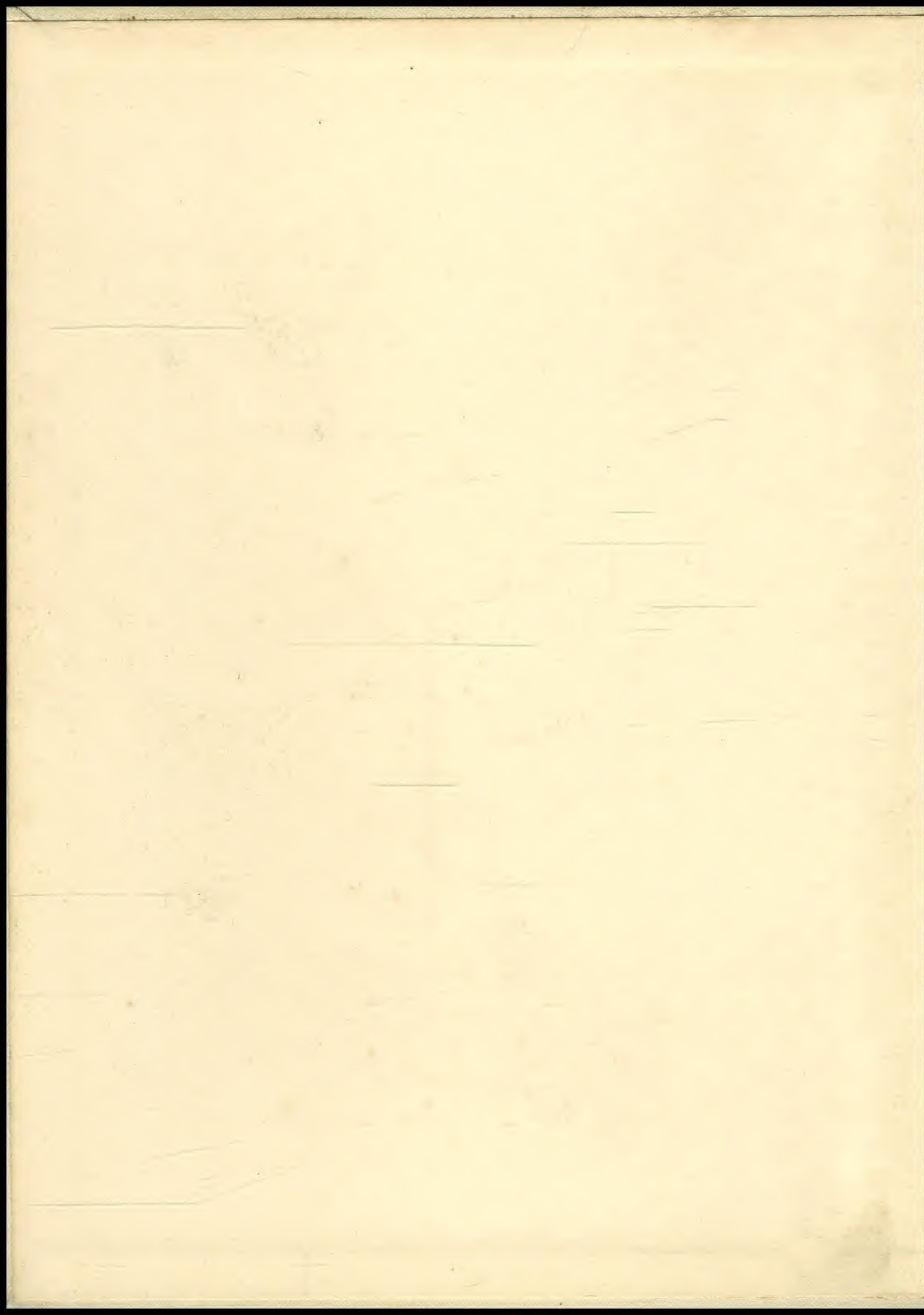




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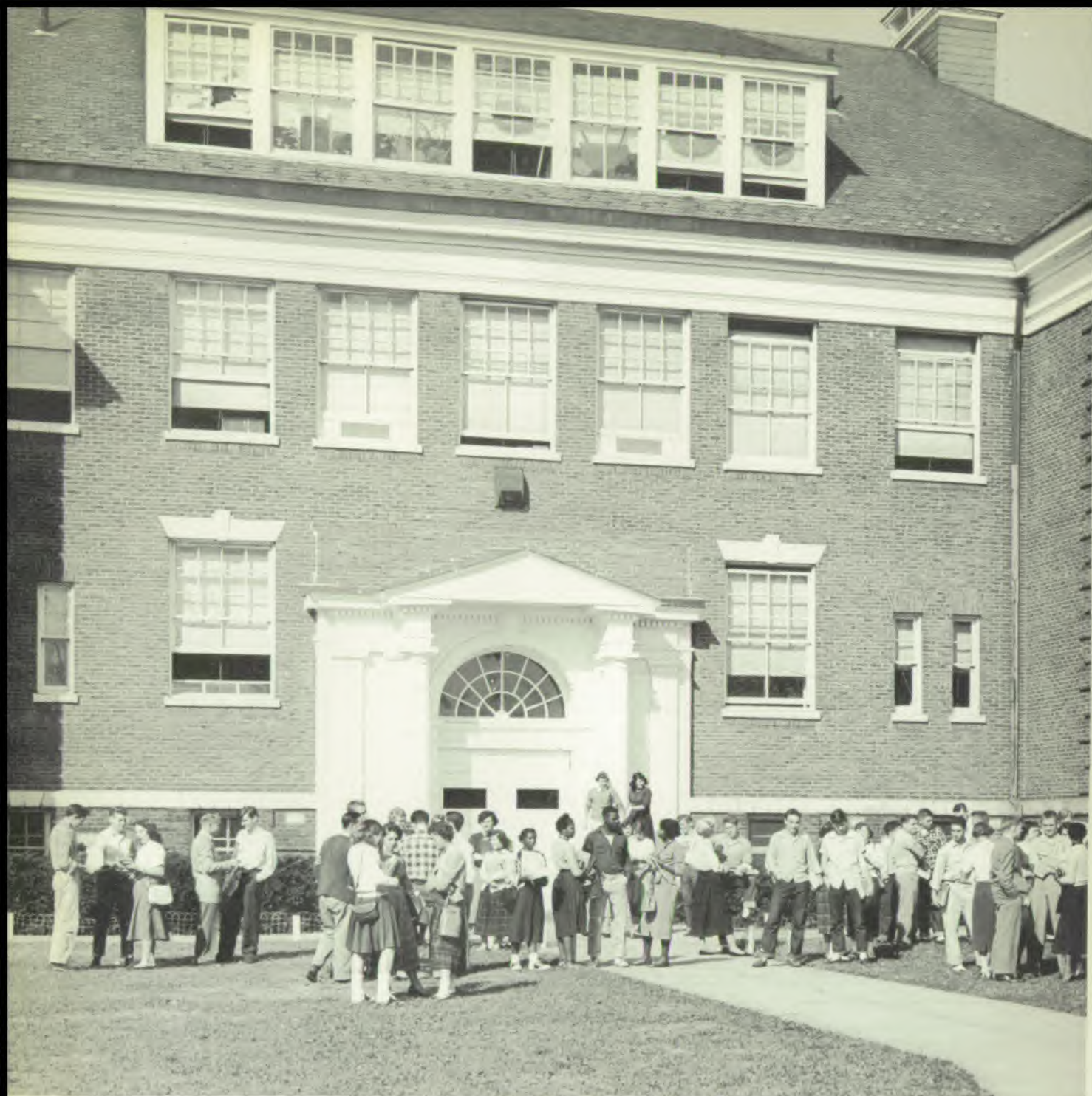
The Indian theme of this year book was suggested by part of our Metuchen High School seal. We recognize the cultural contributions of the American Indian, but our special interest is in this area.

Long ago the Indians of New Jersey were divided among twenty ruling chiefs. The greatest was Chief Raritan, whose domain spread along the Raritan Valley. A local leader named Metuchion had a camp in the same section. In those days a chief was geographically named for his locality. Metuchion, the Indian word for "rolling hills,"

seems an appropriate appellation as Metuchen is the highest point between New York and Trenton.

Chief Metuchion, or Chief of The Rolling Hills, is believed to have lived in this area three hundred years ago. Early settlers bought this area from the Indians. Metuchen, originally called Metuching, was a town built around a church known as the Metuching Meeting House. Many arrows, axes and utensils that farmers plowed up in this area further indicate our Indian heritage.



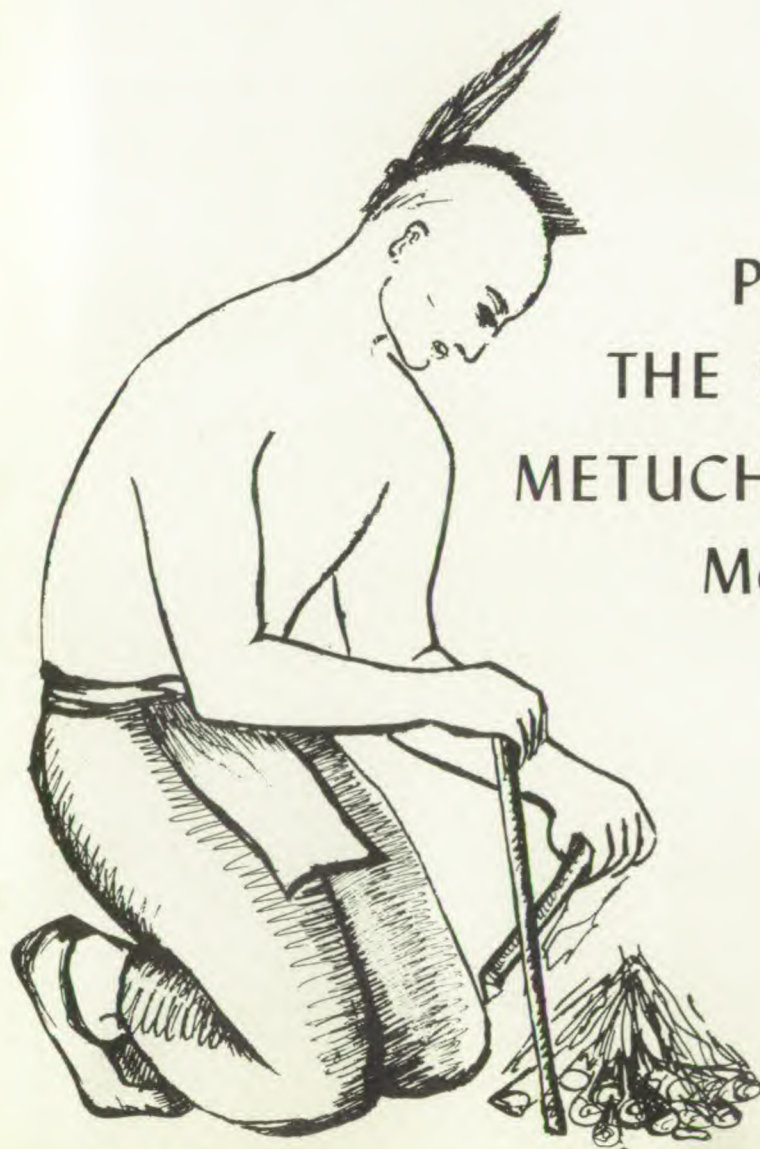


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ALL HAD LEISURE
ALL THOUGHT IN GLADNESS**

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Dedication

When selecting the person to whom we would dedicate our yearbook, we thought of one held in high regard by both the faculty and the student body. We chose Miss Mildred Leis, who has aided not only our class but the school in general. Miss Leis is always ready to help, quick to understand and accurate in informing.

