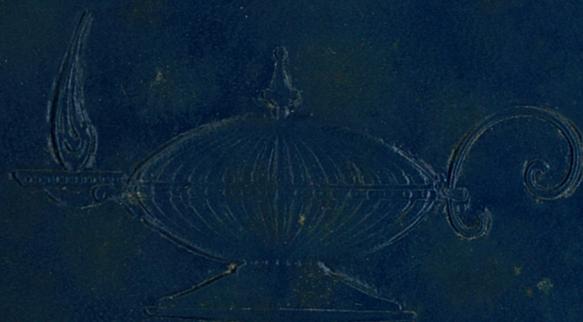
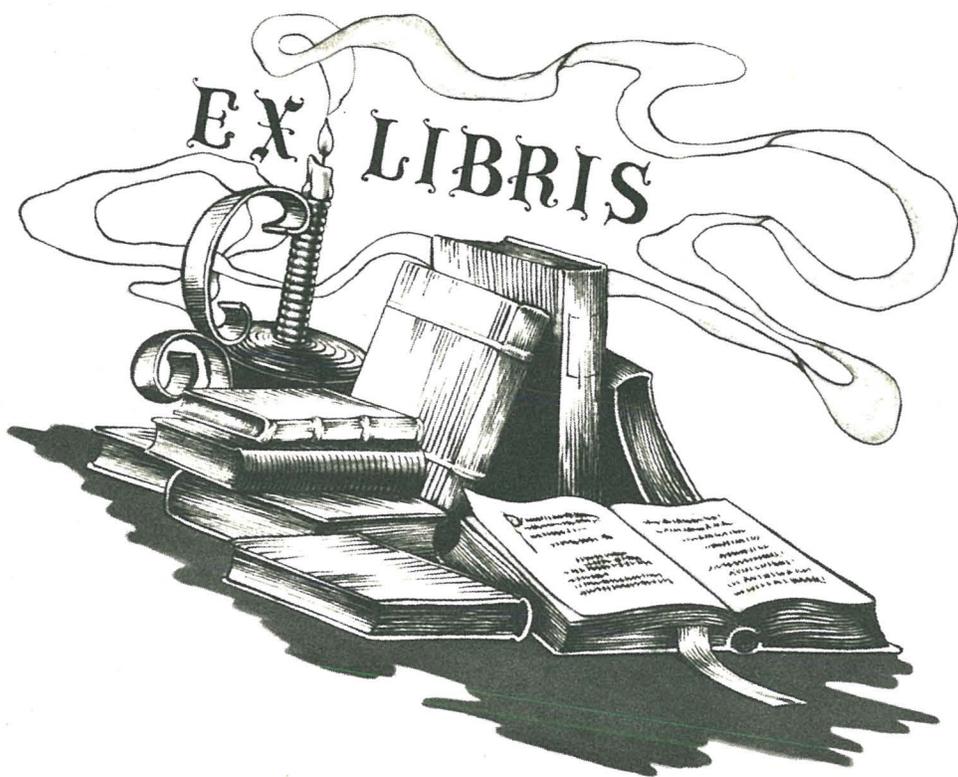


Morrissonian  
1951







We, the Class of '51, wish to dedicate our yearbook to all the officials, teachers and students, past and present, who have contributed to the establishing of the traditions and high standards of our school.

#### ALMA MATER

O Morris High our Alma Mater,  
For glory and for fame  
We strive by all uniting  
To raise our voices in proud acclaim,  
We honor and uphold thy standard,  
Linked firm in bonds of white and blue,  
We'll think of you, our Alma Mater,  
To you we'll all be true.

We love the fair name of Morris,  
Which long has stood without stain.  
It's here we work for Alma Mater  
To guard her honor is our aim.  
Your sons and daughters ever praise thee  
As from your friendly halls they go,  
And oft in memory they recall  
Their school days long ago.

Yearbook Staff  
1951

Editor	Virginia Allen
Assistant Editor	George Schoradt
Business Manager	Edward Johnson
Art Editor	Elsie Jo Smith
Club Reporters	Richard Musser Fredrick Roberts
Sports Reporters	Arthur Bettiol David Dempsey Edward Hansen
Alumni Reporter	Elsie Jo Smith
Music Reporter	Marjorie Card
Adviser	Mrs. Gertrude Olds

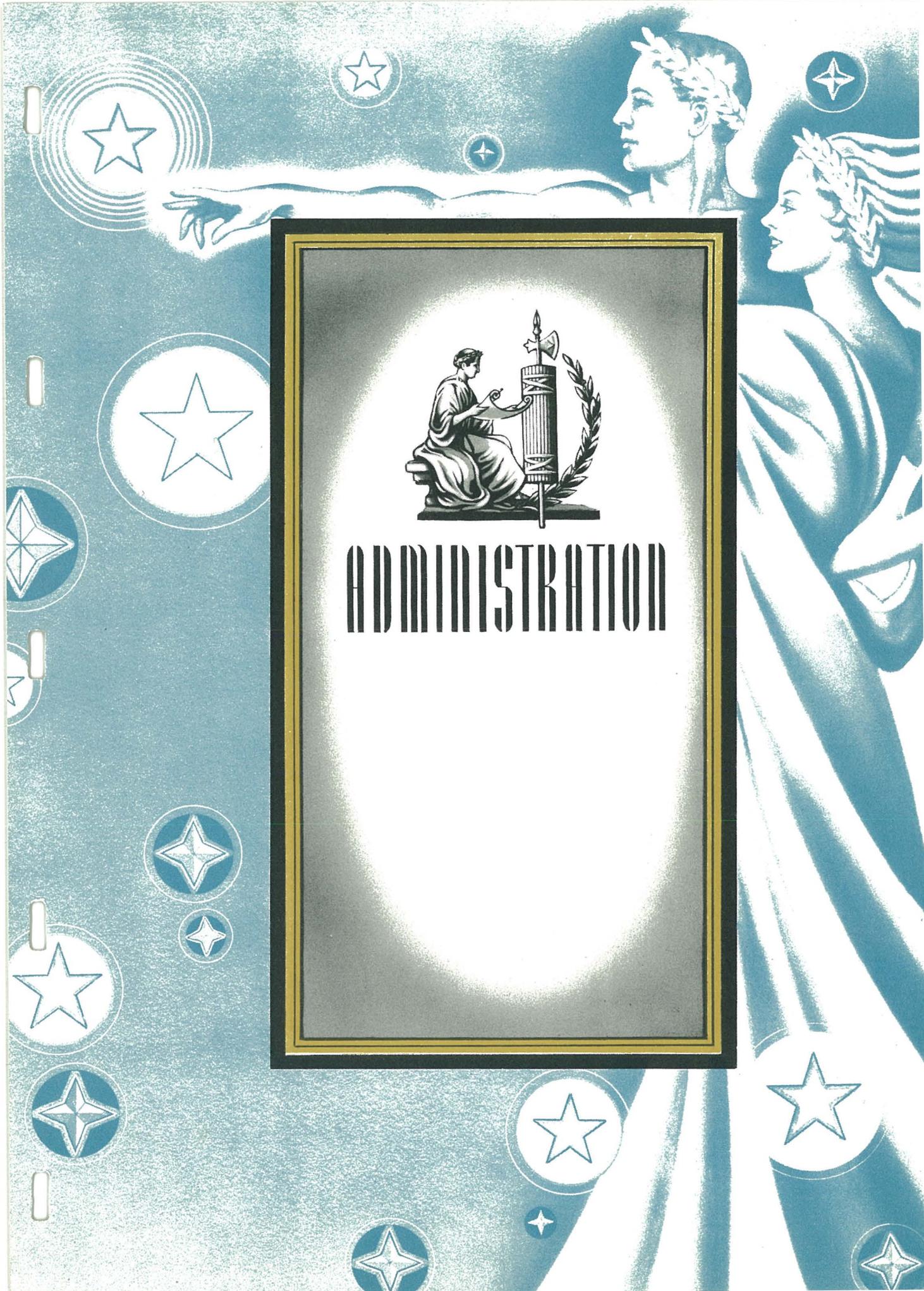
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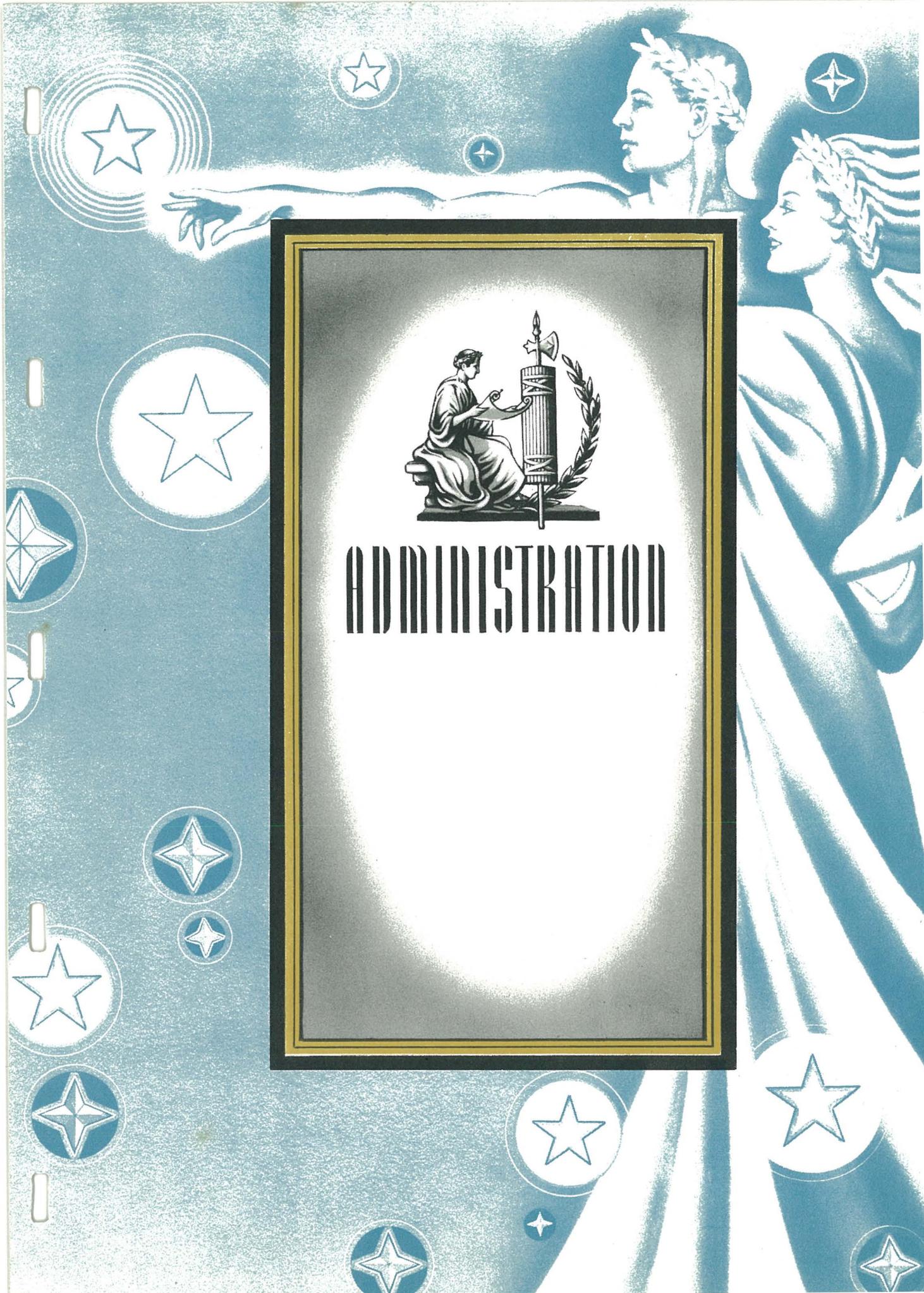
Flowers  
Girls---red roses  
Boys---white roses

Motto  
Knowledge is not always wisdom.

