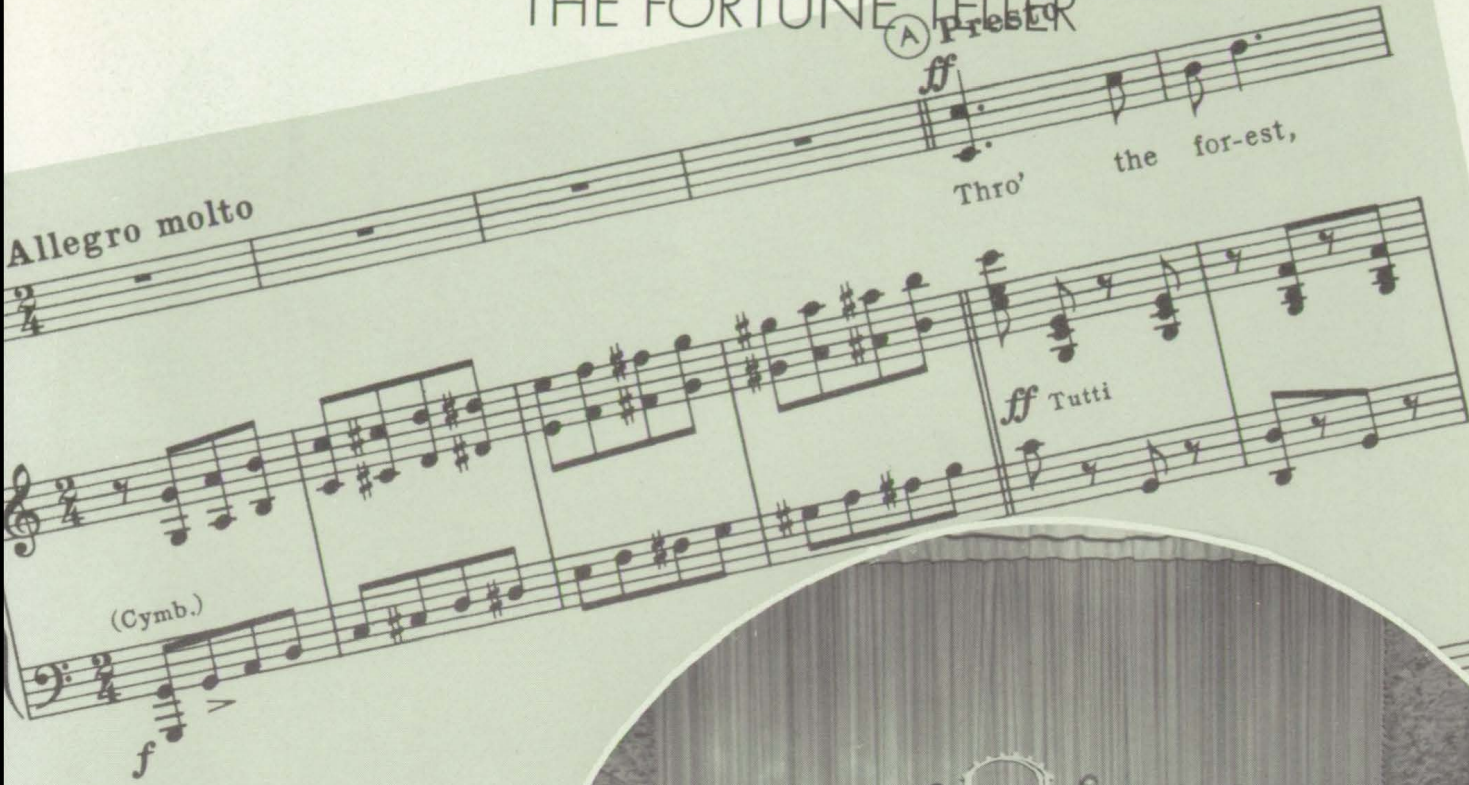
**Allegro molto**

Thro' the for-est,

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**ff** Tutti

(Cymb.)



wild and free,

Ev - er danc-ing, none can be Half so mer - ry -

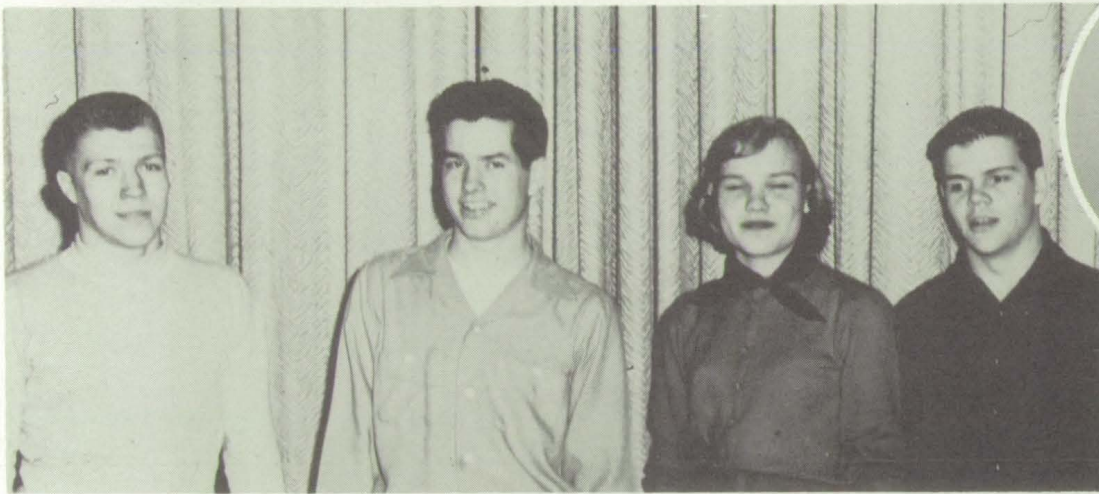




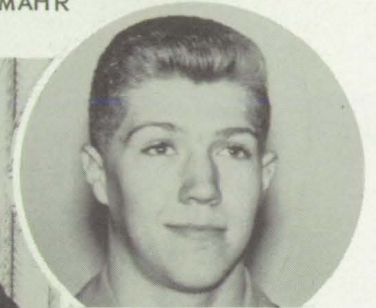
Girl Stater, 1953  
JANET SHUMAN



Boy Stater, 1953  
ROB MAHR



Four finalists of the Sidney High American Legion sponsored oratorical contest: Ancel Lewis, Mike Frost, Janet Weber, and Rob Mahr.



Orator Ancel Lewis who was the winner of the S.H.S. 1954 contest, winner in District Four, winner of the state semi-finals, and tied for fourth place in the state finals.

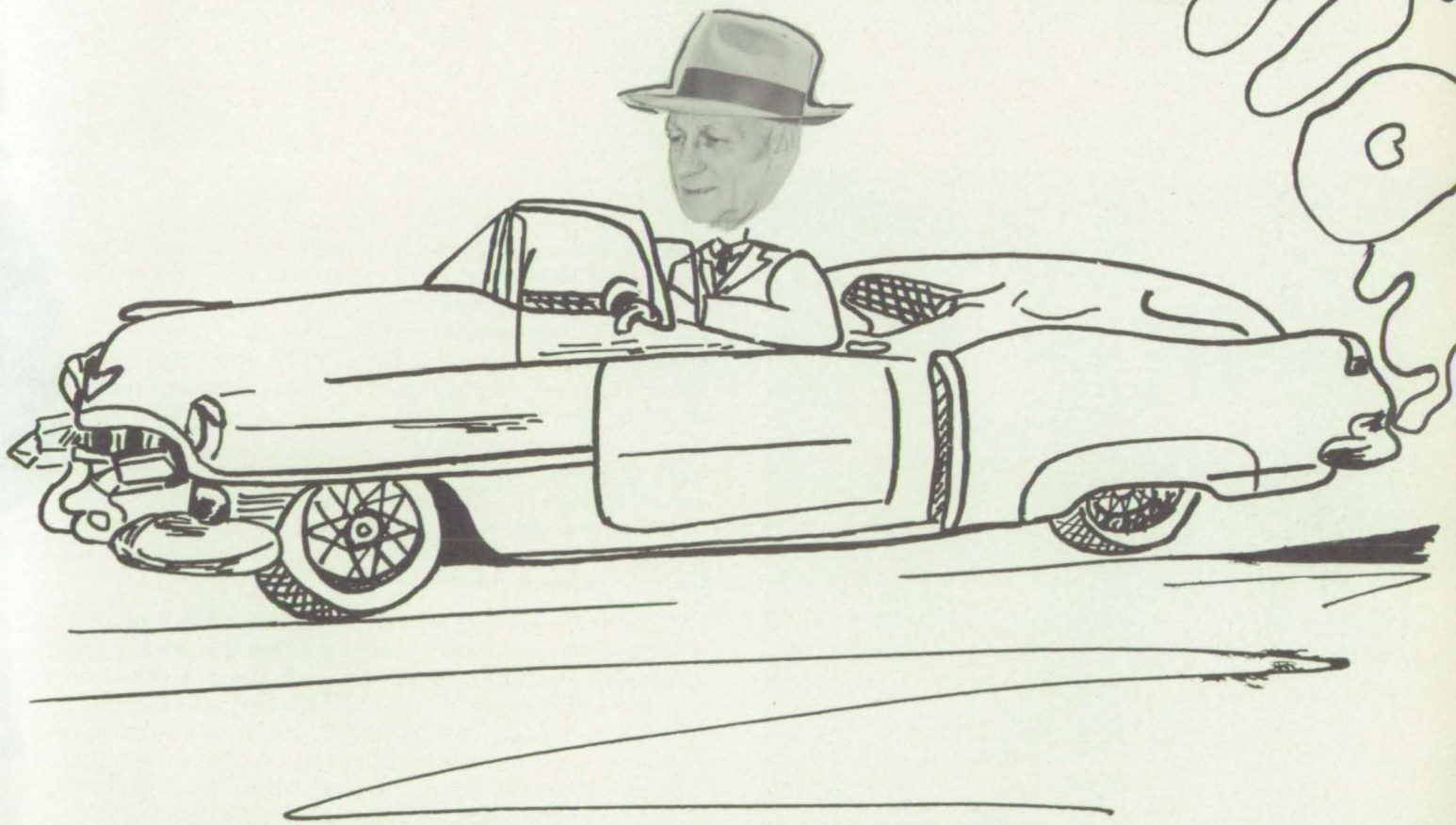
Ancel was the only boy east of Lincoln to win such honor. His accomplishment represents an achievement of two levels of competition higher than any S. H. S. speech contestant has won in recent years.



Shown in the picture above are the honored students with their sponsor, Mr. Carl Crouse, and Mrs. Rena McLenaghan, chairman of the banquet committee for the Auxiliary. Seated from left to right are Jerome Buehrer, Mike Frost, Ronald Brown, Shirley Van De Voarde, Tom Gilland, Charlene Anthony, Georgia Kennedy, Marilyn Wilson, Jeanne Banta, Denna Moseman, Reba Kinne and Ronnie Brown (front); standing: Mr. Crouse, Mrs. McLenaghan and Rob Mahr.

## AMERICAN LEGION AND WOMEN'S AUXILIARY POSTS HONOR STUDENTS OF GOVERNMENT

# AMINI'S TRATTORIO





Backing up plans for improvement and building is the policy making group for the Sidney school system. The members of this hardworking group are A. O. Olson, vice-president; Ray L. Jones; A. E. Wright, president; Superintendent, O. J. Weymouth; Dr. Hull Cook; K. S. Agnew, secretary; and Mrs. B. H. Grimm.



Keeping the office running smoothly is the job undertaken by Margaret Preble, the Sidney High office girl. She also, as treasurer, has charge of all the school funds.

When Sidney assumed the title of Oil and Wheat Capital of Nebraska it did more than swell the traffic down main street and create a housing shortage; it created an education facility shortage. With an increase of 632 students since 1949 and large grade school classes coming up, the Sidney Board of education and the Superintendent of Schools, O. J. Weymouth, saw the necessity of improving our schools and building new ones to add to the former four school system. They spent hours of planning how to finance the projects, approving architectural blueprints, and answering questions of the laypeople on ways to raise the money.

Building and adding on to schools have helped minimize the crowded conditions that existed. The grade schools have received much needed attention by the addition of a new \$276,000 Central School and the building of a \$300,000 South School to accommodate more grade school students. A sum of \$75,000 was used to add rooms to the North Ward School. Plans are now underway for a new \$450,000 junior high building to be erected just east of the senior high building.

With the increase of students comes the need of at least six more teachers to teach next year in the lower grades.

O. J. Weymouth, superintendent, surveys the proposed blueprints for the new Junior High building and thinks of the future when it will be finished. Mr. Weymouth completed his education after receiving his AB degree from Chadron State Teachers College and an MA degree from Colorado State College of Education. He finished with graduate work from the University of Nebraska. For relaxation he enjoys fishing, reading, and farming for fun.



Being principal of Sidney High is the full-time job of Albert E. Nimitz, but still he always finds time to listen to any of the students' problems. Mr. Nimitz attended the University of Iowa and received his AB and MA degrees. As President of Sidney High Mr. Nimitz finds himself sponsor of the President's Cabinet. The time out from his many and varied duties Mr. Nimitz devotes to his favorite hobbies of fishing and bridge.



Being vice principal is quite a job for Mabel J. Neilson for in addition she teaches geometry and general mathematics. In her time out from her pressing duties, Miss Neilson enjoys fishing.



Verna Robinson, S.H.S. librarian, enjoys books so much that she likes to pass this enjoyment on to students by urging them to read more. Miss Robinson also does a good job as senior class sponsor. Her fine collection of records is her hobby.

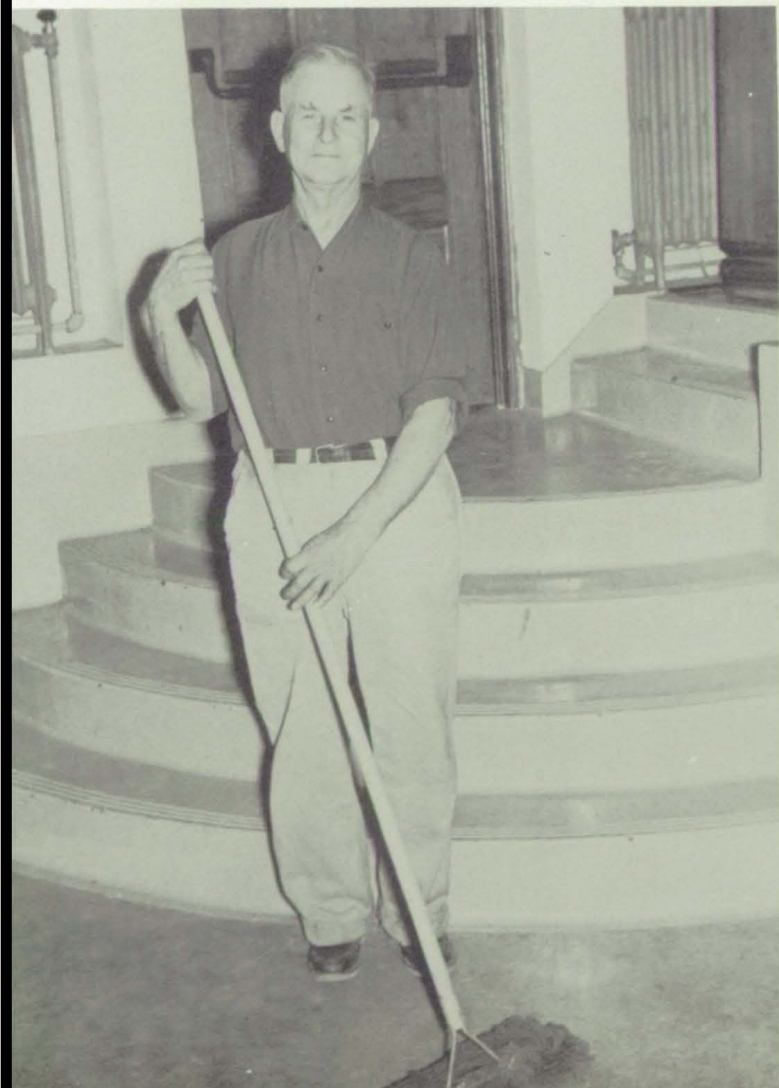


Keeping the school students in good health is the job of Mrs. Christie C. Wehmiller, R.N. When she relaxes she chooses to fish or attend to her duties as a housewife.

John Edzards, head custodian, is a familiar figure around school. He keeps the high school building in ship shape condition.

W. E. Allman, the other building custodian, picks gardening and flowers as his hobbies.

Sweeping, cleaning, and assisting Mr. Edzards is student custodian, George Powell.





## LIFE ADJUSTMENT

Preparing students to become the future citizens of our country is the work of every teacher, but getting them set to go directly from high school into the world is the special job of these teachers. They help the students learn how to adjust themselves to the suddenness of leaving school. These teachers teach the pupils how to meet life head on for the greatest enjoyment and satisfaction.

Homemaking, vocational agriculture, and industrial arts are all important factors in the social and economic system of our nation.



Louis B. Neuman brings in a new crop of young farmers every year in his job as teacher of the vocational agriculture classes. Sponsoring three active groups, the F.F.A., Adult and Young Farmers Evening Classes, and the sophomore class, Mr. Neuman finds little time for his hobbies, hunting and fishing.

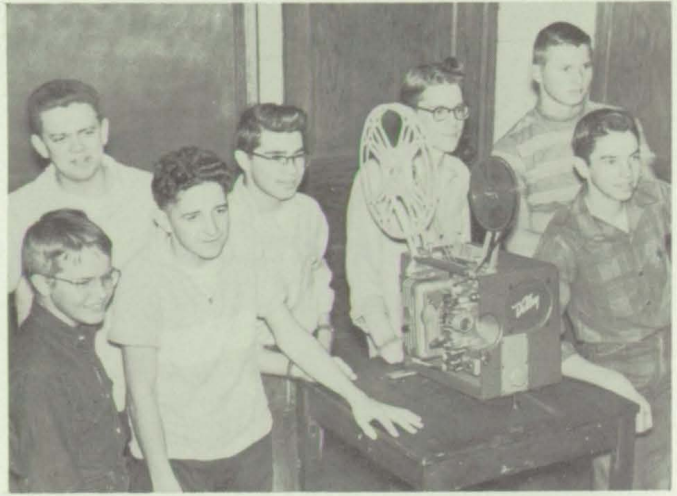
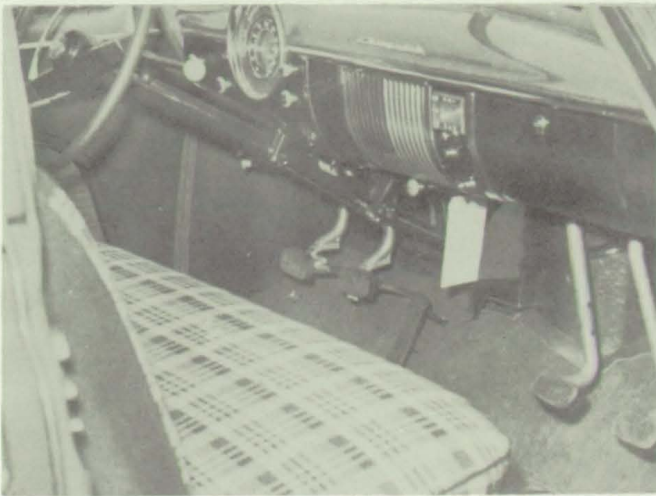


Industrial arts teacher, Don O. Burrows, is a busy man around S.H.S. In addition to his regular duties in classes, Mr. Burrows is also a sponsor for the junior class. He has received his MA and BS degrees. Fishing seems to be his favorite hobby along with industrial arts.



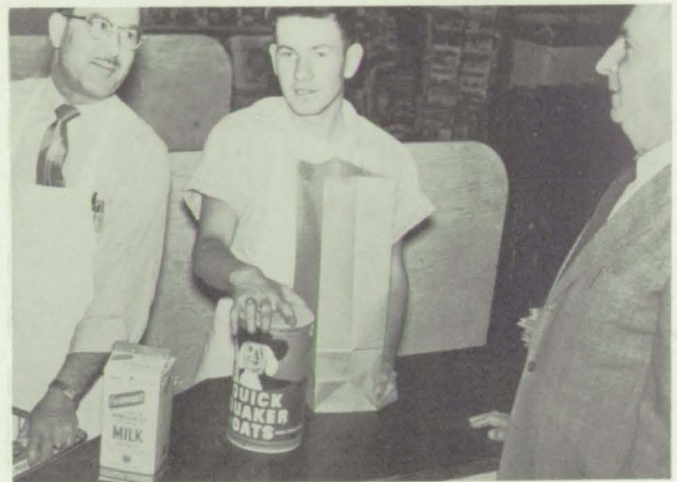
Mrs. Genevieve Fitch, in her homemaking classes, teaches girls the modern techniques of sewing and cooking. Mrs. Fitch has received AB, BS, and ME degrees in home economics. She is sponsor of the sophomore class and likes to set aside time for her hobby of writing poetry.



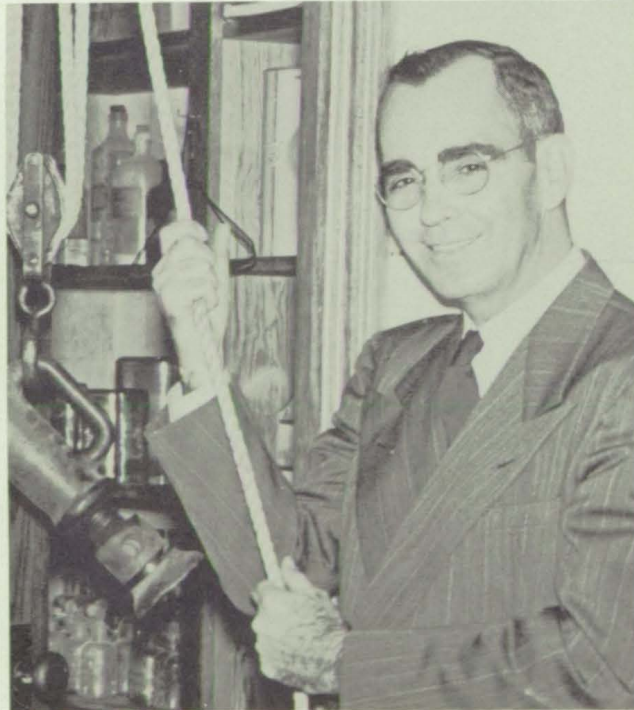


Along with these come history, science, and trades which also help students in life after high school. The background and history of the world and our country helps students to begin a good understanding of the people in other countries which promotes peace. Our own country is not perfect, of course, and the problems it has are complex. Classes conducted to point out and study these problems makes students realize our nation's defects and strive to solve these difficulties.