Cheerful and affable, she is a calm center in the whirlwind of busy school days. As freshmen we learned "When in doubt ask Miss Leis!" As our high school secretary, Miss Leis is the keeper of our records; but we are sure that none of our records is so permanent as the mark her personality has made upon our school memories.

Our graduating class wishes to dedicate the 1954 Blue Letter to our invaluable friend, Miss Mildred Leis, who has represented the soul of efficiency and the heart of sympathy through our high school days.



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Superintendent of Schools

Here we render the recognition that they so richly deserve to the nine members of the Board of Education, to Mr. Bragner, Superintendent of Schools, and to our Principal, Mr. Schmidtchen, for their untiring work in maintaining and elevating our scholastic standards.



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Class Officers



CHARLES FITCH

"Charlie"

Charlie is enthusiastic about outdoor sports, basketball, and experimenting with cars. An elegant dresser, our Mr. Senior Class President, with his suave manners, is going places. "Young and tall and very handsome."

President of the Sophomore and Senior classes, Courtesy Patrol, Blue Letter, Footlighters, Glee Club, Senior Play, Basketball, Bowling, All Class Dances.



GLORIA AHEARN

"Gloria"

An immaculately groomed fashion-plate, a shining smile, a mirthful pixie, all rolled into one gal, is Gloria. Eyes sparkling like twin sapphires, Gloria creates a cheerful atmosphere wherever she goes. This pretty little miss deserves all she asks of life. "Like a cricket, happy, active."

Vice President of the Freshman, Sophomore, Senior Classes, Blue Letter, Bulldog's Bark, Legislature, Courtesy Patrol, G.A.A., Glee Club, Senior Play, All Class Dances.



MARILYN BAUMLIN

"Marilyn"

"She dwells in a world of happiness and mirth." Marilyn and Judy always have rollicking good times. Marilyn's pretty face and talented twirling greatly enhance our squad. She radiates optimism.

Senior Class Secretary, Blue Letter, Twirler, Bowling, All Class Dances.



BARBARA CHRISTOPH

"Bobsy"

"A carefree smile shall lead the way"—if Bobsy's not at a football or basketball game, she's probably reading one of Zane Grey's western books. Her dependability won her the position of Senior Class Treasurer, but most of us think of Bobsy as a carefree personality.

Senior Class Treasurer, Courtesy Patrol, Blue Letter Business Manager, P.T.A., German Club, I.R.C., Literary Club, Senior Play, Basketball, Baseball.





June's neat sweaters and skirts reflect her passion for lovely clothes. During study halls she suppresses a desire for chocolate cake. This petite blonde is gifted with a big personality. June and Lois often make a committee of two. "And her hair was like the sunshine."

Blue Letter, German Club, The Hub, I.R.C., Literary Club, Senior Play.



JUNE ANDERSON
"June"



ELEANOR BARTHELMES
"El"



Eleanor's blond wavy hair, "peaches and cream" complexion and blue eyes give her the appearance of an angel. Her special talent is roller skating; her special friend is Jean. El's hidden humor is brought out to those who know her well.

Blue Letter, Red Cross Committee, The Hub.



A rose petal complexion and smoked ebony waves complement Evelyn's bright twinkling eyes. Her very talk is tinged with laughter and gaiety; her outlook on life is truly happy-go-lucky. "Why aren't they all contented like me?"



EVELYN ANDRES
"Ev"



ELAINE BECK
"Elaine"



With an ash blonde halo, hazel eyes, and stately form, Elaine has long been a familiar figure as one of our twirlers. A helping hand to all, Elaine is one of the truly sweet and genuinely sincere people it's a pleasure to know.

Vice President Freshman Class, Twirling, French Club, Glee Club, Latin Club, Music Appreciation, All Class Dances.



A long pageboy tossing beneath a high fur hat will always recall our graceful leader of the band. June's sweet sincerity and gracious charm have endeared her to all. Poets write of such deep blue eyes and long lashes, holding a message only for one.

Secretary of Freshman Class, Twirling, Drum Majorette, G.A.A., Latin Club, Senior Play, All Class Dances, Basketball, Baseball, Volleyball.



JUNE BALDSIEFEN
"June"



ALEXANDER J. BERTA
"Alex"



"I am the master of my fate, I am the captain of my soul." Good natured and affable, Alex has a pleasing smile and a good word for everyone. He revels in fun and glories in laughter, but he does not hesitate to venture a serious opinion.

Student Government, Glee Club, Sophomore Dance.



Tiny, cute, and natural in manner, Jo is one of our busiest little cheerleaders. Her handling of her Plymouth convertible shows an instinct for mischief and fun. She loves her sports and tricks and is forever waiting for Tony.

Blue Letter, Cheerleading, Footlighters, G.A.A., Glee Club, The Hub, Bowling, Track, Senior Play, Dances: Freshman, Sophomore, Tumbling, Basketball, Baseball.



JOHANNA BISOGNO
"Jo"



E. K. BRAZINA, III
"Eddie"



Racing around in that yellow Ford convertible or found among those at the Teamster's Rendezvous is our blue eyed, blond haired, Eddie. Hunting, fishing, swimming, and roller skating are included among his favorite pastimes.



One just couldn't fail to notice Ray's ever-present, charming smile. Besides playing football, baseball, and basketball, he's a whiz in history and is also very adept at making quick and clever retorts. For the future, he plans to go into radio work.

Varsity Club, Basketball, Baseball, Football.



RAYMOND BORUP
"Ray"



BERNICE BROWN
"Bernie"



Bernie would like to attend Rutgers and study to be a sociologist, following a career for which she was made. The spirited girl behind the loudest drum in the M. H. S. band is Bernie. "Actions mightier than boastings."

Bulldog's Bark, Band, Glee Club, Hostess Club, The Hub, Baseball, Freshman Dance, Junior-Senior Prom.



Even though Annie is active in all sports, she retains her femininity. She is usually found in the gym chattering with the other Annie. When speaking seriously, she says she would like to go to night school to study secretarial work.

G.A.A., Glee Club, The Hub, Basketball, Baseball, Modern Dancing, Tumbling, Volleyball, Sophomore Dance, Junior-Senior Prom.

ANN RUTH BRADSHAW
"Ann"



KENNETH BURTON
"Kenny"



One of the great men on our football field and a New Marketeer, Kenny is also a weight lifter. Whenever there's a job to be done, ask Kenny. He'll always help. He can usually be found talking, for he's seldom without words.

Courtesy Patrol, Hall Patrol, Blue Letter, Band, A Cappella Choir, Footlighters, Glee Club, Psychology Club, Senior Play, Baseball, Football, Indoor and Outdoor Track, All Class Dances.



A sprightly little elf, Susy is as merry as the day is long. She is sometimes gay, sometimes quiet and always has a certain dignity. Sue is generally found in Gloria's company. "Thy modesty is a candle to thy virtue."

Legislature, Blue Letter, Cheerleading, Literary Club, Senior Play, Basketball, Baseball, All Class Dances.



SUZANNE CAMERON
"Susy"



LAURA LEE CLOWES
"Lee"



An expressive face with a creamy complexion and a neat dark coiffure, is Lee. She's the possessor of a line artistic touch bursting with individuality. Her peppy personality with such great enthusiasm and exuberance is an asset to any group she's in.

Class President Junior Year, Legislature, Secretary of Assemblies, Blue Letter, Glee Club, Latin Club, Music Appreciation Club, Senior Play, Sophomore Dance, Junior-Senior Prom Glee Club, The Hub, I.R.C., Psychology Club, Junior-Senior Prom.



Faith she was named, and faithful she is. There was never a more sincere and true person. Always joking and friendly, she creates laughter wherever she goes. "Smile and the world smiles with you."

The Hub, Literary Club, Sophomore Dance, Junior-Senior Prom.



FAITH CAMPANOLA
"Faith"



FRANCIS CONSTANTINE
"Frank"



Frank is a friendly student, a person who loves jokes. He's never failed us in having one ready at the proper time. He's a friend to all his schoolmates.

OTTO CIFRODELLI
"Otto"

JUDITH COPPOLA
"Judy"



Though he plans to be a mechanic, he has proved in cooking class that he could be a chef if he cared to. Otto's easy ways and dark flashing eyes are known to all.

Glee Club, Baseball, Track, Freshman Dance.



Life can never be monotonous if Judy is around. Snapping eyes, acrobatic talent, and a boundless resource of pep and energy characterize Judy's personality. "But Mr. Jones —" 'Not one day of her youth is wasted.'

Twirling, Glee Club, The Hub, I.R.C., Psychology Club, Junior-Senior Prom.



A stunning brunette, a veritable Jack-in-the-box, Julie seems to attract embarrassing moments, especially at the shore. She'll never be lost for words. Her keen sense of humor labels her a natural for comedy roles. "Her blue eyes . . . blue lakes among the rushes." Bulldog's Bark, Chemistry Club, Footlighters, French Club, G.A.A., Latin Club, Senior Play, All Class Dances.



LOIS CREVELING
"Julie"



DOROTHY DeVAUGHN
"Dot"



"I have a heart with room for every joy" Dot frequently may be found in Herbie's Sweet Shop. On many happy occasions she has the chance to visit her beloved North Carolina. She plays a good game of basketball.

G.A.A., Glee Club, The Hub, Basketball, Baseball, Hockey, Modern Dancing, Soccer, Square Dancing, Tumbling, Volleyball.



Bruce is a fellow who would do anything for anyone. A friend to all, Bruce is loads of fun, and makes all around him feel as if they've known him for years. Though his movements are lethargic, he usually accomplishes his aim. Patrol, Blue Letter, Visual Aids, All Class Dances.



BRUCE M. D'ANDRADE
"Bruce"



JAMES F. DICKINSON
"Jim"



Forever gayly flirting, this tall, well dressed, clean cut Secretary of Interior is always busy, yet he's always ready for a laugh. Jim, with his "good-friend" nature, is a popular letter man. "He is a fox in council."

Secretary of Interior, Legislature, Junior Class Vice-President, Courtesy Patrol, P.T.A. Council, Blue Letter, Bulldog's Bark, Footlighters, Glee Club, Library Council, Senior Play, Varsity Club, Basketball, Football, Sophomore Dance, Junior-Senior Prom.



Her ways are full of pleasantness. Ida has a sweet shyness that has captured all our hearts. Her tranquil nature and soft-spoken manner are pleasing assets of an already delightful person. French Club, F.T.A., The Hub, Library Council, Literary Club, Psychology Club.



IDA DEGAN
"Ida"



NANCY DIXON
"Nancy"



Black waves and a pale complexion are high-lighted by the dark, dreamy eyes of this cute brunette. The life of the party, Nance has that special way of saying, "Hi-Ya!" "Joy beams out from top to toe."

Blue Letter, The Hub, Senior Play, Senior Dance, Junior-Senior Prom.



