



PROPOSED ADDITION 

# M. C. S. GROWING PAINS AND THE BUILDING ADDITION

During 1953 and 1954, our school has been going through the difficult experience of providing additional space for our increased enrolment and needs. Although we have been planning for several years, it was not until the spring of 1953 that active steps were taken to increase our school facilities.

The school Board of Education, with the assistance of a Building Advisory Committee, secured an Architect and, in counsel with the State Education Department, developed plans for a school addition.

On August 18, 1953, the voters of the District passed a bond issue of \$34,000 with a very substantial majority.

Mrs. Lewis Rutherford Morris, who with her late husband, had matched dollar for dollar on the cost of the present building, agreed to donate \$50,000 toward the cost of the addition.

When bids were opened on February 16, 1954, it was found that we needed \$40,000 more than was available to complete the full project.

The Board of Education called for a second vote on March 29, to determine whether the voters wished to add the \$40,000 to the project or to scale down the plans to come within the approporation.

The vote of this additional sum, although favorable was not a required 2/3majority. School authorities are now at work trying to pare the costs down to meet the sum available.

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# "HE WHO SEEKS SHALL FIND"



# YEARBOOK STAFF OF 1954

Editor:	Betty Wilson
Assistant Editor:	Maxine Jester
Sports Editor:	John Wassenaar
Alumni Reporter:	Joyce Toomath
Assistant Alumni Reporter:	Robert Black
Art Editor:	Kenneth Anderson
Business Manager:	Warren Kinney
Yearbook Advisor:	Mrs. Wells

Class Colors: Yellow and Blue Class Flowers: Yellow Rose Class Rings: Bastian Brothers

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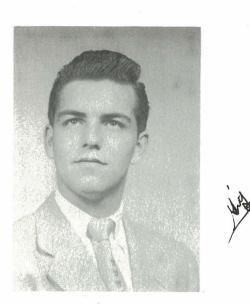


There are twenty-six members of the Senior class this year. There are many students in our class participating in Band, Chorus, Cheerleading, Sports, F. H. A. and F. F. A. Our class has been very busy with fund raising activities this year. Early in the school year we started our magazine sales. We made over four hundred dollars on this project. We presented "Charley's Aunt" as our Senior Play. We were very successful with the play and made over two hundred dollars. Our class has also sponsored a skating party, bake sales, and the Radio Ranch Hand Show. We are also selling pop and candy at the basketball games and are planning to have a dance in May. We have had a very successful year under the guidance of Mr. Clapp.

# THE SENIORS

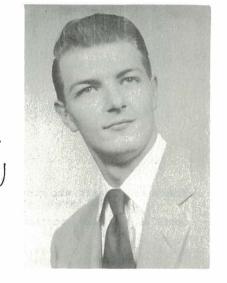
# CLASS OFFICERS

Garre Rutherford-President Albert Grenz-Vice President Kenneth Anderson-Secretary & Treasurer



GARRE RUTHERFORD Band - 1,2,3,4 Chorus - 1,2,3,4 Football 1,2,3 Baseball - 1 Volleyball - 2 Senior Play - 4 Class President - 4

KENNETH ANDERSON Football - 1 Basketball - 1, 2, 3, 4 Volleyball - 2, 3, 4 Chorus - 1, 2, 3 Senior Play - 4 Operetta - 1 Year Book staff - 4



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ALBERT GRENZ Basketball - 1,2,4 Band - 2,4 Boy's Chorus - 1,2,4 Mixed Chorus - 1,2,4 All State Chorus - 3 Senior Play - 4

Vice-President - 4

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CAROL SAUNDERS

Library Club - 1

ELEANOR HOAG Mixed Chorus - 1,2,3,4 Girl's Chorus - 1,2,3,4 Volleyball - 2,3,4 Softball - 2,3,4 Basketball - 2,3,4 Cafeteria - 1,2



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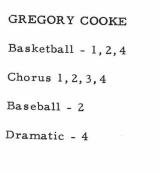
RONALD HALBERT Chorus - 1,2 Band - 1,2,3,4 Baseball - 1,2,3 Basketball - 1,2,3,4 Football - 1,2 Class President - 1,2 All-State Chorus - 4

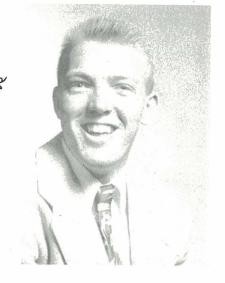




JOYCE TOOMATH Girl's Chorus - 1,2,3,4 Cheerleading - 1,3 Twirling - 1,2,3,4 Senior Play - 4 F.H.A. - 1,2,3,4 Year Book Staff - 4

PATRICIA JACKSON Band - 1,2,3,4 Chorus - 2,4 Senior Play - 4 Cheerleading 4 Basketball - 2,4 Volleyball - 2,4 Softball - 2,4





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MAXINE JESTER Band - 1, 2, 3, 4 Chorus - 1, 2, 3, 4 Senior Play - 4 Cheerleading - 4 President - 2 Year Book Staff - 4 Basketball - 2, 3, 4

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BETTY WILSON Cheerleading - 1,2,3 Senior Play - 4 Girl's Chorus - 1,2,3,4 Mixed Chorus - 1,2,3,4 Twirling - 1,2,3,4 Basketball - 3,4 Year Book Staff - 4