Living in a scientific world makes it necessary for each person to know and understand science more thoroughly. This vast field is open to anyone who feels a need to help improve the world through science.



Along with his regular duties in teaching trades and world history, Ray Maley still finds time to sponsor the junior class. This year he completed his ninth year as sponsor of the freshman-sophomore football reserves. He picks sports, square dancing, and traveling as his hobbies.



Vergal A. Winn teaches physics, general science, and audio-visual aids, but still finds time to sponsor the senior class. Students have realized that if they get Mr. Winn talking of scouting or photography the class will have an easy day.



Carl A. Crouse is a thorough teacher of history and government. He also teaches modern problems and driver's training in addition to sponsoring the freshman class, county government day and oratorical contests.



## SPECIALIZATION

Sidney High School offers courses relating class room activities to the business world. After taking a commercial course in high school it is possible to go directly into a job as a stenographer, typist, bookkeeper, and other similar jobs. Because good speech is so characteristic of poised, confident men and women, it is given a major place in the school curriculum. These veins of study also assist students if they plan college careers.



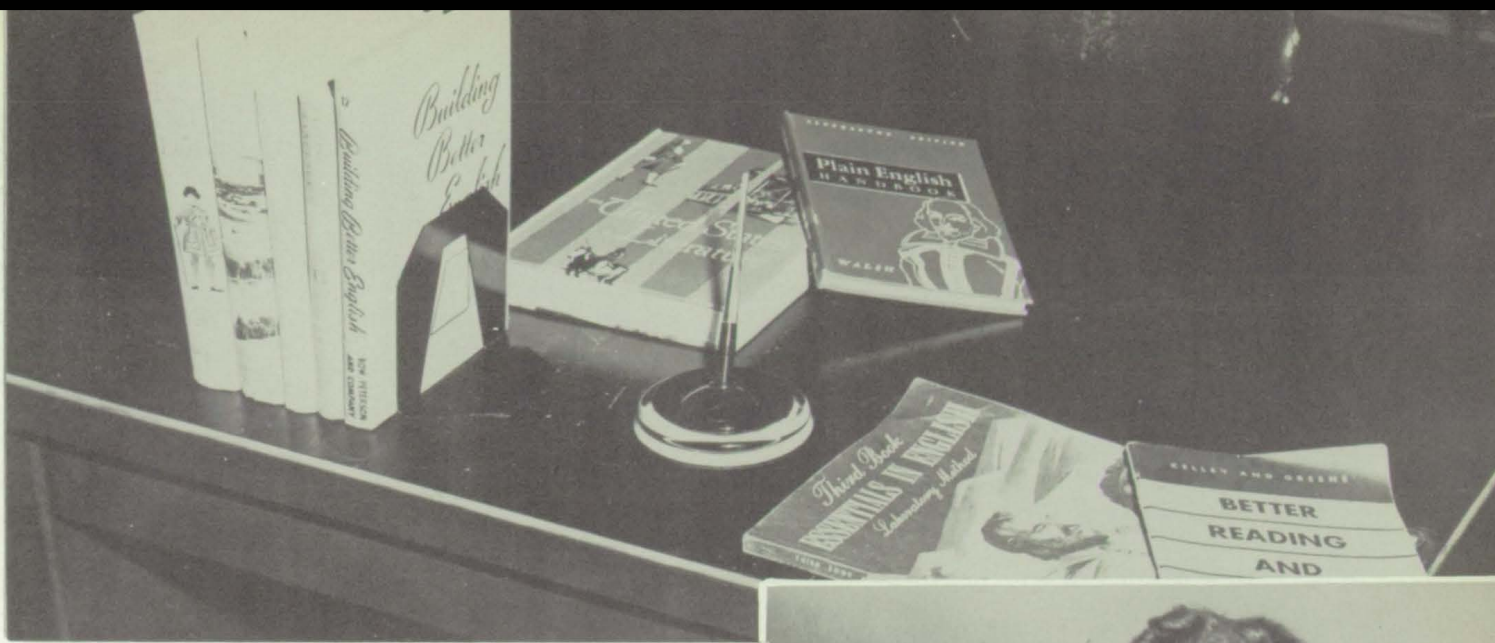
Mrs. Vergal A. Winn says photography and dancing are her hobbies. Of course, teaching first and second year shorthand, second year typing, and bookkeeping keep her busy. She also sponsors the freshman class. Mrs. Winn received her AB from Nebraska Wesleyan University.



As a substitute in Sidney High Mrs. Ackerson finds she must be ready to teach at all times.



In her first year at Sidney High School Mrs. Richard D. Axtell teaches English and Speech classes. In addition to these she directed the junior class play, is a senator, and a freshman class sponsor. Her hobbies are knitting and photography.

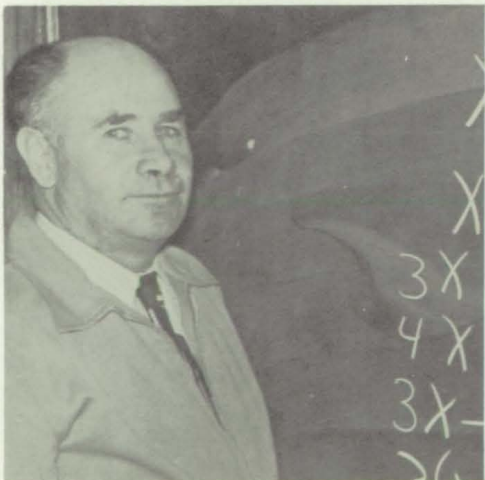


## COLLEGE PREPARATORY

The college preparatory course is all important as it prepares students to go ahead to college. These teachers enjoy seeing their pupils continue their education to reach greater heights in learning. Subjects offered for the college preparatory course are English, science, and languages. This course requires hard work and study, but has its reward in the student's acceptance to a college. As requirements for securing jobs are becoming more rigid and in many places college degrees are necessary more and more high school students are taking this course for college careers.



Bess Shires is one of the most outstanding teachers in the Sidney school system. She is the supervisor of the student-teacher government and is the permanent sponsor of the sophomore state. Miss Shires has received her AB degree and has done several years graduate work. As teacher of sophomore English and senior American literature she enjoys collecting poems.



To many people even the mention of mathematics makes their blood turn cold, but Glenn Ackerson chose the exact science as a major and received his AB degree. Now he teaches math in Sidney High. In addition to his teaching Mr. Ackerson is a sponsor of the sophomore state. Photography is his special hobby.



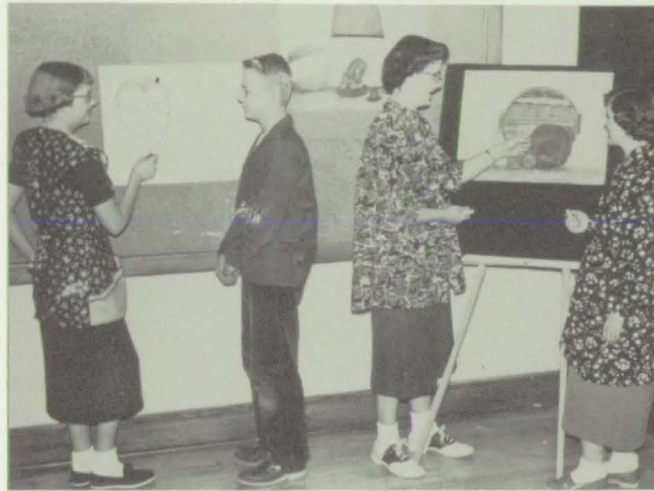
During his first year at Sidney High Loring White this year drew the job of permanent junior sponsor. Mr. White attended the University of Connecticut and finished with his AB and MA degrees and now teaches English in S.H.S. He enjoys dramatics, studying English, and he appreciates good music.



Languages are Ruth D. Holtom's specialty as she teaches both Latin and Spanish. She also sponsors the Language Club along with the junior class. Miss Holtom saves her extra time for word study and interior decorating.



In addition to study, students are taught to appreciate some of the arts. Sidney High School seems to have an exceptional course in the fields of art and music. This year marked a new start in an art depart-



ment after a lapse of several years during which art was not taught. Both instrumental and vocal music are prominent in the Sidney school system with a band of ninety-two and a chorus of sixty-five.

## CULTURE



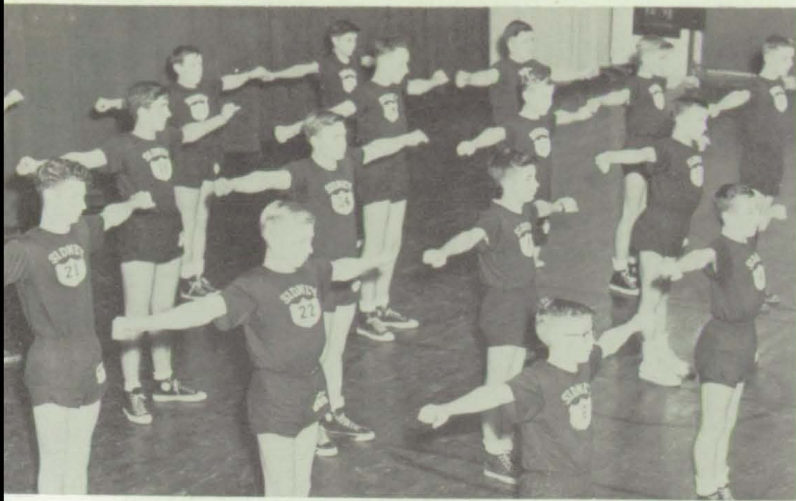
Mrs. L. Cecil Holloway is one of the most hardworking teachers at S.H.S. and the seniors especially would be lost without her as she sponsored the "Trail", the "Hi-Life", and the senior class. Teaching typing I, journalism and art she finds little time left for horseback riding and reading.



Dean Killion has charge of all instrumental music in Sidney. Mr. Killion attended the University of Nebraska and finished with BME and MM degrees. He is sponsor of the senior class. With his good sense of humor Mr. Killion gets along well with students and they find his bark is worse than his bite.

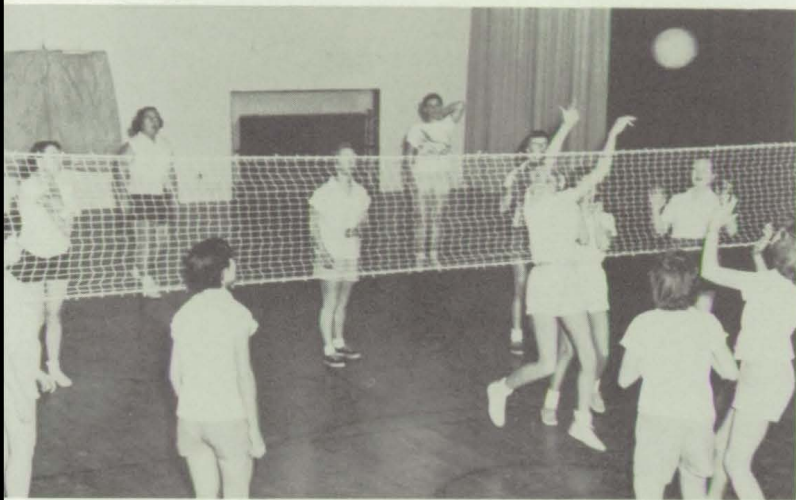


Music, music, music is Nancy Button's life. Miss Button teaches vocal music, helps with the elementary band, and sponsors the S.H.S. Pep Club. She likes hunting, fishing, boating, swimming, and flying. Now there's a girl with no hobbies.



## PHYSICAL EDUCATION

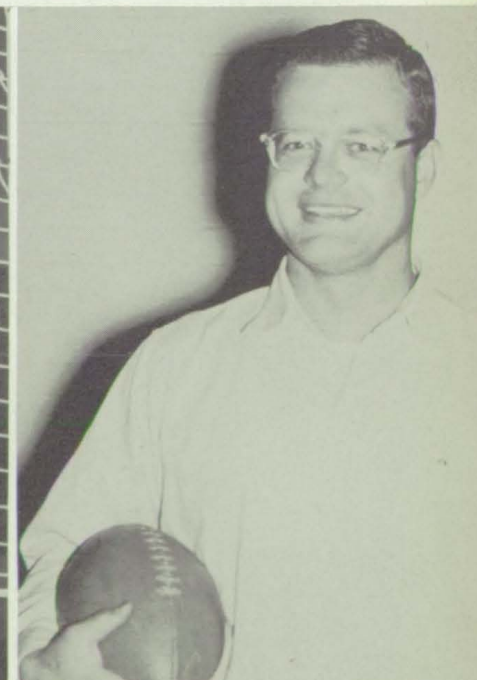
Building the body as well as the mind is essential for good health and happiness and is the job of these teachers. Friendly competition with good sportsmanship in activities such as football, basketball, and track is important for every student. For this reason physical education is required in high school in order to complete a high school career. In the well rounded program of physical education offered in Sidney High each student can find much fun and relaxation in this course.



In his second year at Sidney High School E. Thomas, C. Jones coached the basketball team to a successful season. Mr. Jones teaches boys' physical education, biology, and general science. To complete his schedule he sponsors the freshman class and S Club. Extra time is used for photography and skiing.



As teacher of girls' physical education Phyllis Thompson enjoyed sponsoring the G.A.A. and the junior high Pep Club. She attended Kearney State Teacher's College and came to Sidney to complete her first year of teaching.



Football is only one of Art Bauer's jobs as a teacher in Sidney High. He also teaches health, geography, grade school physical education and assists at track. Mr. Bauer is also a sponsor for the junior class. Hunting seems to be his favorite hobby.

# NATIONAL



Chief Justice Art Wright gives Miss Nielsen the oath for her office of Vice President of S.H.S.

The S.H.S. Senate is sworn into office. Left to right are Miss Nielsen, Vice President; and the Senate, Mrs. Richard Axtell, Mr. Glenn Ackerson, Mr. Loring White, and Mr. Vergal Winn.



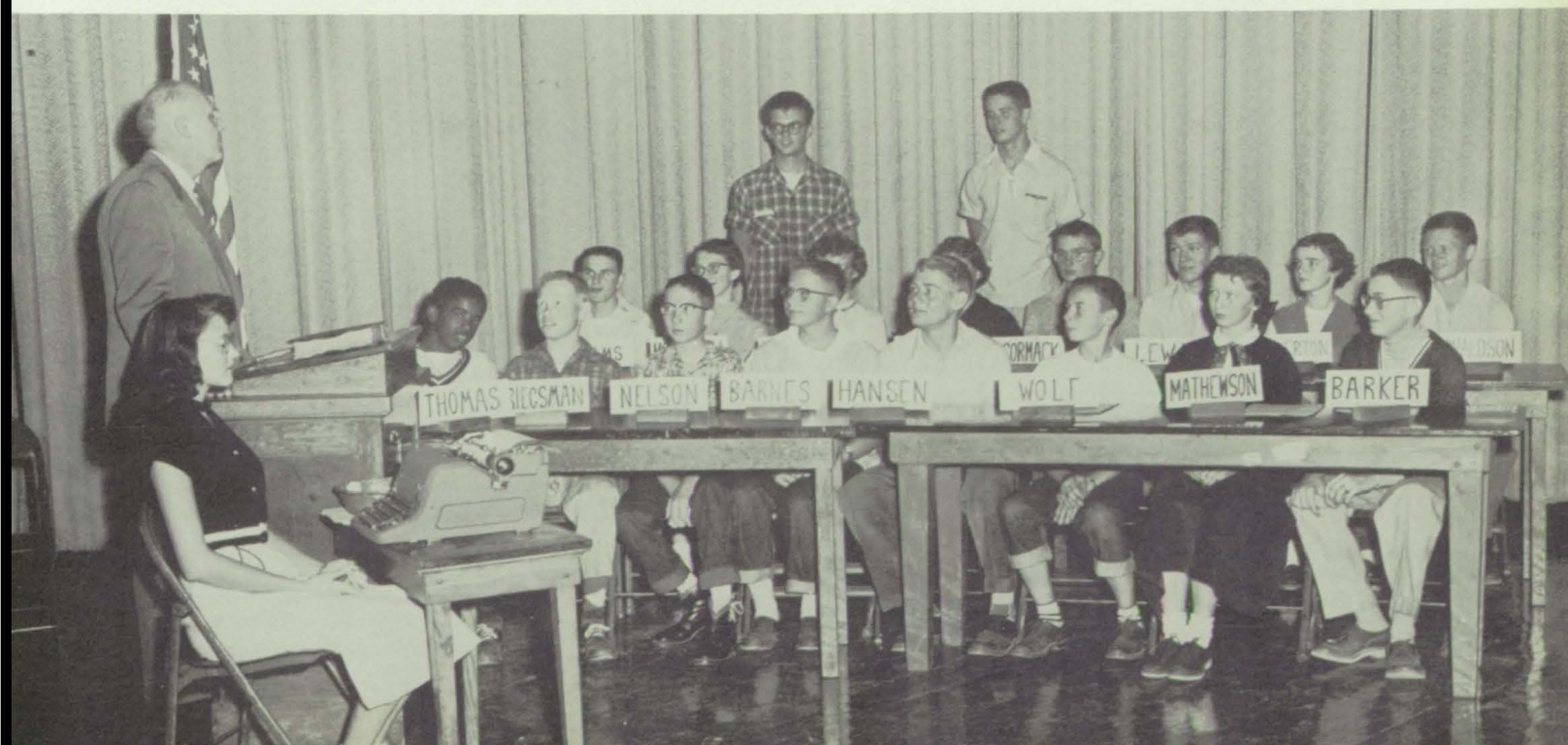
# GOVERNMENT

The government of S.H.S. is based directly on and is patterned after the national government. Freedom is stressed to the students of Sidney High School in that general elections are held and the students choose their own representatives for the state legislatures and the House of Representatives. These legislative bodies make the rules that govern S.H.S. This helps impress upon the students their responsibility in voting, responsibilities that the students feel in high school is carried on into life where they become better citizens by supporting the nation's government.



Speaker of the House, Ancel Lewis.

The S.H.S. House of Representatives. FIRST ROW: Shirley Alfreds, Mr. Nimtze, Jefferson Thomas, Kyle Kriegsmann, Kenny Nelson, Earl Barnes, Jim Hansen, Jerry Wolf, Connie Mathewson, and Lance Barker. SECOND ROW: Ivan Adams, Deanna Moseman, Reba Kinne, Jo Ann Robirds, Philip McCormack, Ancel Lewis, Dorothy Wolverton, and Bob Donaldson. THIRD ROW: Carl Farmer, and Jim Krueger.





The President's Cabinet: Margie Copley, Secretary of Personnel; Joyce Sewell, Secretary of Activities; Margaret Preble, Secretary of the Treasury; A. E. Nimtz, President; George Taylor, Secretary of State; Rob Mahr, Secretary of Interior; Bruce Dimick, Secretary of Agriculture.



Superintendent O. J. Weymouth and Miss Shires look at the results of a project they were responsible for installing into Sidney High School. The "S" Book is a directive to our students made up of regulations they themselves have initiated and passed upon. Mr. Weymouth felt a type of student government should exist in the school so with his suggestions Miss Shires has carefully and painstakingly built up the system of student participation in school government that Sidney High School so proudly enjoys.



# SENIOR STATE



SENIOR STATE OFFICERS, left to right: Kent Bond, Lieutenant Governor; Vern Wagner, Governor; Hersey Mangels, Secretary of State; Myra Mathewson, Secretary of the Treasury.



SENIOR STATE LEGISLATURE, FIRST ROW: Joe Barnes, Geraldine Darnsteadt, Jim Jensen, Doug Killham, Ron McMillan, Ardith Scheurman, Mary Smith, Janice Weber. SECOND ROW: Vern Wagner, Kent Bond, Hersey Mangels, Myra Mathewson, class sponsors: Mrs. Holloway, Mr. Killion, Miss Robinson, Mr. Winn.

# JUNIOR STATE



**JUNIOR STATE OFFICERS**, left to right: Tom Gilliland, Lieutenant Governor; Karen Kinney, Governor; Phyllis Waggerby, Secretary of State; Charlene Anthony, Secretary of the Treasury.