(Class ring from Bastian Brothers)



# ADMINISTRATION



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Mrs. Laura Harris

Grade Music  
Kindergarten  
Grade 1  
Grade 2  
Grade 3  
Grade 4  
Grade 5  
Grade 6



#### IN APPRECIATION

The Class of 1951 of this school, in speaking for the many classes which have gone before, wish to pay tribute to Carl J. Smith, retiring President of the Board of Education.

Mr. Smith has been a member of the Board for 21 years and has served continuously as President for the past 19 years. He was instrumental in getting the central school organized and has given unstintingly of his time and effort ever since.

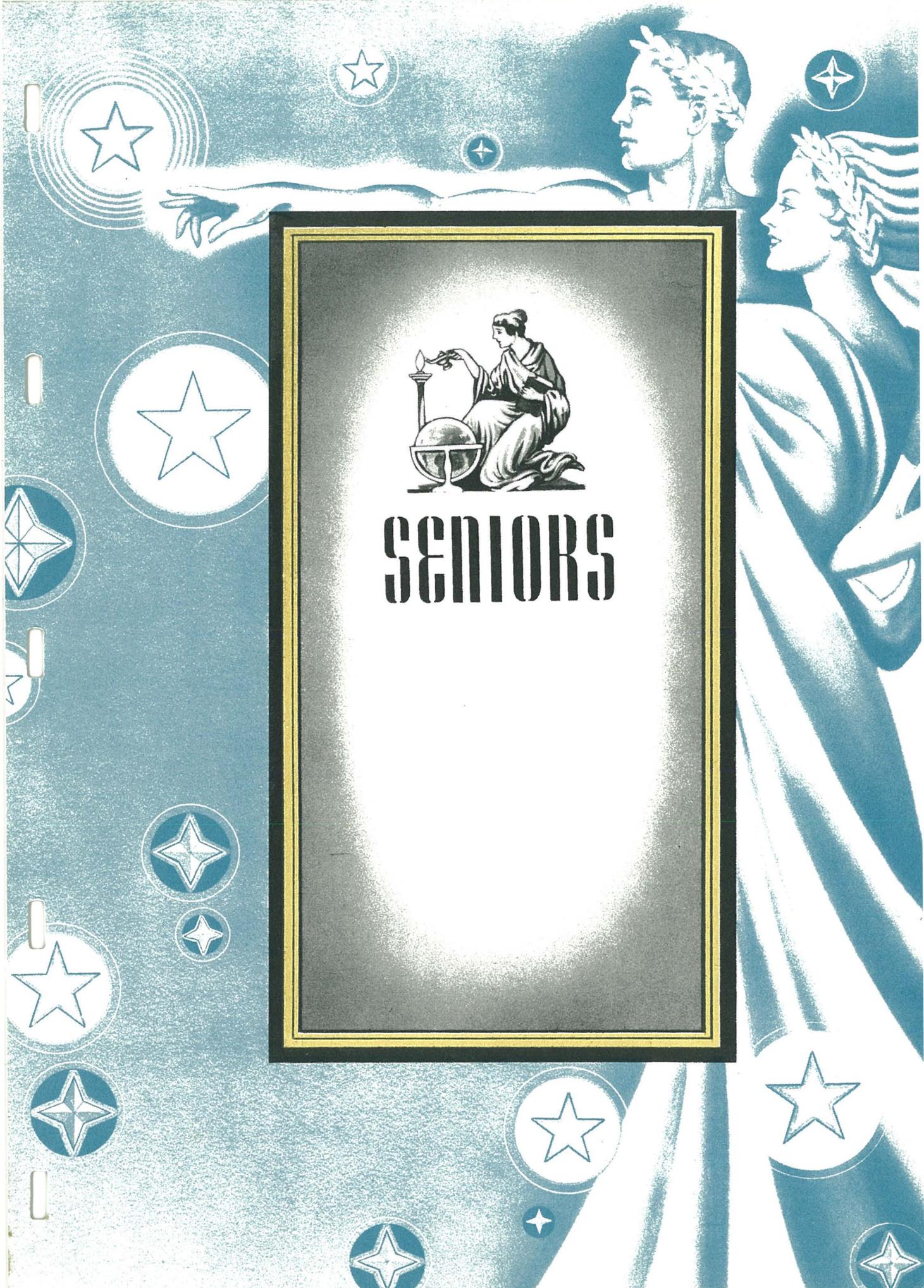
Although we realize the necessity of his retiring, the school will not seem the same without his wise counsel and friendly guidance.

Mr. Smith, we thank you for your past service to the school, your continued service to the entire community and assure you that we will always remember your many years of faithful service.

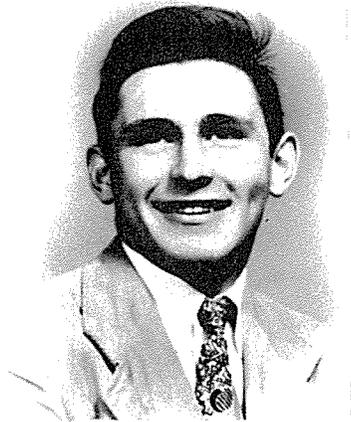
The Class of '51 considers it a privilege to express for themselves and for all the classes which have preceded them during the past sixteen years, the deep appreciation felt for the untiring efforts that Miss Thelma G. Leska has put into the advancement of the English Department in the Morris Central School. She has set a high standard for all who may follow her in this position.

She will be greatly missed when school opens in the fall of '51 and the memory of our association with her will live in all our hearts.

Our most sincere best wishes go with her as she enters her new career of "homemaker".



# SENIORS



Edward Johnson

Band 1,2,3,4  
Chorus 2,3,4  
Boy's State 3  
Vice Pres. 4  
Dramatics 2,3,4  
Football 1,2,3,4



Onnolee Ostrander

Band 1,2,3,4  
Chorus 1,2,3,4  
All State Band 1,3,4  
Dramatics 2,3,4  
4-H 1,2,3,4  
Treasurer 3

George Schoradt

Football 1,2,3,4  
Basketball 1,2,3,4  
Baseball 1,2,3,4  
Dramatics 2,3,4  
Band 1,2,3,4  
Chorus 2,3,4

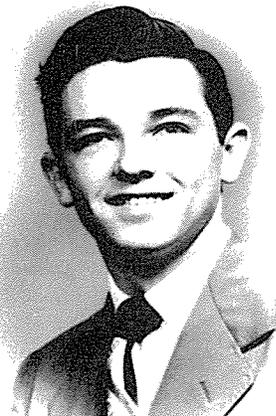


Virginia Allen

Class Pres. 2,3,4  
Band 1,2,3,4  
Chorus 1,2,3,4  
Cheerleading 1,2,3,4  
Dramatics 2,3,4  
All State Band 1,2,3,4

David Dempsey

Binghamton 1,2  
Baseball 3,4  
Football 4  
Basketball 4  
Chorus 3,4  
Dramatics 4



Elsie Jo Smith

Band 1,2,3,4  
Chorus 1,2,3,4  
Cheerleading 1,2,3,4  
Dramatics 2,3,4  
All State Band 4  
Secretary 3,4





Arthur Bettiol

Basketball 1,2,3,4  
Baseball 2,3  
Band 1,2,3,4  
Volleyball 3,4  
F.F.A. 2  
Operetta 4



Joanne Rutherford

Band 1,2,3,4  
Chorus 1,2,3,4  
Dramatics 2,3,4  
All State Chorus 3  
Triple Trio 2  
Vocal Ensemble 3

Joseph Lamphere

Football 2,3,4  
Basketball 1,2,3,4  
Baseball 1,2,3,4  
Chorus 2,3,4  
Dramatics 2,3,4  
Class Treasurer 2,4



Evelyn Johnston

Dramatics 3,4  
All State Chorus 2  
Band 1,2,3,4  
Chorus 1,2,3,4  
Cheerleading 3,4  
Cafeteria 1,2,3,4

Richard Musser

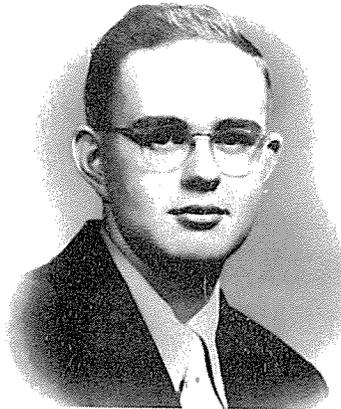
Chorus 4  
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Commercial Club 3,4  
Operetta 4  
Projection 2



Pauline Giambalvo

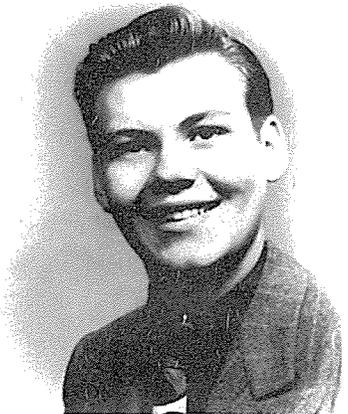
Vice Pres. 2  
Library Club 1  
Cafeteria 1,2,3,4  
Commercial Club 3  
F.H.A. 3  
Dramatics 3,4





Robert Elliot

Band 1,2,3  
Chorus 3,4  
Jr. Play 3  
Operetta 4  
Camera Club 1



Edward Hansen

Football 4  
Baseball 2  
Commercial Club 3  
Chorus 4  
Operetta 4



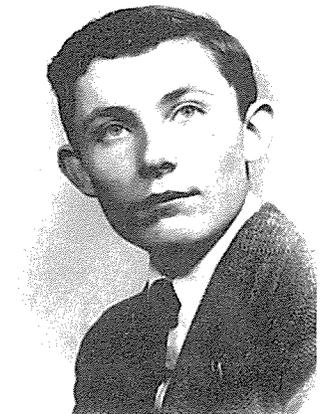
Marjorie Gard

Girls Chorus 1,2,3  
Mixed Chorus 4  
Commercial Club 3  
F.H.A. 3  
Dramatics 3,4  
Cafeteria 1,2,3,4



Frederick Roberts

Operetta 4  
Chorus 4  
Projection 2  
Commercial Club 3,4  
F.F.A. 2



William Kodrich

Band 3,4  
Basketball 3,4  
Chorus 4  
Commercial Club 4  
Baseball 1,2  
Dramatics 3,4

#### PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

We, the Class of '51, cordially welcome you to our Class Night exercises. If we perhaps seem too frivolous, pay no attention-----we're really quite serious!

We wish to thank everyone-----the Board of Education, our teachers, our friends, and our parents-----who have helped us to reach this, the end of our high school career. We hope that in some small way we will be able to repay them for their vigilant attention.

Again, we bid you welcome.

Virginia Allen

#### SALUTATORY

Friends and Parents of the Graduating Class:

We bid you welcome to the commencement exercises tonight. It is with a feeling of joy and sorrow that we shut the doors to Morris Central School, and we know that the ideals and standards of our Alma Mater, instilled deep in our hearts, will always remain there.

In twelve years we have gained our formal and basic education. We hope that this education has prepared us to meet sensibly and rightfully the trials and temptations of the world, which, at this time, faces a situation baffling and serious. History tells of many such conflicts, which indeed seem unfortunate. However, it is accepted that civilization will always progress and orderliness will follow chaos. It is, indeed, the lesson of wars that brings us nearer to brotherly living and ultimate peace.

We, the graduating class, are now ready to go into life to seek a more liberal education and we can only hope that our life's bit of work may in some small way improve the world in which we live. We are thankful for your loyalty and interest, for our wonderful school, and for the opportunities given to us. Now with sincere hearts and high hopes we, among others, enter the world ready to travel the road to world progress and democratic living.