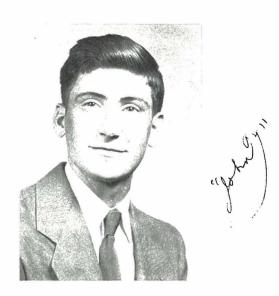


ROBERT BLACK Library Club - 1 Football - 2,3 Chorus - 2,4 4-H - 1,2,3,4 Year Book Staff - 4

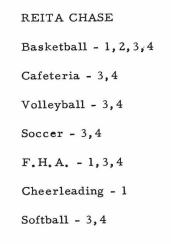


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JOHN TURNBULL Basketball - 1,2,3,4 Football - 1, 2, 3, 4 F.F.A. - 1,2,3,4 Band 1,3,4 Class Vice-President - 2 Senior Play - 4 Secretary F.F.A. - 3







ROBERT STEPHENS Football - 2 Basketball - 2,3,4 Baseball - 2 F.F.A. - 1,2,3,4

Rifle Club - 1,2

RICHARD STAFFORD, JR. Band - 1,2,3,4 Chorus - 1,2,3,4 Baseball - 1, 2, 3, 4

Football - 1,2,3 - Capt. Senior Play - 3,4

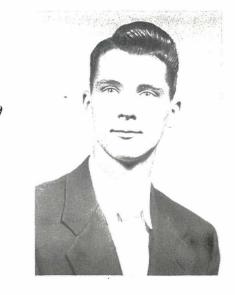
Volleyball - 2,3,4



ALBERT GUGEL, JR.

F.F.A. - 1,2,3,4

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WANETTA DANIELS F.H.A. - 1,2,3,4 Basketball - 3,4 Softball - 3,4 Cafeteria - 1,2,3 Chorus - 1, 2, 3, 4 Operetta 'Pirates Of Penzance ' - 1 Volleyball - 3

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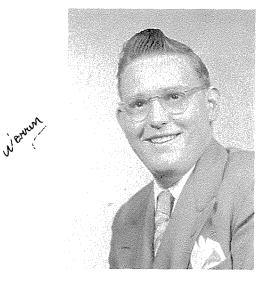
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PATRICIA SHERWOOD Senior play-

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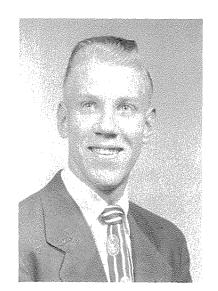
WARREN KINNEY Band - 1,2,3,4 Chorus - 1,2,3,4 Football - 2 Basketball - 1 Baseball - 3 Senior Play - 1,4 Year Book Staff - 4





DORIS ERIKSON Basketball - 3,4 Softball - 3,4 Cafeteria - 3,4 Chorus - 2,3,4 Drum Majorette - 1,2,3,4 Commerical Club - 3 Class Officers - 1,2,3

BARBARA MILLER F.H.A. - 3,4 Library Club - 1 Commerical Club - 3 Cafeteria - 3,4 Basketball - 3,4 Volleyball - 3,4 Soccer - 3,4



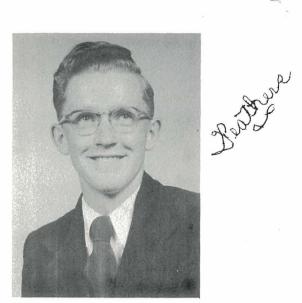
ELAINE BUHR Girl's Chorus - 1,2,3,4 Mixed Chorus - 1,2,3,4 Softball - 2,3 Basketball - 2,3,4 Twirling - 1, 2, 3, 4 Cheerleading - 3,4



JOHN WASSENAAR Basketball - 1,2,3,4 Baseball - 1, 2, 3 Volleyball - 2,3,4 Band - 1,2,3,4 Chorus - 1,2,3,4 All-State Sectional - 1, 2, 3, 4 Senior Play - 1,3

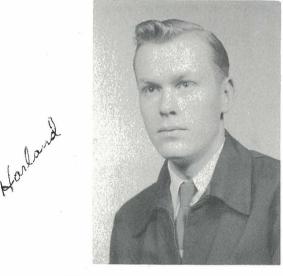
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GLENN WILSON Basketball - 2,3,4 F.F.A. - 1, 2, 3, 4

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SENIOR PLAY REHEARSAL





SENIOR PLAY

"CHARLEY'S AUNT"