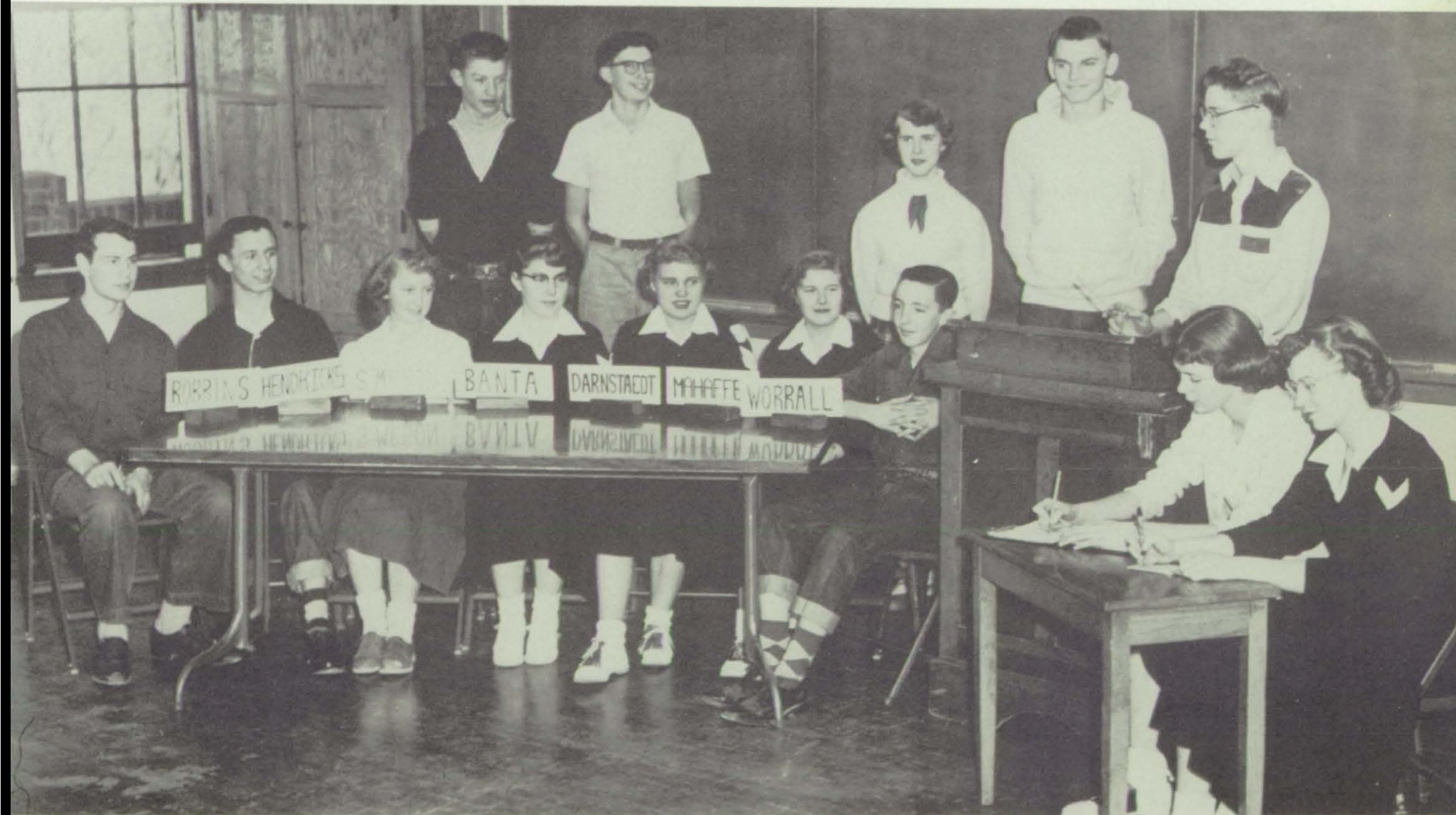


**JUNIOR STATE LEGISLATURE, FIRST ROW:** Shirley Van De Voorde, Wendell Pearson, Marilyn Miles, Caroline Henderson, Ray Handsel, Jean George, Ronnie Brown, Jeanne Banta, Phyllis Waggerby, Charlene Anthony. **SECOND ROW:** Nancy Neuman, Don Spearow, Karen Kinney, Tom Gilliland.

# SOPHOMORE STATE



**SOPHOMORE STATE OFFICERS, left to right: Jane Welch, Lieutenant Governor; Wes Berry, Governor; Nancy Davis, Secretary of State; Marcella Lessman, Secretary of the Treasury.**



**SOPHOMORE STATE LEGISLATURE, FIRST ROW: Jerry Robbins, Robert Hendricks, Peggy Simpson, Louise Banta, Margie Darnstaedt, Flora Mahaffey, Roger Worrall, Nancy Davis, Marcella Lessman. SECOND ROW: John Hinrichs, Kent Christner, Jane Welch, Wes Berry, Jack King.**

# FRESHMEN STATE

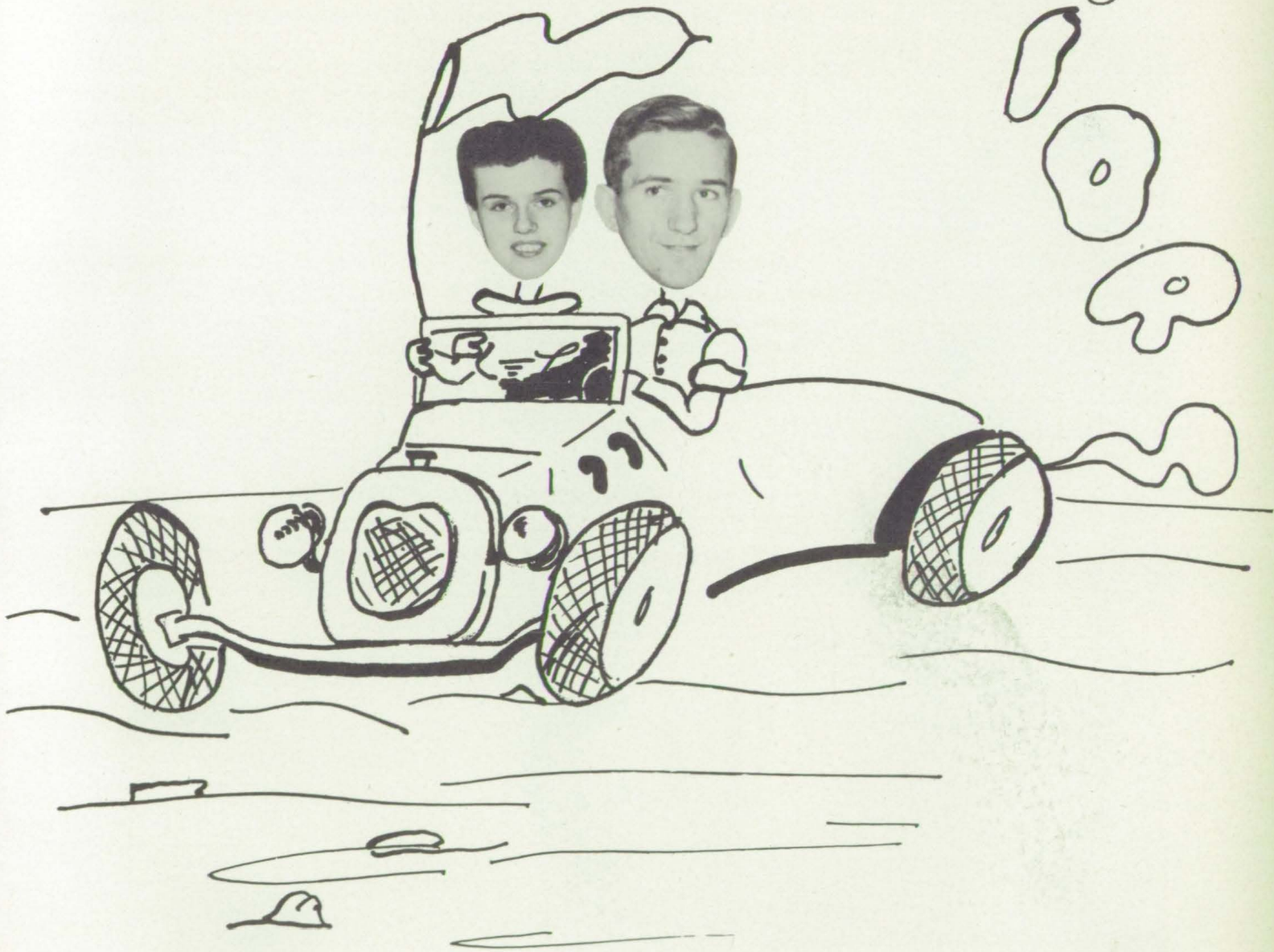


**FRESHMAN STATE OFFICERS, left to right: Robert Ivie, Lieutenant Governor; Don Schmidt, Governor; Dianne Hindrichs, Secretary of State; Larry Golden, Secretary of the Treasury.**



**FRESHMAN STATE LEGISLATURE, FIRST ROW: Marilyn Talcott, Ardyce Shoopman, Sally O'Connell, Dean Meyer, Doug Harlan, Larry Feather, Sharlene Bruenger, La Reta Banta, Dianne Hindrichs, Larry Golden. SECOND ROW: Roy Handsel, Don Schmidt, Robert Ivie.**

SEAWORLD





## OUR HONOR STUDENTS

The reward for hard work all through high school is a high scholastic standing. The five Sidney High Students who lead the class scholastically in '54 were also very active in extra curricular work thus illustrating that good grades and fun do mix.

**JANET SHUMAN:** Valedictorian (95% average); College Prep; Sidney 1,2,3,4; Band 1,2,3,4; Band Librarian 1,2,3; Band President 4; State Clinic 4; Chorus 2,4; Chorus Vice President 4; Girls' Glee Club 1,4; Triple Trio 3,4; Trio 3; Pep Club 1,2,3,4; Pep Club Historian 4; Candidate for Rotary Citizenship Award 1,3; Rotary Citizenship Award 2; Girls' State 3; Junior Class Play 3; County Government 3; GAA 3; Trail Staff 4; Hi Life Staff 4; Candidate for Cotillion Queen 4.



**JANICE WEBER:** Salutatorian (93% average); College Prep; Beatrice 1; Sidney 2,3,4; Band 1,2,3,4; Band Sergeant at Arms 4; Lieutenant Governor 3; State Legislator 4; Junior Class Play 3; Candidate for Rotary Citizenship Award 2; County Government 3; Girls' State Alternate 3; Pep Club 1,2,3,4; Pep Club Point Recorder 4; Hi Life Staff 4; Trail Staff 4; Candidate for Cotillion Queen 4.

**ANCEL LEWIS, JR.:** Third Place (92.9 average); College Prep; Sidney 1,2,3,4; Football 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Track 1,2,3,4; State Legislator 2,3; National Representative 4; Speaker of the House 4; Football Co-captain 4; S Club 2,3,4; Cotillion King 4.

**MARY JOAN SMITH:** Fourth Place (92.1% average); Business; Sidney 1,2,3,4; State Legislator 1,4; Pep Club 2,3,4; Girls' Basketball 1,2.

**DOROTHY WOLVERTON:** Fifth Place (90.76% average); College Prep; Sidney 1,2,3,4; Pep Club 2,3,4; FHA 1,2; FHA Secretary 2; Girls' Track 1,2; Junior Class Play 3; National Representative 4.



KENNETH (ANDY) ANDERSON: General; Sidney 1,2,3,4; Football 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3; Track 1,2,3,4; Junior Class Play 3; Class Treasurer 1; S Club; FFA 1,2.



RUTH DARLENE ANDERSON: College Prep; Sidney 1,2,3,4; FHA 1,2,3; Pianist 2; Treasurer 3; President 3; Pep Club 3; National Representative 3.

BARBARA AYERS: College Prep; Sidney 1,2,3,4; Class Treasurer 3; Band 2,3,4; Assistant Librarian 3; Chorus 1,2; Pep Club 1,2,3,4; County Government 3; Trail Staff 4; Hi Life Staff 4.



JOE E. BARNES: College Prep; Nemaha 1; Sidney 2,3,4; Football 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Track 1,2,3,4; Sophomore Play 2; Trail Staff 4; Hi Life Staff 4; County Government 3; S Club 2,3,4.

BILL BAUER: General; Scottsbluff 2; Sidney 1,3,4.



RICHARD J. BENSON: General; Kimball 1,2; Sidney 3,4; Football 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2; Track 1,2,3,4; S Club 3,4.

ROSE ANN BIVENS: Business; Sidney 1,2,3,4.



KENT BOND: College Prep; Sidney 1,2,3,4; Football 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2; Track 1,2,3,4; Homecoming King 4; Junior Class Play 3; Chorus 1,2,3,4; Boys' Quartet 3,4; Boys' Octet 3,4; S Club 2,3,4; State Clinic 4; County Government 3.

# ON TO WHAT THE FUTURE HOLDS

Clad in blue-gray caps and gowns and looking toward the future, the graduating class of 1954 found it hard to believe the end of a twelve year school career had come. Upon receiving their diplomas the class filed through the doors of the school which had been the center of their thoughts and actions for so long into a new school - the school of life. Each one realized the importance of this day, but those backward glances were many as the tide of never to be forgotten happy memories swept through their minds.

The group had entered high school as the proverbial freshmen who considered themselves transformed over night into the status of adults. To be in such a position was a challenge and they accepted it with vigor. The year was high lighted with initiation when they were asked to dress like story-book characters. "Little Red Riding Hood", "Mother Goose", and "Little Bo-Peep" were there that day. All year they bore the traditional teasing of the upper classmen until finally they themselves were the "big" upper classmen - the sophomores.

The tables turned that next year when the class became sophomores. Now it was they who were in a position to do the teasing, and they did. However, school activities absorbed much of their exuberance and several classmen found themselves partaking in the class play, "Poetry, Drama, and Song", others were decorating the gym for the dances the class sponsored, and always there were lessons to prepare. The year quickly passed and they entered the busiest year of their high school days, the junior year.

As juniors they were caught up in a whirlwind of social, athletic, and scholastic activities. In the fall they sold soft drinks, candy, and popcorn to the football fans as they shivered under the chilly autumn stars. They made a float for the first Homecoming Parade Sidney High School had sponsored. It didn't win first prize. The junior play, "The little Dog Laughed", was applauded by the schools and public and helped fill the coffers for the banquet which is a final offering of the juniors to the outgoing senior class. All during basketball season willing class members donned vender's aprons and worked their way through the crowds in the gym crying "pop corn for sale" or manned the coke and candy stand. When spring came they were ready to present their banquet. "Club 53" was the theme and it was sophisticated. (See banquet scenes, page 44).

At last, the senior year with its amazing finality was there. The Christmas Cotillion, pictures and graduation announcements, the Junior-Senior Banquet where they were guests, Sneak Day, Senior Class Day, and finally Baccalaureate services on the sixteenth of May with Commencement following on the nineteenth ended the four busy high school years.

The class chose blue and gray as their colors with the red rose as their flower. The class motto, "He who conquers himself", was selected as appropriate.

**JUDY BUSH:** College Prep; Sidney 1,2,3,4; Girls' Glee Club 1,4; Chorus 2,4; Band 2,3,4; Pep Club 1,2,3,4, Pep Club Secretary 4; Class Secretary 1,3; Triple Trio 4; Cheerleader 1; Cheerleader 1; State Clinic 4; Hi Life Staff 4; Trail Staff 4; Junior Class Play 3; Valentine Sweetheart 4; Operetta 4.



**EDDIE CONKLIN:** Business; Sidney 1,2,3,4; Trades.



**MARGIE COPLEY**

College Prep; Sidney 1,2,3,4; Pep Club 1,2,3,4; Chorus 2,4; Girls' Glee Club 1,4; Band 1,2,3,4; Triple Trio 3,4; Trio 3,4; Lieutenant Governor 1; Treasurer 2; Governor 3; President's Cabinet 4; Cheerleader 1,3; Drum Major-ette 4; Candidate for Valentine Sweetheart 1,2; Candidate for Homecoming Queen 4; Chorus President 4; Junior Class Play 3; Hi Life Staff 4; Trail Staff 4; Candidate for Rotary Citizenship Award 1,2; Pep Club Historian 2; State Clinic 4; Alternate for Girls' State 3; Cotillion Queen 4; Operetta 4.



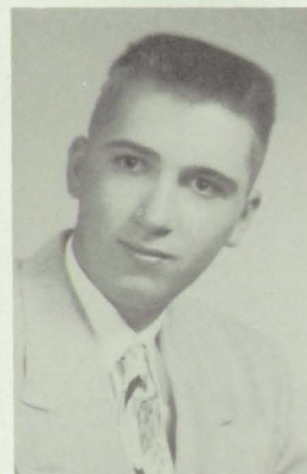


GERALDINE DARNSTAEDT: College Prep; Sidney 1,2,3,4; Pep Club 2,3; FHA 1; National Representative 1,2; State Legislator 3,4; Girls' Track 1,2; Girls' Basketball 1,2; Sophomore Class Play 2.



ROBERT DONALDSON: College Prep; Green River, Wyoming and Hastings 1; North Platte 2; Sidney 3,4; National Representative 4; Football Student Manager 4; Band 4.

CARL FARMER: General; Sidney 1,2,3,4; Chorus 3,4; Class Sergeant at Arms 4.



DALE FISCHER: College Prep; Sidney 1,2,3,4; State Legislator 2; National Representative 3; Football 3; Student Manager in Basketball 3,4; Student Manager in Track 3,4; S Club 3,4; Hi Life Staff 4.

BUDDY GOMEZ: General; Sidney 1,2,3,4.



JOHN GROVE: General; Alliance 1; Sidney 2,3,4; Football 2,3,4; Basketball 2,4; Track 3; Football Co-captain 4; Mixed Chorus 2,4; Candidate for Homecoming King 4; S Club 3,4; Candidate for Cotillion King 4; Trail Staff 4; Hi Life Staff 4.

PHYLLIS HARTZLER: General; Oshkosh 1,2; Sidney 3,4; Chorus 1,2,3; Girls' Glee Club 1,2,3; Dramatics Club 1,2.



NANCY ANNE HESS: College Prep; Sidney 1,2,3,4; State Legislator 2,3; Mixed Chorus 2,4; Girls' Glee Club 2,4; Girls' Track 1,2; Girls' Basketball 1,2; Pep Club 2,3,4; Pep Club Point Recorder 4; Hi Life Staff 4; Trail Staff 4; County Government 3.



The senior float won first prize in the Homecoming Parade with Joe Barnes and the buffalo urging the Sidney Maroons to skin the McCook Bisons.

MARIE ANN JELKS: General; Sidney 1,2,3,4; State Legislator 1.

JIMMIE JENSEN: College Prep; Sidney 1,2,3,4; National Representative 1,2; State Legislator 4; Junior Class Play 3; Boys' Octet 4; Cheerleader 4; Band 4.

MAXINE JEZEK: General; Sidney 1,2,3,4; Chorus 1,2; FHA 1,2,3; Band 1.

MARLENN JOBMAN: General; Sidney 1,2,3,4; Industrial Arts.



DOUG KILLHAM: General; Sidney 1,2,3,4; Football 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3; Track 1,2,3,4; State Legislator 4; Hi Life Staff 4; Trail Staff 4; S Club 2,3,4.

EILEEN KLENTZ: Home Ec; Sidney 1,2,3,4; Girls' Basketball 1,2; Girls' Track 1,2.



VIRGINIA LARSON: College Prep; Sidney 1,2,3,4; Hi Life Staff 4; Trail Staff 4; Chorus 2,4; Girls' Glee Club 1,4; Pep Club 1,2,3,4; Junior Class Play 3.

MARY ANN LIBSACK: General; Sidney 1,2,3,4; Girls' Track 1.



MADELINE LUNDBERG: General; Sidney 1,2,3,4; Chorus 3; FHA 1; Girls' Track 2,3.

RON McMILLEN: General; Sidney 1,2,3,4; Vocational Agriculture; Football 1,2,3,4; Sergeant at Arms 1,2; Chorus 4; Operetta 4; Basketball 1,2; Track 1; FFA Secretary 3; FFA President 4.



BILLIE ANN McWILLIAMS: Business; Sidney 1,2,3,4; Chorus 2,4; Girls' Glee Club 4; FHA 1,2; Girls' Track 1,2; Girls' Basketball 1,2.

ROB MAHR: College Prep; Sidney 1,2,3,4; Football 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3; Track 1; Boys' Quartet 3,4; Boys' Octet 3,4; Chorus 1,2,3,4; State Clinic 3,4; Boys' State 3; Candidate for Rotary Citizenship Award 2; Rotary Citizenship Award 3; S Club 3,4; Junior Class Play 3; President's Cabinet 4; State Legislator 2; Sergeant at Arms 4; Hi Life Staff 4; Trail Staff 4.





The senior class Lieutenant Governor, Kent Bond, presents the golden key of the school to the Lieutenant Governor of the junior class, Tom Gilliland.

**HERSEY MANGELS:**  
 College Prep; Sidney 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1; Student Manager in Track 2,3; Student Manager in Football 4; Student Manager in Basketball 3,4; Sophomore Play 2; Junior Class Play 3; National Representative 1,3; Class Secretary 4.



**MYRA MATHEWSON**

College Prep; Chappell 1,2; Sidney 3,4; Class Secretary 1; Class President 2; FHA 1,2; Pep Club 1,2,3,4; Chorus 2; Girls' Glee Club 1,2; Triple Trio 2,4; Band 1,2,3,4; Alternate Cheerleader 2; Cheerleader 4; GAA 1,2; Candidate for FFA Queen 1,2; Class Treasurer 4; Pep Club Treasurer 4; County Government 3; Candidate for Valentine Sweetheart 3; Candidate for Homecoming Queen 2,4; Trail Staff 4; Hi Life Staff 4; State Clinic 4.



**ROLAND MEININGER:**  
 General; Sidney 1,2,3,4; Football 1,2; Basketball 1; Track 1; FFA 1,2,3; FFA Reporter 3; State Legislator 1,3; National Representative 4.



FRANCIS NICHOLSON: General, Ravenna 1; Grand Island 2; Sidney 3,4; Track 1,2,4; Chorus 4; Basketball 1; FFA 1.

JENELL ROGERS: Business; Sidney 1,2,3,4; State Legislature 2; Girls' Basketball 3; Girls' Track 3.

ARDITH SCHEURMAN: Business; Sidney 1,2,3,4; Girls' Glee Club 1,4; Chorus 2,4; Triple Trio 3; Band 2,3; Girls' Track 1,2; Girls' Basketball 1,2; State Legislature 4; Hi Life Staff 4; Trail Staff 4.

SUE SECREST: General; Sidney 1,2,3,4; Chorus 2,3,4; Girls' Glee Club 2,3,4; FHA 1,2,3; FHA Treasurer 1.

JOYCE ANN SEWELL: Business; Sidney 1,2,3,4; FHA 1; Girls' Track 1,2; Girls' Basketball 1,2; President's Cabinet 4.

KENNETH SEWELL: General; Sidney 1,2,3,4; Trades.