"The force of her own merit makes her way." Her eyes glow with laughter, her sparkling sense of humor is admired and enjoyed by all. She'll never know less than success. Some follow, some lead Ann leads.

Freshman, Sophomore Class Treasurer, Point and Awards Committee, Bulldog's Bark, Biology Club, French Club, Footlighters, Latin Club, Literary Club, Twirling (Soloist), Basketball, Baseball, All Class Dances.



Ingenuity is his password. Bob's excellent marks are a good advertisement for schools in his favorite Texas. Mechanically inclined, he may be a future Edison in our midst. His quick wit and acting ability have enlightened many an assembly.

Secretary of State, Supreme Court, Junior Class Treasurer, Hall Patrol, Blue Letter, Bulldog's Bark, Chemistry Club, Glee Club, I.R.C., Senior Play, Visual Aids, Bowling, All Class Dances.



Pete's interests in sciences, math and languages have made him known throughout the Senior class as an excellent student. His friendly, quiet manner makes all who know him well, like him. "Deeds are better things than words are."

Legislature, Coordination Council, Concession Committee, Chemistry Club, Integral Club, Senior Play, Visual Aids Club.



MARGARET ANN DUNNE
"Pooch"



MARTIN N. FENCHYNSKY
"Micky"



A very intelligent fellow, Micky is interested in math and science. His serious moods are broken by his dry humor. Micky's level head will keep him straight on the road to success. "With the shout of song and triumph."

Hall Patrol, Student Exchange, Milk Committee, Chemistry Club, German Club, Glee Club, Integral Club, Senior Play, Visual Aids Club, Cross-Country, Indoor Track, Spring Track.



Generally in Eleanor's company, besides roller skating, Jean likes to collect rare movie star pictures. Her blue eyes are forever filled with laughter. She plans to become a general office worker. "Patience and gentleness are power."

Footlighters, The Hub, Red Cross Committee.



ROBERT EDELMAN
"Bob"



JEAN FENDEIS
"Jeannie"

PETER C. ESPENSCHIED
"Pete"



GAIL FISHER
"Fish"



Pert and mischievous, Gail is known for her high jump and high jinx. With a flare for singing and acting, she has entertained on our stage many times. Broadway, here she comes! "Ever sighing . . . ever singing," she is always friendly and well disposed.

Student Coordination Council, Cheerleader, Footlighters, F.T.A., G.A.A., Glee Club, Senior Play, Sophomore Dance.



He lives in a world of music. This carefree lad always has a smile for everyone and a pleasant "Hi." Nat intends to be a musician or a drafter. "He, the best of all musicians." **Student Government, Band, Baseball, Indoor Track.**



NATHANIEL A. FLOYD
"Nat"



ROSE GRECCO
"Rose"



Rose is a brunette beauty who is always chattering away. She has a bubbling enthusiasm for all she does. She would make an ideal private secretary. "The rule of my life is to make business a pleasure, and pleasure my business." **Legislature, Blue Letter, G.A.A., F.B.L.A., Hostess Club, The Hub, I.R.C., Literary Club, Psychology Club, Senior Play, Basketball, Baseball.**



"I'll speak to thee in silence." A quiet disposition, thoughtfulness, and consideration of others mark a true gentleman. An easy going chap, Phil possesses a pleasant, smooth personality and a genuine smile. **Blue Letter, Chemistry Club, Literary Club, Senior Play, Bowling.**



PHILIP F. FROMHERTZ
"Phil"



ENID HAHL
"Enid"



Ah, for such dazzling eyes and shiny hair! Her natural manner is an attribute which many work hard to obtain. "Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with all thy might." **Legislature, Footlighters, The Hub, Library Council, Literary Club, Baseball, Junior-Senior Prom.**



"I've got an idea. Let's do something different," that's our Helen. She's full of life and lovable smiles, claims laughter is the best medicine, and when the laughter is from Helen, we think so too!



HELEN M. GALAZIN
"Helen"



JOAN HALL
"Joan"



A blushing belle, this sweet lass can be recognized by her inevitable chatter. She's mighty handy at sewing. A needle, some thread, a swatch of cloth, and Presto! A new creation! "Hey Helen, guess what?!" **Blue Letter, Bulldog's Bark, G.A.A., Hostess Club, The Hub, I.R.C., Literary Club, Music Appreciation Club, Psychology Club, Senior Play, Basketball, Baseball, Square Dancing, Sophomore Dance.**



Pete's pleasing personality mixed with quietness and shyness is appreciated by all. "Just played a hunch." His hunches are usually worth playing. "Will ride the thunderbolt to Heaven." A lover of field and stream, he's quite the outdoor man.



P. WILSLEV HANSEN
"Pete"



G. E. HOLLINGSHEAD
"George"



Track champ, hard worker and real friend, "Mr. Editor" is admired by all. "Love me, love my Bulldog's Bark." George is always present with a kind thought and a pleasant word for everyone. His scowl is no less famous than the twinkle in his eye.

Student Government Exchange, Legislature, Bulldog's Bark (Editor-in-chief), German Club, Glee Club, Library Club, Varsity Club Cross Country, Indoor Track, Junior-Senior Prom.



First to come and last to leave, Connie admits the shore is her special love. Sedate and dignified, but never lacking a pleasant smile and a cheerful word, Connie and Hilda are many times found together. "She is of a quiet disposition."

Band, Senior Play, Basketball, Sophomore Dance.



CONSTANCE HARTFELDER
"Connie"



JANET HOOPS
"Hoopsy"



"Hoopsy" is one of our most vivacious cheerleaders who helps cheer our team on to victory. A busy little bee, she's known for her sincere smiles and bashful blushes. Friendship is her password. "She freely spends the coins of friendliness."

Legislature, Blue Letter, Point and Awards Committee, Cheerleading, Chemistry Club, Footlighters, F.T.A., G.A.A., Literary Club, Psychology Club, Senior Play, Basketball, Baseball, All Class Dances, Latin Club.



Jolly and full of fun, Hilda can generally be seen with Connie, Pat, and Beverly. Among sports, driving and ice skating are her favorites. She displays unusual earrings. Hilda plans a future in secretarial work. Footlighters Club, G.A.A., Glee Club, The Hub.



HILDA HOFFMAN
"Hilda"



ELVERA HUMPHRIES
"Vera"



Her quietness is deceiving. Her short hair and neat earrings are very becoming. Good books fascinate her. Elvera cherishes hopes of a nursing career, and she will succeed because what she has to do, she does well. Elvera will certainly attain her goals.

Blue Letter, French Club, The Hub, Literary Club, Psychology Club, Basketball.



Tony is known around school for his quick wit, quick smiles, and quick laughter, to say nothing of his quick blushes. His reddish hair and freckles go perfectly with his gay mischievous personality. "Something about him which laid hold upon the heart."

Patrol, Legislature, Blue Letter, Bulldog's Bark, Football Manager, All Class Dances.



TONY HUTSON
"Tony"



FRANCIS ILLUZZI
"Frank"



"Great thoughts come from the heart." Frank has his quiet moods but often displays an unlimited amount of wit and humor. Looking before he leaps, Frank is not one to jump blindly into something, as is revealed by his slow, sure smiles.

Senior Play, Varsity Club, Cross - Country, Indoor Track, Outdoor Track.



Gail's "Sonny-side-up" disposition, and softly spoken words go well with that perfect wardrobe. She possesses artistic talent without the temperament. "With the beauty of the starlight."

Blue Letter, Twirling, Footlighters, Glee Club, Dances: Sophomore, Junior-Senior Prom.



BETTE GAIL HUTTON
"Gail"



ZONY JOHNSON
"Zony"



This good-looking blond athlete with his devilish antics and wonderful personality has the ambition to become a farmer. His motto is "enjoy life"; with his gay laugh, and friendly smile he helps others enjoy it, too. "With the trophies of the battle."

Baseball.



JOYCE HYLDAHL
"Tootsie"

JULIA J. KARLEWSKI
"Julia"

A p(r)etty girl with plenty of p(r)ep. Joyce's captivating smile and china blue eyes have won the hearts of everyone. Her unusual giggle is recognizable even among a crowd. Joyce is always very tastefully and fashionably attired.

Legislature, Hall Patrol, Blue Letter, Bulldog's Bark, Band, Twirling, A Cappella Chorus, Footlighters, French Club, Glee Club, Latin Club, Basketball, Freshman Dance.



If there ever was a true friend with a nature as "good as gold" it's Jul. She can be found by the "How's everything?" smile. When there is fun to be had, just call on Julie. "Saw a tall and slender maiden."

Legislature, Student Secretary, G.A.A., the Tub, Music Appreciation Club, Baseball.



Possessor of a rich, resonant voice, George has often thrilled us with his exciting vocal renditions. His dancing ability also deserves mention. Truly sophisticated, he has dignity in his every gesture. "Tell us now a tale of wonder." Legislature, Chief of Patrols, Chemistry Club, Glee Club, Literary Club, Varsity Club, Visual Aids Club, Baseball, Football, Indoor Track, Spring Track, Sophomore Dance.



GEORGE V. KEDROWSKY
"George"



BARBARA KNUDSEN
"Knutty"



Words flow in an endless avalanche from her lips. Knutty is always the one in the midst of the group. During the winters, she regales us with fairy tales of the gay days at the shore. "Mirth and madness, fun and frolic."

Supreme Court, Point and Awards Committee, Blue Letter, Bulldog's Bark, Footlighters, F.T.A., Latin Club, Literary Club, Senior Play, All Class Dances.



"One thing is forever good; that one thing is success." A modest yet talented writer and songstress, Judy has the distinction of being the highest strutter in our twirling squad. Her power of concentration creates an inner strength.

Legislature, Courtesy Patrol, Blue Letter, A Cappella Choir, French Club, F.T.A., Glee Club, Latin Club, Literary Club, Glee Club, All Class Dances.



JUDITH C. KINGMAN
"Judy"



CHRISTINE KOKENYESSY
"Chris"



"Knowledge comes, but wisdom lingers." Our "Little Miss Hantsch" keeps us in gales of laughter with her hilarious monologues. Her dynamic and friendly personality refuses to let her be passed by unnoticed. Chris has a remarkable ability in choosing words. Legislature, Bulldog's Bark, Footlighters, Literary Club, Baseball, Dances: Freshman and Sophomore.



Bursting energy, quick smiles and mischievous winks have led us all to anticipate eagerly her ready jokes. A zest for living and a willingness to work hard should insure her success in both her theatrical aspirations and nursing career.

Footlighters, German Club, Literary Club, Psychology Club, Basketball, Sophomore Dance.



MARGARET KNIGGE



ARLENE KOSSICK
"Are"



"Talk with me, laugh with me, I despise silence" aptly portrays the sophisticated miss, who's hobby is playing the piano. Although effervescent describes Arlene, always in the midst of the social whirl, she is a realistic philosopher.

Bulldog's Bark, Cheerleading, Footlighters, Glee Club, The Hub, I.R.C., Literary Club, Psychology Club, G.A.A., Basketball, Tumbling, All Class Dances.



"In friendship I early was taught to believe." With Helen and Evelyn as her constant companions, Dot laughs her way through school life. Soft spoken, Dot is not one to waste her words.
The Hub, Baseball.