# PERSONALITY CHART

	Name	Expression	Nick Name	Pastime	Song
	Doris Erikson	Wouldn't that frost ya?	Dory	Going to dances	"I Believe"
	Eleanor Hoag	All righty	Ellie	Drawing	"Vaya Con Dios"
	Pat Jackson	Not I	Pat	Heinz	"P.S. I Love You"
	Maxine Jester	Nay	Maxie	Dick	"You're the Right One"
	Patricia Sherwood	Oh George!	Pat	Reading	"Oh My Papa"
	Reita Chase	What Have I done now?	Reet	Thinking of someone	"You You You"
	Barbara Miller	Wouldn't that kill ya?	Barb	Writing letters	"Seven Lonely Days"
	Carol Saunders	Curses	Brain	Sneezing	"Temptation"
	Elaine Buhr	Play it "cool"	Thumper	Steve	"You're Breaking My Heart"
	Betty Wilson	Oh, yeh?	Squeek	Listening to Joyce	"Tenderly"
	Joyce Toomath	Now let me tell you	Joycie	Talking	"Cocktails For Two"
	Ronald Halbert	Did ya ever try it?	Halber- tine	Smashin cars	"Halo Everybody"
	Glenn Wilson	Well now	Feathers	Calling the girls sugar	"Ricochet"
2	John Turnbul	Horse Feathers	Yohn	Seeing Dot's	"Ricochet"
	Warren Kinney	Well!	Kin	Eating Pizza	"Eh Compari"
	Harland Johnson	You girls	H <b>ay Loff</b>	Blushing	"Oh My Papa".
	Albert Gugel	Huh	Guggie	Juicing the Jerseys	"Dragnet"
	Ken Anderson	Blow it!	Andy	Spinning around	"Beer Barrel Polka"
	Garre Rutherford	Yuh, know it	Gig	Sleepin	"Chew Tobacco Rag"
	Albert Grenz	I gotta work	Al	Having a "Gay" time	"Song From Moulin Rogue"
	Robert Stephens	Who?	Bob	Seeing Joy	"Ricochet"
	Robert Black	Ya, know	Block	Spending money	"Istanbul"
	Richard Stafford	Really	Staff	Going down to Maxie's	"Just to be With You"
	John Wassenarr	Oh, nutsi	Wass	1	"That's Amore"
	Gregory Cocko	Don't know do ya?	Shrook	Hunting and fishing	"Istanbul"

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Leona Bendzlowicz Eva Harrington Theresa Fazio Joanne Benedict Barbara Parker Doris Saunders Pat Card Kay Beardsly Ann Harrington Denise Morehouse Donna Goetcheus Sheila Rathbun Jerry Joy Fred Colburn Roy Harrington Howard Miller Ralph Lasher Jim Talbot Donald Saunders Grover Morehouse Fred Bronger Lawrence Larsen Robert Perrigo Mr. Clapp Miss Herring Miss Skorupa Mrs. Wells Mr. Zoch Miss Flo

More friends like Pat. Many "Joy's" in the future. A driver training course. The right to publish a joke book. A man nearer your own age. Some of the guys you dream about all the time. An appointment book to keep all your faithful lovers straight. More men like "Sam" Another man like Ralph. Somebody who can help you as much as Mr. Knapp Better places to park than Main Street. (New Years Eve) A permanent pass to Oriskany Falls. The ability to get home earlier in the morning. A new car and a driver's hand book. A girl to help you keep score. A girl who talks instead of writing letters. More doodle bug riders. More confidence in the presence of girls. A liltle free time. A camouflage to hide your blushes. A new cap pistol-the old one must be worn out. Another Valentine party like the last one.

Another class of gremlins.

Patience with the sophomore girls.

A megaphone.

A girl.

Stilts.

Some peace and quiet in the senior room next year. A new room mate next year who can cook as good as Miss Herring. It is now 1964 and, although the years have been rough since our graduation day at Morris Central High, we decide to keep our promise to our classmates to come and visit them.

As we leave Morris in our high powered Cadillac convertible we very soon come to a 11 sputtering 11 stop. When we get out to investi gate the cause of our delay, we come face to face with Bob Black. He explains to us that he has a garage just down the road and has been doing very well. After looking at our engine, Bob says it'll be an hour before we can be on our way. He also hints at a discount he will give us if we leave the car at "his" garage.

At Bob's suggestion, we start out for a little walk around the countryside. Who do we come upon but Carol Saunders, sitting under an oak tree reading "Gone With The Wind". After we tell each other how happy we are to meet, Carol reveals the fact that this is only the 10th time she has read the book. As Carol escorts us back to our car, she tells us about the little farm she now has and how well she is doing.

We say our "goodbys" after paying Bob's fee and we are again on our way north.

From the highway we can see the most beautiful ranch type house with a winding driveway leading up to it. It looks so inviting that we decide to investigate and see who lives there. As the car comes to a stop in front of the house, who walks out the door but Reita Chase with the cutest little pair of black haired twins trailing along behind her. I guess luck was with her because we come to find out that she married one of the fellows she was writing to back in 1954.

Just as we walk out the door, Garre Rutherford walks in. It seems he is a traveling auditor and is trying to locate one of Reita's neighbors. Garre says there is a lot of money in his business and you get a chance to travel a lot. He asks why we don't get into the business and, of course, we thank him and remark that we are doing enough traveling at the moment.

Just as we are leaving, after a long chat, Reita tells us that Kenneth Anderson was the one who built her house and that we can see him just up the road about two miles where he is building another ranch house.

Upon arriving at the scene of construction, we find that it really is Ken Anderson and look who's there, Nita Daniels, bossing the job! We ask Ken what's going on and he says he is building the house for Nita and only she knew what she wanted so he was keeping her on the job.

Kenneth has been working as a carpenter for quite some time and is the head of his own crew.

Nita and her husband have three lovely little girls and have finally found the place where their dream house is to be built.

A few miles further on we again look out of the car window to admire the beautiful scenery. We are amazed to recognize the face of Gregory Cooke and he seems to be working with four other men setting our little trees. We bring the car to a stop and walk up to see Greg. He says he is very happy with his job and really intends to make reforestation his life work. We're happy to hear that Grag is married, too, and lives in a house-trailer.