VERNA SHOOPMAN: Collage Prep; Sidney 1,2,3,4; Pep Club 1,2,3,4; Girls' Glee Club 1; Chorus 2; State Legislature 1,3; National Representative 2; Junior Class Play 3; Girls' Track 1,2; Hi Life Staff 4; Trail Editor 4.

ALTA SMITH: College Prep; Sidney 1,2,3,4; Girls' Track 1; Hi Life Staff 4; Trail Staff 4.





The Seniors let fly the Sneak Day banner to announce their exclusive holiday.

EVA SNYDER: College Prep; Sidney 1,2,3,4; FHA 1,2; State Legislator 2; Girls' Basketball 1,2; Girls' Track 1,2; Sophomore Play 2; Clerk of the House of Representatives 4.

JANICE STANLEY: Business; Sidney 1,2,3,4; Chorus 2; Girls' Basketball 2,4; Girls' Track 2; Sergeant at Arms 4; Candidate for Valentine Sweetheart 4.

ALICE TAFOLLA: College Prep; Minatare 1; Sidney 2,3,4; FHA 1,2,3,4; Chorus 1,2; Girls' Track 1,2; Pep Club 1; FHA Vice President 3,4.

GEORGE TAYLOR, JR.: College Prep; Sidney 1,2,3,4; Football 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,4; Track 1,2,3,4; Band 3,4; Chorus 4; S Club 2,3,4; President's Cabinet 4; Hi Life Editor 4; Trail Staff 4; Junior Class Play 3; Band Vice President 4.



**VERN WAGNER:** College Prep; Sidney 1,2,3,4; Football 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Track 1,2,3,4; S Club 3,4; County Government 3, State Legislator 2; Class Governor 4; Candidate for Homecoming King 4; Candidate for Cotillion King 4.



**VIRGINIA WELCH:** College Prep; Sidney 1,2,3,4; Girls' Glee Club 1; Chorus 2; Pep Club 1,2,3,4; National Representative 3; Band 3,4; Junior Class Play 3; Trail Staff 4; Hi Life Staff 4; Girls' Track 1,2.

**DON WILKINS:** General; Sidney 1,2,3,4; Sergeant at Arms 3.



**JEANNETTE WITTERS:** College Prep; Sidney 1,2,3,4; State Legislator 3; Lieutenant Governor 2; Cheerleader 1,3,4; Chorus 2; Girls' Glee Club 1; Candidate for Rotary Citizenship Award 3; Candidate for Valentine Sweetheart 1,2,3; Homecoming Queen 4; Junior Class Play 3; Girls' Track 1,2; Girls' Basketball 1,2; Pep Club 1,2,3,4; Pep Club Point Recorder 2; Pep Club Vice President 3; Pep Club President 4; Band 2,3,4; County Government 3; Trail Staff 4; Hi Life Staff 4.

**MELBA WITTRICK:** Business; Sidney 1,2,3,4; Chorus 2; Sophomore Play 2; Trail Staff 4; Hi Life Staff 4.



**JOANNE WOODS:** College Prep; Sidney 1,2,3,4; FHA 1; Pep Club 2,3; Trail Staff 4; Hi Life Staff 4.

**JIM KRUEGER  
ELOISE VERNON**



The Master of Ceremonies, Bruce Dimick



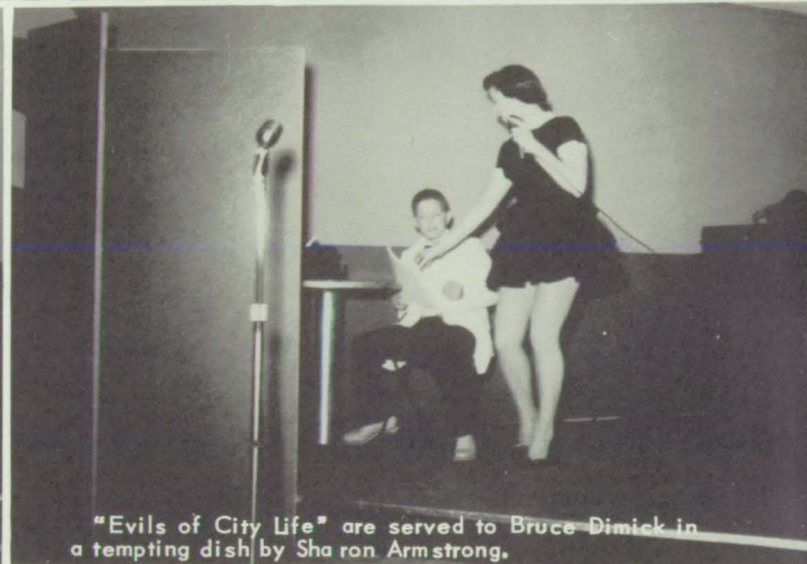
A Welcome to the Seniors from Margie Copley



"Must, anyone?", asked Phyllis Waggerby and Charlene Anthony



"Baby, It's Cold Up Here"



"Evils of City Life" are served to Bruce Dimick in a tempting dish by Sharon Armstrong.



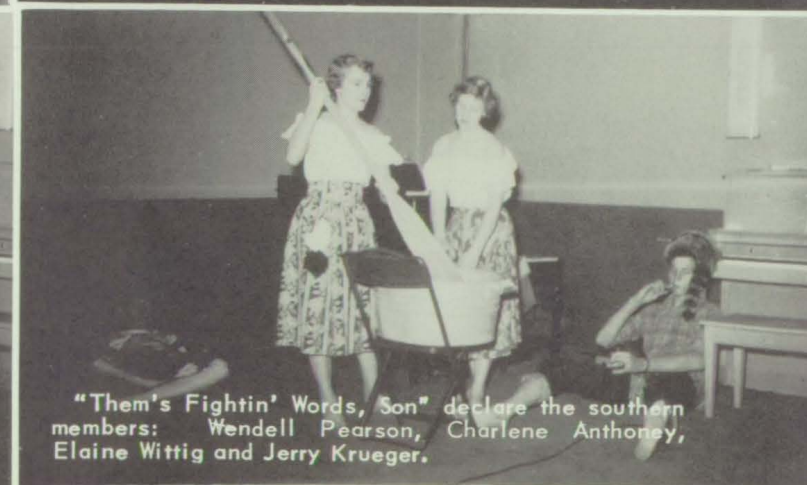
"Go West, Young Man, Go West" Ronald Brown, Doris Davis, Shirley Van De Voorde and Wendell Pearson advise the audience.



"East is East" harmonize Ronald Brown (Blackie), Reba Kinne, Karen Kinney and Dean Schmidt.

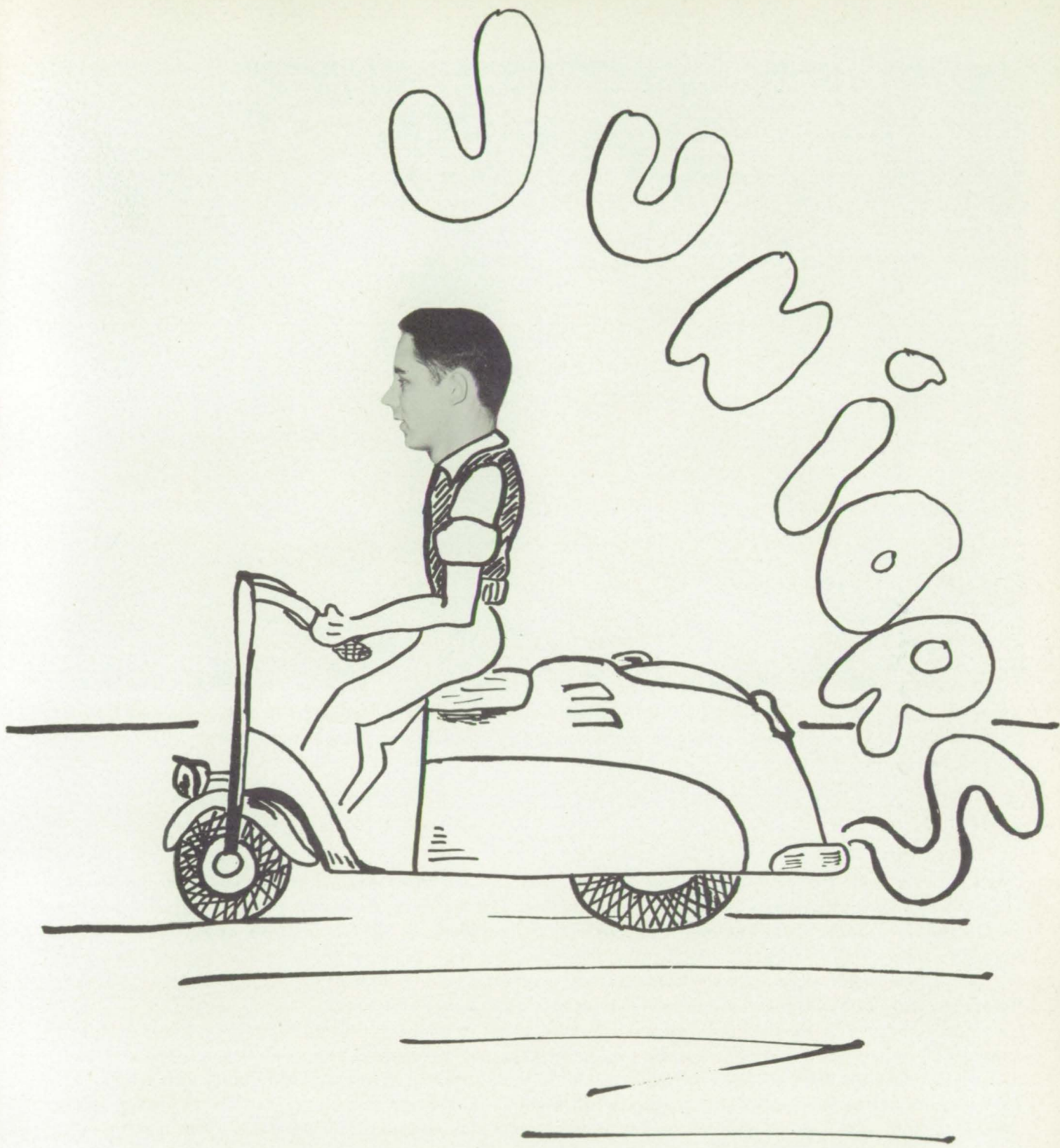


Institutions of Higher Learning as represented by Donny Gilbreath, Jeanne Banta, Shirley Van De Voorde and Ronald Brown.



"Them's Fightin' Words, Son" declare the southern members: Wendell Pearson, Charlene Anthony, Elaine Wittig and Jerry Krueger.







It takes money to meet all the social obligations a junior class is called upon to make. Delbert Gheen, Caroline Henderson and Deanna Moseman dutifully sold concessions at basketball games.

The Juniors began a busy year by electing their class officers and a member of the faculty to the Senate. They elected Karen Kinney as Governor, Tom Gilliland as Lieutenant Governor, Phyllis Waggerby became the Secretary of State, and Charlene Anthony took a firm grasp on the class purse strings when she became Secretary of the Treasury. Mr. Loring White became their representative in the Senate. Assigned to sponsor the many functions of the class of '55, Mr. White, Miss Ruth Holtom, Mr. Don Burrows, Mr. Ray Maley, and Mr. Art Bauer found plenty of class activities to keep them busy.

How to raise money to give the Seniors that ever to be remembered banquet and prom they deserve is always the major question confronted by the junior class. This year a new concession stand was built and equipped on the football field to facilitate the sale of tempting hot-dogs, candy bars, soft drinks, and steaming hot coffee to hungry fans on snappy fall nights. In addition to concessions the Juniors annually present a class play, which adds to the fun. This year's play, entitled "Ghost Train", was one that sent shivers down everyone's back.

Then came County Government Day when the Juniors learned more about their government.

The biggest thrill of all, the Junior-Senior Banquet, came in May. Another added attraction the Juniors gave to SHS was the Junior-Senior Prom for the first time in SHS history.

Besides all the hard work, the Juniors had fun picking out class rings and posing for class pictures. To wind up a good year they all had fun at their class picnic.



IVAN ADAMS

CHARLENE ANTHONY

MILFORD BAILLY

CONRAD ALLGOOD

SHARON ARMSTRONG

JEANNE BANTA



LORENE BARNES

DON BAUMBACH

LOYD BRAUER

ROBERT BAUERKEMPER

FRANCES BILLETER

RONALD BROWN



RONNIE BROWN

BILL CLEMONS

EUGENE COSSEY

DORIS DAVIS

JEROME BUEHRER

DALE DODDS



JERRY DOLAN

JACK FLOHR

MIKE FROST

RUTH GENTLE

BEVERLY FARMER

JEAN GEORGE



DELBERT GHEEN

DON GILBREATH

TOM GILLILAND

JAYE GRIGG

RAY HANDSEL

PHILIP HANNEMAN



GEORGE HART

JANET HARTMAN

CAROLINE HENDERSON

WILLIAM HENDERSON

RONNIE HOWARTER

GEORGIA KENNEDY



LEIGHTON KESSELRING

REBA KINNE

KAREN KINNEY

KAY KRIEGSMAN

JERRY KRUEGER

LARRY LARSON



GERALDINE LECHMAN

LOIS McCLANAHAN

LYLE McCLANAHAN

HELEN McCOY

BONNIE McDANIALS

LaVONE McMILLEN



DONNA MAE MEYER



MARILYN MILES



DEANNA MOSEMAN



NANCY NEUMAN



GEORGE NEIKUM



FRANCES O'DELL



JOHNNY PAYNE



WENDELL PEARSON



BILL PERATT



BOBBIE PHILLIPS



SHIRLEY PEIRSON



DERALD PITTAM



GEORGE POWELL



BARBARA PRINTZ



CAROLYN ROBINSON



JOANN ROBIRDS



JUDY SABIN



CHARLES SAYRE



DEAN SCHMIDT



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LARRY SIECKMANN



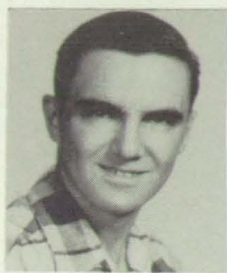
CAROL SPARKS



DON SPEAROW



JERRY STOVALL



LOWELL SWEET



ANNA THORPE



ROSEMARY TOWNSEND



ROBERTA VAN CLEAVE



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PHYLLIS WAGGERBY



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ELAINE WITTIG



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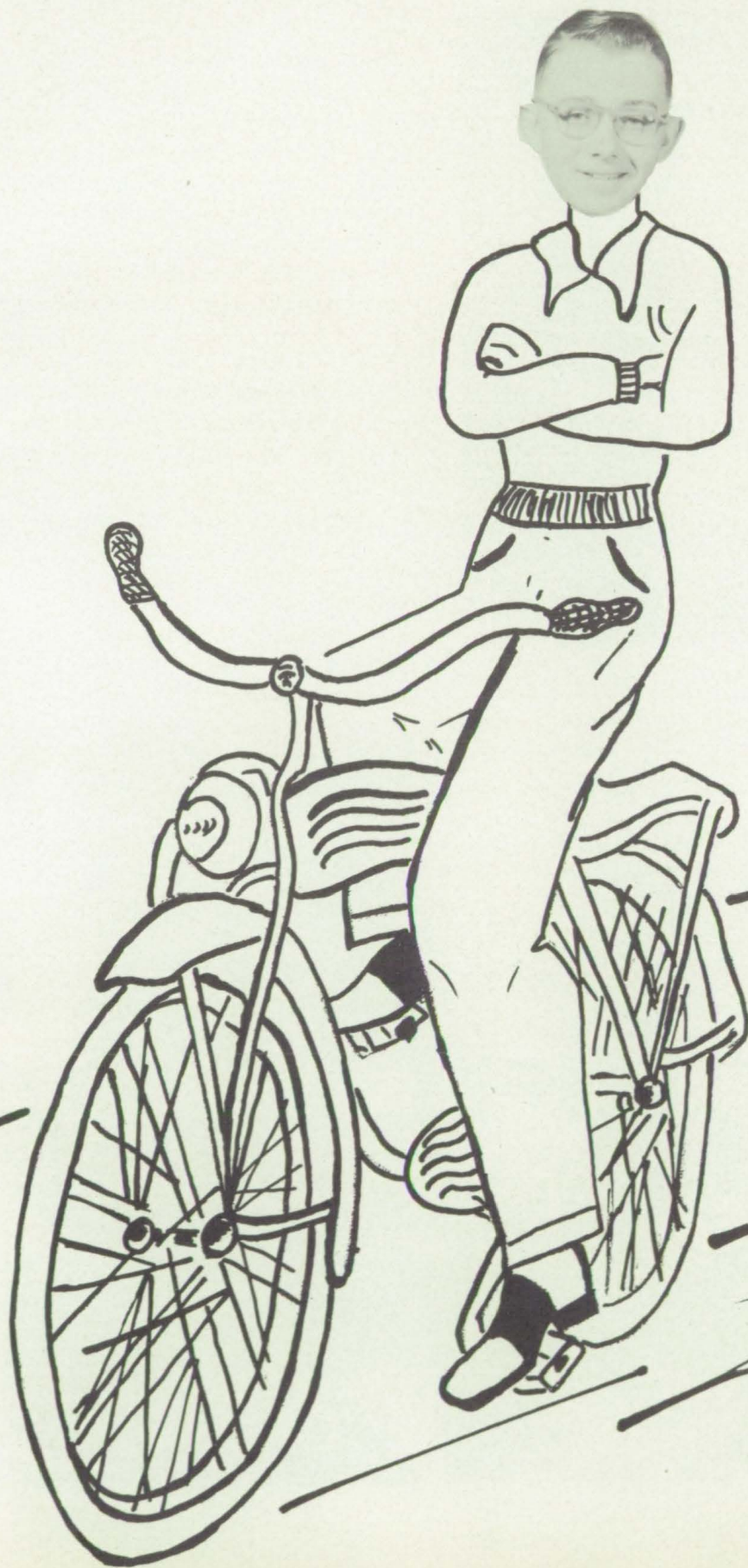
As a result of their year of hard work the Junior's financial condition enabled them to obtain this fine dance band for the Junior-Senior Prom.



Brave Charlene Anthony sits astride the saddled sawhorse at the Junior sponsored Twirp Dance.



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# UP AND COMING

The sophomore class of '54 began the year as proverbial sophomores do. This year they were wise in the ways of high school life and went about the halls with an assured air.

When election time came in the early fall they conducted a lively campaign under the able guidance of Miss Shires, permanent sponsor, and elected Wes Berry, governor; Jane Welch, lieutenant governor; Nancy Davis, secretary of state; and Marcella Lessman, secretary of the treasury.

The float they prepared for Homecoming was attractive and offered a note of confidence to the festivities.

When February came the class presented Carol Krueger and Nancy Davis as candidates for Sweetheart Queen.

The year was highlighted socially, March 12, with an all school dance sponsored by the group.



Showing Our Spirit

We're Trying







ANITA  
ABEYTA



CORA LEE  
ALLEN



JOHN  
ARMSTRONG



JEAN AUDE



LOUISE BANTA



LANCE BARKER



JOAN BENSON



WES BERRY



JANICE BILLETER



DALE BIVENS



GLEA BORN



SHIRLEY BOYD



JIMMY BRANDON



CHARLES BROOKS



DIANE BUCHER



MELVIN CHIPPS



KENT CHRISTNER



BOBBY CLARK



JERRY CLARK



JERRY CLEMONS



CLEO CLOUD



DONNA CRAIG



MARJORIE DARNSTAEDT



NANCY DAVIS



LUCILLE DEAN



TOM DOLAN



LARRY EDWARDS



JOAN EMERSON



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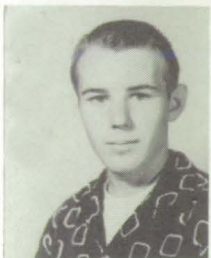
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JIM HANSEN



BURTON HARRIS



MARIAN HAWORTH



CLAUDIA HAZELWOOD



RICHARD HAZLITT



EARLENE HENDERSON



GEORGE HENDRICKS



ROBERT HENDRICKS



JOHN HETTRICK



JOHN HINRICHS JR.