Elsie Jo Smith

#### VALEDICTORY

Is there one among us who can say, "There will be no war", or "There will be no peace"? I think not. It is a strange, changeable world in which we live. It is into this uncertain world that we, the graduates of this class, are stepping.

Since there is no one who can really predict what the future will be, we can only hope that it will be a happy and a successful one. It is not odd that we wish to live in a world that is void of war and bloodshed, and yet, at the same time, it is not strange that we should be willing to fight---and perhaps die---for our country. As we leave the halls of Morris Central, we are very conscious of these contrasting viewpoints, for the precarious world situation has brought them close to home. All of us, I think, want the chance to live peacefully, but we will, if necessary, give up our thoughts of a peaceful life and fight, as our ancestors have done, to make the world safe, if possible, for the social, political and economic American ideals.

Our future may not hold in store for us exactly what we wish it to, nevertheless, you may be sure that it will be met with the best of our ability.

It has been my privilege this evening to say farewell for the entire Class of 1951. Our formal association with M. C. S. is about to end, but we will never forget the many happy days which we have known here. It is with a feeling of regret that we leave the familiar surroundings that we have known so long to venture forth on our own.

Virginia Allen

## CLASS HISTORY

In the fall of 1947, eighteen "bewitched, bothered, and bewildered" freshmen entered the halls of good old Morris Central. Later that year, Irene Mc Mullen, and Francis Olds joined our class. We elected as our officers; President, Donald Decker; Vice-President, Virginia Allen; Secretary and Treasurer, Elsie Jo Smith.

George Schoradt, Edward Johnson, Joe Lamphere, and Arthur Bettiol participated in sports. None of them brought any special glory to the class or school as far as I can remember.

In the field of music we were very well represented in both chorus and band.

Time seems to have dimmed our memories of this year somewhat. It seems to have passed rather uneventfully under the guidance of Miss Leska. All too soon June with its tests and farewells was upon us.

Fall of 1948, twenty of the old gang reported. Three new members joined, adding new problems. Bill Buck, Allen Brown, and Edward Hansen were these new entrants.

Our first thought was election of officers. The outcome was as follows: President, Virginia Allen; Vice-President, Pauline Giambalvo; Secretary and Treasurer, Joseph Lamphere.

At Christmas time we celebrated by exchanging presents and having a party in the homeroom. Mr. Knapp furnished the refreshments.

Those who had participated in sports and music the previous year were again active in these two fields.

We all enjoyed our second year in high school with Mr. Knapp as our homeroom teacher.

Twenty-one, mischievous but eager, juniors were ready to begin a happy year with Miss Suchy as our adviser.

Once more our first interest was the election of officers. We reverted to two of our freshman officers by putting Virginia Allen in as President, and Elsie Jo Smith as Secretary. George Schoradt was elected Vice-President and Onnolee Ostrander became Treasurer.

As we only lacked one year of being seniors and because we had heard so much talk by former senior classes of the need of money for the senior trip, we decided it was high time we started our fund. So under the direction of Miss Suchy we presented two successful one-act plays. Later we sponsored a dance and a movie. During the Commencement Week we followed the time-honored custom of putting on the Alumni Banquet.

During the first week in school we had ordered our class rings. We then spent many weary weeks waiting for their arrival. David Dempsey and William Kodrich joined us too late to acquire rings as juniors.

During this third year, sports and music were again enjoyed. We had many members in both the band and chorus. In sports our girls appeared on the cheering squads and our boys played well in football, basketball, and baseball. We were very proud of the part our class was taking in music and sport activities by the end of the third year.

The Class of 1950 chose Pauline Giambalvo and Arthur Bettiol to act as marshalls during the Commencement Exercises. Joe Lamphere gave a very creditable Junior Response on Class Day.

Our Junior year was a happy and prosperous one. We left school in June with high hopes for our last year in Morris Central.

At last the day had arrived, we were registering as Seniors. Eighteen stalwart and sophisticated pupils entered Mrs. Olds' homeroom. She was there, ready and waiting for us to make a false move. We were set for an active and studious year. We had no additions to our class but a few had dropped by the wayside during the summer.

We had so many things to do that we hardly knew where to start. But, as usual election of officers was given preference over all other activities. We again honored Virginia Allen by choosing her as president for this last year. The other officers were: Vice-President, Edward Johnson; Secretary, Elsie Jo Smith; and Treasurer, Joseph Lamphere.

Almost immediately the representative from the Curtis Publishing Company called on us. We prepared for a crusade on magazine sales in the town and the vicinity adjoining. And were we successful! Biggest sales ever experienced. We added several hundred dollars to our treasury.

We commenced to think there really was going to be a class trip. But we needed more money to back both the trip and the yearbook. So we sold candy and pop at the basketball and baseball games. We put on a dance after Easter.

Before Christmas, the class, with some outside assistance presented Gilbert and Sullivan's "Pirates of Penzance". Mr. Bryan and Mrs. Olds worked night and day with us to make this a grand success. Once more we added several hundred dollars to our fund.

Our trip now was a certainty, and in late May and early June it became a reality. Another member of the class will tell you about the trip; the places we visited, the information we acquired, and the fun we had. A joint experience we shall always treasure among our senior memories.

Our history would not be complete without the mention of our experiences March 14. On this day we each took a hand at teaching. The idea which prompted this was to encourage members of the class to take up this profession. Up to this time not many had shown any desire to become teachers. By the end of the day some had been convinced it was the last field that they desired to enter.

And now it is over. Very soon we shall be leaving Morris Central. We are taking with us many happy memories of the last year in high school under the supervision of Mrs. Olds.

Pauline Giambalvo

#### CLASS PROPHECY

All classes have some way in which they are distinctive, but the Class of '51 is outstanding in many ways, as you have learned from our class history.

One of the ways in which we have been blessed is having two among us who are seventh daughters of seventh daughters. As everyone knows this endows us with the ability to see into the future. The astounding accomplishments of our class which we have discovered we will now relate to you.

It is an October evening in 1971 at Yankee Stadium, David Dempsey and Art Bettiol are finishing their glorious careers with the N. Y. Yankees. Our Dave has surpassed all batting records ---even Babe Ruth's, the home run king. Art has pitched 3 no hit games in the series this fall. Both men have won niches in the Baseball Museum at Cooperstown.

Next there flashes before my vision the stage at Roxy Theater. The audience is wildly applauding; Joe Lamphere, the star comedian, is bowing his way off stage. It must be he is captivating his audiences now as he did his classmates many years ago. Reviews compare him with Will Rogers, the man who could put on a new show every night.

Who is this dressed in protective armor and goggles, bending over test tubes, half hidden by fumes and vapors? As he straightens, turns, and removes his goggles, I recognize George Schoradt. George has gone into the field of

atomic research. He is assuring the visiting Senate Committee that at last he has discovered the "trigger" to set off the H-bomb. George's receding hair line, which gave him so much trouble in '51, has disappeared completely.

Behind a steel door labeled "Keep Out, Dangerous", we find Bill Kodrich. Bill is still entranced with chemical experiments. His goal is to discover a synthetic substitute for practically every good that man desires.

We might have expected this next scene. Joanne's triumph in the "Pirates of Penzance" foretold her fame in the operatic field. After four years spent at the Crane School of Music and two years of study and travel abroad, Joanne is giving a command performance before President Truman, who is desirous of learning if the critics are right when they rate her above Margaret.

And who is this leaving the "S.S. Missouri"? Note the insignia he wears --- four silver stars, an admiral no less. As he raises his cap we recognize a familiar smile which could only belong to Edward Johnson.

What long, high corridors! It must be one of the largest hospitals in the world. Here supervising the floor is a smiling nurse, her cap pertly set and her uniform gleaming white. A second glance confirms our first thought; it is Ginger Allen. From the quiet efficiency in this area, it is evident that Ginger's executive ability has the same rare quality that it had as president of the Class of '51.

This scene really amazes me for I had expected to see Robert Elliott bending over a weather map; instead I am viewing the auto speed way at Indianapolis. Bob is affectionately examining his "Hot Rod", for he has just won in the National Races.

At last I find a domestic scene. Evelyn Johnston, having tired of being a telephone operator, has settled down to family life. Evelyn smiles as she goes about her household duties. The cake which she is removing from the oven should make any housewife smile.

The scene suddenly shifts to a large class room in a New York City school. The teacher looks almost diminutive at the front of the room. The class is having a heated discussion about the relative value of Elizabethan and Modern drama. Onnolee is cleverly directing the "give and take" and has the class under perfect control. She evidently is enjoying her work.

Here comes a fellow down the street. His rolling walk identifies him as a seaman of many years. Hatless and singing with the crowd he leads, he appears to steer the crew on land as well as at sea. The curling lock of hair identifies him as Edward Hansen, who is now a coxswain in the American Navy.

This appears to be a telephone central, but how different from those of our high school days. Pauline Giambalvo, who owns and operates this system is seemingly the only one necessary, for Pauline has invented an improved dial system so that even a long distance call can be made without assistance from central. All Pauline has to do is now and then short circuit some conversation which the Federal Communication Commission might debar from the air.

In '51 Marjorie Card was trying to decide whether she would be a kindergarten teacher or a business woman. It must be she decided on the business career, for we find her in a most impressive office. She is receptionist for the distinguished Major Musser, who is permanently located at the capital in Washington D. C. Richard is one of the heads of the Commissary Department in the U.S. Army.

The scene changes once more. We are gazing on a group in a veterans' hospital. We catch kaleidoscopic views here and there. At last the vision clears. Here, working with these crippled soldiers we find Elsie Jo Smith, whose interest led her, after graduation from Drew, to occupational therapy. From the expression in her eyes as she talks to one of the patients, I think she may soon be returning to private life.

This must be La Guardia Field; look at the enormous transport plane coming in for a landing! The scene is almost breath-taking with the blue sky as background and the sun shining on the gleaming Air Force ship. She is down! The steps are being lowered. The first to appear, descending, is Fred Roberts.

If only we could have known what an impressive person our Fred would make as a pilot---he would have been the hero of our class in '51.

The mystic light is fading; our powers of discernment are dimming. Were our visions too fantastic?

Onnolee Ostrander  
Evelyn Johnston

# CLASS POEM



Here's to the Class of '51,  
Of which every member's a trustworthy one;  
Mrs. Olds is our homeroom advisor,  
And through her teaching we've become much wiser.



Ginger Allen is our class President,  
More drivers like she, would accidents prevent;  
But sincerely and truly, it is our contention,  
A better friend we cannot mention.

Ed Johnson is a regular tease,  
With his pranks many girls he does please.  
A wonderful fellow and lots of fun,  
With him is no rain, but always some sun.



Elsie Jo Smith is our grand Secretary,  
And in her reports she does not tarry;  
A pretty girl in whom boys take delight,  
With all kinds of bugs they put her in fright.

Joe Lamphere our class Treasurer is,  
When it comes to efficiency, he's a whiz;  
We hope someday he'll be on a net work median  
Because like Bob Hope, he is a comedian.



Handsome Dave Dempsey is the next boy we see,  
Who on the basketball court is as good as three.  
He cruises about in a little black Ford,  
And with him his women are far from bored.

Evelyn Johnston is our happy girl,  
Her sweet personality gives us a whirl.  
Her humor is so subtle, yet so light,  
And on the dance floor she's the boys' delight.



Onnolee Ostrander will be a school teacher,  
And to her pupils she'll be a good preacher;  
She'll do her best in her chosen occupation  
And her teaching will help to form a better nation.

Ed Hansen is our boy from Brooklyn  
His favorite expression is "What's cookin'?"  
A good looking boy, with a nice new car,  
With the girls he should go very far.



Bob Elliott's back yard a car lot would be;  
A car, a cycle, and a hot rod Crosly.  
Mention a certain girl and watch him blush,  
But when one comes near, for the door he will rush.

One swell cook is Marjorie Card  
Who, in the cafeteria, works very hard;  
A good friend she is, both happy and gay,  
And we wish her good fortune all of the way.