Greg tells us that there seems to be a dry spell about twenty miles up-state and all the farmers are meeting at a town hall to discuss the matter. He says there are three or four of the 1954 graduates who live up there on farms. So as it seems such a good opportunity to meet some more of our classmates we decide to go to the meeting.

We get there just as another car drives up to the door. As we get out of our car we recognize Bob Stephens getting out of his car. Out of the other side we see one! two!! three!!! four!!!! kids tumbling out. Bob says his wife will be along a little later in the other car. We take it his little farm is quite prosperous, to have two cars and that Bob must be very happy from the look on his face.

We seem to be the last to the meeting because the meeting starts just as we get ourselves seated. And who do we see presiding over the meeting but John Turnbull. We always knew he was quite an authority on farming and now we see that he is also a good leader, for he keeps the meeting and the men in order while trying to decide on what to do about the dry spell. John has been co-chairman of this area with Glenn Wilson for nigh-on-to five years now. John has a very up-to-date farm and has about 45 head of cattle. John also has a very pretty wife and two handsome little boys. Glenn has taken over his Frandfather's farm, formerly known as the Lester Wilson farm. Glenn is making a very good living off his farm and although he hasn't married yet, he tells us he is getting engaged next week.

Just as we turn around we run into Albert Gugel. He has a farm, too, and he is quite busy. He tells us he has a milk route, too. Albert takes the milk to the creamery in the morning in between his farming chores. Albert is married and about three or four years from now he will have two very good helpers around the farm.

Seeing no more of our classmates we leave the meeting and very soon come into Syracuse. Our car radio is turned on and we hear the name Harland Johnson mentioned. We search into our memory and remember that Harland was interested in radio in school and decide that he nust be "the" Harland Johnson.

After arriving at the radio station we are told that Harland was just awarded a beautiful watch for being with the station for five years and doing such excellent technical engineer advising and work. The station has been working very well since Harland came there and was thankful. After talking with Harland for a while, he invites us up to his apartment to meet his wife.

The next person we meet is Barbara Miller. We find her in a large office building in Syracuse. As we walk in the executive's office we find her there busily typing letters for her boss. After waiting a few minutes, we go to lunch with her and have a long chat. Barb tells us that she has been married for two years and has a lovely apartment and a car. She has done very well in her secretarial carser.

As we leave the resturant we bump into Warren Kinney and leave Barb to go to a second lunch. Warren, we find works in the same office building as Barb only he is an expert accountant. He tells us that he has had three companys offer him bigger and better jobs but he can't make up his mind yet As to which one he wants. Warren is making himself a very prosperous career.

Warren tells us that Joyce Toomath is a nurse in the hospital in Syracuse so we say goodby to Warren and go to the hospital.

At the hospital, we ask for Joyce and find that everyone seems to ask for Joyce when they have to come to the hospital. Joyce is a very popular nurse and a very good one. She says it's nothing, but we know it took a lot of work. Joyce tells us she is married to one of the interns in the hospital and is very happy. They have been married for one year now and have a lovely home.

As we leave the city of Syracuse, traveling toward Canada, we see a lovely modern home just on the outskirts of the city. We see Elaine Buhr outside, spading around some tulips in her garden. Elaine seems very happy to see us. We discover Elaine is married to Melvin Stevens and has three pretty little girls and one boy. They have two cars and a nice summer home in Canada. At hearing Canada mentioned we remember hearing something about Patricia Sherwood living in Canada. So we leave Blaine and travel north into Toronto, Canada, and after asking around, find out Pat's address. We find Pat is now married to Tom, the fellow she was writing to back in 1954. She is very hap'v and she has a good job with the telephone company as a telephone operator.

Coming back into the United States and New York State, we see a large factory and as we come around to the front of the factory we discover the name is "The Wassenaar Uranium Company". Oh, yes!! That is John Wassenaar, one of cur classmates. As we walk into the factory office, we run into John and Betty Wilson. Betty, we find, is John's secretary and has been for five years, ever since John started the factory. There is a big market for the "secret" product John's factory produces and his factory is doing very well. John went to college and evidently his training has proved to be worthwhile. Betty, John says, is a very good secretary and she has a lovely apartment. with a roommate.

Our next stop is California and, because we often received postcards from them, we know we'll find Maxine Jester and Richard Stafford there.

Arriving in a small town, we drive up to Dick's and Maxie's house and ring the bell. A little toddler about four years old answers. Maxine is right behind her and Maxie is very glad to see us. Dick just got home from work and we sit down and talk over our high school days. Dick has a good job with the First National Bank in town. We tell them about all the people we have been to see and relate out travels.

Before we leave Dick and Maxie, we promise to come and see them again sometime.

As we drive back into New York State, we stop off in New York City to see the sights. As we are driving along in front of the Empire State Building we notice a "flashy" new red convertible, parked at the curb. We recognize Doris Erikson sitting at the wheel. After we manage to find a parking space, we talk with Doris a while and she tells us that she is still looking for her man. She has a job as a waitress in a real high class resturant and makes a fortune in tips every day.

We leave Doris and work our way back up-state, towards home. About halfway home we stop at the Bendix Aviation Corporation.

When we walk into the head office to get permission to look around, who do we find but Albert Grenz! To our surprise he tells us that he is the president of the firm and he worked his way through the Scintilla in Sidney. Al says he owes his success to his determination to succeed and we see he is right. Al likes his job very much and is climbing the ladder to success slowly but surely.