RONALD HUMPHREY



BIRDIE IRWIN



JUDITH JERVIS



ROGER JORGENSEN



BONITA JURGENS



SHARON JURGENS



BETTY JO KIESELHORST



JACK KING



JOAN KING



SHARON KING



LUCILLE KOEHN



CAROL KRUEGER



EILEEN LANE



MARCELLA LESSMAN



ROBERT LINDSEY



DONNA McCARTHY



WINIFRED McCLANAHAN



DICK McCUNE



BOB McKINNEY



KENNETH McMILLEN



ELEANOR McNURLIN



GLORIA McVICKER



FLORA MAHAFFEY



LOVINA MAHLMAN



CONNIE MATHEWSON



MARCELYN MEICK



MICHAEL MONNICH



CRAIG MORR



IRENE NELSON



JIM NIELSON



JIM NORTHUP



JANE O'CONNOR



CAROL OGDEN



MIKELL PERATT



SHARON PROPER



JON PULS



EDWIN RASMUSSEN



RONALD REAM



KAREN REISNER



JERRY ROBBINS



LEO ROBERTSON



JIMMY ROGERS



JANICE SALES



DONALD SCHNELL



PAULINE SCHOENHOLTZ



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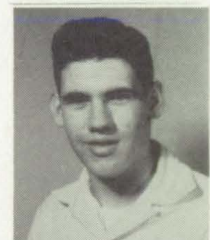
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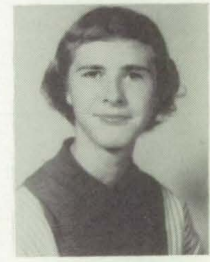
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RONALD WAGNER



MARJORIE WARREN



JANE WELCH



MARDELLE WIER



BETTY JEAN WILKENS



WAYNE WILSON



NORMA JEAN WITTIG



DORIS WITTRICK



GERALD WOLF



ROGER WORRALL

Sophomores With No Pictures:  
JOLAINE HOLM  
BOB TSCHACHER



# THE ACTIVE FRESHMEN



JACK ADAIR



JERRY ANDREW



LA RETA BANTA



EARL BARNES



ELEANOR BATT



BOBBY BAUER



BILLY BELL



BETTY BENZEL



LARRY BLACK



VERN BRAUER



DONNA BROOKS



SHARLENE BRUENGER



JOAN BURR



LARRY BUTTS



BILLY CAMPBELL



KIPP CARHILL



LILA CHRISTENSEN



BOBBY CLARKSON



BOBBIE CONKLIN



TREVA CRAWFORD



SPENCER CRONK



GAIL DAVIS



MARY JANE DAVIS



ROBERT DEAVER



PRISCILLA DIXON



LESLIE DOBBINS



KAREN EDWARDS



DELORES EMERSON



LARRY FEATHER



JIMMY FELT



DARELD FRERICHS



DALE FOLSTER



ALVINA GARCIA



JOHN GIFFERT



DARWIN GLASSBURN



LARRY GOLDEN



ROY HANDSEL



JAMES HARDEN



LLOYD DOUGLAS



ARBIE HARMS



DIANNE HINRICHS



JOAN HOFER



TOMMY HOWERTER



ROBERT IVIE



KAREN JOBMAN



LYLE JOHNSON



FRANCES KEENAN



BEVERLY KING



TOMMY KIRK



EVELYN KLENTZ



KYLE KRIEGSMANN



JERRY LAMM



SHARON LANNING



CAROLYN MCGIRR



GORDON McMULLEN



DEAN MEYER



EVERETT MILLER



MERLYN MILLER



DUANE MOODY



RODNEY MOORE



MARCIA MUNDERLOH



KENNETH NELSON



BETTY NIGHTINGALE



BETTY NISSEN



JEAN NUSS



SALLY O'CONNELL



MARGARET OLSON



GLENDORIS PARKS



ROSIE PAYNE



JAMES PHILLIPS



ROBERT PHILLIPS



KATHRYN PIERSON



TED RAMOS



JUDY RASMUSSEN



LAURETTA REINEKA



GRETCHEN RUNGE



KEITH SAYRE



MARILYN SCHILLING



DON SCHMIDT



ARDYCE SHOOPMAN



KATHY SIECKMANN



SHAROLYN SPEER



RONALD STATLER



JEAN STATELY



GORDON STEWART



ODUS SWEET



MARILYN TALCOTT



HARRIET TAYLOR



DONALD THOMAS



JEFFERSON THOMAS



MARJORIE THOMAS



RONALD TRUAX



DELORES VINCENT



RUDY VIRGIL



JULIANNE WESTFALL



BETTY WILSON



MAX WILSON



LYNNE WOLF



JUANITA WYETT



ROBERT YAUNEY



SHIRLEY ZIEGLER



## "LOOK WHAT WE'VE DONE!"

On a bright day in the middle of September, 1953, one could observe many gay costumes while brousing about the halls and campus of SHS. It was the day of the annual freshman initiation. Costumes worn represented those of gypsies and gave a vivid impression to the program given by them. Songs and dances as well as instrumental solos were woven around a gypsy theme which featured a fortune-teller, Gordon Stewart. Along with the gaiety of gypsy tambourines was an undercurrent of responsibility. It was the traditional duty of the freshmen to find the buried hatchet - the little green hatchet which the seniors of '54 had kept for four years. If the hatchet had not been found the freshmen would have been forced to wear green beanies for the

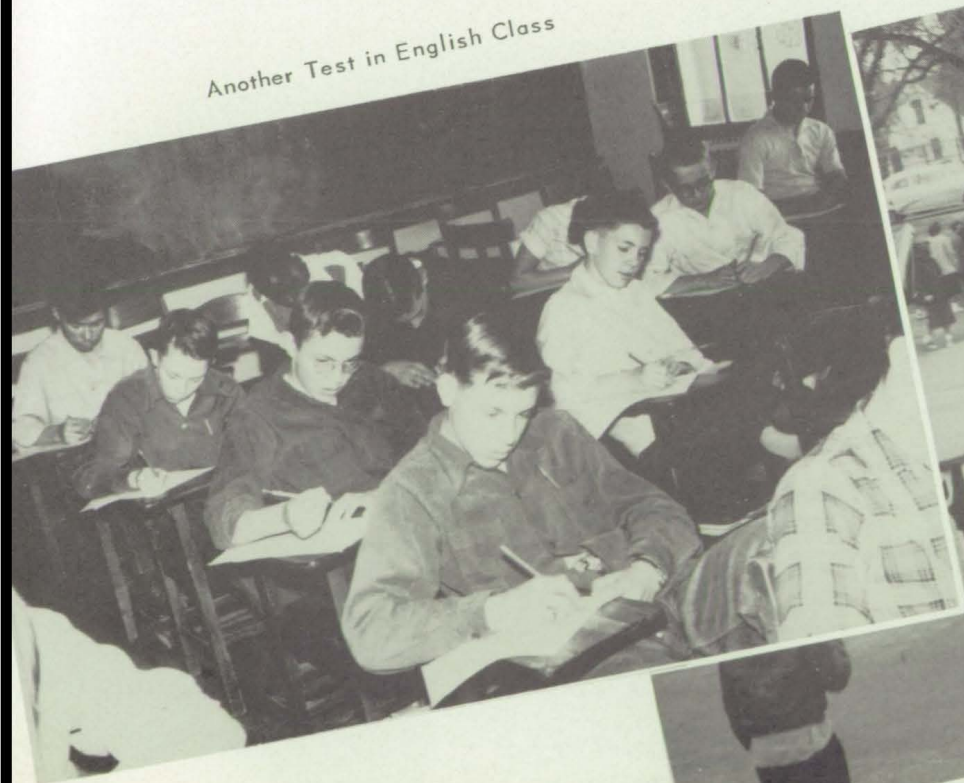
next six weeks. The hatchet was found by Roy Handsel and the freshmen were at ease once more.

In honor of the freshmen a dance was held that evening and a king and queen of the gypsies were chosen. Carolyn McGirr was the queen and Robert Ivie was king.

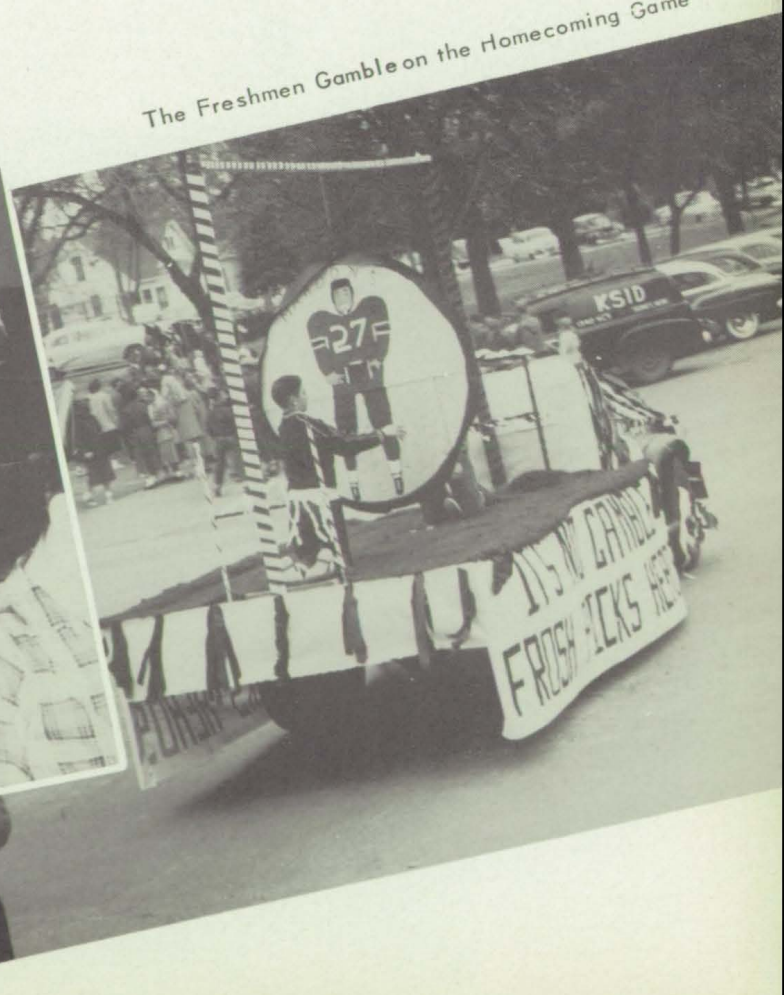
After a gay initiation the freshmen began thinking about taking part in the student government elections. Then came homecoming. The hard-working class was very proud of its float which won second in the homecoming parade.

The freshmen were very active in band, chorus and pep club as well as being participants in the operetta, **The Fortune Teller**. During the year they were host to two school dances. Their beginning enrollment of 115 now stands at 101.

Another Test in English Class



The Freshmen Gamble on the Homecoming Game

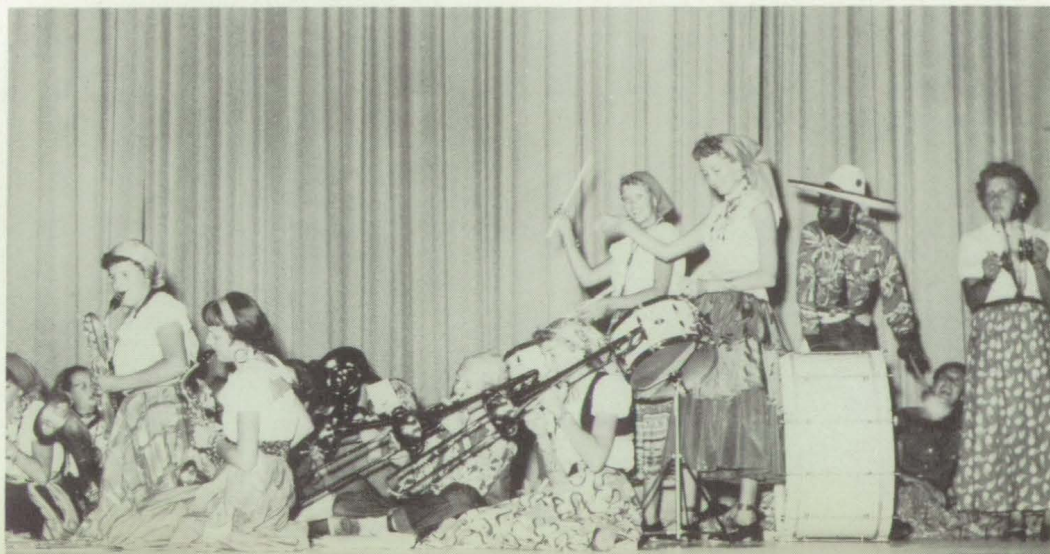




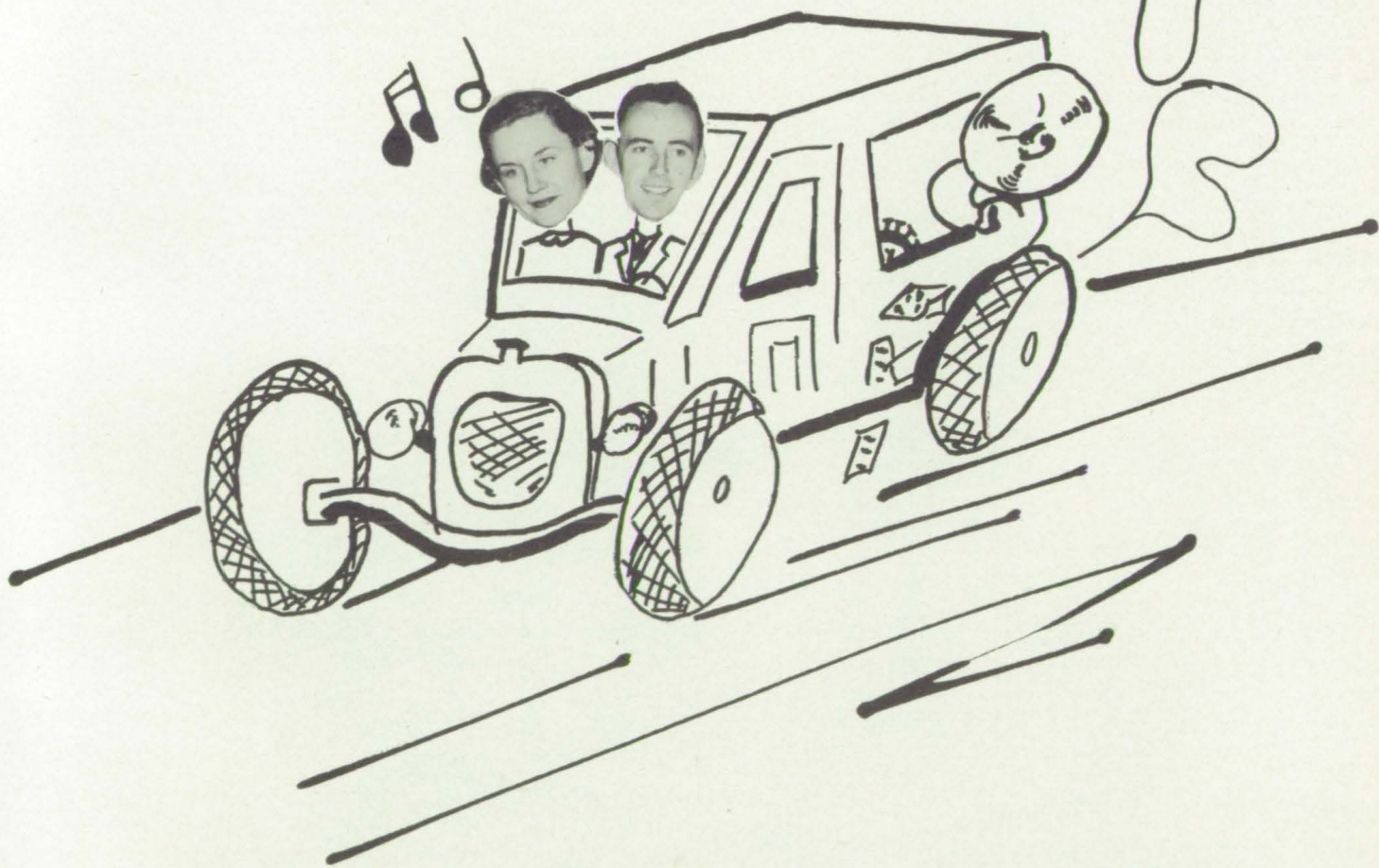
King, ROBERT IVIE  
Queen, CAROLYN MCGIRR



### FRESHMEN INITIATION



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Fall found the band reviewing their "right face", "left face", and "to the rear" during the marching season. The reward for their hard work resulted in a "superior" at the marching contest at Colorado Band Day in Boulder in which Sidney competed in class "A" competition. They stayed all night in Boulder, then toured through Denver and its City Park Sunday.... then home. The following week the band journeyed to the annual Scottsbluff High School Band Day festivities where they participated in the mass band concert which was directed by Mr. Killion. There Sidney put on a half time show.

At the time of printing, the band had made 28 performances as a group. The biggest performance was their Mid-winter Concert given February 14. A baritone trio composed of Phyllis Waggerby, Jerry Wolf, and Nancy Davis and a trombone quartet consisting of Jim Nielsen, Keith Sayre, Joan Burr, and Ron Brown were featured.

Basketball and football games would have found something lacking without the stirring tunes of

the band. Pep rallies and several out-of-town games were boosted by the spirited pep band.

The swingy dance band, composed of 18 members, played at school dances and the Lion's Club Minstrel Show. They gave out with fox trots, jazz, rumbas, and other popular music novelties.

The entertaining jug and bottle band was one of the numerous groups that performed this year. It provided an interesting source of amusement for members as well as listeners.

Other groups that worked up numbers were the sax quartet, flute quartet, clarinet quartet, brass sextet, drum ensemble, baritone trio, trombone quartet, alto horn quartet, and French Horn octette.

Selling brooms proved to be an interesting and worthwhile money-making project. Everyone had fun doing it. This helped pay for the newly acquired risers.

November 19, 20, and 21 found eight members at Fremont for the band and orchestra clinic. Seven went for band and one for orchestra. This was fun as well as being very worth while.

BACK ROW: Marilyn Talcott, Sally O'Connell, Betty Wilson, Rosie Payne, Delores Emerson, Jeannette Witters, Georgia Kennedy, Carolyn McGirr, Ardyce Shoopman, Jane O'Connor, Tom Gilliland, Doris Davis, Jack King, Lyle Johnson, Kenneth McMillen, Dale Dodds. THIRD ROW: Virginia Welch, Bonnie McDaniels, Sharon Proper, John Hinrichs, Nancy Neuman, Myra Mathewson, JoAnn Rodirds, Kathy Sieckmann, Flora Mahaffey, Ronnie Statler, Sharolyn Speer, Duane Moody. SECOND ROW: Jane Welch, Julianne Westfall, Joan King, Roy Handsel, Darlene Gerke, Janet Shuman, Jeanne George, Betty Nissen, Dianne Hinrichs. FRONT ROW: Reba Kinne, Ronnie Brown, Janet Hartman, Janice Weber, Charlene Anthony, Barbara Ayers. (In caption) band director, Dean Killion.





**DRUM MAJORETTES**  
Reba Kinne Margie Copley



The band officers who kept the ball rolling throughout the year are SEATED: George Taylor, vice-president; Janet Shuman, president. STANDING: Jerry Wolf, librarian; Tom Gilliland, student director; Janice Weber and Jim Jensen, sergeant of arms.

BACK ROW: Jim Jensen, Robert Mahr, John Hettrick, Ronald Brown, Dean Killion, director, Keith Sayre, Joan Burr, Jim Nielsen, Rodney Moore, Roger Worrall, Nancy Davis, Jerry Wolf, Phyllis Waggeberby, George Taylor, Wesley Berry, Sharon Armstrong. THIRD ROW: Ray Handzel, Bill Peratt, Burton Harris, Charles Sayre, Shirley Boyd, Max Wilson, Sharon King, Robert Donaldson, Beverly Farmer, Marcelyn Meick, Eileen Westerhoff. SECOND ROW: Carol Sparks, Kyle Kriegsmann, Tom Kirk, Robert Hendricks, Ruth Gentle, Judy Bush, Shirley Ziegler, Paula Gentle, Judy Jervis. FRONT ROW: Kenneth Nelson, Joan Benson, Michael Monnich, Karen Kinney, Harriet Taylor, Margaret Ann Olson, Margie Copley. (In caption) Tom Gilliland, student director.





The faithful group that played at all pep rallies and several out-of-town games.



The swiny dance band that could play rumbas, boogies, and fox trots.

## SIDNEY HIGH MARCHING BAND

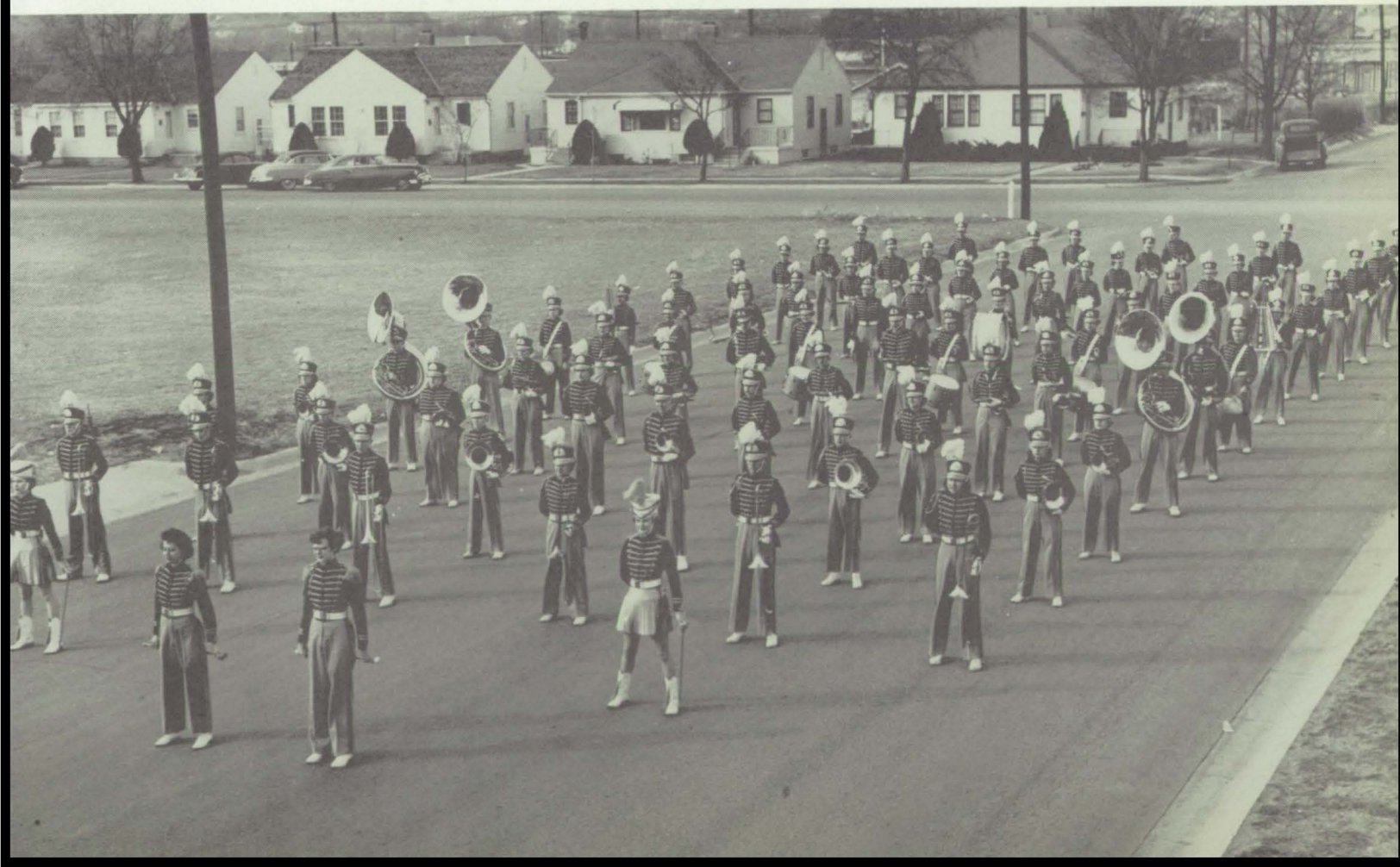




This group of popular demand is professionally known as the Jugs and Bottles Band. It is composed of back row: Janet Hartmann, Reba Kinne, Janice Weber, Ray Handsel, Eileen Westerhoff. Second row; Margie Copley, Judy Bush, George Taylor, Charles Sayre, Bob Donaldson, and Ronnie Brown. Front row: Ronald Brown, Myra Mathewson, and Jim Jensen.