DOROTHY KREMPA
"Dot"



JOAN S. LAMPARTER
"Joan"



Joan, with that tiny, tiny waist, and long, long hair, has a unique air of sophistication about her. Her tall and stately figure reminds one of a goddess. She's very attractive with a brain, besides "Divinely tall, divinely fair, a daughter of the gods."

Student Government, President Freshman Class, Blue Letter, Bulldog's Bark, A Cappella Choir, Chemistry Club, French Club, Footlighters, Glee Club, Literary Club, Special Glee Club, Senior Play, All Class Dances.



Alex can generally be found laughing and joking with the other Alex of the class of '54. He's very proud of that car of his and likes to putter with it in his spare time. "Good humor is always a success."

Carving Club, Senior Play, Bowling, All Class Dances.



ALEXANDER KUDRON
"Alex"



CAROLYN LANKEY
"Carol"



Her bright hair and deep tan are an unbeatable combination. Never without a cheerful smile, Carol radiates happiness. Her industry and sincerity are qualities we admire. She'll never lack companionship. "The Great Spirit has made you pleasant to the eye."

Student Coordinator, Secretary Junior Class Bulldog's Bark, Flag Twirling, Chemistry Club, German Club, Footlighters, Senior Play, Basketball, Baseball, Dances: Sophomore, Junior-Senior Prom.



He's a special gift to the football coach and is one of the New Market boys. There is a devilish air about Eddie, and he is everybody's buddy. "His reasoning is full of tricks." **Hall Patrol, Latin Club, Varsity Club, Baseball, Freshman Dance.**



EDWARD KUKISH
"Ed"



HARRY C. LARSON
"Snowflake"



A boy who hails from New Market, who always has an answer, who loves his Buick but wants a Caddy—Harry. He's a teacher's torment with those white mice in Public Speaking. If it's not hunting, it's fishing. His saying, "What-ya figure, you crazy Bub?", is a current whim.



Pete is tops in basketball and baseball; and likes to find out what makes things tick. His twinkling blue eyes, charming smile, and unforgettable personality keep him in the spotlight. "Wooded them with his smile of sunshine."

Student Coordination Council, Supreme Court, Courtesy Patrol, Varsity Club, Senior Play, Basketball, Baseball, Track, Dances: Sophomore.



PETER S. LIPP
"Pete"



JOSEPH C. MARTINEAU
"Joe"



To those who understand, silence is often more eloquent than words. There's mischief afoot and there's Joe and Harry. Good things are sure to come to those who wait. "Still he did not leave his laughing." **Band.**



"Modesty seldom resides in a person who is not enriched with nobler virtues." His good natured teasing and congenial personality along with his "sticktoitiveness" have made him one of the most respected and best liked members of our class. Whenever we have a question to ask about bowling or cars, we ask Bill.



WILLIAM MARKO
"Bill"



JAMES METZ
"Moose"



Our Gym Teacher's "Big Jim" is a real craftsman. Though owner of a deep voice and husky body, he's a pal and a gentle friend to all. His special interest is stamps. "He that is slow to anger is better than mighty." **President of Stamp Club.**



Odette's frolicsome smile lights her whole face. A gal with animation plus and chock full of chatter, Odette has never a wordless moment. Her heart is young and gay. "Youth comes but once in a lifetime."

A Cappella Choir, G.A.A., Glee Club, Footlighters, Basketball, Baseball, Sophomore Dance.



ODETTE MARTIN
"Odette"



NETTIE McGRIFF
"Nettie"



Nettie's soft southern speech betrays her native Georgia. She has earned many athletic honors and is the spark of Senior girl's basketball team. Her friendly attitude has won her many friends among the students of M. H. S.

A Cappella Choir, Glee Club, Basketball, Baseball, Hockey.



If there's a short cut to be found, Bill's sure to know it. A sly smile reveals a devilish sense of humor beneath an innocent visage. "A dog, a gun, and a shack in the hills spells contentment."

Track.



WILLIAM McGUINNESS
"Bill"



ELLEN MILLER
"Ellen"



"Write me as one who loves his fellow man", Ellen is always ready to lend a hand. She surprises us with an occasional mischievous prank. Her happy countenance will be a blessing in any sickroom when she dons her white cap and uniform.

Courtesy Patrol, Chemistry Club, Baseball, Dances: Freshman, Sophomore.



Joan's known for her nice disposition, (she's so easy to get along with), and her lovely gold curls. Among her special interests are church work, expressing her wonderful artistic ability, and her Spanish monomania. "Life is real, life is earnest."



JOAN MCINTIRE
"Joan"



SOLLACE MOLINEUX
"Sol"



Our "Little Pres." finds time when she is not working on behalf of the students to be a cheerleader bouncing with enthusiasm. An all-round person with a friendly personality. Sollace is a favorite with everyone. "She had a great spirit and could move her people."

Student Government President, Vice-President, Secretary of Freshman and Sophomore Classes, Footlighters, F.T.A., Latin Club, Integral Club, Cheerleading, Basketball, Baseball, All Class Dances.



ANNA LOIS McQUEEN
"Lois"



PATRICK MONAHAN
"Pat"



Always ready for fun and a good laugh is this mischievous miss herself. Lois is always on the go in a most energetic way. Always ready to lend a helping hand, is our "Miss McQueen."

G.A.A., Glee Club, The Hub, Senior Play, Basketball, Baseball, Hockey, Modern Dancing, Volleyball.

Pat came to us this year from Westfield High. He is a tall slender blond with a quick wit. His first love is being with the "Black Hornet," his car. "Nothing is impossible to a willing heart."



A loyal trackman and an industrious third year French student, Jimmy also includes collecting stamps and coins among his hobbies. An intellectual fellow and a good speaker, Jimmy should succeed well in his chosen profession of law. Legislature, Supreme Court, Stamp Club, Latin Club, Varsity Club, Cross Country, Indoor Track, Spring Track, All Class Dances.



JAMES A. MORAN
"Jimmy"



MICHAEL J. MUHA
"Mike"



Mike's services on the gridiron and baseball diamond will be sorely missed by future M. H. S'ers. His idea is: "Live every day as it comes, the future will take care of itself." He keeps company with fellow varsity men. Baseball, Football.



A player on the girls' basketball team, Mildred also enjoys singing in the Glee Club. She can usually be seen strolling down the halls in the midst of the two Anns. Noon time she is active in The Hub.

G.A.A., Glee Club, The Hub, Basketball, Baseball, Hockey, Modern Dancing, Soccer, Square Dancing, Tumbling, Volleyball.



MILDRED MOSELEY
"Milly"



ELIZABETH MUHO
"Betty"



Betty seems to us a walking paper doll. There is a hint of the exotic about her. She and Pat will always remain steadfast friends. "Dignity and charm are hers."

Glee Club, The Hub, Senior Play, Basketball, Baseball, Track, Tumbling, Volleyball, Dances: Freshman, Sophomore.



Joan's a personality with flaming red hair who gets as much fun out of life as is possible. Joan, Mary, Peg and Shirley are frequently companions. She's always willing to do any task requested of her.

Blue Letter, Bulldog's Bark, F.B.L.A., Hostess Club, The Varsity Club, Basketball, Hub, Psychology Club, Senior Play, Freshman Dance.



JOAN MOSKOWITZ
"Joan"



DAVID NEEDHAM
"Dave"



Servant of the people, protector of law and order. Dave will be remembered as a cheerful patrolman and a veteran trackman. His good looks and good services lead us to call him, "A man of wisdom and a passer of the peace pipe."

Track, Student Exchange, Hall Patrol, Glee Club, A Cappella Choir.



Geri can often be spotted among those numbered as the Editor's slaves or in a band uniform. She's a remarkable combination of a young lady who can explode with convulsive giggles and yet still achieve excellent grades. She's a true fan to the track team.

Legislature, Blue Letter, Bulldog's Bark, Band, A Cappella Chorus, Chemistry Club, Creative Writing Club, Footlighters, French Club, Glee Club, Latin Club, Literary Club, Music Appreciation Club, Psychology Club, Senior Play, All Class Dances.



GERALDINE R. NELSON
"Geri"



ELIZABETH G. NORTHROP
"Ginger"

With laughing eyes, our perky little Ginger indulges in her friendly flirting. Her scholastic ability and her "Gingervating" personality will always be valuable assets. "Beauty is truth."

Blue Letter, Business Manager of Bulldog's Bark, Chemistry Club, Footlighters, The "Hub", Literary Club, Dances: Sophomore, Junior-Senior Prom.



A commercial whiz, Lois will be one of those at the top in her chosen profession as a secretary. She delights in all sports, movies, and dancing. A sweet and modest person, she will make the grade on her ability alone. Always seen with June.

Legislature, Blue Letter, Bulldog's Bark, F.B.L.A., German Club, The Hub, I.R.C., Literary Club, Senior Play.



LOIS M. NELSON
"Lois"



BARBARA R. OLIVER
"Barby"

Barby, the willowy outdoor type, is always ready to lend a helping hand, which she offers with a smile. This well dressed gal is very interested in art and she is very appreciative of animals. Her first love is horses, her second, her dog.

Blue Letter Collection Manager, German Club, Basketball, Baseball, Dances: Freshman, Sophomore.



"Speech is great, but silence is greater." Dick can be found policing the halls during school. He's a true Florida fan. A man of few words, he does not waste precious time in idle chatter. His humor sneaks out unaware.

Courtesy Patrol, Hall Patrol, Dances: Freshman, Sophomore.

RICHARD NEWMAN
"Dick"



DONALD PAGE
"Don"



Under his twenty-three sweaters and sixteen shirts is harbored a piercing wit and sparkling sense of humor. A bowling enthusiast, Don is also true to the track team. Wiser today than he was yesterday, his intelligence will always be a great asset.

Chemistry Club, Integral Club, Varsity Club, Baseball, Cross Country, Indoor Track.





Peggy's blond attractiveness is part of the charm of our popular cheerleader. Sincere and devoted, Peggy will never desert a friend in time of need. **Cheerleader, Footlighters, G.A.A., Glee Club, Latin Club, Literary Club, Senior Play, All Class Dances.**



MARGERY S. PEARSE
"Peggy"



CAROL A. POPPENDIECK
"Carol"



Soft natural waves frame a face lovely with warm brown eyes and a cameo complexion. Carol's infectious laughter complements her appropriately serious attitude toward her work. "Those who work long and sincerely shall reap the fruits of success."

Legislature, Supreme Court, Bulldog's Bark, French Club, Latin Club, Senior Play, All Class Dances.



Connie, with that devilish glint in her eye is a likable, little miss with a "frantic" French accent. She has a way of squeezing into every predicament and yet having everything come out all right. **Bulldog's Bark, Chemistry Club, Footlighters, French Club, Latin Club, Music Appreciation Club.**



CONSTANCE PEDERSEN
"Connie"



PATRICIA F. PREHODKA
"Pat"



"A horse, a horse, my kingdom for a horse." Pat looks forward to hours filled with horseback riding and skating during vacations. Her aim on the baseball diamond rivals Furillo, Bobby, Sue, and Pat are the "Three Musketeers" of M. H. S. "Winning her way with extreme gentleness." **Blue Letter, Bulldog's Bark, Student Secretary, Basketball, Baseball.**



Bill is an affable fellow who always greets you with a smile. He is a good sportsman, a do-or-die fisherman, and quite a hunter. The Senior Poll gives evidence of his popularity among his classmates. "Skilled in all the craft of hunting." **Cross Country.**



WILLIAM S. F. POCHICK
"Bill"



EMMA PUCA
"Em"



A glad personality and willingness to help all make Emma a wonderful friend. She's originally a Brooklynite whose favorite sport is roller skating. She's one of those rare persons who likes everyone, and have an honest desire to help whomever she can.