We are now back in Morris but we seem to have missed someone. Let's see, we have seen 23 people and there were 24 in our graduating class. Oh, yes!!! How could we have forgotten Ronald Halbert?

He lives and works right here in Morris, right under our noses- so to speak. Ronnis took over his Mother's Real Estate business and is now running it very quecessfully. He has some very good ideas when he got out of college and put them to work for himself. Ronnie is married and has a family of four.

We feel sentimental now that our visiting is all over and we have seen all our friends but we know that we can go back and see them anytime.

> Barbara Miller Reita Chase Doris Erikson



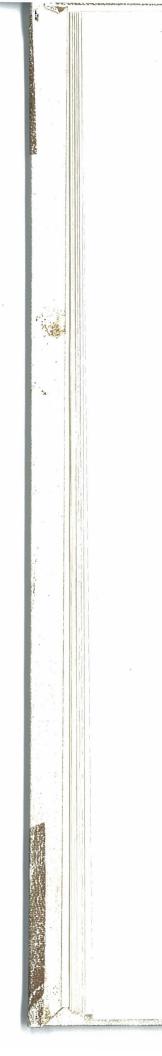


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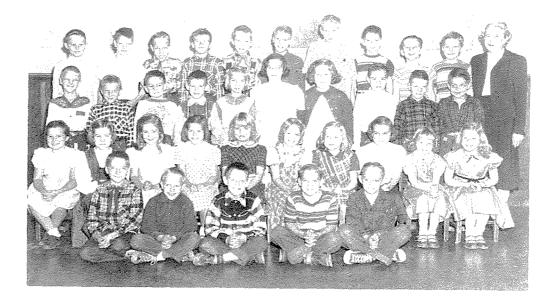
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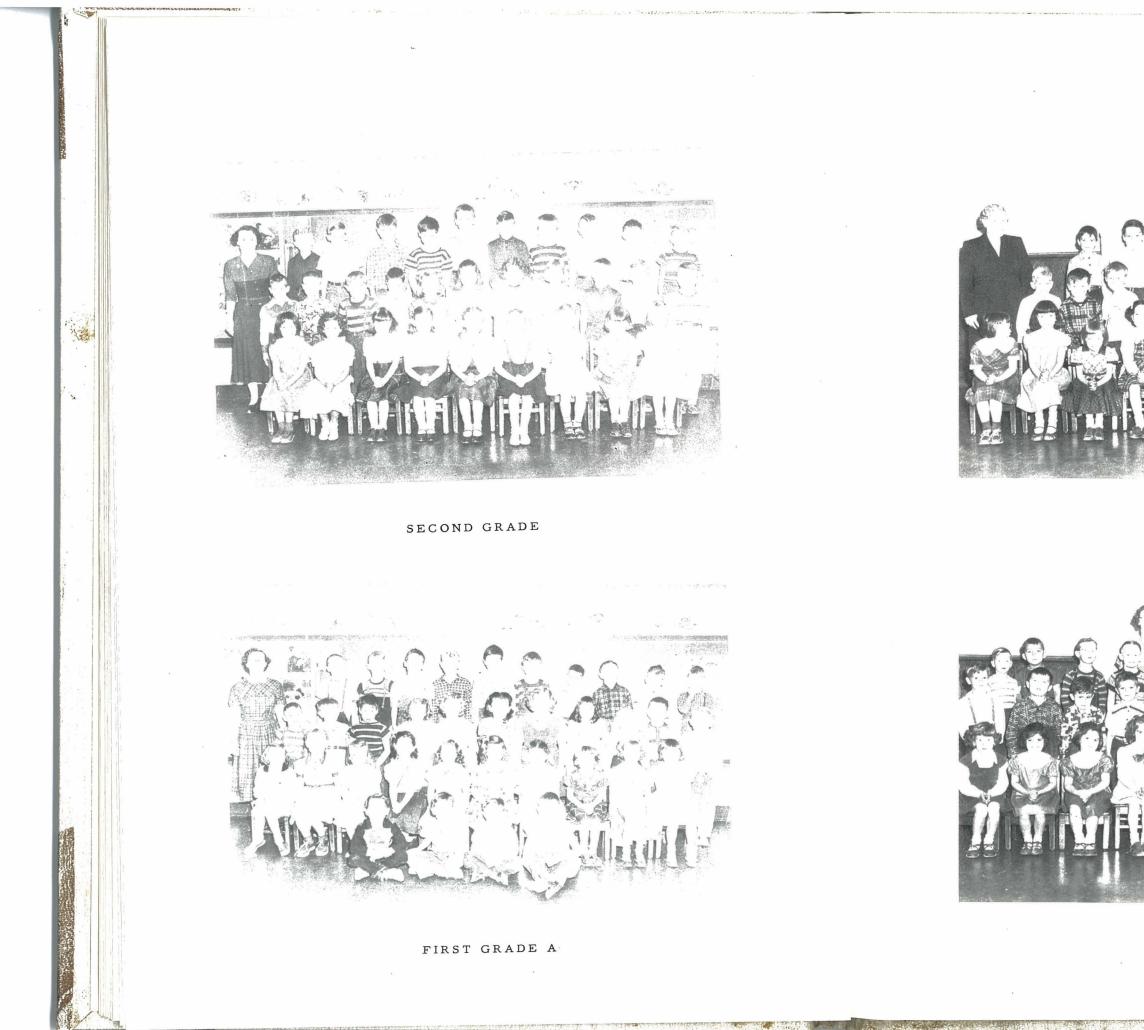