Arthur Bettiol blows a hot trumpet  
And on the basketball court he's all set.  
Of the girls he's just a wee bit shy,  
But you'll go a long ways to find such a swell guy.

Another of us who is jolly all the while,  
Is good Dick Musser with his wonderful smile.  
We sincerely believe he's a darn good guy,  
And a better friend money cannot buy.



A popular girl is Joanne Rutherford  
Who, upon the zither, plays many a chord;  
Her temper is quick, but not hard to please;  
It's she it seems, forever, the boys want to tease.

Frederick Roberts you'll find always with Dick,  
Unless one of them happens to get sick;  
A talented fellow, you should hear him sing,  
And when he yodles, the girls he does bring.





As for Pauline Giambalvo, her disposition's sunny,  
Her smile is broad and her jokes are funny.  
And a finer girl you shall never see,  
Or a better friend there never will be.

Billy Kodrich is a jovial lad,  
When teasing the girls he's oftentimes bad.  
He once was a villain in our play;  
He still practices his part every day.

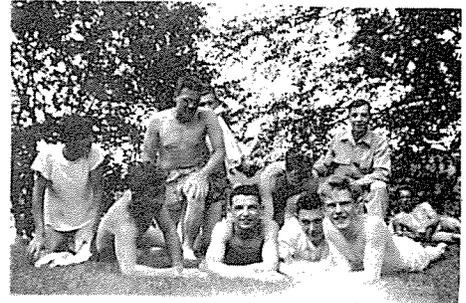
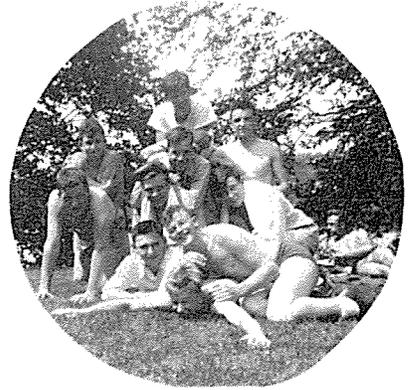


George Schoradt is the last of our boys,  
And it is with Ginger that he shares his joys.  
When he plays on the football field or basketball court,  
We're sure that you'll find him a darn good sport.

Thus we finish our roundelay,  
And for your pardon we humbly pray,  
For we are sure this lengthy scroll  
Proves a lack of rhythm in our soul.

William Kodrich  
Edward Johnson





PERSONALITY CHART

<u>Name</u>	<u>Disposition</u>	<u>Nickname</u>	<u>Pastime</u>
Virginia Allen	Steady	Ginger	George
Arthur Bettiol	Bashful	Art	Anything <u>but</u> girls
Marjorie Card	Quiet	Marj	Sewing
David Dempsey	Flirtatious	Wheel	Necking
Robert Elliott	Brief	Rapid Robert	Hot-rodding
Pauline Giambalvo	Sunny	Paul	Going to New York
Edward Hansen	Happy-go-lucky	Handsome Hansen	Hunting (?)
Edward Johnson	Likeable	Horse	Teasing
Evelyn Johnston	Giggly	Evie	Her love life
William Kodrich	Villainous	Bill	Going to West Oneonta
Joseph Lamphere	Eager	Joe	Depreciating the Dodge
Richard Musser	Happy	Richie	Listening to Fred's jokes
Onnolee Ostrander	Moody	Yo-yo	Letting boats loose on Goodyear Lake
Frederick Roberts	Corny	Fred	Telling jokes
Joanne Rutherford	Ferocious	Jody	Entertaining tne boys
George Schoradt	Braggish	Genious	Getting letters from freaks
Elsie Jo Smith	Childish	Else	Sneezing

## JUNIOR CHARGE

### Juniors:

As you---and everyone else---knows, last year's Juniors, who are now the illustrious Seniors, were the class to end all classes. We were intelligent, straight forward, and honest. We are somewhat startled at how you--next year's Seniors have been shaping up. You are dull, dumb, and dopey. Therefore, we feel it our duty before we depart from these halls forever, to leave with you a few parting words of wisdom. Take heed, and profit from our knowledge.

Audrey Morehouse	The gossip around town says that you can get any boy you want--let's see you prove it.
Lore Haus	Come out of your sheep's clothing. You're not hiding anything.
Joan Gaisford	Why don't you change things next year and organize a whole new gang?
Janet Perrigo	Why don't you move into town so the boys won't need a car to come to see you?
Zaida Cole	Stop trying to act like a married woman, you've got plenty of time for that.
Vera Alger	Seeing you're quite a boy-catcher, why don't you divide some of them among the other girls?
Eileen Callaghan	There are enough boys in the class so you can stop acting like one.
Constance Sheldon	Since you have been dating all of the out-of-town boys, it is about time for you to switch back to Morris.
Joan Jester	You will have to look for a new man when Carl goes in to the Army.
Luella Dixson	Settle down to one guy so that fewer of the boys will get played for suckers.
Mildred Gossman	Next year start school in September with the rest of the class. You can find other time to stay in New York.
Patricia Starr	You think you are running the school this year, Wait, until next year when you develop that "Senioritis".
Frederick Sherwood	Try studying another type of model next year---other than airplanes. Girls, for instance!
Roger Parker	You better give up on West Point, Roger, they take only men there.
Richard Olds	We always hear you talking about girls, next year let's see you getting acquainted with a few.
Robert Foote	You better forget about those eighth grade girls, Dutch. You've got to look after the "Dimmock Hollow Queen".
Carl Eccleston	Get a girl in a different class, then you can do some work on your own account.
Emerson Cole	Girls in Morris aren't so bad- so why go all the way to Edmeston to find them?
Rupert Hunt	Why don't you buy yourself an airplane so you won't be endangering so many peoples' lives?

Russell King Please, won't you use some jokes that other people use instead of being so original?

Richard Thompson We all know how good you say you are-----but we still have seen no proof of your so-called ability.

Arthur Bettiol  
David Dempsey

#### OUR LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT

We, the Class of '51, of the Morris Central School, in the State of New York, being of sound and disposing mind and memory and considering the uncertainty of this life have decided to compose, publish and declare this, our last Will and Testament. In making this will, we hereby revoke and make void all former wills by us at any, all or other times heretofore made:

Board of Education	A tenure law that works both ways so they may avoid the problem of hiring new teachers.
Mr. Secor	A private recorder so you can play back all of your jokes.
Mr. Knapp	A permanent option on Henry Washbon's car.
Miss Leska	A "Horn" of plenty for the future.
Miss Whitney	A mirror to carry with you always so you can enjoy your blushes.
Mr. Clement	One night out of every week set aside for you to give a piano concert.
Miss Flo	The ability to strike it rich like the rest of the teachers.
Mr. Howlett	A private parking space at Fox Hospital.
Mr. Bryan	A seventh grade which knows how to use the dictionary.
Miss Mojzis	A million dollar donation so you can run the Youth Center as you desire.
Mrs. Decker	A ton of sand to weight down the back of your car so you can get up Patrick Hill.
Mr. Zoch	A bobby pin to keep your hair in place.
Mrs. Olds	A pair of opera glasses to enable you to see each move made by the seniors next year.
Mrs. Daniels	A healthier year than you had in '51.
Miss Wagner	An office cash register that never runs dry.
Mrs. Edgerton	An extra arm so you'll have more elbow room.
Custodians	A Senior who will take your place on Student Teacher's Day.
Bob Foote	An old oaken bucket to go with your "Well".
Janet Perrigo	A heart "Phil" of love.
Joan Jester	A basket to carry your "Ecclesin".
Vera Alger	A sprinkler so you can keep your garden well "Waltered".
Luella Dixson	A box of moth balls to keep the "Millers" away.

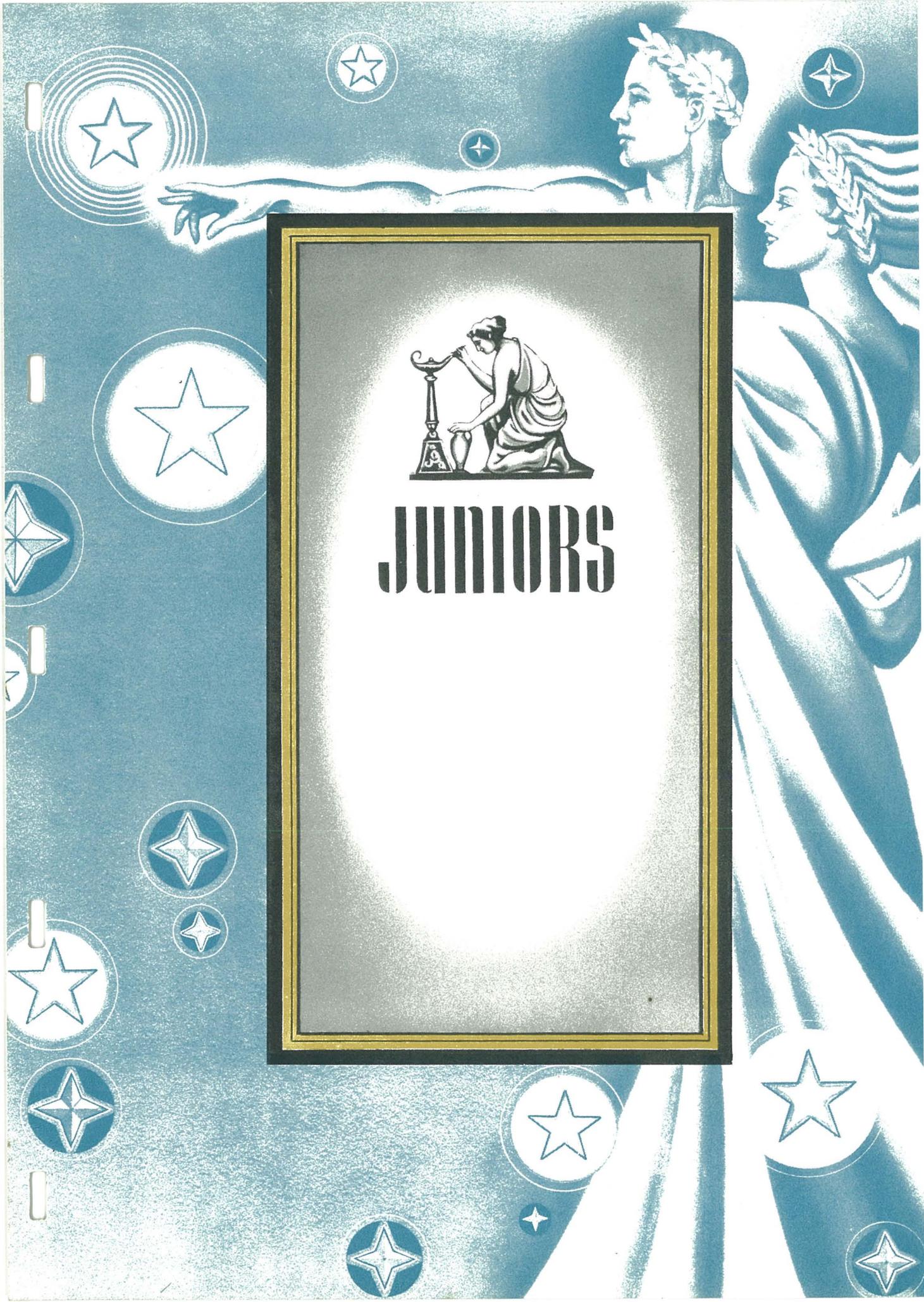
Zaida Cole	A shirt of your own; you're wearing out all of George's.
Lore Haus Joan Gaisford Mildred Gossman	A girdle, so you'll always be together.
Eileen Callaghan	A boy friend in the flesh, not mind.
Audrey Morehouse	A joke book so you can get some fun out of life.
Dick Thompson	A book, "How to Play Sports", because you may need it to get through life.
Dick Olds	A muffler for your voice.
Fred Sherwood	A "Charles Atlas Book" so that you can learn how to develop your muscles.
Carl Eccleston	A kindly "Jester" towards life.
Emerson Cole	A razor edge to cut some of your sarcastic remarks.
Rupert Hunt	A licence from the Interstate Commerce Commission.
Rusty King	Some trustworthy, invisible suspenders.
Roger Parker	An automatic cymbal clasher, so that Mr. Bryan won't have to yell his lungs out.
Pat Starr	A diploma in 1951 so that you can tag along, as usual.
Connie Sheldon	A geranium for you and your companion to place on the monument of your deceased grandfather when you pay him your nightly visits.
Corrine Sickler	To use as often as you do your mirror, the motto: "To speak and to offend with some people are but one and the same thing."
Gary Rutherford Ken Anderson Jack Light	A permit to grow up.