The marching season was tagged a success with the aid of the snappy drum section. Back row: Myra Mathewson, Janice Weber, Judy Bush, Jeannette Witters. Front Row: Georgia Kennedy, Carolyn McGirr, Ardyce Shoopman, and Jane O'Connor.





Featured at the Mid-Winter Band Concert was the trombone quartette consisting of Ronald Brown, Keith Sayre, Jim Nielsen, and Joan Burr.



Caught bragging over their brain-power are the four flutes who rated scholastically on the top at the end of the first semester.



The baritone trio composed of Phyllis Waggerby, Nancy Davis, and Jerry Wolf were also featured at the Mid-Winter Band Concert.

Another flashy group is the saxophone quartette made up of Beverly Farmer, Sharon Armstrong, Judy Jervis, and Eileen Westerhoff.







A superior rated foursome is the clarinette quartette composed of Reba Kinne, Ronnie Brown, Janice Weber, and Janet Hartmann.



Giving out with bird-like music is Harriet Taylor, Karen Kinney, Margaret Olson, and Margie Copley, members of the flute quartett.



Known as one of the outstanding French horn octette groups made up of back row: JoAnn Robirds, Janet Shuman, Myra Mathewson, Nancy Neuman. Front row: Jeanne George, Kathy Sieckmann, Betty Nissen, and Dianne Hinrichs.



Another small group representing the Sidney band is the brass sextet whose members are Janet Shuman, Phyllis Waggerby, Dale Dodds, Jim Nielsen, Burton Harris, and Charles Sayre.

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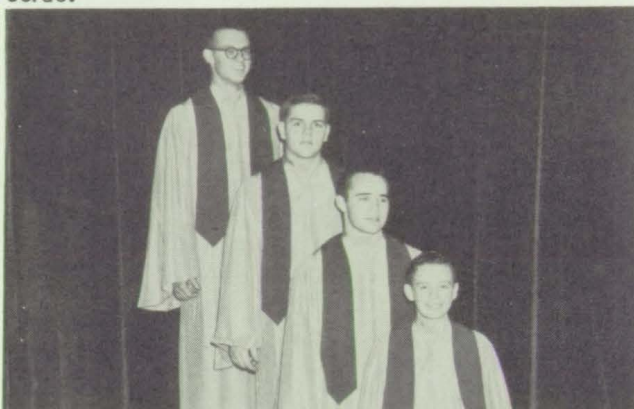
GIRLS' TRIPLE TRIO: Judy Bush, Phyllis Waggerby, Treva Crawford, Margie Copley, Myra Mathewson, Janet Shuman, Dianne Hinrichs, Marilyn Wilson and Shirley Van De Voorde.

Sing, sing, merrily they sing! That was the way the VOCAL DEPARTMENT began and ended the school year. To begin with every chorus member suspected new robes might be added to the prop list so enthusiasm ran high as the school term opened. When October came the final decision was made to buy chorus robes. They were smart looking – grey with maroon trim and every lad and lassy envied the vocalists.

The music clinic, held in Fremont, Nebraska, proved very instructive and entertaining to the six chorus members who were chosen to attend for those three November days. The lucky ones were Shirley Van De Voorde, Margie Copley, Kent Bond, Jerry Wolf and Rob Mahr.

Mid-winter and the spirit of the Christmas season inspired another annual Winter Concert. Every chorus member worked diligently for a successful presentation.

The climax of the year's activity came when every member of the vocal department took a deep bow before the ardent applause of a full house who came to enjoy the operetta, THE FORTUNE TELLER, directed by Nancy Button, vocal instructor.



The four boys in the musical group are Carl Farmer, Rob Mahr, Kent Bond, and Jerry Wolf; the boys' quartet.



Adding a bit of music to the school was the girl's trio. Marge Copley, Janet Shuman, and Doris Davis.



Singing for several occasions and just for fun was the boys' octette including Philip McCormack, Rob Mahr, Carl Farmer, Dale Dodds, Hersey Mangels, Kent Bond, Jerry Wolf, and Jim Jensen.



BACK ROW: Jean Statley, Cora Lee Allen, Donna Craig, Carol Siemers, Ardith Scheurman, La Rene Barnes, Jean Batt, Marjorie Thomas, Janet Shuman, Nancy Hess, Doris Davis, Karen Jobman, Karen Reisner.  
 SECOND ROW: Beverly Farmer, Judy Bush, Margie Copley, Shirley Van De Voorde, Caroline Henderson, Rosemary Townsend, Mikell Peratt, Marcia Munderloh, Delores Vincent, Marilyn Wilson, Betty Nightingale, Phyllis Waggerby.  
 FRONT ROW: Jeanne George, LaVone McMillen, Marilyn Schilling, Laretta Reineka, Joan Hofer, Judy Rasmussen, Lucille Dean, Shirley Boyd, Priscilla Dixon, Margaret Ann Olson, Karen Edwards.



BACK ROW: Robert Mahr, John Grove, Carl Farmer, Francis Nicholson, Ronald McMillen, Dick McCune.  
 SECOND ROW: Ronnie Brown, Jerry Clemens, Gordon Stewart, George Taylor, Philip McCormick.  
 FRONT ROW: Jerry Wolf, Hersey Mangels, Kent Bond, Edwin Rasmussen.

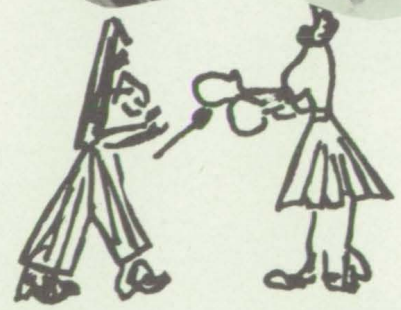


The Ivory Touch; Phyllis Waggerby and Margaret Ann Olsen, accompanists.

Floods of memory will assail the chorus members of that year 1953 and 1954 as they remember the mild Christmas weather that sent them caroling by moonlight; the music clinic in Fremont which accepted the application of four carloads of vocal and instrumental entrees and the party given after the operetta, "The Fortune Teller" by Mr. and Mrs. Bond for the entire cast, technicians and directors.



Chorus officers inspecting a new robe from their '54 project: Shirley Van De Voorde, Janet Shuman, Margie Copley, Beverly Farmer and sponsor, Miss Button.



THE WINNERS: Kent Bond and Jerry Wolf won first prize selling the most operetta tickets. Edwin Rasmussen, Judy Rasmussen and Jeanne George ran close second.

AWARD WINNERS: Each year an award is given to the outstanding senior vocal student. Ability, cooperation, initiative, and the contribution of each student is considered in making the award. Donna Steward was the 1952-'53 award winner. Here Mr. Nimitz is shown making the presentation.



**MIXED CHORUS:** BACK ROW: Philip McCormack, Robert Mahr, John Grove, Dick McCune, Carl Farmer, Jerry Clemens, Ronald McMillen, Francis Nicholson. THIRD ROW: Judy Rasmussen, Barbara Printz, Shirley Van De Voorde, Doris David, Marilyn Wilson, Karen Jobman, Carol Siemers. SECOND ROW: Margaret Olson, Betty Nightingale, LaVone McMillen, Laretta Reineka, Joan Hofer, Mikell Peratt, Eleanor Batt. FRONT ROW: Glendoris Parks, Karen Edwards, Shirley Boyd, Priscilla Dixon, Jean George, Karen Reisner.



BACK ROW: Gordon Stewart, George Taylor, Hersey Mangels, Ronnie Brown, Edwin Rasmussen, Kent Bond, Jerry Wolf. THIRD ROW: Margie Thomas, Lo Rene Barnes, Cora Lee Allen, Rosemary Townsend, Donna Craig, Ardith Scheurman. SECOND ROW: Nancy Hess, Janet Shuman, Virginia Larson, Margie Copley, Judy Bush, Caroline Henderson, Beverly Farmer, Alvina Garcia. FRONT ROW: Jean Statley, Marilyn Schilling, Delores Vincent, Treva Crawford, Lucille Dean, Marcia Munderloh, Phyllis Waggerby, Miss Button.



# THE FORTUNE TELLER

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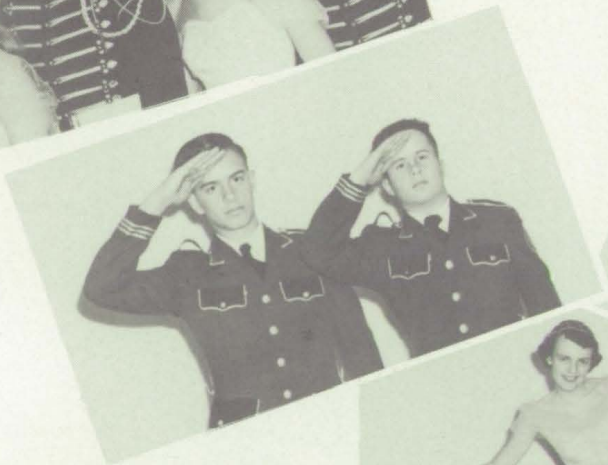
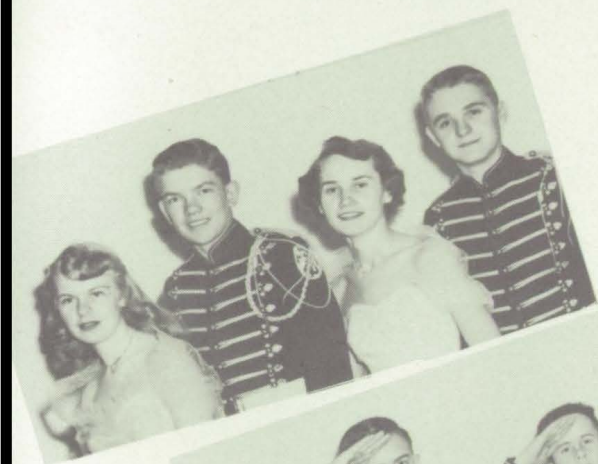
VICTOR HERBERT

March 8-9, 1954

## CAST

Fresco, Ballet Master .....	Gerald Wolf
Count Berezowski, Commandant of the Secret Police .....	Robert Mahr
First Agent .....	Jim Jensen
Second Agent .....	Dick McCune
Lt. Timar, of the Royal Hussars .....	Hersey Mangels
Lt. Almir, of the Royal Hussars .....	Ronnie Brown I
Wanda, of the Grand Opera Ballet .....	Doris Davis
Vera, of the Grand Opera Ballet .....	Phyllis Waggerby
Irma, Ballet Dancer .....	Margie Copley
Capt. Ladislaus, of the Royal Hussars .....	Kent Bond
Sandor, a gypsy musician .....	Ronnie Brown II
Musette, a gypsy fortune teller .....	Shirley Van De Voorde
Boris, Musette's father .....	Ronald McMillen
Vaninka, Musette's mother .....	Janet Shuman
Mme. Pompon, Prima donna of the Grand Opera .....	Jean George





Count Berezowksi, Comandant of the Secret Police of Livonia, had invited the Grand Opera Ballet to his chateau. His purpose was to locate a Royal Lottery ticket which he believed to be in the possession of one of the ballet girls. This ticket belonged to King Gustof, so the Count had to recover it or face the King's extreme displeasure. Aided by Fresco, the Ballet Master, he discovered that Irma had the ticket. She refused to yield it to him, so to obtain it the Count planned to marry her. Irma was in love with Captain Ladialaus of the Livonian Hussars.

Irma left the lottery ticket for the Count, but it fell into the hands of her admirer, Ladislaus, who held it as a trump card over

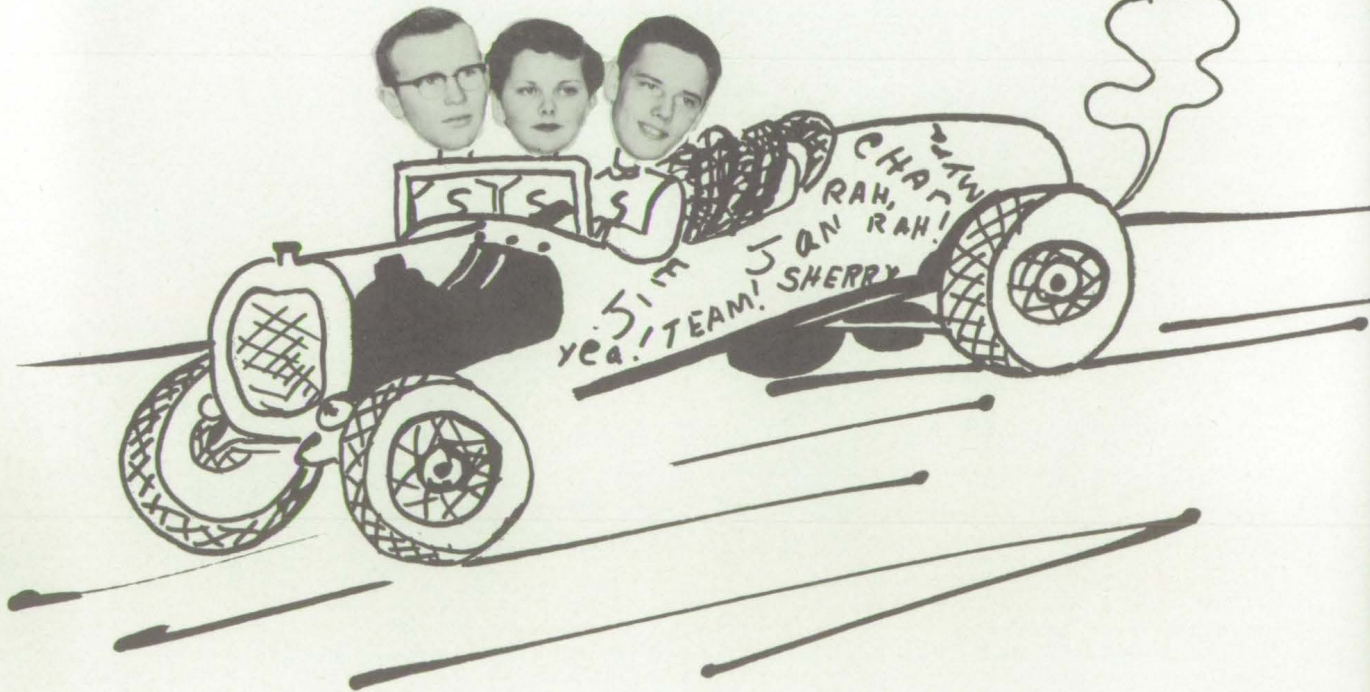
the Count. A band of gypsies arrived. Ladislaus bought the gypsy fortune teller, Musette, from her parents, intending to substitute her for Irma in the wedding. Fresco, who was trying to salvage a bribe from the Count, helped him by breaking the Count's monocle. Practically blind, the Count was taken in by this subterfuge.

The gypsies returned to steal Musette, but she had decided she preferred to become a Countess and sent them away. Sandor, her gypsy lover, pleaded with her to return to him.

The Count discovered the plot to marry him off to the wrong girl, and insisted that Irma keep her promise to marry him. The lottery ticket had been stolen from Ladislaus, it appeared that she must go through with the marriage. The missing lottery ticket turned up in an unexpected place and, to the great embarrassment of Fresco, it was no longer significant.

Irma won her Hussar Captain, while Musette returned to Sandor and the gypsy band. The Count must content himself with the opera prima donna, Mme. Pompon.

Activities





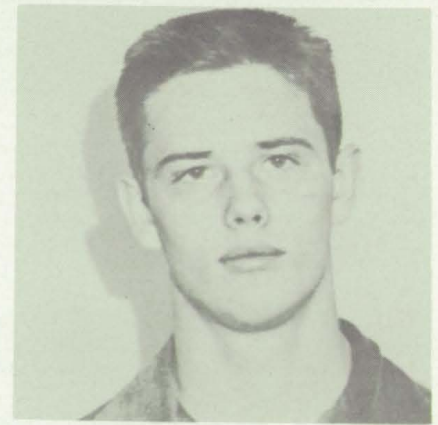
S Club membership includes, reading from left to right across the back row: Layton Kesselring, Dale Dodds, Rob Mahr, John Grove, Jon Van Cleave, Ronald Brown, Dean Schmidt, Ronnie Brown, Don Gilbreath, Don Schmidt, Ivan Adams. SECOND ROW: Hersey Mangels, Ronald McMillan, Dale Fischer, Vern Wagner, Jerry Krueger, George Niekum, Wes Berry, Charles Vernon, Bob Clark, Bob Donaldson, John Hettrick, Kenneth McMillan. SEATED, in the front row are: Ancel Lewis, Joe Barnes, Douglas Killham, Kenneth Anderson, Kent Bond, George Taylor, and Jim Krueger.

## THE S CLUB

S Club is an organization consisting of all boys who have earned a letter in any of the following major sports; football, basketball and track. The privilege of wearing a white sweater is given those who participate in district or state championship games or matches.

This year's group of thirty is headed by Jim Krueger as president and coach Art Bauer as sponsor.

As an annual event, the S Club held a dance following the Pep Club Banquet. This dance was highlighted by the crowning of Elaine Wittig as S Club Queen. Each year this organization also picks honorary football and basketball captains. Those so honored were Ancel Lewis and John Grove, football, and John Grove, basketball.



JIM KRUEGER  
The president

Queen Elaine Wittig stands enthroned with her attendants Kay Pierce, Barbara Ayers, Virginia Welch and Charlene Anthony



## PEP CLUB



Jeannette Witters (standing), president of the 1954 Pep Club, presides at an officers meeting. SEATED, from left to right: Nancy Hess, recorder; Myra Mathewson, treasurer; Judy Bush, secretary; Reba Kinne, vice-president; Janice Weber, recorder; and Janet Shuman, historian.

Starting the year with approximately ninety members, the Pep Club is now the largest in the school's history. For the second year, Miss Nancy Button, has been sponsor.

Presiding for the term were Jeannette Witters, president; Reba Kinne, vice-president; Judy Bush, secretary; Myra Mathewson, treasurer; Nancy Hess and Janice Weber, recorders; and Janet Shuman, historian.

Cheerleaders voted in by the entire student body were, seniors, Jeannette Witters, Myra Mathewson, and Jim Jensen. Charlene Anthony and Sharon Armstrong were the junior members.

Helping to pay for the Pep Club expenses was the annual homecoming celebration held October 23. It was launched with a parade in which the seniors won the prize for the best float. The Pep Club sold mums and pennants to defer expenses. At the half, Jeannette Witters was crowned Homecoming Queen. A dance sponsored by the Alumni Club was held after the game in the City Auditorium.

On February 12, in observance of a tradition, the annual Valentine Sweetheart was crowned during the half of the Scottsbluff-Sidney basketball game. Judy Bush received the honor.

The senior Pep Club girls worked hard to prepare the Athletic banquet of March 31, for the lettermen, coaches, Pep Club girls, and teachers. The theme, Hawaiian, was successfully carried through in the spacious Youth Center.

At the close of the year the underclassmen will take over and elect the officers for the next year. Traditionally the vice-president will head the new club; hence Reba Kinne will be at the helm. On letter day letters will be given to the girls and cheerleaders. The senior members are presented with red roses as a token of remembrance.



BACK ROW: Jeanne Banta, Eilleen Lane, Joan Burr, Paula Gentle, Judy Jervis, Nancy Davis, Connie Hansen, Charlotte Greever, Karen Kinne, Carol Krueger, Lo Rene Barnes, Virginia Larson, Beverly King, Barbara Ayers, Margie Copley. SECOND ROW: Lila Christensen, Karen Edwards, Shirley Boyd, Sharon Jurgens, Kay Kriegsman, Ruth Gentle, Doris Davis, Glea Born, Marian Haworth, Claudia Hazlewood, Darlene Gerke, Arby Harms, Betty Nissen, La Rita Bantg, THIRD ROW: Jean George, Louise Banta, Lucille Dean, Betty Jo Kieselhorst, Lucille Koehn, Judy Bush, Sharon Armstrong, Charlene Anthony, Janet Hartmann, Trieva Crawford, Sharon King, Earlene Henderson, Caroline Henderson, Georgia Kennedy.

# S.H.S. CHEERLEADERS



Sharon Armstrong



Myra Mathewson



Charlene Anthony



Jeannette Witters



Debbie Witters, Mascot



Jimmy Jensen



BACK ROW: Dorothy Wolverton, Mary Smith, Sharon Proper, Mikell Peratt, Janet Shuman, Carol Ogden, Nancy Neuman, Marilyn Miles, Carol Siemers, Carolyn McGirr, Eileen Westerhoff, Ardyce Shoopman, Betty Wilson, Sally O'Connell. SECOND ROW: Jane Welch, Flora Mahaffey, Helen McCoy, Majorie Warren, Virginia Welch, Verna Shoopman, Janice Weber, Deanna Moseman, Shirley Van De Voorde, Marilyn Wilson, Elaine Wittig, Marcella Lessman, Janice Sales, Sponsor, Nancy Button. THIRD ROW: Carol Tally, LaVone McMillen, Rosie Payne, Harriett Taylor, Mardelle Wier, Phyllis Waggerby, Jeannette Witters, Myran Mathewson, Kathy Seckmann, Margaret Ann Olsen, Sharolyn Speer, Marilyn Talcott, Jane O'Connor.