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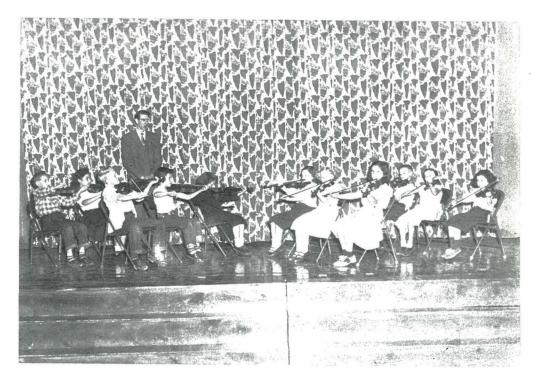


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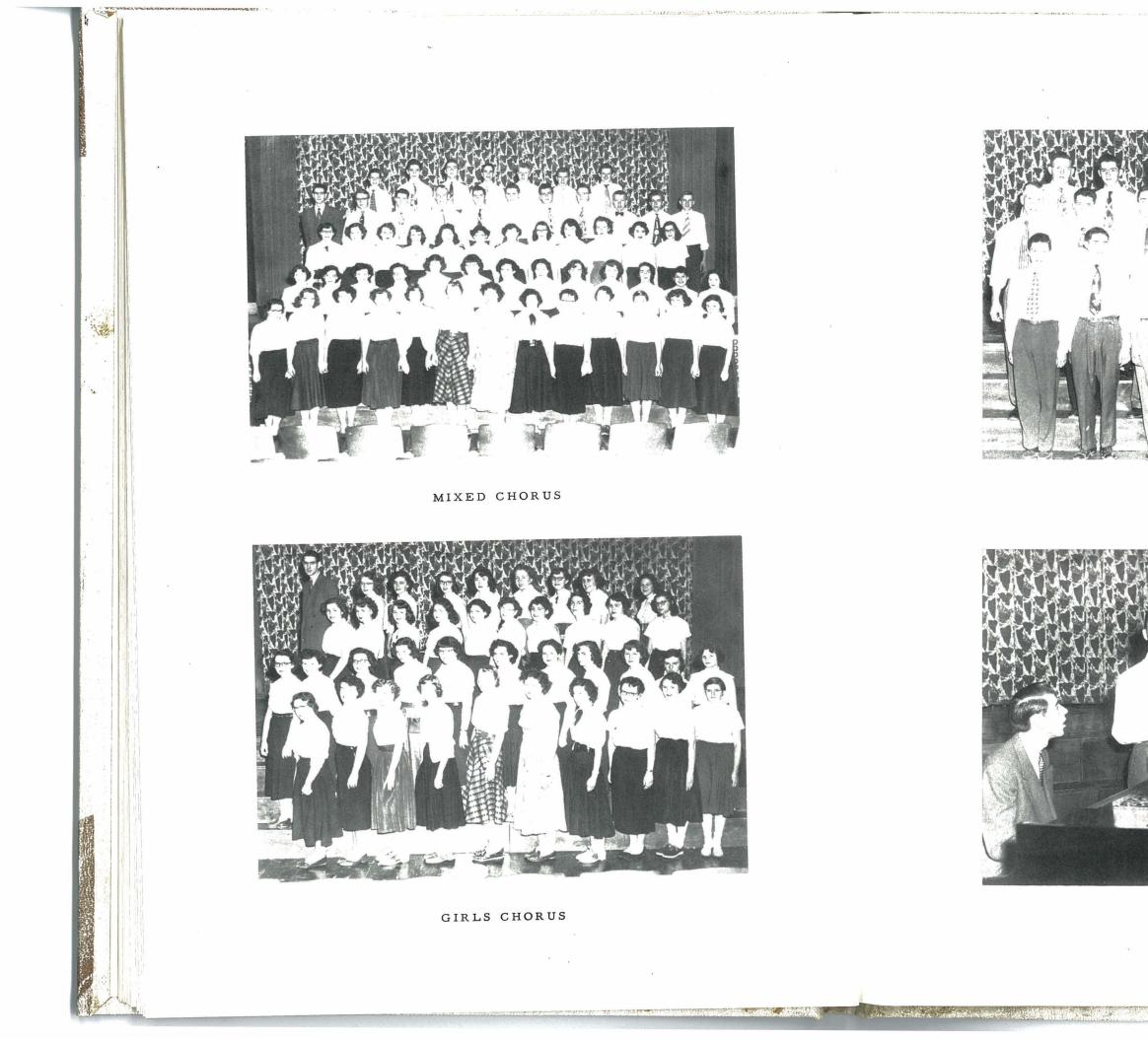
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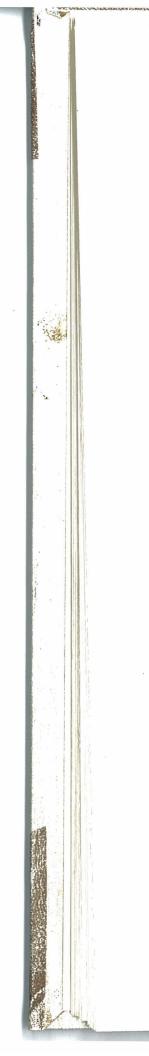