Joanne Rutherford  
Joseph Lamphere

*"Carrie"*  
*Jody*  
*"Dave"*  
*"Pauline"*  
*"Art"*  
*"Ginger"*  
*"Bill"*  
*"Smitty"*  
*Onno*  
*George*  
*Ellie*  
*Joe*  
*"Fred"*  
*"Dick"*  
*"Rapid Robert"*  
*Margie*  
*RS*

Witnessed by:

M. T. Head  
U. R. Done



# JUNIORS

## JUNIOR PAGE



### CLASS NEWS

President---Carl Eccleston  
Vice Pres.---Joan Jester      Sec.-Treas.---Patricia Starr

To raise money this year the Juniors have sponsored a dance and two Variety parties. They also sponsored a movie on May 5. In June they prepared and served the Alumni banquet as both a social and money making project.

This has been a most enjoyable year with Miss Whitney as our homeroom adviser.

Patricia Starr

### JUNIOR RESPONSE

Friends, schoolmates, members of the Class of '51, lend me your ears. First, mighty Seniors, we would thank you for these words of wisdom so condescendingly imparted to us.

We have come to bid you farewell, not to praise you. We would remind you in the words of the immortal Shakespeare, "That the evil men do lives after them, that the good is oft interred with their bones".

Through three years we have watched you grow rapidly in stature but slowly in wisdom. We fear the effect of the shock that is soon to greet you as you depart from these sheltering halls into a world so little prepared to receive such as you. Because of the immensity of your weaknesses we feel entirely inadequate in the job of suggesting corrections.

So, let it rest, with a wish that:  
Wherever you go; whatever you do;  
May life and fortune smile on you.

Patricia Starr  
Joan Jester



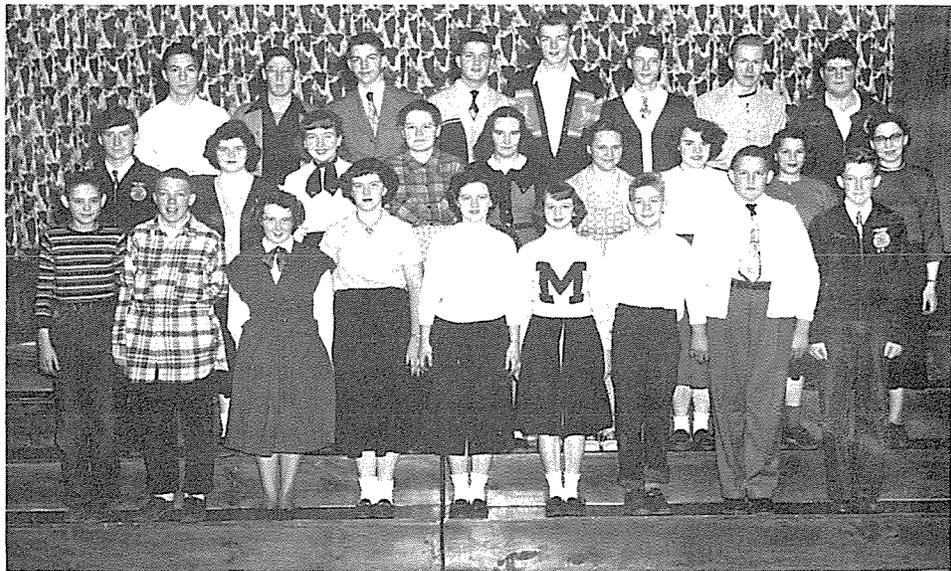
#### SOPHOMORE CLASS NEWS

President---Ronald Miller      Vice Pres.---Janet Wells  
 Secretary---Robert Perry      Treasure ---Rene Valentine

In September, 29 students became the Sophomore Class which was under the guidance of Mr. Zoch and Mr. Knapp. During the year Ronald and James Jennings, and a former member, Barbara Springett, joined us. We sponsored a bake sale and a dance to raise money. Our class was well represented in all of the activities.

We enjoyed our year under Mr. Zoch and Mr. Knapp.

Robert Perry



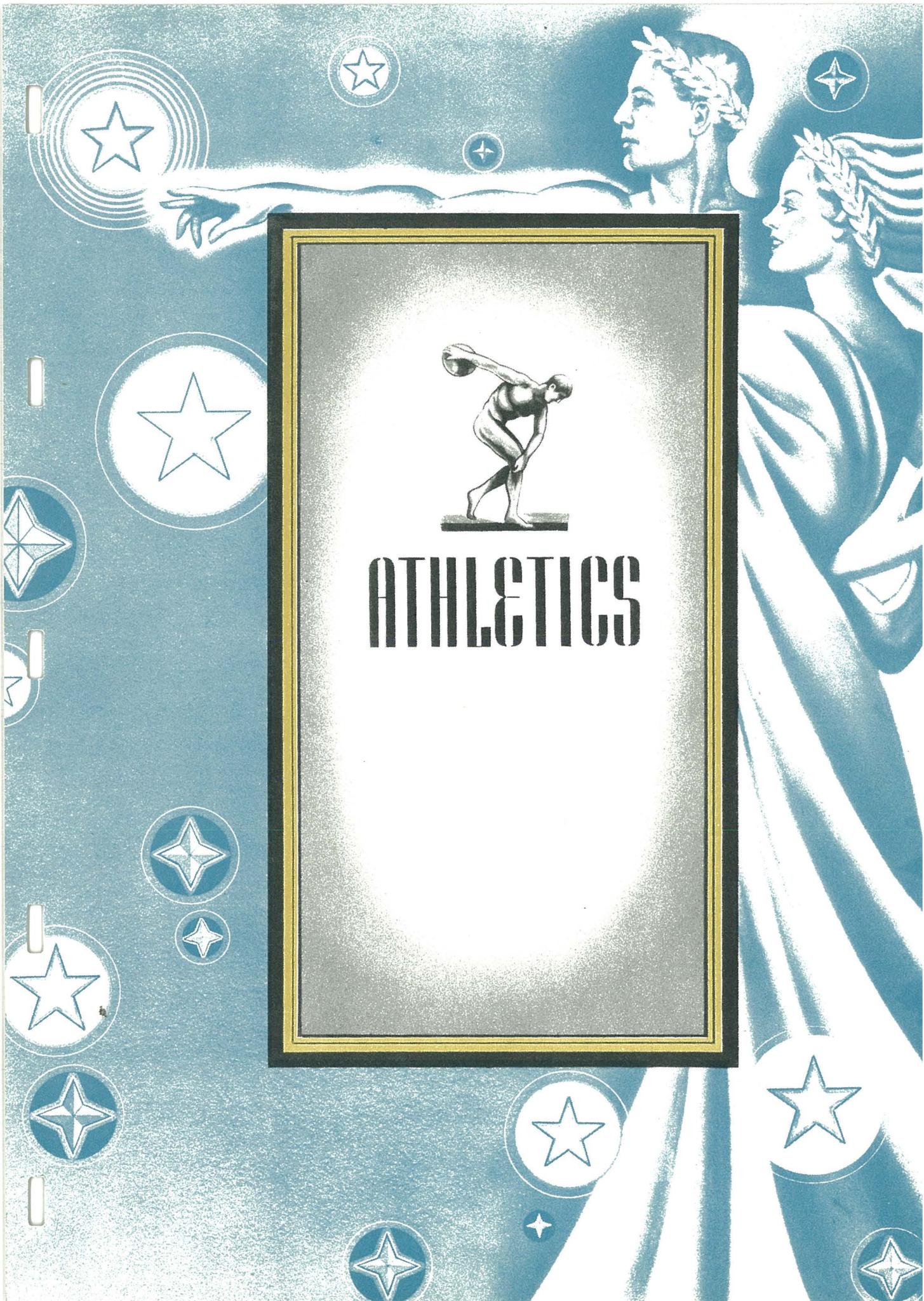
#### FRESHMAN CLASS NEWS

President---Joyce Toomath      Vice Pres.---Betty Wilson  
 Secretary---Doris Erikson      Treasurer ---Robert Black

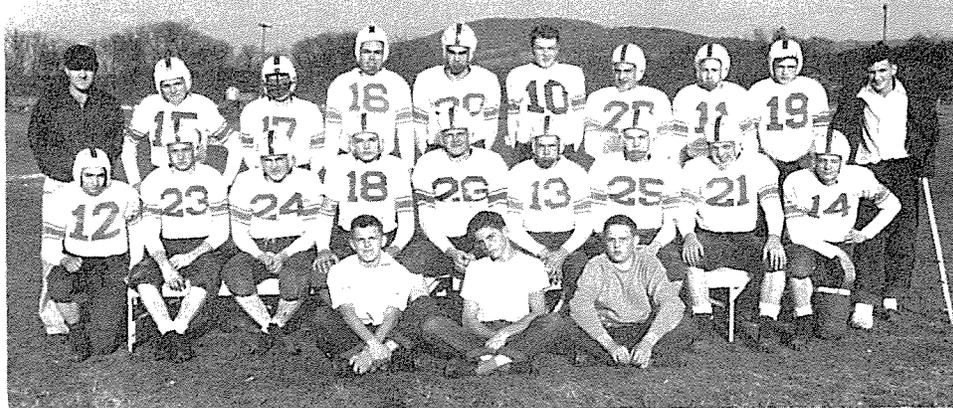
During our Freshman year we sponsored the movie "Jolson Sings Again". We celebrated Miss Leska's birthday by giving her a party. Our class was active in many of the activities such as baseball, football, basketball, band, chorus, twirling, F. H. A., F. F. A., and the Commercial Club.

We had a happy year with Miss Leska as our homeroom advisor.

Doris Erikson



# ATHLETICS



FOOTBALL

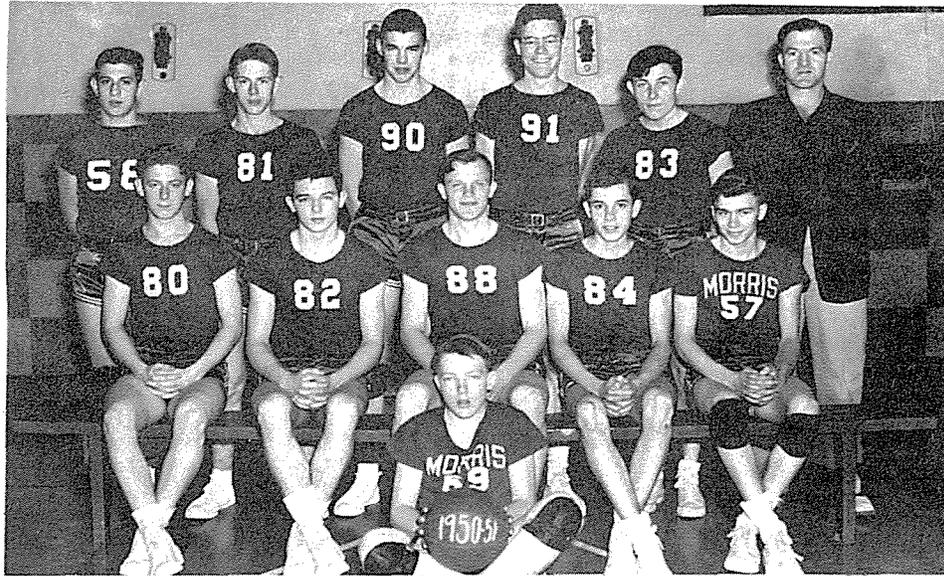
Morris	18	Unadilla	26
Morris	7	New Berlin	40
Morris	24	Edmeston	44
Morris	32	Franklin	27
Morris	19	Otego	33
Morris	18	Gilbertsville	20
<u>Total-Morris</u>	<u>118</u>	<u>Total-Opponents</u>	<u>190</u>

Points scored by players

Schoradt	30
Lamphere	24
Dempsey	24
Eccleston	21
Stafford	19

Eddy Wilson suffered a broken leg. This was the only serious injury of the football season. At the end of the season George Schoradt was elected honorary captain.