OUR FUTURE FARMERS OF '54: BACK ROW: Tom Dolan, Spencer Cronk, Lyle Johnson, Dareld Ferichs, Donald Schnell, Dale Bivens, and Bob Bauer. SECOND ROW: Loyd Brauer, Jerry Dolan, Robert Deaver, John Hinichs, Roger Jorgense Robert Lindsey, Richard Hazlett, and Mr. Neuman, sponsor. FRONT ROW: Bobby Clarkson, Floyd Schnell, Bruce Dimick, Kenneth McMillan, Ronald McMillan, and Vern Brauer.



Sponsor, friend, and helper, Mr. Louis B. Neuman.



F. F. A. OFFICERS: Ronald McMillan, president; Bruce Dimick, secretary; Jerry Dolan, advisor; Bobby Clarkson, vice president; Loyd Brauer, sentinel; Kenneth McMillan, treasurer; Floyd Schnell, reporter

## SIDNEY CHAPTER OF FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA

The purpose of the Future Farmers of America is to develop leadership, scholarship, and citizenship among its members, all of whom are students enrolled in vocational agriculture.

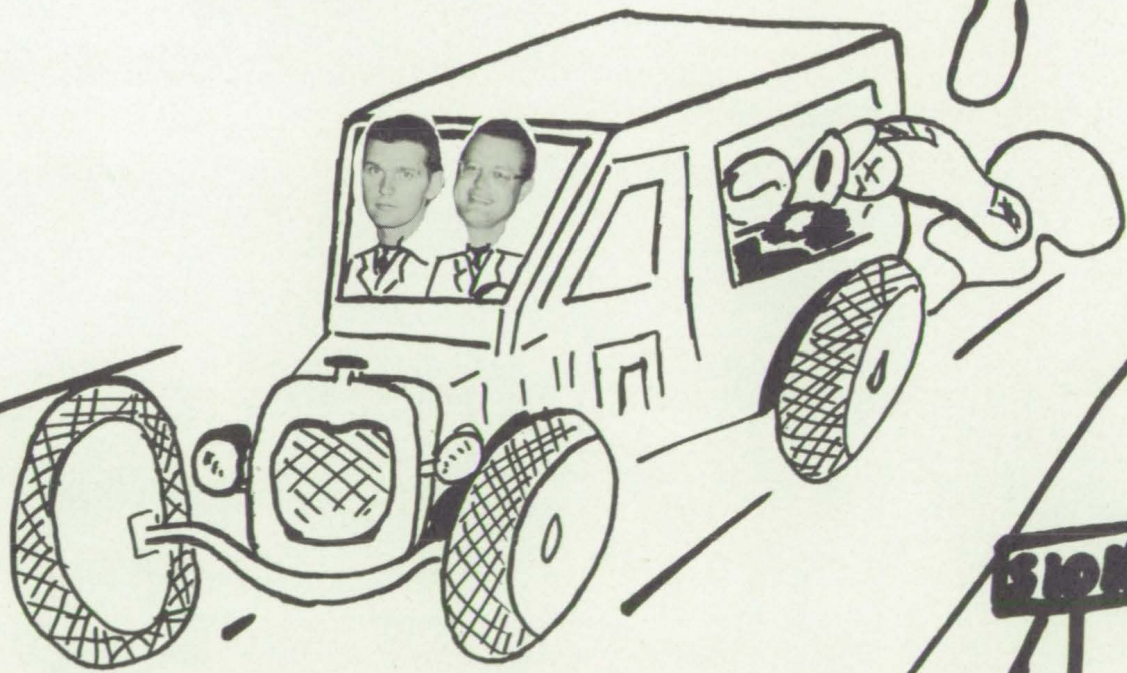
Scholarship and leadership were stressed this year in grain judging at Chadron State wheat show, leadership training at Alliance, and parliamentary procedure and public speaking at Scottsbluff.

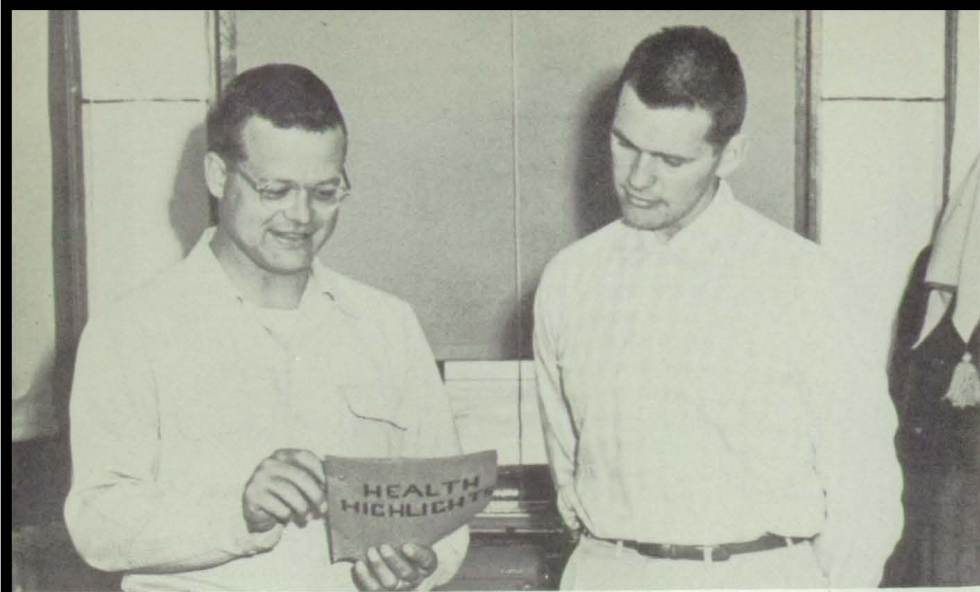
Cooperative activity and sportsmanship was emphasized in maintaining a basketball team that won all of its games.

Ronald McMillan, president, was awarded the Union Pacific Railroad-Carl Raymond Grey Scholarship in agriculture. Floyd Schnell, reporter, was named alternate. Bruce Dimick, secretary, was appointed secretary of agriculture in the appointments in student government.

A judging team made up of Roger Jorgensen, Bob Clarkson and Robert Lindsey won the sweep-state trophy in sheep judging at the first annual Cheyenne country sheep meeting.

SPORT





Coaches Art Bauer and Tom Jones.

Student Managers Hersey Mangels,  
Bob Donaldson and Lance Barker.

In his third year as head football coach of Sidney High, Art Bauer guided his squad through nine games which, in the words of Gregg McBride, sports reporter for the Omaha World Herald, composed, "The toughest Class B schedule in the state." Although emerging with a 3-6 record the Maroons had a better than average squad.

The first game on the roster for the Maroon team faced Class A Alliance. Alliance was out to revenge the previous years 12-0 upset and despite the touchdown efforts of Ken Anderson and John Grove, they emerged victorious 12-20.

For their second tilt the Maroons traveled to Bridgeport to battle the Bulldogs. Playing with blood in their eyes to make up for the previous week's setback, the Maroons were too much for the host team and with touchdowns runs by Anderson and Grove the Maroons reversed the Alliance score to win 20-12.



BACK ROW: Art Bauer, Kent Bond, John Grove, George Taylor, Ancel Lewis, Vern Wagner, George Niekum, Ron McMillen, Douglas Killham, Andy Anderson, Rob Mahr, Tom Jones. FRONT ROW: Ronald Brown, Don Baumbach, Ivan Adams, Kenneth McMillen, Wes Berry, Bob Ivie, Glen Yauney, Bob Clark, Bill Clemons, Ronnie Brown, Gordon Stewart, Don Schmidt, and Leighton Kesselring.



Next up for Sidney was Scottsbluff, rated the team to beat in Class A. Playing the best game of the year the Sidney team outrushed the heavier team by 100 yards. It was a scoreless tie going into the last quarter, when Sidney made the blunder that cost them the game. On a poor center the ball sailed over the punter's hands and was recovered by a Scottsbluff player for a touchdown. The conversion was good.

Although Sidney retaliated with a 60 yard, touchdown march capped by Taylor's plunge for the ball, the point was no good, and Scottsbluff won 7-6. For his fine play, making 21 tackles on defense, Kent Bond received recognition in the Omaha World Herald "Star of the Week" column.

Once again on the road the Sidney High squad traveled to Mitchell for one of the big upsets of the year. After earning a 12 point lead by a plunge by Douglas Killham and a 76 yard run by Anderson, the Maroons were unable to score while Mitchell scored 19 points to emerge victorious 12-19.

After a weeks layoff, the Maroons hit the road again, this time to tangle with Ogallala, rated No. 2 in Class B. The Maroons were seriously handicapped by the injury of two of their ends

and although they outgained Ogallala, they were lacking in points and went down 12-21.

For the Homecoming game, the Sidney eleven faced McCook, a fast powerful Class A outfit. Although the spirit was willing, the body couldn't overcome the disadvantages of less size and Sidney failed to score losing 0-14.

To get back in the win column, the Maroons trounced Gering, the defending conference champions. The blocking was crisp and all the runners looked exceptionally fine. Score 33-7.

Traveling all the way from Columbus, St. Bonaventure was the next team to cross sabres with Sidney. The St. Bonaventure team, rated fifth at the time was small, but exceptionally speedy, and the Maroons were not able to stop their wide end sweeps. Although seeming to come back in the third quarter, a bad break seemed to crush Sidney's hopes and Columbus, St. Bonaventure 33-13.

For the last game of the season, the Sidney team faced Kimball. The seniors played their last game, and rolled up 34 points. The longest run of the game came when Bond picked up a Kimball fumble and rambled 95 yards to paydirt; however, the run was called back because of a penalty.

#### SCOREBOARD

Opponents	Sidney	
North Platte .....	45 .....	23
Bayrd .....	41 .....	43
Lodgepole .....	36 .....	29
Kimball .....	29 .....	50
Chappell .....	49 .....	40
St. Pat's .....	31 .....	43
Alliance .....	43 .....	46
Gering .....	42 .....	21
Bridgeport .....	43 .....	51
Ogallala .....	36 .....	44
Scottsbluff .....	45 .....	50
Mitchell .....	43 .....	42
Minatare .....	35 .....	53

Eight wins and five loses totaled the results of the season's activities for the reserve football squad coached by Mr. Glenn Ackerson and Mr. Raymond Maley. Lacking height the small club made up for their handicap with speed and fight. Their spirit paid off by presenting them with wins over Class A reserve squads from Alliance and Scottsbluff as well as some wins from important Class B. teams.

BACK ROW: Mr. Ackerson, Bob Donalson, Doug Harlan, Jack Adair, Dick McCune, Gordon Stewart, Jim Nielson, Jim Hansen, Wes Berry, James Harden, John Hinichs, Kenneth McMillan, Jerry Robbins, Don Schmidt, Paul Snyder, Jerry Dolan, Larry Edwards, Mr. Maley. FRONT ROW: Melvin Chipps, Lon Friede, Jimmy Felt, Max Wilson, Earl Barnes, Keith Sayre, Bob Ivie, Ed Rasmussen, Kipp Carhill, Duane Moody, Jim Rogers, Jon VanCleave, Bob Clark, Donald Thomas.





JOHN GROVE  
Co-Captain



ANCEL LEWIS  
Co-Captain

-- and they played their last games on the gridiron of S. H. S.



ROBERT MAHR



KENT BOND  
All Conference Center



RON McMILLAN



GEORGE NIEKEM  
All Conference End



GEORGE TAYLOR

# VARSITY BASKETBALL



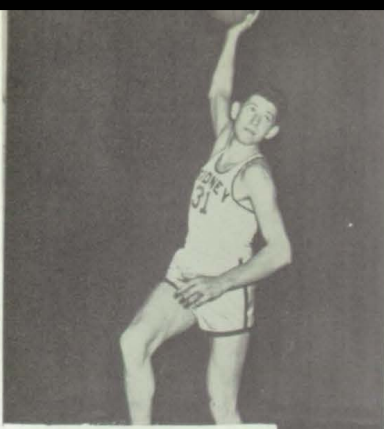
TOM JONES  
Coach



HERSEY MANGELS



DALE FISCHER



JOE BARNES



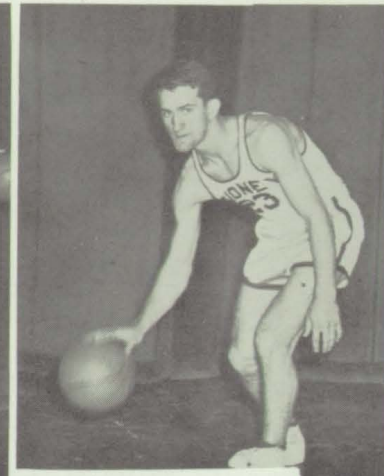
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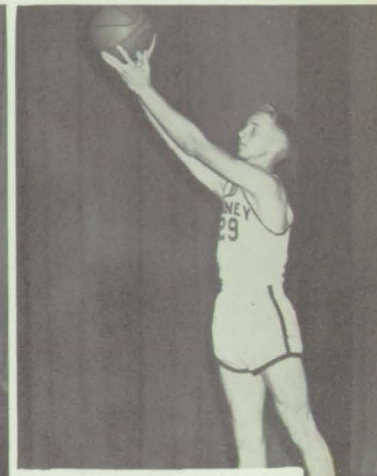
IVAN ADAMS



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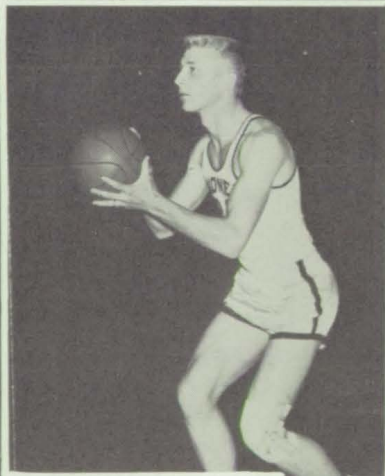
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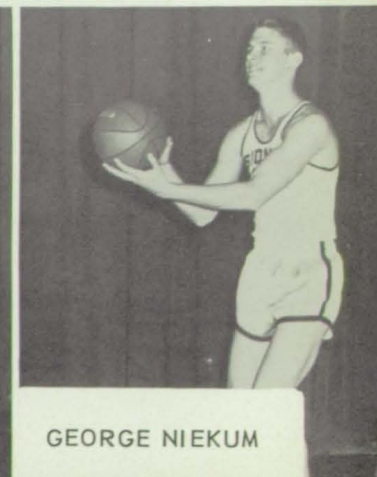
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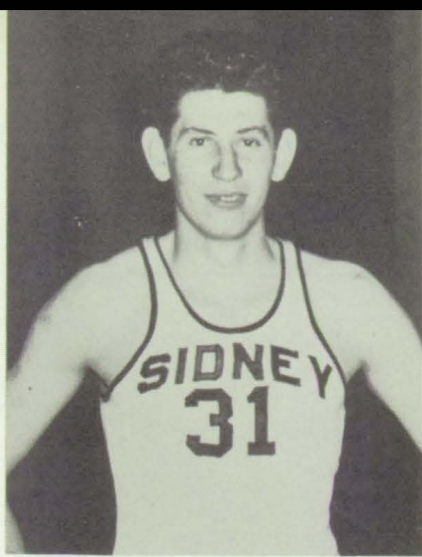
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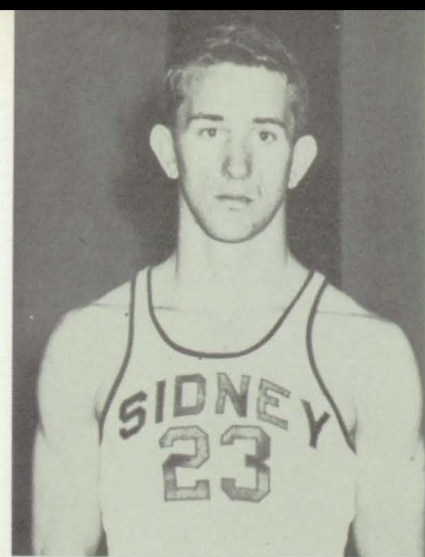
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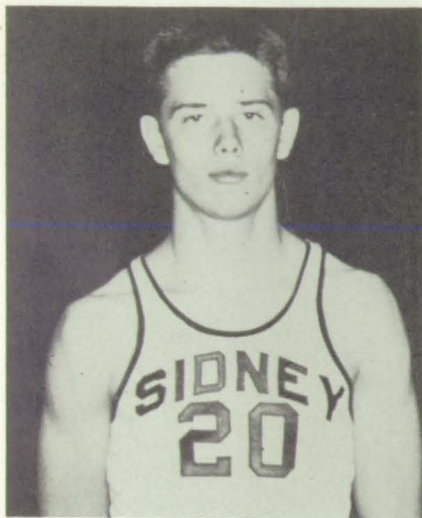
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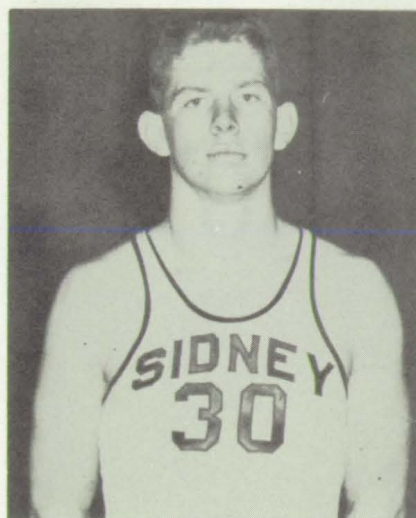
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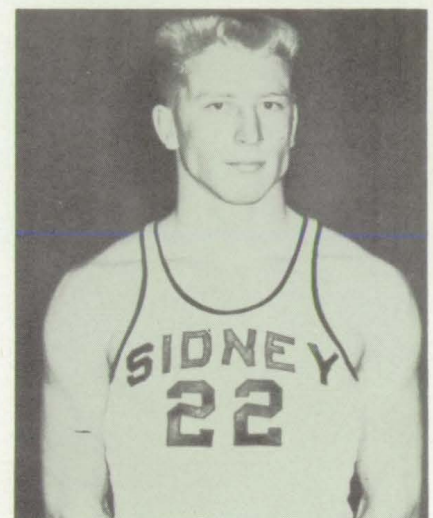
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## VARSITY SCOREBOARD

Coach Tom Jone's tall, speedy 1953-54 Maroon basketball team got off to a good start on a tough schedule by taking an impressive win over a fine North Platte ball club. After dropping the next game to Bayard in an overtime, Sidney took a pair of wins from Kimball and Lodgepole.

Chappell started the ball rolling in the other direction and slowed the Maroons down. Before they could break jinx, Gothenburg, Alliance, Gering, and Gordon claimed victories over the S.H.S. quintet.

Bridgeport fell in a thriller on a Friday and the Maroons repeated on Holdrege the next night.

The expert shooting of Ogallala proved too much for the Sidney five but the loss fired them up enough to down the hardfighting Scottsbluff club. Then the Maroons traveled to Mitchell. The Tigers rebounding made it a long trip home for the Sidneyites.

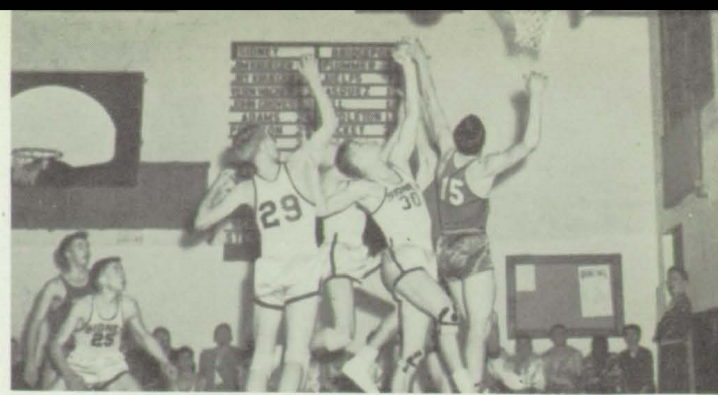
Getting a little determination, a stubborn Minatare five fell and then came revenge over Curtis as the Maroons used the fast-break to finish the regular season with a win.

Along came tourney time and Sidney downed a twice beaten Imperial team only to lose to Cozad in the second round and finished the season with nine wins and nine losses.