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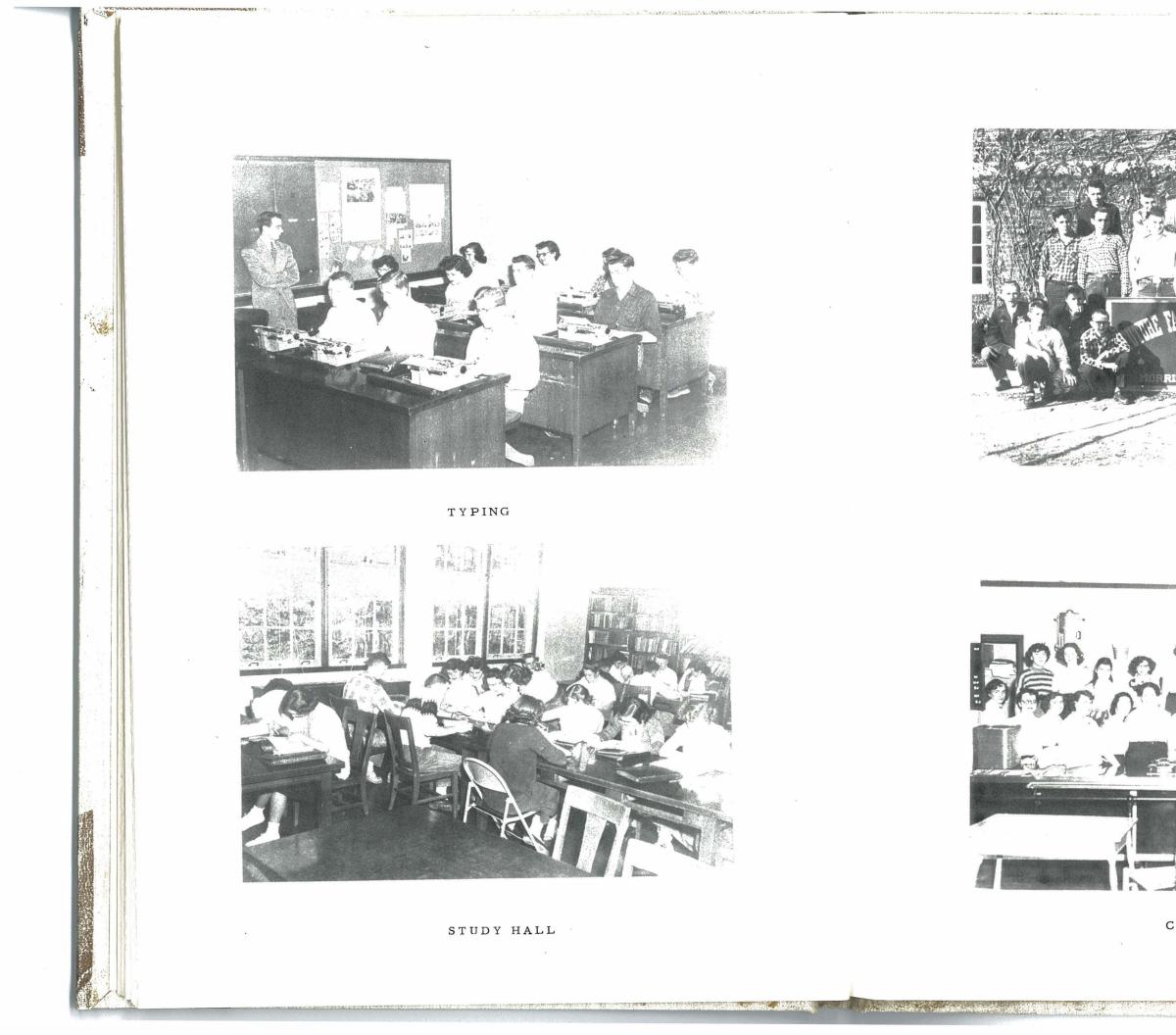




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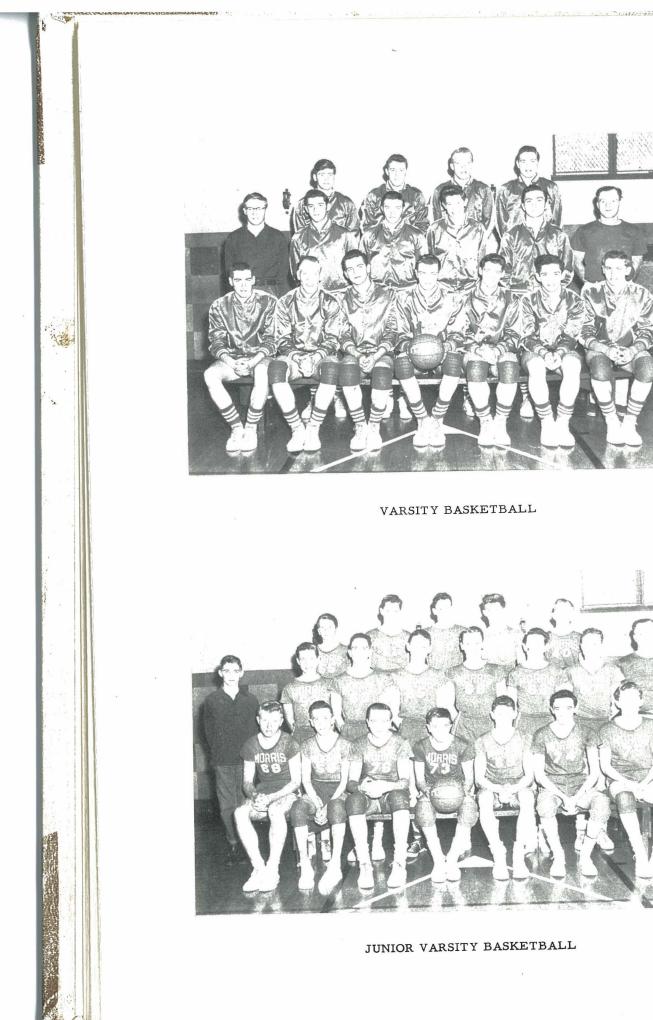