BASKETBALL

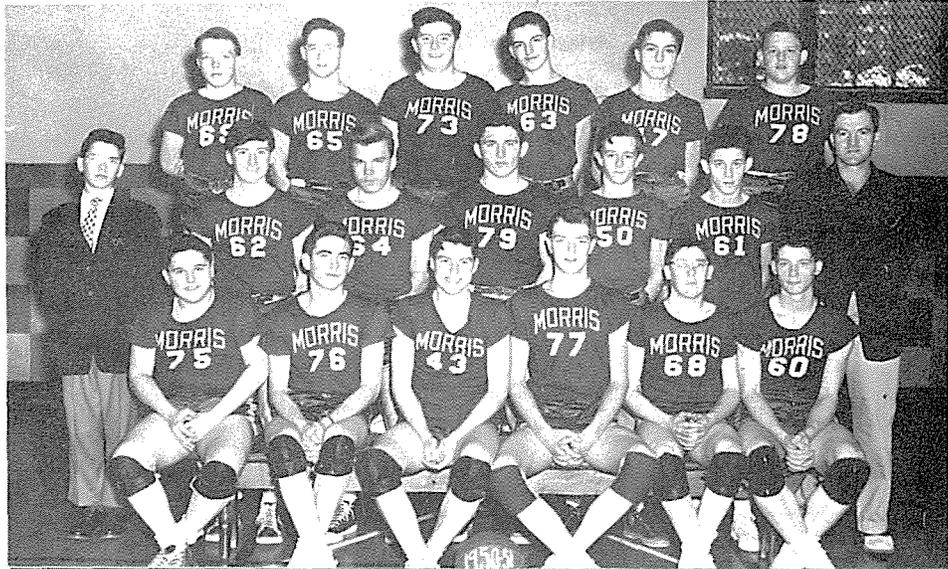
	Varsity	J.V.		Varsity	J.V.
Morris	39	37	Mt.Upton	50	14
Morris	52	33	Gilbertsville	33	23
Morris	51	38	Cooperstown	49	63
Morris	44	45	Gilbertsville	41	17
Morris	36	33	Unadilla	34	22
Morris	58	43	Otego	61	22
Morris	39	35	Mt.Upton	46	24
Morris	68	35	South New Berlin	23	23
Morris	42	46	Edmeston	69	37
Morris	42	42	Franklin	33	24
Morris	25	25	New Berlin	56	42
Morris	48	45	Unadilla	42	34
Morris	58	40	Otego	60	19
Morris	43	32	Edmeston	77	29
Morris	33	19	Franklin	51	31
Morris	55	31	New Berlin	73	35

Gregory Cook  
Eddie Perrigo (Managers)

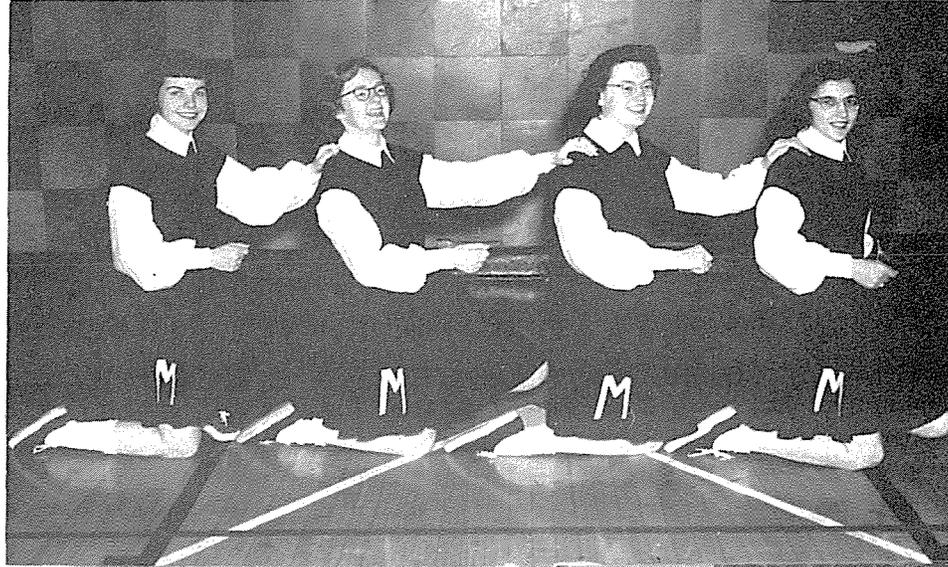
Total points for each player were:  
Varsity

*Dempsey D.	182
Bettiol A. (Capt.)	135
*Thompson R.	112
Eccleston C.	87
Schoradt G.	69
Foote R.	38
Valentine R.	38
Parker R.	31
Lamphere J.	24
Ventre D.	14
Kodrich W.	5
Olds R.	5

\*Denotes All Star



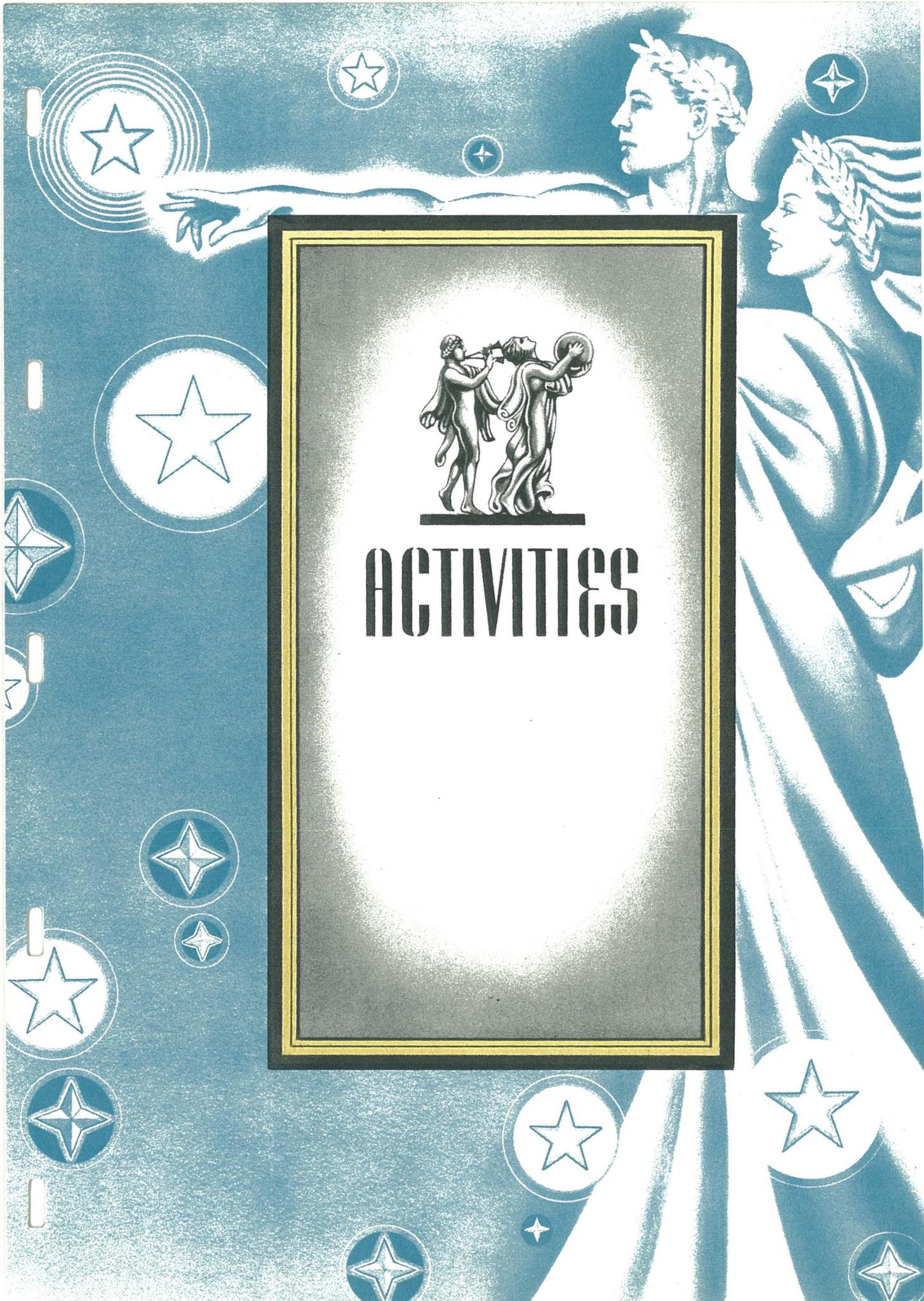
JUNIOR  
VARSITY



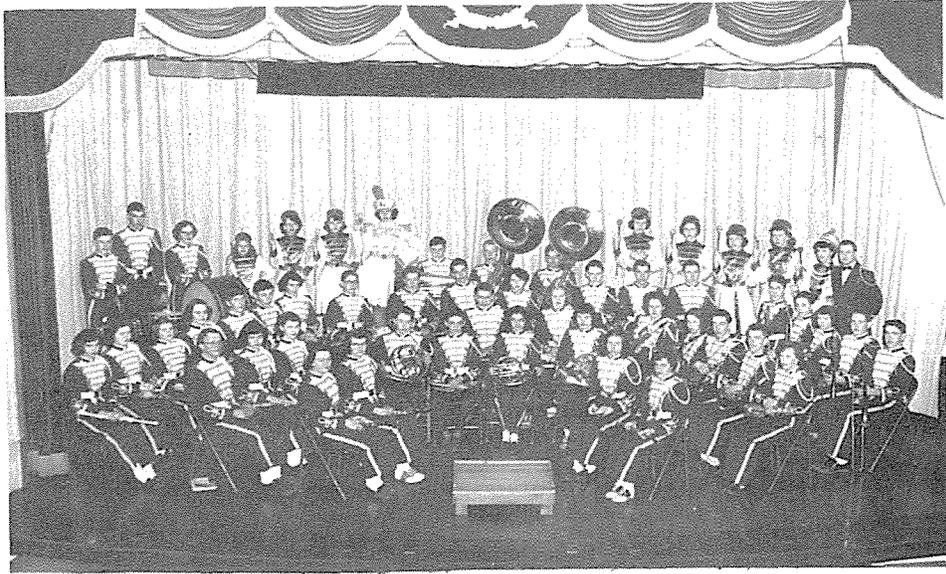
SENIOR  
CHEERLEADERS



JUNIOR  
CHEERLEADERS



# ACTIVITIES



SENIOR BAND

Pres.---George Schoradt  
 Vice Pres.---Edward Johnson      Sec.-Treas.---Virginia Allen  
 Librarian---Pat Starr              Bus. Manager---Joanne Rutherford

The Senior Band again had its usual busy year with a well balanced group of 45 members. Its activities included parading for the Morris Fair, Kiwanis National Kids' Day in Oneonta for which the band received a trophy, and the Scout Jamboree, also in Oneonta. The band, together with the glee clubs, presented a winter concert, an assembly program in March and a Spring concert in May. In November, the band was represented in the All-State Sectional Band at Norwich by Virginia Allen, Audrey Morehouse, Onnolee Ostrander and Elsie Jo Smith.