Glee Club, The Hub, Dances: Sophomore, Senior, Junior, Senior Prom.



"Learned of every bird its language." Alfred is a man with a mind of his own. His amiable and unsophisticated manners are refreshing. He has a special aptitude for mathematics. "Those who are cautious seldom err." Al understands that "He profits most who serves best." **Visual Aids.**



ALFRED D. RABINKAS
"Al"



SUSAN J. ROBEY
"Suzi"



Suzi's vivacious personality shines from everywhere. Music mad with bubbling laughter, Suzi brings spirited happiness and gaiety to all close to her. She also finds quiet pleasure in reading a good book. **Blue Letter, Bulldog's Bark, Creative Writing Club, French Club, Latin Club, Psychology Club.**



The man behind the wheel of the car is Don with his coveted driver's license. Though not a "natural" in typing, he may be said to be persistent. A regular at Saturday night Co-eds, he also enjoys bowling and basketball. **Blue Letter, Stamp Club.**



DONALD R. RALEIGH
"Don"



ROBERT L. ROSSI
"Bob"



Bob is all for having fun. Full of funny quips, Bob is known for his quick comebacks and humorous retorts. He also has a good deal of athletic ability. "All the world loves a clown." **Senior Play, Football, Junior-Senior Prom.**



Joannie's tailored look straight from **Vogue** depicts what the well dressed secretary will wear. Although known to be serious sometimes, she's often humorous, likable, always. She is a tricky typist, whose delicately manicured hands whiz lightly over the keyboard with amazing speed and accuracy. **Blue Letter, Bulldog's Bark, Student Secretary, Hostess Club, The Hub, I.R.C., Psychology Club, All Class Dances.**



JOAN F. RIGGS
"Joannie"



HARRIETTE J. SAVAGE
"Shadow"



Harriette is a girl we can well admire. Her pet parakeets may frown upon the beating of her drums, but we're proud to have her in our band. Though very interested in music, Harriette hopes to become an interior decorator. **Courtesy Patrol, Bulldog's Bark, Aeronautics Club, Glee Club, The Hub, Law Club, Dances: Sophomore, Freshman.**



Don has an overwhelming desire for learning, and a strong impulse to make his opinions known. His scholastic achievement is a good start on whatever path he chooses.

Chemistry Club, Integral Club, Bowling, Cross Country.



DONALD SCHOETTLER
"Don"



BARBARA L. SORGENTO
"Bobbie"



Singing, dancing, and photography rate first place among Bobbie's main interests. Her friendly smiles would melt the coldest heart. "Good humor is goodness and wisdom combined."

Blue Letter, Creative Writing Club, G.A.A., Glee Club, The Hub, Library Council, Senior Play, Junior-Senior Prom.



"Short'n Sweet with lots of spice," may be said of Jo-Ann. Her favorite fashions include pencil-slim skirts, and wide leather belts. She's helping to prepare for a future in secretarial work with her membership in The "Hub."

Bulldog's Bark, Glee Club, The Hub, All Class Dances.



JOAN SHILLINGFORD
"Jo-Ann"



NELSON STALLINGS
"Nellie"



Here's the man behind the ball with his astounding runs. Here's a boy who has personality, sportsmanship, and who always tries to do his best. He is deservedly well liked and responds with a smile for all. "Swift as an arrow."

Varsity Club, Basketball, Baseball, Football, Track, Junior-Senior Prom.



"I want to be a friend." Edna is one of those people who devote their time to helping others and "painting the clouds with sunshine." She makes a hobby of tinkling those ivories. She is the faithful and favorite accompanist of our Glee Club.

Courtesy Patrol, Blue Letter, Band, A Cappella Choir, Aeronautics Club, Glee Club, The Hub.



EDNA M. SMITH
"Edna"



RINAGAI STANLEY
"Roni"



Creative genius is indicated in Roni's exquisite sketches. She not only draws well, but her acting ability won her the lead in the Senior Play, and her journalistic talents are on display in the "Bulldog's Bark."

Legislature, Blue Letter, Bulldog's Bark, Creative Writing Club, Footlighters, French Club, Glee Club, Latin Club, Literary Club, Music Appreciation Club, Psychology Club, Senior Play, All Class Dances.



A smart brunette with emerald green eyes. Carol is one of the pace-setting seniors, sporting the latest fashions before anyone else. She's generally found laughing with Shirley and Joan. "All enjoy that power which suits them best."

Legislature, Blue Letter, Glee Club, Hostess Club, The Hub, I.R.C., Psychology Club, Senior Play, All Class Dances.



CAROL F. STEIDLER
"Carol"



JOHN TIMPANARO



"Tippy" keeps life lively. There's never a dull moment with Tip. His witty remarks in the appropriate moments have caused many a case of uncontrollable giggles. May he never lose his irrepressible sense of humor.

Chess Club, French Club, Literary Club, Cross-Country, Indoor Track.



"Wait until next year. Oh, those Bums." Besides baseball and the Dodgers, his special love is his pride and joy "THE CAR." His favorite pastime involves a piano and popular music. Nothing disturbs his calm and cool headed attitude. "Let nothing disturb thee."

Chess Club, German Club, Glee Club, Literary Club, Baseball.



WALTER TETSCHNER
"Walt"



BERTRAND O. TOPPING
"Bert"



"Feet as rapid as the river." Bert is that rare combination of top-rate athlete and excellent student. Though talented, Bert is unassuming, and his modesty becomes him. Many have found him a thoughtful and sincere friend.

Secretary of Treasury, Blue Letter, Chemistry Club, Varsity Club, Basketball, Baseball, Cross-Country, Track.



"They're only great who are truly good." Beverly's thoughtfulness and consideration for others are duly appreciated. Her ambition is to become a lawyer's secretary. Roller skating is her hobby and we hope she skates right to the top in all she does.

Recording and Corresponding Secretary, Legislature, Blue Letter, Bulldog's Bark, Footlighters, Glee Club, All Class Dances.



BEVERLY TRAVER
"Bev"



RICHARD M. THOMPSON
"Dick"



The world knows little of its greatest men. Dick has been throughout high school a ready and willing worker. Dick is one of our aces on a basketball court. His love for pizza pie is a hobby in itself.

Legislature, Secretary of Activities, P.T.A. Council, Courtesy Patrol, Chemistry Club, German Club, Literary Club, Senior Play, Varsity Club, Basketball, Baseball, Bowling, Cross-Country, Indoor Track, Outdoor Track.



A smiling blonde with a flair for art, with swimming, skiing, and music numbered among her interests is Shir. During school she's usually found with Carol and Joannie. She has often entertained us with her hill-billy number.

Blue Letter, Bulldog's Bark, A Cappella Choir, Glee Club, Hostess Club, The Hub, I.R.C., Psychology Club, Senior Play, Basketball, Tumbling, All Class Dances.



SHIRLEY M. VAIL
"Shirl"



ROSEMARY VOIGHT
"Red"



A sweet personality and flaming curls team up to make Rosemary a nice person to know. The source of her nickname "Red" is obvious. "Nothing is impossible to a willing heart."

Blue Letter, Baseball, Dances: Freshman, Sophomore, Junior-Senior Prom.



A loyal M. H. L. rooter who never misses a game, Peggy has school spirit which is something to be proud of. She's also the author of many clever short stories. Although she plans to be a secretary, we think she'll become a celebrated mystery writer.

The Hub, Psychology Club, Dances: Freshman, Sophomore.



MARGARET VAN SISE
"Peggy"



TARCILA VIGIL
"Chila"



Amazingly busy and bubbling over with enthusiasm, Tarcila keeps in close touch with everything going on at M. H. S. Snapping eyes, Latin American rhythms, and ever dancing feet, present one of many glimpses of our independent "Miss Editor." Her popularity is based on a formula called "sincerity."

Courtesy Patrol, Point and Awards System, Editor-in-Chief of Blue Letter, Flag Twirling, Biology Club, F.T.A., Footlighters, Literary Club, Integral Club, Psychology Club, Senior Play, Bowling, Junior-Senior Prom.



You can find Mary at every football and basketball game. Long, long black waves and warm brown eyes are her distinguishing features. "We New Marketites stick together."

The Hub, Psychology Club, Baseball, Dances: Freshman, Sophomore.

MARY VAN ALLEN
"Mary"



MARIE VITANZA
"Maggie"



When you hear "no stuff," you know Maggie's around. She's a petite brunette with an enviable figure and a quaint sense of humor. Maggie is rightfully proud of her little Ford which she drives so well. Her amiability, kindness, and willingness to help have won her many friends.

Blue Letter, Bulldog's Bark, G.A.A., The Hub, Senior Play, Basketball, Baseball, Track, Tumbling, Volleyball, All Class Dances.



Serious is the word for Stuart. He's always ready to pitch in and help with flashing smile is recognizable to all. Such generosity is admirable; "What's mine is yours."

Courtesy Patrol, Bulldog's Bark, Chemistry Club, Senior Play, Track, Dances: Freshman, Junior-Senior Prom.



STUART R. WAGNER
"Stu"



RICHARD WICKBERG
"Wicky"



A coach's dream, this big blonde "Swede" is as sensational on a basketball court as he is on the gridiron. Oft times, the "Big Guy" was the M. H. S. hero of the day. This good-looking athlete is a popular favorite in the class and school.

Varsity Club, Basketball, Baseball, Football.



A startling brunette, Pattie sports vivid colors and very becoming they are, too. She breathes individuality. She has a style all her own. Never let it be said that she's at a loss for words. "Anybody have a piece of gum?"

Legislature, Glee Club, The Hub, All Class Dances.



PATRICIA WEISSENBURGER
"Pat"



LEWIS N. WILKINSON
"Louie"



Lou is a well dressed person with a likable personality. He likes swimming, tennis, bowling, and photography. Usually seen everywhere in his '49 Chev, he is very cute and a true friend. His ambition is to be an engineer. "An Eagle in sight."

Blue Letter, Chemistry Club, Footlighters, Latin Club, Senior Play, Bowling, Spring Track.



PATRICIA J. WHITELEY
"Pat"



Forever flirting, this dark haired girl has shared many giggles with Betty. She has determined to walk in the path of Florence Nightingale. Her jolly chuckles will be a treat for her patients. "You be gay is the only way." Band, Freshman Dance.





"We're the class of '54,
They'll remember us ever more,
We left them in the dark,
We beat HIGHLAND PARK!"

