

1954

The
Pillar





MATAWAN HIGH SCHOOL
MATAWAN, NEW JERSEY

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JOHN E. BENNETT

Mr. John E. Bennett, principal of the Matawan High School, is retiring this year from the local educational scene. Because he has guided us faithfully as a teacher, because he has advised us carefully as a principal, because he has devoted a major portion of his life toward the betterment of our school and our community — we proudly dedicate this yearbook to him.

Mr. Bennett has our best wishes for good health and continued educational activity in his well-deserved retirement.



GENE S. GILBERT

The Senior Class of 1954 wishes to extend its gratitude to Mrs. John Gilbert for her untiring efforts in our behalf. She has been not only an outstanding teacher and friend, but also an inspiration to our class. Her endeavors during the past decade on behalf of **The Pillar** deserve our indebtedness; her guidance in and out of the classroom deserves our appreciation. Because Mrs. Gilbert has been a great force in furthering scholarship, character, and leadership in our community, we respectfully dedicate this yearbook to her.

THE RINGMASTERS



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Center Right: Left to Right, Joan Lawton and Winifred Berbrick, Assistant Editors. Bottom Left: Pauline Del Rosso, Elaine Erdmann, Ann Foti, Business Managers. Bottom Center: Gerry Fogg, Betty Lou Pitney, Art Editors. Bottom Right: Valerie Marvel, Mauvline Bilarczyk, Photography Editors.





Russell Stetler

TO THE CLASS OF 1954

You have completed your work in high school with credit to yourselves and to the school, and now it is time for you to leave your friends and assume greater responsibilities. It is my hope that you are well prepared for this task and that your future will be rich in experiences and full of happiness.

My sincere congratulations and best wishes for your future success in whatever you undertake.

Russell Stetler
Superintendent

TO THE CLASS OF 1954

I congratulate you for your accomplishments as individuals and as a class. These successes have come to you because you were self-reliant; you performed your duties cheerfully, not expecting others to do for you, what you were able to do for yourself. Your enthusiasm and your unquestionable loyalty to your classmates, your teachers, and your school, will leave with us pleasant memories. We trust that you will continue to develop within yourselves fine personal qualities of initiative, honesty, resourcefulness, friendliness and courteous cooperativeness which enable you to be good examples to others less fortunate than yourselves. Now that you have passed this mile-stone in your educational program, much more will be expected of you. Accept your new responsibilities cheerfully, but with courage and a determination to do, to the best of your ability, whatever you set your hand to do.

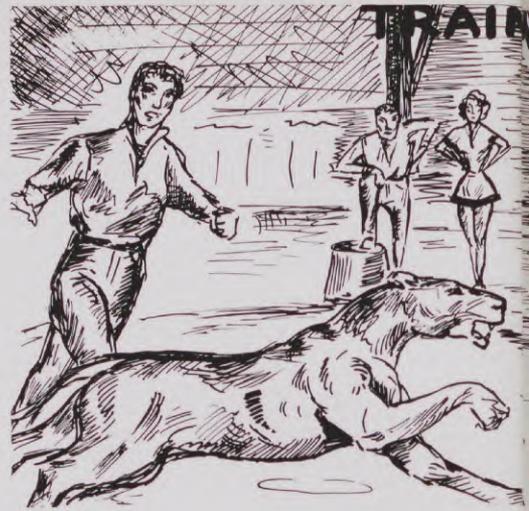
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John E. Bennett



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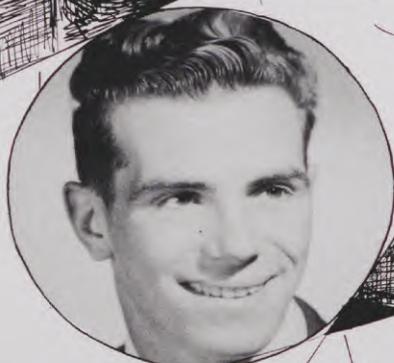
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STAR ATTRACTIONS

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IN THE SPOTLIGHT



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VICE PRESIDENT
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SECRETARY
FRANCES AURIEMMA



TREASURER
JOAN CAMPBELL





JAMES ARMOUR

*Jimmy sure can beat that drum,
His aim in life is fun, fun, fun.*

General Course

Activities: Band, Orchestra, Glee Club.