JUNIOR BAND



MIXED CHORUS

Pres.---Edward Johnson      Vice Pres.---Virginia Allen  
 Sec.---Joseph Lamphere      Treas.---Elsie Jo Smith  
 Librarian and Accompanist---Joanne Rutherford

This year for the first time there was a mixed chorus as well as Girls' and Boys' Choruses. The mixed chorus enrolled a high percentage of the high school enrollment, having 68 students as members. The chorus, in conjunction with the Senior Class, presented the Gilbert and Sullivan operetta, "The Pirates of Penzance." The chorus also joined with the band to present a Winter Concert, a Spring Concert, and a music assembly program. The boys' chorus performed for the District Teachers' Association and the Eastern Star. They also participated in the State Contest-Festival at Mohawk in May. The vocal music organizations again presented their annual choral Vesper program in June. Edward Johnson, George Schoradt, Robert Perry, and Richard Thompson represented the chorus in the Norwich All-state Sectional Chorus held in November.



OPERETTA CAST



GIRLS'  
CHORUS



BOYS'  
CHORUS



JUNIOR  
CHORUS



COMMERCIAL  
CLUB

President---Ronald Miller  
 Vice Pres.---Fred Roberts      Treas.---Bill Kodrich  
 Secretary---Betty Wilson      Historian---Joan Stuart

Among our projects this year have been: Selling candy at the movies on Saturday night and publishing a Commercial Club paper, twice. We also put on a combination Variety and White Elephant Party and sponsored a dance.



LIBRARY  
CLUB

Sr. Officers  
 Pres.---Joan Gaisford      Vice Pres.---Laura Haus  
 Sec.    Treas.---Anna Livesey

Jr. Officers  
 Pres.---Ann Harrington      Vice Pres.---Barbara Parker  
 Sec.---Doris Saunders      Treas.---Eva Harrington

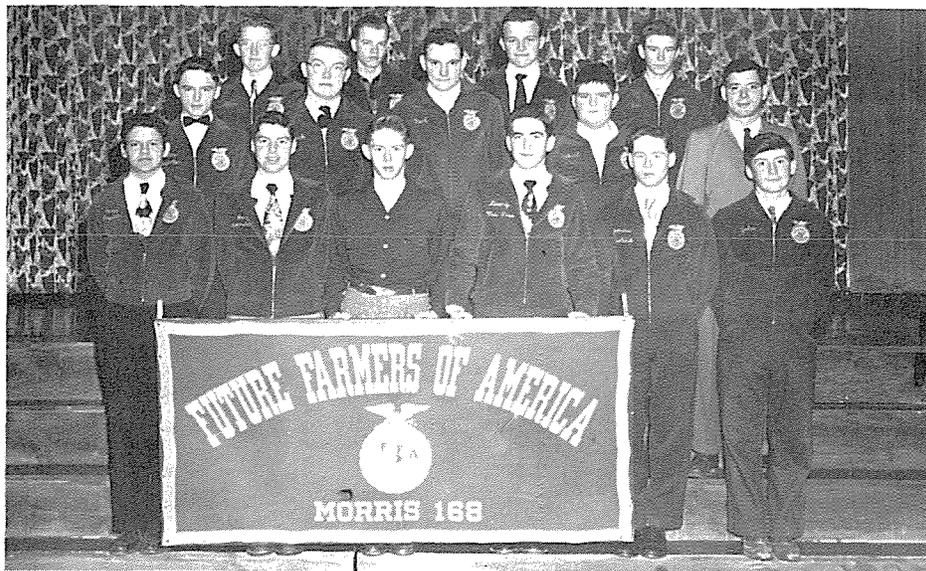
The club members learned the library routines and used the knowledge by assuming the responsibilities of the circulation desk, repairing books and preparing new books for general circulation. To raise money the Senior members served tea to the faculty after school. The librarian and the club members have tried to make the library a pleasant place in which to study and read.

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President---Betty Wilson  
 Vice Pres.---Janet Wells      News Reporter---Wilma Teter  
 Secretary---Connie Sheldon      Songleader---Corinne Sickler  
 Treasurer---Joyce Toomath      Cheerleader---Audrey Palmer

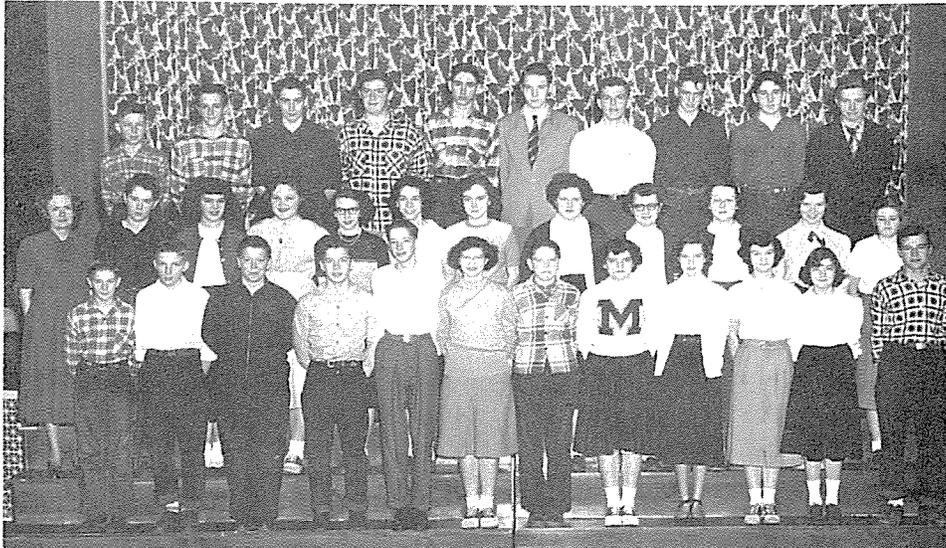
This year the F.H.A. has engaged in several interesting projects. The supper which was served to the Boyscout executives, The spaghetti supper, and Play Night, had money as an objective. To add to the social life of the year was modeling dresses at the Spring Fashion Revue.



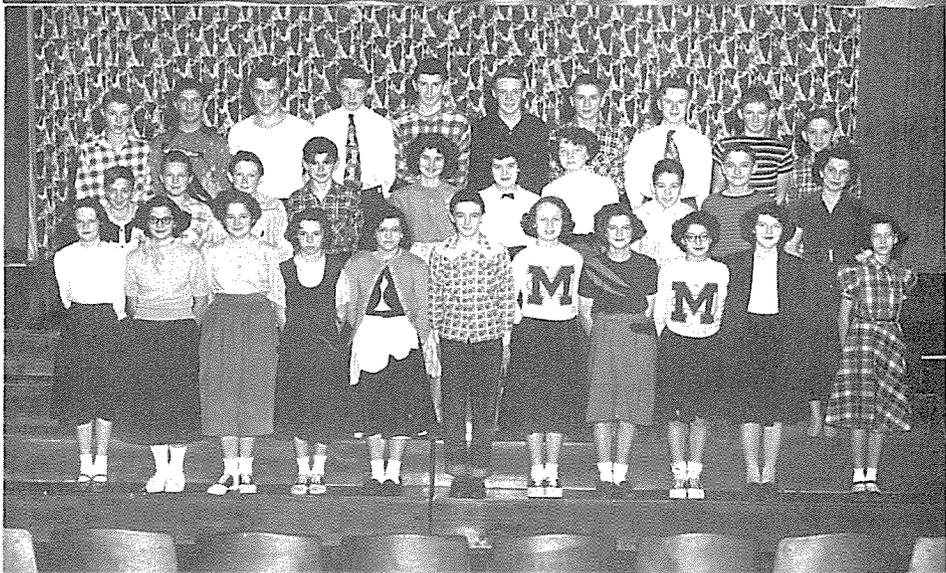
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President---Carl Eccleston  
 Vice Pres.---George Harrington      Sentinal---Jim Toomath  
 Secretary---Bob Perry      Treasurer---Emerson Cole  
 Reporter---Rene Valentine      Advisor---Mr. Howlett

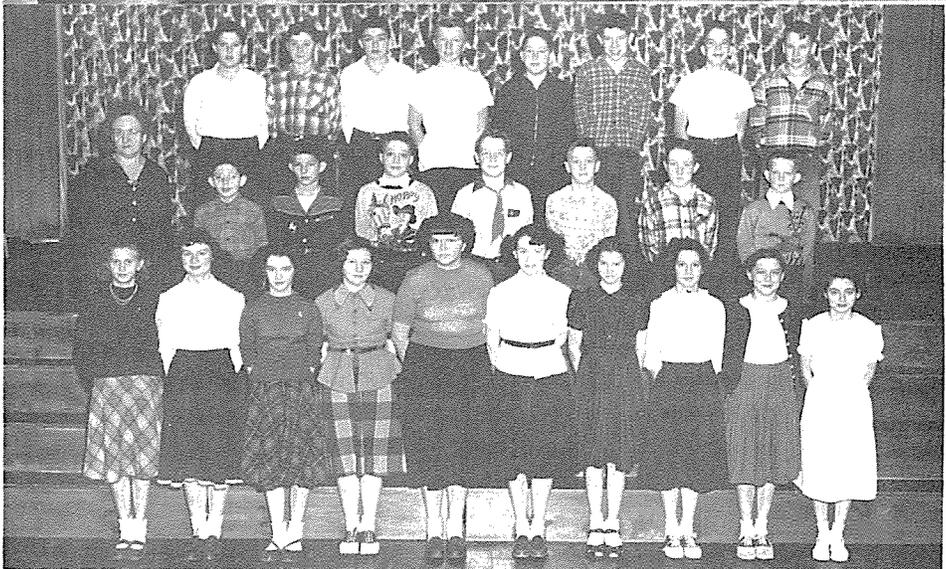
We bought our blue jackets with money raised by selling Christmas cards. We started the '51-'52 fund by sponsoring a variety party in January. In October 1950 our judging team went to Morrisville, where we added to our knowledge of cattle judging. The club gave two National Science books to the school library.