SENIOR



DID MOST FOR M. H. S.
Sollace Molineux,
Jim Dickinson



NOISIEST
Bob Rossi



MOST POPULAR
Tarcila Vigil
Dick Wickberg



MOST FRIENDLY
Tarcila Vigil,
Bill Pochick



MOST BASHFUL
Eleanor Barthelmes,
Bert Topping



BEST ALL-ROUND
Tarcila Vigil,
Bert Topping



NICEST SMILE
Gloria Ahearn,
Ray Borup



BEST LOOKING
Gail Hutton,
Dick Wickberg

BIGGEST FLIRTS
Lee Clowes,
Jim Dickinson

CUTEST
Peggy Pearse,
Pete Lipp

BEST DANCERS
Tarcila Vigil,
George Kedrowsky

WITTIEST
Christine Kokenyessy,
Don Page





MOST LIKELY TO SUCCEED
Sollace Molineux,
Peter Espenschied



BEST DRESSED
Gail Hutton,
Charlie Fitch



MOST DEPENDABLE
Tarcila Vigil,
George Hollingshead



MOST SOPHISTICATED
Joan Lamparter,
George Kedrowsky



MOST ORIGINAL
Roni Stanley,
Nathaniel Floyd



MOST ATHLETIC
Anne Bradshaw,
Dick Wickberg



PEPPIEST
Janet Hoops,
Kenny Burton



MOST STUDIOUS
Carol Poppendieck,
Peter Espenschied



CLASS COUPLE
June Baldsiefen,
Charlie Fitch

P O L L

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BEST DRIVERS
Johanna Bisogno,
Bruce D'Andrade



TEACHER'S PET
Bob Rossi



SEEN EVERYWHERE
Tarcila Vigil,
Lewis Wilkinson

Many Moons Ago . . .

Many moons ago, as a band of Freshmen, we cautiously took our first steps down the halls of the then unknown territory of Senior High School. This year was not only our Freshman year, but also the half-way mark of the century. For our class officers we elected Joan Lamparter as president, with Elaine Beck as vice-president. Sollace Molineux and Ann Dunne assisted as treasurer and secretary. After a brief season of getting settled, we plunged into fierce battle with Latin 1 and J. B. T.



With great expectations we launched our first class dance. Using "Apple Blossom Time" as our theme, we gave Van Kirk Auditorium the "new look" of spring flowers and pastel streamers. We had the proud distinction of being the first Freshman class of Metuchen High School to engage a band.

It seemed as if we had scarcely had a chance to turn around before we advanced one more rung on the ladder to become Sophomores. Charles Fitch was elected as president, with Gloria Ahearn as vice-president, Sollace Molineux and Ann Dunne again acted as secretary and treasurer.

Our Sophomore year saw the beginning of many things. The girls startled us with the latest fad—the poodle cut, while the boys appeared in plaid vests. Now we were

eligible to try out for the Footlighters, and to start our first day of cheerleading practice. This year we were finally allowed to enter candidates in the battle for the office of vice-president of Student Government. With enormous enthusiasm we embarked on our campaigning, and as a result we enjoyed the distinction of having one of our girls elected as vice-president. The following year she was to go on to become president.

The "Wheel of Fortune" spun on the magic night of our Sophomore Dance, and we found ourselves swept into our Junior year. We were deluged by a torrent of Chemistry, Typing, sports, and plans for a Junior Prom. Since we did not have the usual Junior Dance, we had to plan the Prom without the benefit of the profits from an earlier dance. With "Midnight Cruise" as our theme, we planned a breath-taking Prom. In the course of an afternoon the Auditorium was transformed into a beautiful, sea-faring ship complete with gang-plank and life-preservers. That year Lee Clowes served as president, with Jim Dickinson assisting as vice-president. Carolyn Lankey acted as secretary, and Bob Edleman, as treasurer.

In the fall of our Senior year we found ourselves occupying the place of honor in the long house. Charles Fitch was again elected as our chief, and Gloria Ahearn again served as vice-president. The positions





of secretary and treasurer were occupied by Marilyn Baumlin and Barbara Christoph. We knew this year would be the last time we were to act, dance, play, and study as students of Metuchen High School. Realizing this, we tried to make the most of everything we did. Now we were entitled to Senior privileges. A lunch room was set aside for Seniors only. I doubt that any of us will forget the day we first marched into Assembly as Seniors. All through high school we had stood out of respect as other Senior classes marched in, but now we, ourselves, were being honored by the underclassmen. One of the highlights of our last year was the presentation of the play, "Best Foot Forward," by the Senior class. Our whole class contributed to the success of the play by being in the cast, acting as stage hands, prompters, "make-up" artists, or by selling tickets.

A new custom was inaugurated this year. The varsity football squad elected a queen of football. She was crowned under an arch of batons at the Keyport game at Roosevelt Park. During the half-time of this game our cross country track team scored a victory over St. Benedict's harriers. This marked the

first time that a cross country race was held during the half-time of an M. H. S. football game. To top everything off, the football team brought the season to a glorious climax with a twenty-six to nineteen victory over Highland Park.

Almost unbelievably fast the sands of time had slipped through our fingers, and we found ourselves trying on the Senior plumage of caps and gowns. All of us have looked forward to the moment of graduation, but now that it has arrived we can't help feeling twinges of regret. Finally we have come to the abrupt awakening that graduation night is the last time we walk down the aisles of Van Kirk Auditorium as high school students. We who have traveled the same trail for four short years are soon to separate to follow divergent paths, but we will never forget the years we have spent together. Metuchen High School has given us much, and it is our wish to be able to make her proud of us by aiming at worth-while goals and doing our best to make our arrows hit the mark.

How we could have crammed so much into four short years is a mystery to us, but here we are, Seniors, on the brink of the processional to the strains of "Pomp and Circumstance." As we take part in the traditional ceremony of graduation our minds will be filled with thoughts of moments we have enjoyed together. We will journey on with countless happy memories.





UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA



Junior Class

Juniors today — Seniors tomorrow. How time has flown since you, the Class of '55, entered these halls in 1951! Games, dances, assembly programs, trips, club meetings, class discussions and friendly conversations will add to your store of inspirational memories. With your officers, Fred Molineux, president; Diane Flood, vice president; Pat Leiss, secretary; and Tom Graham, treasurer leading the way you have advanced towards your goals.

This year we shared the gala Junior-Senior Prom you planned so thoughtfully, and next spring you will be the ones receiving engraved invitations to attend as guests of the next Junior Class.

We leave in your hands the honor and responsibility of being seniors at M. H. S.

HOME ROOM 32

Pres. W. Kaiser
V. Pres. R. Kubiak
Treas. J. McDonald
Sec. F. Ingles



HOME ROOM 22

Pres. D. Cole
V. Pres. A. Anderjack
Sec. P. Botsak
Treas. J. Baschlecht



HOME ROOM 28
 Pres. J. Stumpf
 V. Pres. S. Smith
 Sec. J. Van Pelt
 Treas. E. Wallace



HOME ROOM 26
 Pres. D. Sanders
 V. Pres. C. Millo
 Sec. D. Santavasci
 Treas. L. Roll

HOME ROOM 25
 Pres. N. Deisher
 Sec. & Treas. P. DeStefano





HOME ROOM 31
 Pres. B. Hutchins
 Sec. & Treas. ...R. Johnson



HOME ROOM 27
 Pres.H. Demarest
 V. Pres..... B. Hicks
 Sec. I. Gainfort
 Treas, D. Hermesen



Sophomore Class



HOME ROOM 30
 Pres. N. Mendola
 V. Pres. P. Priscoe
 Sec. M. Milo
 Treas. E. Rodden



HOME ROOM 29
 Pres. B. Brink
 V. Pres. B. Bosco
 Sec. & Treas. S. Chandler



HOME ROOM 24
 Pres. C. Will
 V. Pres. A. Zacchia
 Sec. E. Tedeschi
 Treas. J. Yascor



Freshmen Class

FRESHMAN CLASS OFFICERS

Pres.	B. Goodstein
V. Pres.	V. Letson
Sec.	J. Andres
Treas.	S. Howell



8th Grade



7th Grade



Junior High



JR. HIGH STUDENT GOVERNMENT

This newly-formed government got off to a flying start this year by selecting its officers and staging its own assemblies. Under the guidance of Mrs. Bovers, President John B. Molineux, Vice President Bruce Arbeiter and Secretary Joan Espenschied, our student government aims to provide practice for future citizens to function intelligently in a democracy.





Student Government

Many benefits for the students of Metuchen High have been continued and new ones have been organized by the Student Government this year. Among these were a senior honor lunch room, intramural sports at lunch time, a student coordinator appointed in a new cabinet position, plans drawn up for a united fund in M. H. S. and a get-acquainted program planned for new students at the beginning of the new school year. Perhaps the biggest accomplishment was the organization of a county sportsmanship crusade under the leadership of Metuchen.

The Legislature, our body of representa-

tives, met every Tuesday noon with Bill Frye presiding, Nancy Deisher serving as secretary, and Mr. Constantine acting as counselor. They endeavored to keep the school constitution up-to-date and to make any amendments that proved necessary. Grievances and suggestions for improvement were discussed and bills were introduced by the homeroom representatives. The job of carrying out decisions of the Legislative Council rested with the Executive Council or the Cabinet, whose members included School President Sollace Molineux, Vice President William Frye, and various secretaries appointed by the president.



SEATED: R. Nastanovich, L. Clowes, R. Edleman, R. Thompson, S. Molineux, W. Frye, J. Dickinson, C. Lankey, B. Topping, STANDING: Mr. F. Constantine.



SEATED: G. Hollingshead, J. Moran, G. Kedrowsky, W. Kaiser, W. Frye, N. Deisher, M. Soporawski, D. Cole, D. Sanders, STANDING: E. Sargent, B. Hutchins, N. Mendola, C. Will, B. Brink, H. Demarest, G. Fisher, L. Peterson, G. McBride, Mr. F. Constantine,



JUDICIARY SUPREME COURT & PATROLS

The Judiciary Branch of the Student Government has two main departments: the Supreme Court and the Patrols. The Supreme Court, consisting of two judges from every grade and headed by the Attorney General, worked to emphasize the prevention and elimination of any problems that might lead to poor discipline. There are two main functions of the Supreme Court. The first task is trying offenders. When a person violates a law or rules of the school, he is given a ticket or summons and must appear before the Supreme Court. He may plead innocent or guilty. Our Supreme Court works in a manner similar to that of the Civil and Federal Courts.

The second task of the Supreme Court is to see that any new laws that the Student Government has written do not go against the constitution. The other department of the Judiciary Branch is the patrols, who work very closely with the Supreme Court. They enforce the laws of the school and bring charges against offenders.

With Mr. Jackler as adviser and Robert Nasimovich Attorney General, the Judiciary did an efficient job. Our success is indicated by the reduction of the number of offenders this year.

Our Student Government puts democracy into action and develops good citizens.



Bulldog Bark

To be on the staff of the Bulldog's Bark, a student must take the two-week journalism course offered at the beginning of the year and pass an exam creditably. The Bulldog's Bark aims to provide the school with a newspaper, to build school spirit, to provide an organ for student opinions, to inform students of school activities, and to afford practice in preparing journalistic copy for publication. M. H. S. will always remember the various contests run by the Bulldog's Bark. Miss Anker is guidance adviser. This year the staff was headed by George Hollingshead, Editor-in-Chief and Sports Editor;

Donald Cole, Managing Editor; Gary Owens, Associate Editor; Nancy Deisher and Edi Celko, Feature Editors; Joan Lamparter, Copy Editor; Carol Poppendieck, Exchange Editor; Ann Dunne, Advertising Manager; Carol Lankey, Circulation Manager; and Betty Northrup, Business Manager. Other faculty advisers were Mrs. Hilly-Swank, Miss Kuzmich and Mrs. Bovers, all of whom took care of the business end of the paper. Attending the Columbia Scholastic Press and the Temple University Press Contest is among the annual events of the Bulldog's Bark.