Plans: Scientist



FRANCES AURIEMMA

Frances we think is absolutely grand,

Our class she gave a helping hand.

Commercial Course

Activities: G. A. A., Library Club, Mixed Chorus, Commercial Club, Girls Glee Club, Pillar Staff, Dramatics, Operetta.

Plans: Undecided

VIRGINIA IRENE BANAFATO
*We're so proud to have known you,
For all the nice things that you do.*

Commercial Course

Activities: Pillar Staff, G. A. A., Cheerleader, Commercial Club, Latin Club, Dramatics.

Plans: Secretary



JEROME BECKER

*M. I. T. is Jerry's aim,
He's sure to win fortune and fame.*

College Preparatory Course

Activities: Senior Play, Pillar Staff, French Club, Sports Correspondent.

Plans: College

KENNETH BENNETT

*Outdoor sports are liked by Kenny,
Hunting is one of many.*

General Course

Activities: German Club.

Plans: Army



JOSEPH HAROLD BERBRICK

*Joe will surely start a riot,
If he doesn't keep those milk bottles quiet.*

General Course

Activities: Football, Baseball, Track, Block M.

Plans: Carpenter



WINIFRED BERBRICK

*Winnie has helped our class a lot,
And with us all she hits the spot.*

Commercial Course

Activities: President Junior Class,
Honor Society, Dramatics, Cap-
tain J.V. Cheerleaders, Pillar
Staff, Senior Play, School
Paper.

Plans: Undecided



MAUVLINE BILARCZYK

*Marvy's always on the ball,
Maybe that's why she's loved by
all.*

Commercial Course

Activities: Co-captain Cheerlead-
ers, Vice-President Student
Council, Senior Play, Library
Club, G. A. A., School Paper
Mixed Chorus, Pillar Staff,
Commercial Club.

Plans: Airline Hostess



ALICE LOUISE BLANKEN

*A white cap Alice hopes to get,
She knows her poetry too, you bet.*

College Preparatory Course

Activities: Latin Club, French
Club, G. A. A., Mixed Chorus,
Glee Club, Pillar Staff, Dra-
matics.

Plans: Undecided



PETER CARL BOL

*Pete's a singer from the heart,
In football he's mighty smart.*

College Preparatory Course

Activities: Football, Block M,
Band, Orchestra, Mixed Chor-
us, Senior Play, French Club,
Dramatics.

Plans: Chemical Engineer

JANET BOLDT

*Jan's the girl of whom we're all
fond,*

*Captain of the Majorettes, best
with the baton.*

Commercial Course

Activities: Majorette Captain,
Glee Club, Commercial Club,
School Paper, G. A. A., Secre-
tary Junior Class.

Plans: Secretarial Work

ROBERT BOLDT

*Quiet and shy is our boy Bob,
Maloney's meat market is his job.*

General Course

Plans: Navy





JUNE ELLEN BOWNE

*June puts the rest of the girls to shame,
With all her A's she'll rise to fame.*

General Course
Plans: Nursing



JOAN BROWN

*Joan the part of Mimi played,
Good marks in her subjects always made.*

College Preparatory Course
Activities: Latin Club, Treasurer
French Club, Dramatics, Senior Play, G. A. A.
Plans: College

JUNE C. BURDICK
*June won't have time to stop or lurk,
She plans on doing office work.*
Commercial Course
Activities: Glee Club, Mixed Chorus, Library Club.
Plans: Office Work



JOAN M. CAMPBELL

*Joan, with a smile we will always remember,
To the class was a helpful member.*

Commercial Course
Activities: G. A. A., Dance Band
Vocalist, Mixed Chorus, Operetta, Pillar Staff, Dramatics, Color Guard, Commercial Club.

Plans: Office Work

HERBERT CARBONE

*Happy Herby always the clown,
On his face never a frown.*

General Course
Activities: Block M, Football, Track, Basketball, Sophomore Class President.

Plans: Undecided



ROBERT CARLSON

*Captain Kurt sure is a good sport,
While playing on our basketball court.*

College Preparatory Course
Activities: Basketball, Boys' State Alternate.
Plans: College or Engineer



FRANCES JEAN CASHILL

*A reserved and quiet girl is Jean,
Seldom heard but always seen.*

College Preparatory Course
Activities: Latin Club, French Club.