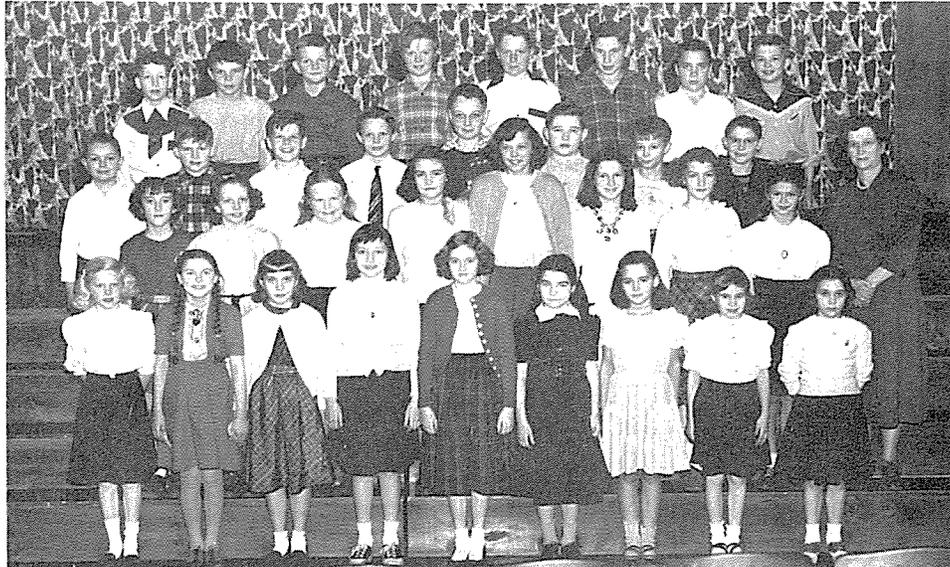
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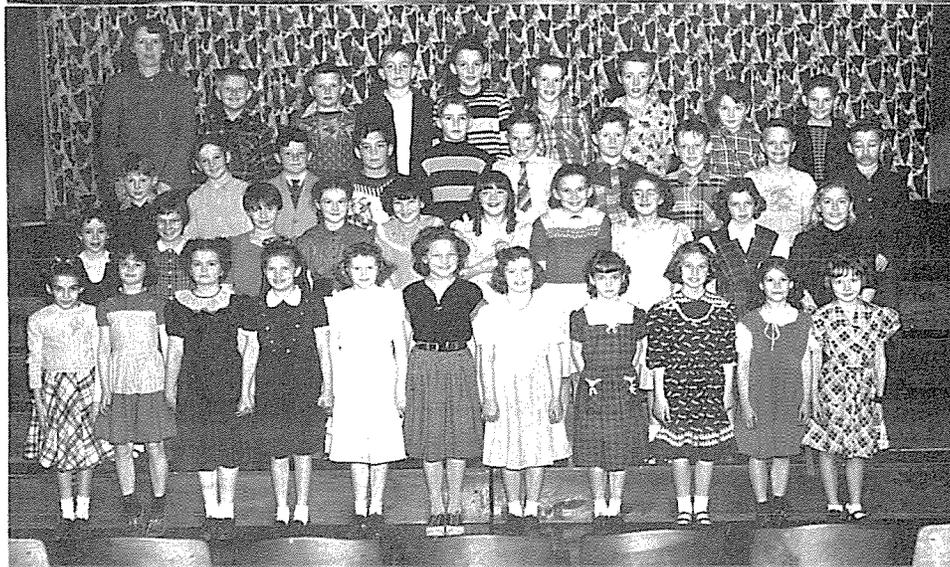
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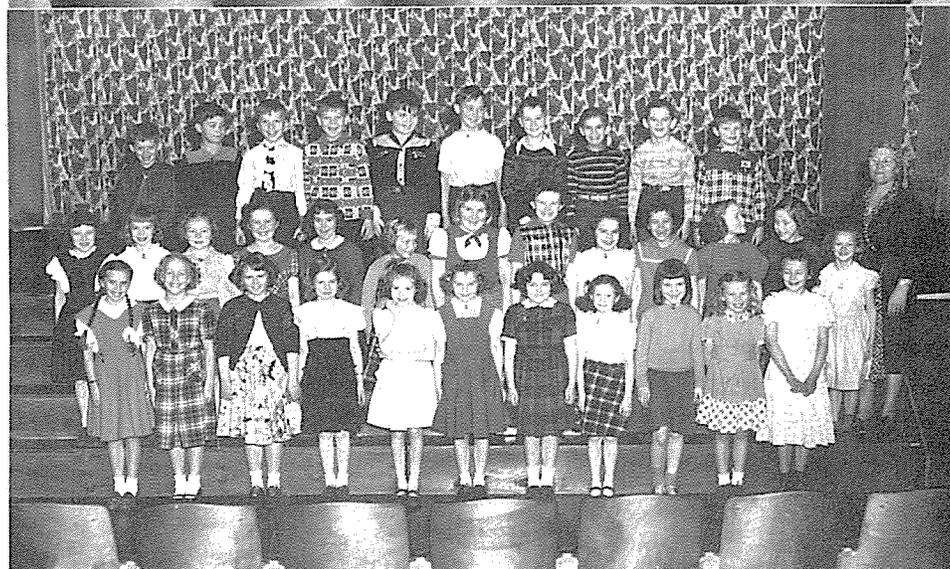
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KINDER-  
GARTEN

ALUMNI NEWS

1891

FREDERICK GREENE became a doctor and practiced for years in New Paltz. Deceased  
HENRY GOODNOW lived in South New Berlin for many years; now lives with a niece  
in Macklenburgis in Schuyler Co. N. Y.  
ARCHIE RUTHERFORD lives with his sister, Mrs. Minerva Brown, in Los Angles, Cal.  
LOTTIE LEE married Albert Straight and made her home in Mt. Vision. Deceased  
GRACE CADY married Herbert Peck. Deceased  
BERTHA MATTERSON graduated from Morris Training Class and taught school. Mrs.  
Blaine is now living in Los Angles, Cal.  
ANNA KELLER married Willard Gifford. They had three children all of whom live  
in Morris; Mrs. Alton Littlewood, Mrs. Harold Chase and Mrs. Charles Mill-  
er. Deceased  
LAVINIA NEARING after teaching school for many years married Ernst Thurston.  
They have been life-long residents of New Lisbon.

1901

HARPER STEELE became an expert plumber and has operated a store in Garratts-  
ville for many years. He married Mary Curtis ('99 Morris) by whom he  
had one son, Curtis.  
HERMAN W. BACKUS became a dentist; practiced in Rochester for many years. He  
is now located in Hartwick, N. Y.  
STANLEY BACKUS conducted a farm in Morris, later moved to Hartwick where he has  
been engaged in running both a poultry farm and a hardware store.  
ELMA G. CULVER married Frank Daniels, lived and raised a family in Otego, N.Y.  
C. BURRITT TILLSON operates a fruit farm in Cochituate, Mass. He married Georg-  
ina Johnson in 1910. They had two sons and two daughters.  
V. CLAUDINE JOHNSON married Fred Wallace. They had one daughter, Maryette ('35  
Morris). Mrs. Wallace makes her home in Florida.  
EDNA V. JOHNSON married Lester Bedell and had two daughters. She has made her  
home in New York City.  
ANNA J. HALBERT Deceased  
HORACE M. PERRY Deceased  
ROSSLYN STAFFORD Deceased  
SARAH A. GARDNER No information  
LILLIE B. GARDNER No information

1911

MADGE DAILEY FOLMSBEE married and lived in South Valley. Deceased  
VIVIAN LENA CURTIS has lived in Morris since her graduation.  
HARRIET GRACE MOORE married Erle Smith (1900, Morris). They had two sons and  
a daughter, all of whom are graduates of Morris Central School. She is  
employed at the H.W. Naylor Manufacturing Plant.  
CATHERINE HELEN VAN RENSSSELEAR married James Mason who was principal in a tech-  
nical school in Paterson, New Jersey. She has two sons.  
EDITH MELISSA LIGHT married Floyd Hendrix of Gilbertsville. Her husband is em-  
ployed in the Dairyman's League plant in Mt. Upton, where they live. She  
has one son.  
AGNES DUNBAR married Wesley Suttun. They live in West Oneonta at present.  
HOWARD WING NAYLOR graduated from Cornell University as a veterinarian. He is  
the president of the Naylor Company in Morris. He has a daughter, Alma  
(1932, Morris) who married Francis Elliott and lives in Morris.  
RALPH GILBERT CARRICK attended Syracuse University. He lives in Syracuse and  
is engaged in the life insurance business.  
FRANK CHATMAN CARPENTER graduated from Syracuse University, College of Journ-  
alism. He lives in Cooperstown and is one of the publishers of the week-  
ly, "Otsego Farmer" of that place.

1921

FLORENCE CARLETON graduated from the Morris Training Class and taught in dis-  
trict schools of the community. She makes her home in Morris with her  
mother, but is employed in the Oneonta Department Store.

MAURICE HARRIS graduated from Forestry School. He now lives in Morris where he operates his father's farm.  
RENA HINMAN married George Mansfield by whom she had one daughter, Joyce (1939, Morris ). Deceased  
ALETHEA MILLER married William Wilsey and lives in Oneonta. They have three sons.  
GERTRUDE OSBORNE married Roland Leonard. She now lives in Phoenix, Arizona and is employed in office work. She has a son and daughter.

1931

DEAN CARPENTER is married and lives in Norwich. He is employed in the post office.  
CAROLYN CRANDALL, daughter of George Crandall of New Lisbon, is living in Oneonta. She married Ernest Westfall and has one son.  
DRAPER DANIELS graduated from Syracuse University, College of Business Administration and did graduate work at the same university. He married Louise Cort, also a graduate of Syracuse University. They have four children including a pair of twins. Draper is now Vice President of Young and Rubican, an advertising company.  
CEYLON DECKER lives in Morris. He married BEATRICE TRIPP (1931, Morris). They have three children. Ceylon works in Sears and Roebuck, Oneonta.  
ROBERT FABER lives and works in Oneonta. He is married and has four daughters.  
GLADYS GARDNER graduated from Hartwick College and is now an instructor in the Commercial Department of that college.  
THELMA G. LESKA was graduated from College of St. Rose, Albany with a B.A. degree in 1935. She did graduate work in Syracuse University, earning her M.A. degree in 1945. She was married in Morris, May 12, 1951 to Mr. Harold R. Hourne of Rome, New York. They plan to live in Rome.  
KATHERINE M. LULL lives in Morris. She married Charles Fay and has two sons.  
JOSEPH NAGHSKI lives in Philadelphia where he is engaged in medical research.  
HARLOW PICKENS married Helen King. They make their home in Morris with their three small children. Harlow runs the Texaco Gas Station.

1941

JUNA ADAMS lives near Sidney. She married William Richards and has two children.  
PAUL EDGERTON JR. was graduated from Ithaca College. He now lives in Treadwell, where he teaches physical education in the Treadwell Central School. He married Janice Lutz and has two children.  
IRMA BUNDY married Raymond Livingston and has two children. The family lives in Morris.  
MARGUERITE DENNEY lives in Syracuse. She married John Dunn and is employed in a bank in Syracuse.  
EDNA CARR lives in Morris. She married Sidney Pickens and has two children.  
ARDO COATS married Marguerite Hotaling in 1947, and has one daughter. He works at the West End Body Shop in Oneonta. During World War II he served in the European Theater.  
INGEBORG JACOBS took training in Wilson Memorial Hospital. She served in the Second World War.  
BETTY HULL married LeRoy Poling and has two children. She lives in Garratts-ville.  
MABEL JOHNSON married George Winn and has three children. She lives in Kinderhook. She is a graduate of C.C.B.I. and was secretary in English General Hospital, Atlantic City, during World War II.  
ELAINE JENKS married Leland Barnumi and has one child. She lives in Endicott.  
ROBERT KLINDT lives in Morris and is married to Elizabeth Burdick. He has a very successful business drilling wells. He served in the army during World War II.  
BETTY JANE LULL lives in Maine. She married Lynn Horton and has two sons.  
JANICE PARKER married Gaither White. They had two children. Deceased  
JAMES MC NITT lives in Morris and is engaged in the trucking business with his father. He served in the army during World War II.  
MICHAEL SEIDER is married and lives in Oneonta.  
DOROTHY OLDS is married and lives in Arizona. She has two children.  
EDNA SOMERVILLE married John Baim and has two children. She is employed at the Fox Hospital in Oneonta.

VIRGINIA SOUTHERN lives in Morris. She married Karlyle Hoffman and has three children.  
FLORENCE WRIGHT is married and has one child. She trained for nursing in the Methodist Hospital in Brooklyn. She is living in Oneonta.  
DOROTHY HARRINGTON married Glenn Chase (1933, Morris). They have three children and make their home in Garrattsville.

#### SO WHAT

Getting out this yearbook is no picnic  
If we print jokes, people say we are silly.  
If we don't, people say we are serious.  
If we clip from other books,  
We are too lazy to write it ourselves,  
If we don't we are stuck on our own stuff.  
If we stick to the job all day,  
We ought to be out hunting up news.  
If we do get out and hustle,  
We ought to be on the job studying.  
If we don't print contributions,  
We don't appreciate true genius.  
If we do, the book is filled with junk.  
If we make a change in a fellow's write-up,  
We are too critical.  
If we don't, we are asleep.  
Now, like as not someone will say  
We swiped this from some other book --

WE DID.!

THE STAFF