A black and white group photograph of the 1955-56 Student Body. The students are arranged in five rows, posing in a room with bookshelves and a framed picture on the wall. The group consists of approximately 45 students of various ages and ethnicities. The students are dressed in mid-20th-century attire, including sweaters, blouses, and skirts. The background features a large framed picture on the wall and bookshelves filled with books.



Band, Twirlers

"There is something about a home town band." The M. H. S. Band played at all of the games in the "53" season of football. Remember those crazy costumes worn in the Halloween Parade, and the happy faces on everyone when the Band brought Santa Claus to town?

You will all agree that this year's Spring Festival was the greatest yet. Mr. Atkinson (Mr. A.) was, as usual, always at their side.

Our high strutting twirlers who not only accompanied the band but also performed at football games, pep rallies, parades, and annual spring concerts will never be forgotten. June Baldisiefen was this year's stunning majorette who drilled with the band at every practice and added that extra special spice and pep.

Oh, yes! One is not enough for soloist Ann Dunne. She showed other schools how twirling is really done with two batons. The rest of our high stepping squad consisted of: Carmella Easso, Linda Lochs, Helen Demarest, Diane Flood, Phyllis Ten Eyck, Nancy Crawford, Elaine Beck, Judy Coppola, Judy Kingman, Marilyn Baumlín. Gail Hutton and Joni Meszaros were flag twirlers.





and Glee Club

The Glee Club with the newly acquired A Cappella Choir have had a memorable year. Mr. Azzolina, faculty adviser, with president Roni Stanley, vice president Kenny Burton, treasurer Tony Hutson, and secretary Nancy Crawford planned a Christmas pageant, music festival, performances in assemblies, and presentation of pins to the members. With our girls

section, boys section, and A Cappella Choir, our Glee Club has won a definite position for itself and will always be remembered by M. H. S. Mr. Azzolina proved himself to be a talented man with a beautiful voice. Our Glee Club shows that besides having brains and brawn, M. H. S. students have voices to soothe the savage beast.





Cheerleaders

It now comes time to say good-bye to our Varsity Cheerleaders: Gail Fisher, Arlene Kosick, Sue Cameron, Johanna Bisogna, Peggy Pearse, Sollace Molineux, and Janet Hoops who all have done an unforgettable job.

Our new Jay-Vee team is made up of: Winnie Mallette, Ann Fig, Virginia Brown, Lucille Wilkinson, Diane Santavasci, and Pat Leiss.

Varsity Club

Under the leadership of Mr. John Cassell, faculty adviser; Bert Topping, president; Bob Nastanovich, vice president; and Jim Dickinson, treasurer; the Varsity Club followed great plans. Souvenir programs were sold at the basketball games and better equipment was secured for the members in order to be a member, one must have earned at least one varsity letter.





OFFICERS AND SECTION LEADERS—Front Row (L. to R.): David Aurelius, vice-president; Peter Espenschied, president; Mr. Paul V. Nielsen, sponsor; Alfred Rabinkas, secretary; Fred Gray, treasurer. Back Row: Andrew Stofa, maintenance chairman; John Needham, clerical chairman; Herman Dyremose, transportation vice-chairman; John Mostow, transportation chairman.



The Visual Aids Club

The Visual Aids Club forms an essential and integral part of the educational program at Metuchen High School. The club which is sponsored by Mr. Paul V. Nielsen, was organized to aid the faculty in the use of audio and visual aids for education (films, slides, pictures, records, etc.) and to give students valuable experience in management and in working with projection equipment. In order to hold an Operator's License, a high school student must be a member of the Club; there are about forty licenses.

Each year a president and vice president are elected by the members, while appointees fill the positions of secretary and treasurer, as well as chairmanships (and one vice-chairmanship) of the three special sections — Maintenance, Transportation, and Clerical. To these sections is assigned the work required for the efficient operation

of the organization.

The Maintenance Section members are in charge of oiling and cleaning the machines, repairing films, policing the Visual Aids classroom (which serves as the center of Visual Aids operations and houses the Metuchen Film Library), and training new operators.

The Transportation Section is concerned with the moving of machines to various rooms as requested by members of the faculty.

The Clerical Section works on filing letters and catalogs, listing inventory material, and keeping personnel records.

Associated with The Visual Aids Club is its bi-weekly newsletter, The Vis-Aids Guide, which is run entirely by students. The Guide disseminates to teachers and club members, information concerning films, procedures, and other pertinent topics.

STAFF OF THE VIS-AIDS GUIDE—(L. to R.) Fred Gray, circulation manager; Peter Espenschied, publisher; Bruce Hahl, artist; David Aurelius, editor.



Library Council

"Oh, Miss de Vries, do I have to check that section? I did it last week." Of course that sounds familiar to some. It's a typical Library Council member whose duties are to assist Miss de Vries in the library. It's not all effort and no relaxation in this club. The Christmas celebration, the enjoyable trips, and those taffy parties after Miss de Vries returned from a journey will always be remembered. Along with President Jim Dickinson, Vice President Edye Lou Wallace, Secretary Connie Mills, Treasurer Carolyn Ruggieri, and General Assistant Winnie Mallette, the council has accomplished many worthy aims.

Literary Club

Learning can be fun, and it was! We always enjoyed discussing novels, plays, short stories and television with Miss Haitsh at Literary Club meetings. Our aim was to develop a more intelligent appreciation of fiction and drama. Sometimes we heard special reports and sometimes we had general discussions; but all these sessions were lively with enthusiasm.

THE ELMO E. SPOERL Future Teachers of America

With the excellent advice of Miss Hydo, adviser; President Janet Hoops, Vice President Jacklyn Bell, and Secretary Judy Kingman, the F. T. A. strives to develop among young future teachers an organization which shall be an integral part of state and national education associations; to acquaint teachers in training with the history, ethics and program of the organized teaching profession; and to give practical experience in working in a democratic way on problems of the profession.



International Relations

Every Thursday, in Room 30, gather the internationally-minded students of M. H. S. under the leadership of Mr. Withey. They discuss international problems and ways in which individuals may promote better international feeling. They had interesting films, enlightening discussions, eminent visitors, and those exciting trips. This year's officers were, President Lysbeth Ruckert, Vice President Steven Buckley, Secretary Adrienne Gostin, and Treasurer Howard Bovers.



the "Hub"

The purpose of The "Hub" is to create an interest in speed and accuracy in typing. Among other things the members of The "Hub" hope to foster a better understanding of different nationalities. Mrs. Hilley-Swank is adviser; Rose Grecco, president; Joni Mezaros, vice president; Pat Fuller, treasurer; Carolyn Ruggieri, recording secretary; and Margie Fink, corresponding secretary.

Footlighters

Rehearsals might have made Mr. Morgan slightly gray but we all thought that the Footlighters' did a grand job this year. The main purpose of the Footlighters is to acquaint its members with the fundamentals of acting, stage make-up and stage work, and to put on performances in the assembly. With president Ann Dunne, vice president Winnie Mallette, secretary Barbara Knudson and treasurer Diane Flood, the Footlighters have had a most successful year.



German Club

The members of the German Club try to learn more about the German people, their customs, songs, dances and other interesting things. Those crazy initiations will always be remembered along with the various parties, trips and inspiring visitors. Miss Anker, adviser; Carol Lankey, president; David Sanders, vice president; Nancy Deisher, secretary; Barbara Christoph, treasurer; and David Moss, program director, and the many members have had a memorable year.



French Club

Morty Wernik, president, is trying to convince everyone that this club's motto is, "Qui, nous parlons en français." Ila Stimon is secretary (taking her notes in French, of course); Judy Van Pelt, vice president; Sue Chandler, treasurer; and Mr. Morton Graham is the faculty adviser. We'll never forget the French Club's Christmas luncheon, and those famous atmospheric meetings on the third floor. New York has never been the same since our French Club made a day of it.



Latin Club

The well-established Latin Club may thank the work of president Steven Buckley, vice-president Bernard Marks, secretary Barbara Brink, treasurer Patricia Schoenhut, and Mrs. Bennett, adviser for their early trip with the history classes to see "The Robe" in New York, and their well-planned year which consisted of spring trips, parties, and the many undertakings of the Latin Club. The officers along with the members hope to further their interest and knowledge of Latin.





G.A.A.

The Girls Athletic Association has been organized to give girls with interest and ability in physical education a greater opportunity to participate in athletics. All girls from seventh to twelfth grade, who take part in after school sports regularly, are eligible to join the G. A. A. They take part in setting up and organizing baseball and



Girls' Basketball

basketball games played between girls' teams of different schools. Miss Crowell, adviser, Edye Lou Wallace, president; Linda Seifert, vice president; and Lorretta Handle, secretary, along with the other members and the active teams have had a successful year.