	Opponents	Sidney
North Platte .....	38 .....	42
Bayard .....	44 .....	43
Lodgepole .....	35 .....	53
Kimball .....	40 .....	68
Chappell .....	55 .....	33
Gothenburg .....	50 .....	44
Alliance .....	57 .....	38
Gering .....	58 .....	46
Gordon .....	61 .....	52
Bridgeport .....	44 .....	45
Holdrege .....	48 .....	56
Ogallala .....	63 .....	50
Scottsbluff .....	56 .....	58
Mitchell .....	57 .....	53
Minatare .....	44 .....	45
Curtis .....	54 .....	70
Imperial .....	49 .....	69
Cozad .....	65 .....	55



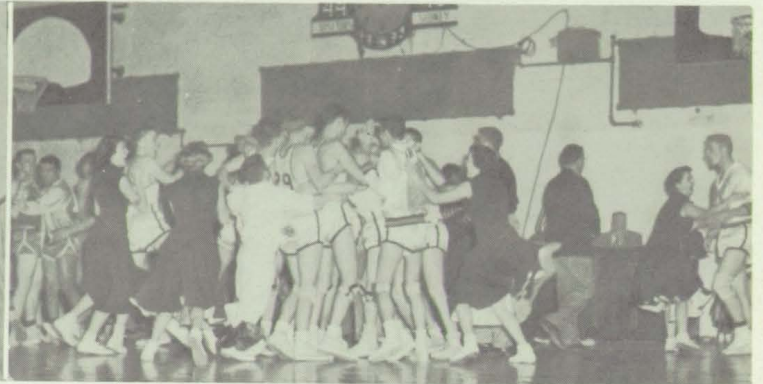
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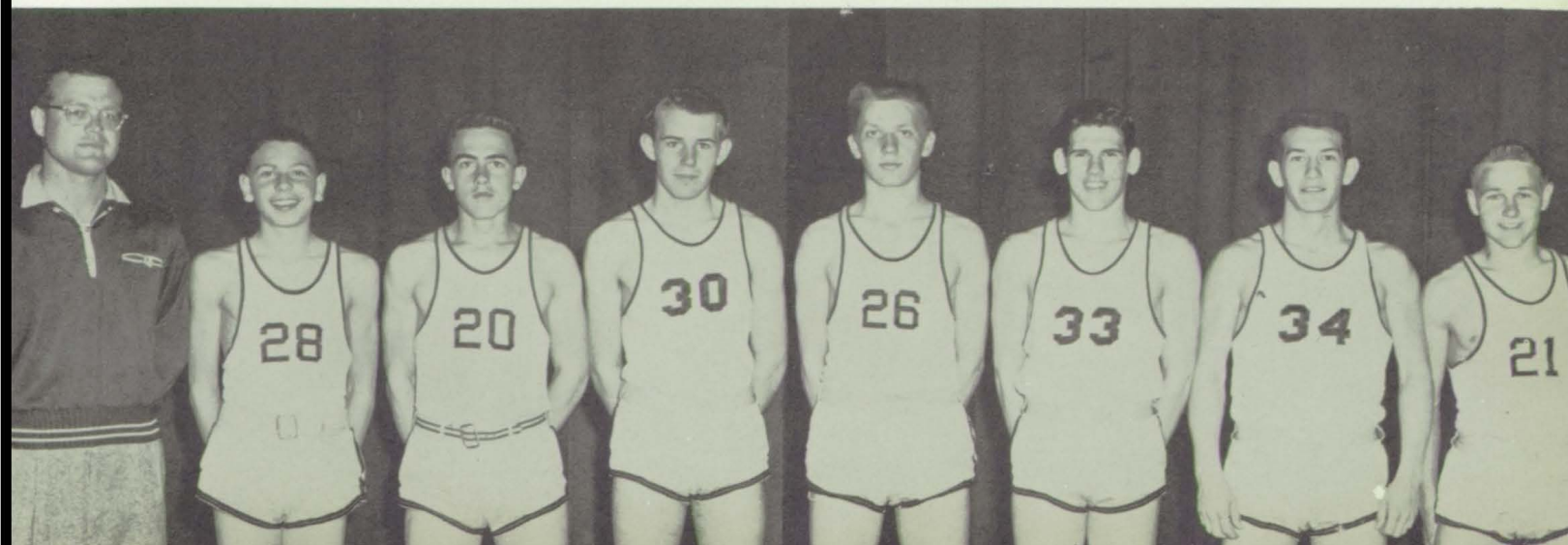
VICTORY

**RESERVE SCOREBOARD**

	Sidney	
North Platte .....	23 .....	45
Bayard .....	41 .....	43
Lodgepole .....	36 .....	29
Kimball .....	50 .....	29
Chappell .....	40 .....	49
St. Pat's .....	43 .....	31
Alliance .....	46 .....	43
Gering .....	21 .....	42
Bridgeport.....	51 .....	43
Ogallala.....	44 .....	36
Scottsbluff .....	50 .....	45
Mitchell ..	42 .....	43
Minatare .....	53 .....	35

Coach Art Bauers reserves ended the season with a commendable record of 8-5. The team was characterized by aggressiveness and speed although the group was on the average short, they utilized the pressing man to man defense combined with fortitude to come through the winner against teams which would normally be much their superior.

Coach Art Bauer, Jerome Buehrer, Larry Sharp, Burton Harris, Larry Edwards, Jon VanCleave, Melvin Chipps, Lon Friede. Not pictured: Ancel Lewis, Ronald Brown, Ronnie Brown, John Hinrichs, and Lowell Sweet.





BACK ROW: James Harden, Robert Ivie, Larry Black, Tommy Howerter, John Gipfert, Tommy Kirk, Jimmy Felt.  
FRONT ROW: Spencer Cronk, Bill Bell, Donald Thomas, Roy Handsel, Larry Feather and Earl Barnes.

## FRESHMAN BASKETBALL CLUB

Sidney High's spirited freshman basketball squad instructed by Coach Glenn Ackerson won four of the nine games they competed in this year. Although this was the first year of experience for

most of the squad they proved fast and aggressive. Two freshmen members played on the varsity team all of which looks favorable for future seasons.



For the first time golf has been added to the sports curriculum. Indicative of interest shown by participating members was the third place rating Sidney won at the high school golf tournament held in North Platte, April 8, in which six

schools competed. Above are the boys who represent S.H.S.:

Jimmy Felt, Rodney Moore, Kyle Kriegsman, Jerry Wolf, Roy Handsel, Pat Buchanan, Ivan Adams, Ray Handsel, Hersey Mangels.



1953 Senior Track Boys. Larry Jones, Ronald Karnik, Elmer Brauer, Dale Maley, and Jack Nienhuser.

Coach Jones with the Two Mile Relay Winners: Larry Jones, Elmer Brauer, Ronald Karnik, and George Taylor.



In their first year under Head Coach Tom Jones, the Sidney Maroon track squad hung up a record of 4 wins and 2 losses.

The squad opened the cinder season with the arrival of the Sidney-Kimball dual meet. The Maroons overwhelmed Kimball 112-34. Jim Krueger set a low hurdles mark by skimming the 180 yard low hurdles in 12.0, and the 880 yard relay team composed of Killham, Nienhouser, Jones, and Maley, clocked at 1.40.1.

Appearing next at the Scottsbluff relays, the Maroon cindermen successfully defended their Class B crown by nosing out Gering by 5/6 of a point, 52-51 1/6. George Niekum won the pole-vault 10'3", Sidney's mile relay team and high hurdle relay team were Sidney's firsts on the track.

Showing unusual strength in the field, the Maroons maintained their winning ways, and also their crown, with a winning margin over second place Ogallala 73-54. Sidney won the meet from the field. The only blue ribbon on the track was won by Taylor who clocked at 2:22.3. In the field, Sidney won four first places. Dick Benson took

the shot with a toss of 41'6 1/2". Jerry Krueger threw the discus 116'9". Gary Seevers leaped 19'4" in the broad jump and George Niekum tied with Duane Foote at 9'4" for Sidney's other blues.

After a three week layoff due to the cancellation of the Western Nebraska and Alliance Invitational meets, the Maroons defeated Sterling 88 1/2-34 1/2. First medal winners were, Dale Maley 100 and 440, Corky Grove 220, George Taylor

BACK ROW: Ronald Karnik, Elmer Brauer, Larry Jones, Dale Maley, Jack Nienhuser. SECOND ROW: Kent Bond, Ansel Lewis, Douglas Killham, Vern Wagner, Jim Krueger, Joe Barnes, Richard Benson: Managers, Dale Fischer, Hersey Mangels. FRONT ROW: Lloyd Castner, George Niekum, Donnie Gilbreath, Melvin Chipps, Jon Van Cleave, Jerry Dolan, Conrad Algood, Dean Schmidt, Lowell Shuman.





BACK ROW: Lloyd Castner, Kent Bond, Bill Bauer, Ancel Lewis, Ronald Karnik, Larry Jones, Doug Killham, Vern Wagner, Jim Krueger, Joe Barnes, Dick Benson, Dale Maley, Jack Nienhuser, Dale Fisher, Hersey Mangels. MIDDLE ROW: Larry Allgood, Lloyd Brauer, George Niekum, Ronnie Brown, Don Gilbreath, Lowell Schuman, Wendall Pearson, Dean Schmidt, Jerry Dolan, Phil Hanneman, Ronnie Howerter, Ronald Brown, John Hinrichs. FRONT ROW: Jerry Clemons, Bob Clark, Larry Sharp, Eardley Ham, Wes Berry, Melvin Chipps, Jon Van Cleave, Lon Friede, Jerry Robbins, Tom Dolan, Richard Hazlitt, Don Schnell, Billy McMurphy, John Hettrick.

880, Joe Barnes high and low hurdles tie with Jim Krueger in lows, Jerry Krueger discus, Gary Seevers high jump and Lowell Shuman plevault. All marks were excellent.

The Sidney team set an all time school record by qualifying 14 boys for the trip to the state track meet at Lincoln, but failed to defend their Panhandle B track crown. The Maroons only first of the day came when the two mile relay team (Karnik, Brauer, Jones and Taylor) broke the tape with a time of 9.04.5. This was a record as it was the first time the event had been run.

Other Sidney qualifiers were: Jim Krueger, Joe Barnes, Lowell Shuman, Gary Seevers, Dick Benson, Dale Maley, Jerry Krueger, the mile relay team (Ken Anderson, Dale Maley, Jack Nienhuser) and the two mile relay team along with Vern Wagner.

Sidney was dethroned as state champs at the track meet by Lincoln Teachers.

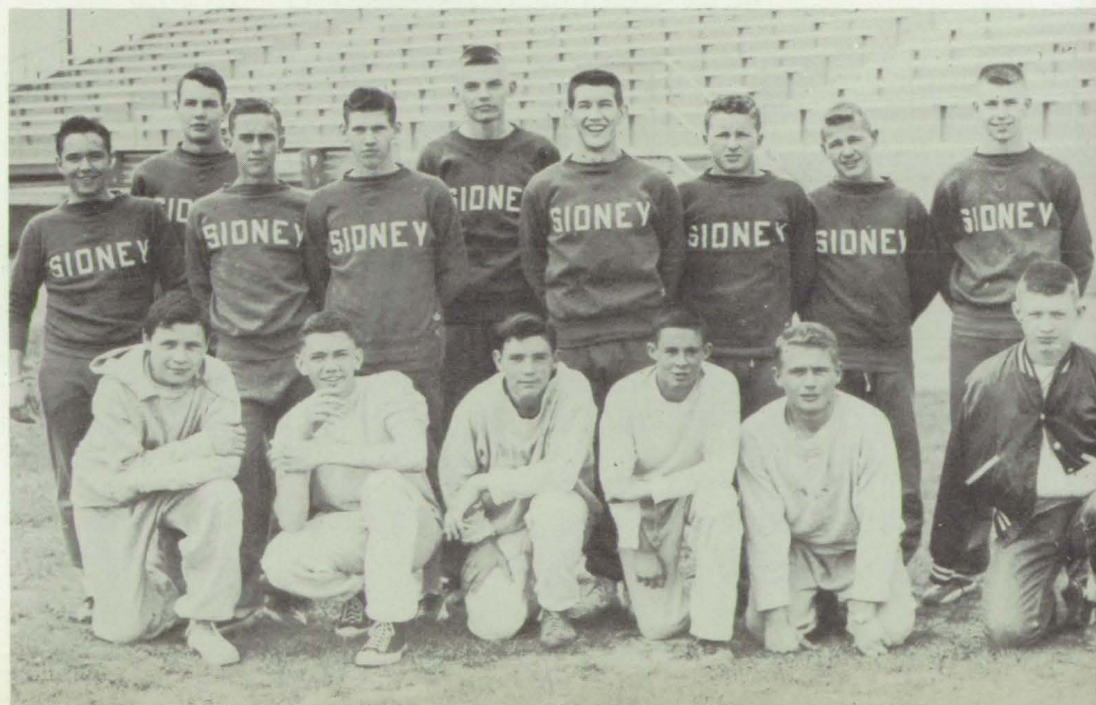


Spoils of Victory

BACK ROW: Bob Clark, Jerry Robbins, Larry Sharp, Jon Van Cleave, Wes Berry, Melvin Chipps, Richard Hazlitt, Lon Friede, John Hettrick. FRONT ROW: Eardley Ham, Jerry Clemons, Billy McMurphy, Tom Dolan, Don Schnell, John Hinrichs.

Scoring for the 1953 Track season is as follows:

Gary Seevers .....	40 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>
Jim Krueger .....	37
Dale Maley ... ..	36
Joe Barnes .....	31 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>
George Taylor .....	26
Dick Benson .....	24
Jerry Krueger .....	23 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>
George Niekum .....	21
Jack Nienhuser .....	21
Lowell Shuman .....	20
Ken Anderson .....	14
Elmer Brauer .....	13
Larry Jones .....	12
Doug Killham .....	10
Vern Wagner .....	9



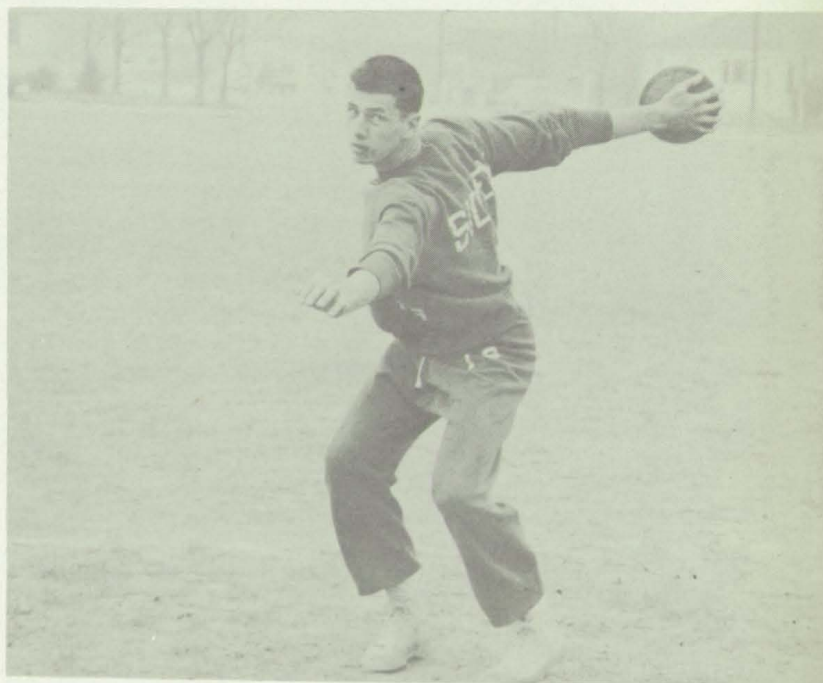




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Douglas Killham, Wes Berry, and Andy Anderson warm up with a short sprint.

Jerry Krueger winds up for a place winning discus throw.



Joe Barnes goes up and over for a high mark in the high jump.



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Jack Flohr soars over at 10'2".



Donnie Gilbreath, Joe Barnes, Jim Krueger trying their luck at low hurdles.

## MARATHONS OF 1954

Kimball was eaten up by the Maroons as they swamped the Longhorns 120½ to 25½ in a dual meet at Sidney, March 25. Four records fell to the flashy Maroon thinclad. Jerry Krueger leaped 5'9¼" in the air to shatter the high jump mark of 5'8¼" set by Gary SeEVERS in 1952. Krueger also flipped the discus to a new length of 125'8". George Niekum and Jack Flohr jumped 10'1" with the help of a pole to set a new pole vault standard. Joe Barnes leaped 21'2" before he hit the ground in a new mark in the broad jump for the fourth meet record of the day.

Sidney defending their title in the Scottsbluff

relays was hampered by the absence of Jim and Jerry Krueger, Dick Benson, and Kent Bond. The surprise of the day came when the mile relay got gold-medal time and also broke the Class B record with a 3'45.2" clocking.

The Maroon cinder burners returned to form as they scored 73 points in the Sidney Invitational, April 7. They took the meet with little effort to show their track superiority.

The team will be shooting for the state crown which they lost last year when only scoring three points in defense of the title.



Tom Dolan, Charles Vernon, Jerry Dolan, George Taylor out for a run.

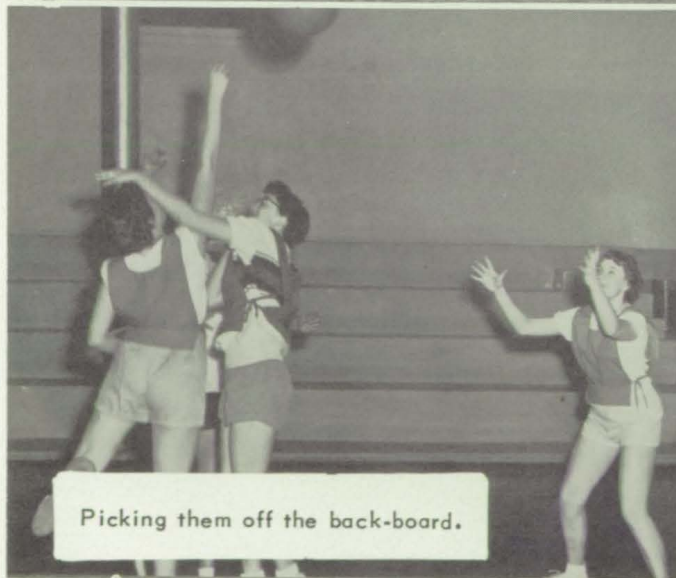


## G.A.A.

President Shirley Van DeVoorde giving a pep-talk to the Girls' Athletic Association basketball team as Coach Phyllis Thompson stands by. Seated are representatives of the roll call. BACK ROW: Caroline Henderson, Marilyn Miles, Earline Henderson, Sharon King, Sharon Armstrong, Jane O'Connor, Sharon Jurgens. SECOND ROW: Eileen Westerhoff, Judy Rassmussen, Delores Vincent, Sharon Spear, Judy Sabin. FRONT ROW: Louise Banta, Rosemary Townsend, Flora Mahaffey, Carol Tally, Katherine Siekman, LoReta Banta. MEMBERS NOT PICTURED: Nancy Davis, Bonnie McDaniels, Georgia Kennedy, Paula Gentle, Jeanne Banta, Jane Welch, Karen Edwards, Eileen Lane, LoRene Barnes, Marilyn Wilson, Charlene Anthony, and Nancy Neuman.



The bases were loaded.

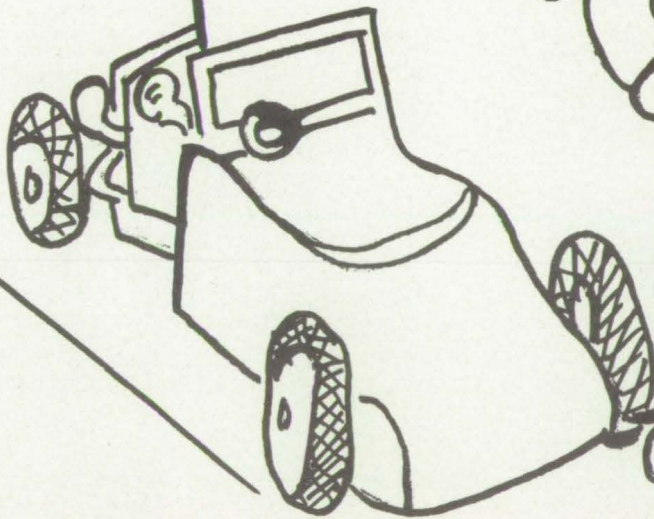


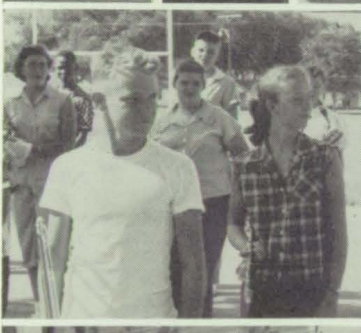
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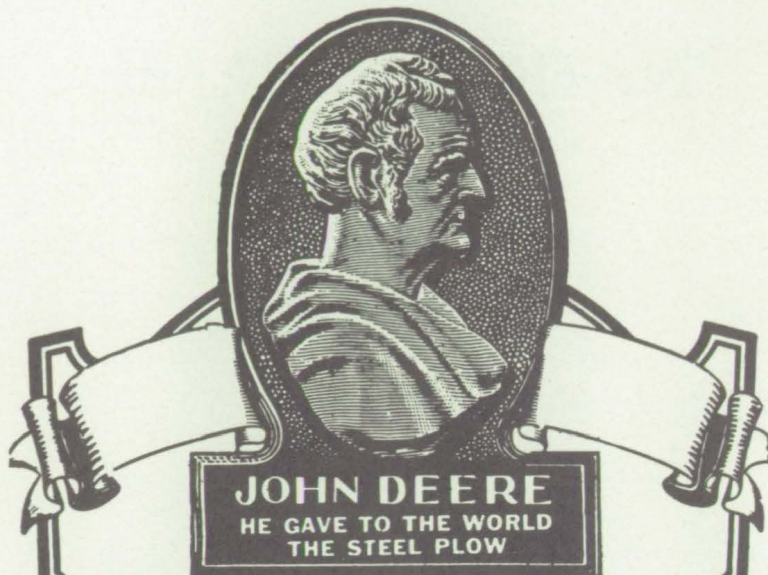
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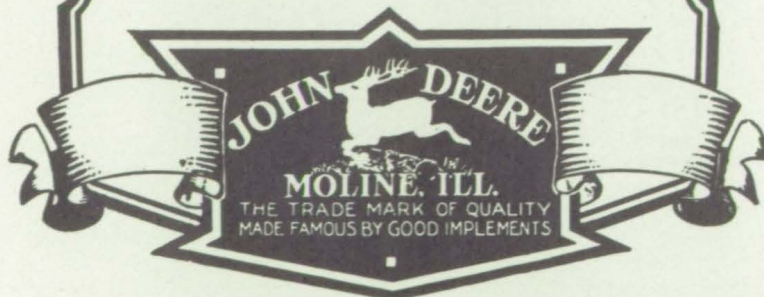
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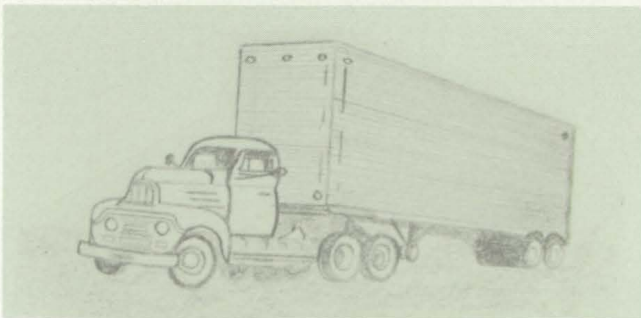
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