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CAFETERIA



The Morris Mustangs had a successful season. They had a record of eleven wins and six defeats. Our league record was six wins and four defeats. This led them into a tie with Edmeston for second place. The Mustangs scored 972 points to their opponents 812 points.

The Mustangs members and points were as follows:

K. Anderson	176	S. Gregory	45
W. Bettiol	172	J. Joy	2
G. Rutherford	139	R. Parker	10
R. Stafford	142	F. Colburn	36
J. Wassenaar (Capt.)	165	R. Stephens	23
R. Halbert	14	J. Turnbull	14
R. Halbert	14	J. Turnbull	$\frac{14}{15}$
A. Grenz	1	G. Cooke	

# J. V. players and points were as follows:

N. Foote	158	G. Wilson	11
R. Hoag	74	R. Woodrow	10
D. LaFond	63	N. Gunther	5
J. Bunn	53	R. Toomath	5
G. Valentine	43	H. Orleman	2
R. Cooke	36	E. Gaisford	2
L. Foote	33	C. Martin	2
R. Saunders	26		

The boys who played but had no score are not mentioned.

Morris Varsity	Opponents		J. V.	Opponents	
45	Mt. Upton	52	35	Mt. Upton	29
52	G-Ville	32	25	G-ville	32
65	G-Ville	37	27	G-Ville	19
45	Edmeston	58	23	Edmeston	48
42	Franklin	43	36	Franklin	44
48	Mt. Upton	61	43	Mt. Upton	37
69	Cooperstown	51	51	Cooperstown	38
39	Cooperstown	32	31	Cooperstown	41
61	New Berlin	40	22	New Berlin	35
63	Unadilla	36	34	Unadilla	28
71	Otego	58	34	Otego	33
60	Edmeston	58	24	Edmeston	36
43	Franklin	45	25	Franklin	30
55	New Berlin	56	25	New Berlin	47
83	Unadilla	37	41	Unadilla	28
68	Otego	54	30	Otego	38
63	Hartwick	62	19	Hartwick	25

game and then lost two. ton.

Coach Tom Greene of Hartwick College selected John Wassenaar and Kenneth Anderson of our varsity squad to play with the Otsego County All-Stars in the annual polio game.

Morris didn't do so well in the volleyball tournament. They won one Mt. Upton represented Section 1V in the volleyball finals in Bingham-

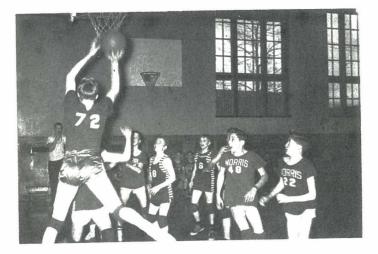


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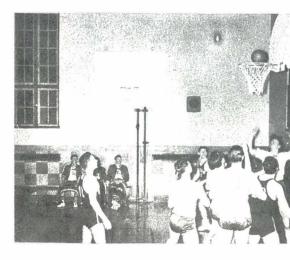
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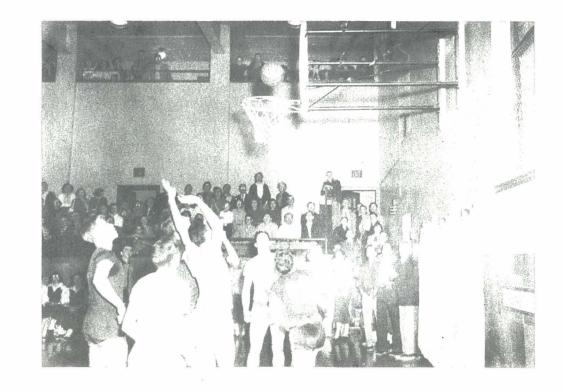


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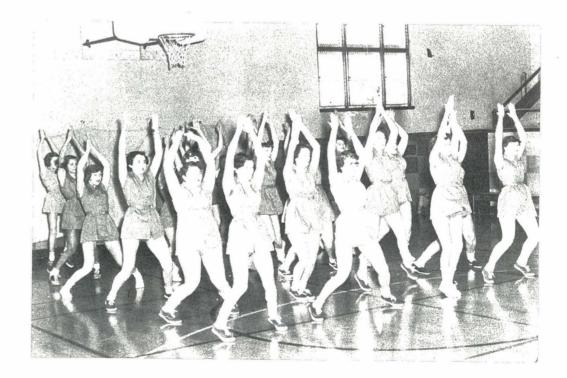
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