Stamp Club



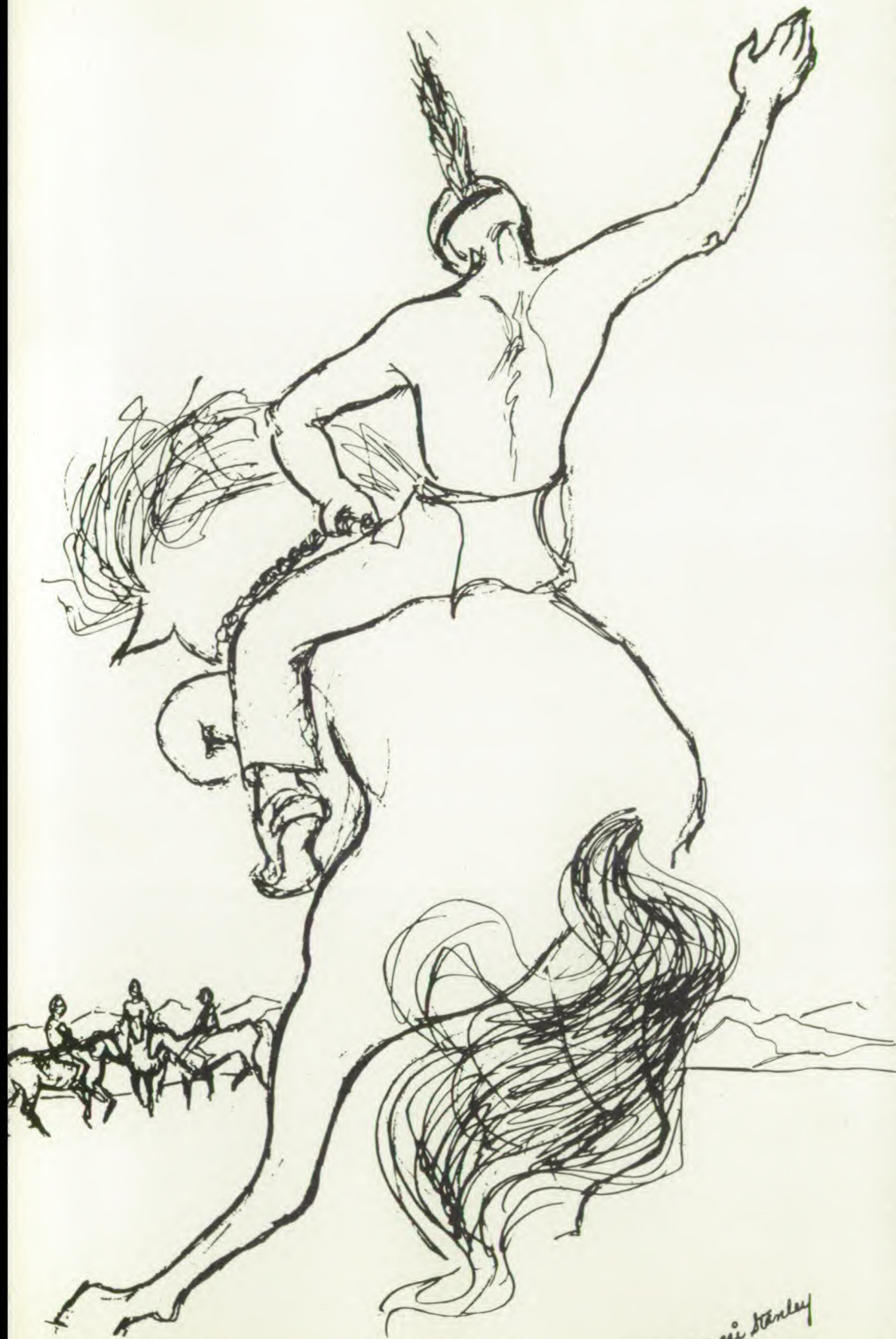
Carving Club





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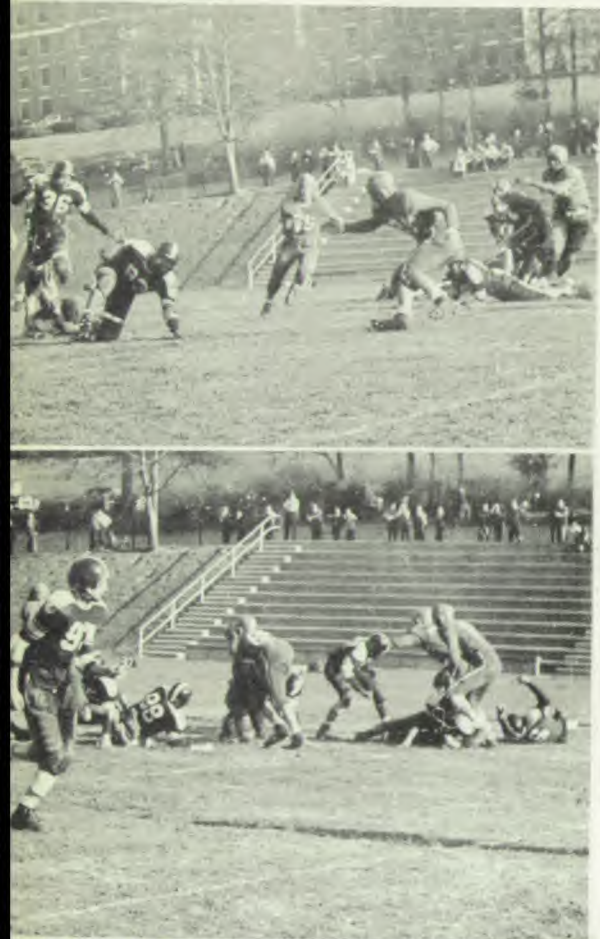
Football



Our football team had its most successful season in seven years. Although we didn't score eight wins, or even come close to doing so, we did something no other Metuchen team had in the past seven years been able to do—We beat Highland Park!!

This year we beat Atlantic Highlands, Scotch Plains and our arch rivals, Highland Park; while suffering defeats to Dunellen, St. Peter's and Sayreville. We also played two deadlocks with North Arlington 0-0 and Keyport 13-13

twenty - first. This will long be remembered by those who saw and those who played the game. It was kickoff time and we started out under the arch which was formed by the band twirlers and cheerleaders. There were many of us sounding off as we ran out on the field. Ed Kukish, Senior guard, said "Hey, Nelson, how about going all the way on the kickoff?" Then in retaliation, Nelson Stallings, Senior fullback, said "If I get that ball, nobody will touch me." Ray Borup shouted "Let them know we're here." Ken Burton, Senior center, chimed in "We'll bring home the bacon if we have our way." We lined up; we were set; the whistle blew and the kick was in the air. It was deep to Nelson, who stood on the five-yard line. He yelled, "Let's go!" and then we saw what we thought was a fast express





fly by.

Well, with a few good blocks and some fancy stepping, Nelson went all the way. He must have broken the back of Highland Park, because they never recovered. Although our backfield was superb, we cannot forget our defensive and offensive line. With All-State Dick Wickberg and Eddy Kukish in the line, we had nothing to fear. They tackled viciously all day. If you don't believe us, ask the Highland Park backfield. If a Park back happened to slip through the line, he had a head-on collision with our backer-ups Ken Burton, Ray Borup and Nelson Stallings. Highland Park tried a come-back, but to no avail. The final score was 26-19 in our favor.

We Seniors are not trying to take all the credit. We wouldn't have won if not for such outstanding Juniors as Quarterback John Lindquist, End Bob Nastonovitch, Tackle Bill Frye, and Guard Hayward Baskerville. We weren't the only happy people. We are sure Coach John Totin, and Assistant Coach Bob Whitney were proud and overjoyed.

Five Seniors who bid adieu to high school football are Fullback Nelson Stallings, Half-back Ray Borup, Guard Ed Kukish, All-State Tackle Dick Wickberg and Center Ken Burton.





Basketball

As we go to press the Bulldogs' record stands at four wins and eight losses with seven games remaining to be played, and we're still rooting! Dick Wickberg is again the leading point producer for the Bulldogs, boasting a 17.5 points per game average. He is followed by Bob Nastanovich and Bill Frye, who are scoring 15.9 and 9.8 points per contest respectively. Scrappy Frank Schneider has been a sparkling defensive standout.

A Bulldog rally fell short in the season's opener as they were nipped 63 to 60 by a fighting Millburn quintet. In their first road game the team was overpowered by a strong Sayreville five, 73 to 51. Coach Kelly's boys showed their stuff as they impressively trounc-





ed Carteret, 69 to 52. Bob Nastanovich exploded for 16 points in the second period as the Metuchenites disposed of Scotch Plains, 55 to 47.

In other games the Bulldogs belted the Alumni and edged Dunellen, while closing to Millburn, Sayreville, St. Mary's, and Dunellen. The team was nipped by Roselle and lost in overtime to Jamesburg by a score of 53 to 46. High-scoring Dick Wickberg was elected Most Valuable Player by the team. Wickie was not only high scorer, but was the leading rebounder and a defensive standout for the blue and white. The scrappy "Big Swede" will long be remembered for his basketball prowess at M. H. S.





Track

Cross Country

The cross-country team, under Coach John Cassell, experienced its most successful season as a varsity sport at M. H. S. The Metuchen Dalers registered nine wins out of their eleven dual meets. They ended their regular schedule with consecutive victories over three of the strongest teams in New Jersey. One of these teams, St. Benedict's Prep., had won 52 straight dual meets.

November 2, 1953 will be a date long remembered in the athletic history of M. H. S. On that day the Bulldog Harriers won their first State Championship. It marked the first time in the history of this school that any Metuchen team had won the title of State Champs.

Outdoor

The outdoor track team, headed by Coach Tom Bradley, ended its season with an encouraging dual meet record of four wins against two losses. However, the Bulldogs' showing in the Penn Relays enables us to say that they were much better than their record indicates.

The Blue and White, led by Stallings, Fink, King and Fedak, brought home Metuchen's first mile relay victory in the Philadelphia Relay Carnival and garnered fifth place in the New Jersey State Championships.

Most outstanding on the squad were Pete Fedak and Tom King. Fedak set a new state high hurdle record and also set a school record for a total number of points scored by one individual in one season. King, whose specialty was distance, just missed breaking the school half-mile record in his last race.





BOTTOM, L TO R: Fritz Metzger, Elwood Van Sise, Tom Carpenter, Zony Johnson, Ray Borup, Bailey Molineux. **2ND ROW:** John Smith, Alan Needham, Joe Nastanovich, Pete Lipp, Bill Frye, Bill Schedneck, Nelson Stallings, Dale Owens. **STANDING:** George Hartland (Coach), Frank Schneider, Bob Nastanovich, Mike McFaul, Dick Wickberg, Bert Topping, Mike Muha, Lennie Legg, David Dietz.



Baseball

After experiencing one of its finest seasons in 1952, Coach George Hartland's baseball squad found the road a bit rougher in 1953. Leading off rather poorly, the team was not expected to stir much excitement. However, after losing a number of close ones, the Bulldogs went on to win six in a row to set their season record at 7-6-2.

The big upset of the season was our 7-1 victory over Highland Park. It spoiled our rival's chances of going undefeated and also paid them back for the 1 run defeat which they pinned on us early in the season.

Most outstanding on the team were Mike McFaul, Bill Schedneck, and Zony Johnson. McFaul was selected the team's most valuable player chiefly because of his superiority as one of the best pitchers in Middlesex County. Johnson and Schedneck were the leading batters on the team. Schedneck was also captain.



BOTTOM, L TO R: Fred Molineux, Stan Kebel, Joe Kubiak, Bob Suliman, Robert Hall. **2ND ROW:** Ronnie Kubiak, Bob Erle, Denny Harmyk, Bob Breen, Jad Sortore. **STANDING:** Don Higgins, Art Morey, Walt Seredy, Dick Hecker, Bruce Borup, Otto Cliffrodelli, Julius Balog, Jim Kelly (Coach).



FRESHMAN & J. V. FOOTBALL
Mr. George Hartland's yearlings had another bright season. The team's record was 4-1-1 for the season. The team suffered their only loss at the hands of a powerful St. Peters team. The little Bulldogs scored impressive wins over Highland Park, Plainfield, Dunellen and South River. Leo Arcuri was the leading ground gainer for the Fresh eleven.



J.V. CROSS COUNTRY
The J.V. Cross Country Team led by Pat Frisoli, George McGuiness, Robert Erle, Dave Blanch, Bill Webb, and Art Morey, finished their season with a perfect record of three wins and no defeats. Victories were registered over Seton Hall 20-35, New Brunswick 27-28, and Lawrenceville Prep. 18-37.

Besides finishing with an undefeated season, the J.V. Dalers made a rather impressive showing in the N.Y.U. Cross Country Meet at Van Cortlandt Park in New York City. Frisoli and McGuiness were most outstanding in the race, placing fourteenth and twenty-first respectively.

J. V. BASKETBALL

The J. V. squad was not very tall this year, but, "What they lacked in height, they made up in fight!" Mr. Withey's team did not achieve an impressive won-lost record, but the J.V.'s turned in many brilliant performances. Jimmy Reed was the leading scorer for the Junior Bulldogs. Tom Graham was awarded a trophy for having the best foul-shooting record.



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 Mrs. Emily R. G. Klein
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 Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lankey
 Mr. J. Robert Lawrence
 Mr. Edward T. Legenza
 Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Lipp
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