Plans: College



CARLOS JUAN CONCEPCION
*While running for our team in track,
Lots of points he always racks.*

General Course
Activities: Band, Orchestra, Pillar Staff, Block M, Mixed Chorus, Track, Dance Band, School Paper, Drum Major.

Plans: Musical Career



JACQUELIN VIRGINIA CRAIG
*A little girl with a winning smile,
Makes people happy all the while.*

Commercial Course
Activities: Library Club, Glee Club.

Plans: Undecided



PAULINE DEL ROSSO

*Pauline does her homework each night,
In the business world she'll do all right.*

Commercial Course
Activities: Honor Society, Pillar Staff, Commercial Club.

Plans: Secretary

FRED M. DE NARDO
*With the gang he's known as Motts,
And with us all he ranks as tops.*

Commercial Course
Activities: Football, Baseball.

Plans: Undecided



FRANCIS DE SHAW
*Francis is short, doesn't make much noise,
Has red hair and is "one of the boys."*

College Preparatory Course
Activities: German Club.

Plans: Undecided





GAIL DE SHAW

*Gail about her has a cute way,
And the game of basketball she
loves to play.*

College Preparatory Course
Activities: Latin Club, Pillar Staff,
Dramatics, Senior Play, French
Club, G. A. A.

Plans: College



BERTHA EDMONDS

*Coming to school she's always late,
Singing is our Bertha's fate.*

Commercial Course
Activities: Glee Club, Commer-
cial Club, G. A. A.

Plans: Singer

MARILYN JOAN ELLIOTT
*When you are sad and feeling
down,*

Laugh with Mar, our class clown.

Commercial Course

Activities: Cheerleader, Drama-
tics, G. A. A., School Paper,
Pillar Staff, Student Council
Secretary, Commercial Club.

Plans: Secretarial Work



ELAINE ERDMANN

*Elaine is forever on a diet.
There is never a time you'll find
her quiet.*

Commercial Course
Activities: Student Council, Latin
Club, Pillar Staff, G. A. A.,
Library Club, Commercial
Club.

Plans: Receptionist, Beautician



BARRIE FEARON

*Baba can surely go afar,
While riding in his hot-rod car.*

General Course

Activities: Student Council, Dra-
matics.

Plans: Navy Radar Operator



BARBARA ENNIS

*Bobbie has great plans for college,
We wish you both success and
knowledge.*

College Preparatory Course
Activities: Student Council, Sen-
ior Play, Pillar Staff, G. A. A.

Plans: College



GERALDINE MARIE FOGG
*With all of Gerry's knowledge,
 She's sure to succeed in college.*

College Preparatory Course
 Activities: Student Council, Vice-
 president Freshman, Sopho-
 more, Junior Class, Cheerlead-
 er, Honor Society, Pillar Staff,
 G. A. A., French Club, German
 Club, Senior Play.
 Plans: College



ANN FOTI

*Annie's smile is a delight,
 And in our hearts she fits just right.*
 Commercial Course

Activities: Treasurer Freshman
 Class, G. A. A., Dramatics,
 Student Council, Cheerleader,
 Pillar Staff, School Paper,
 Commercial Club, Senior Play.
 Plans: Receptionist, Beautician



RICHARD FROST

*Dick with the girls surely does rate,
 And every night he has a different
 date.*

Commercial Course
 Activities: Football, Basketball,
 Baseball, Track, Mixed Chorus,
 Block M, Senior Play, Senior
 Class President.
 Plans: U. S. Navy



ANNE GALLUCCI

*Ann with her strut so strappy,
 Always seems to be quite happy.*
 Commercial Course
 Activities: Student Council,
 G. A. A., Glee Club, Majorette,
 Pillar Staff, Senior Play.
 Plans: Secretary

DONALD GARY GLEICHMAN
*Donnie in his subjects is quite
 bright,
 He's quiet, nice, and very polite.*
 General Course
 Activities: Football.
 Plans: Stock Car Driver

DONALD GREEN
*Pecker is a cute little guy,
 We all wonder why he is so shy.*
 General Course
 Plans: Mechanic





ROSE MARIE GREENMAN

*Rose is a quiet girl, but merry,
Her ambition is to be a secretary.*

Commercial Course

Activities: Glee Club, Mixed Chorus, Pillar Staff, Dramatics.

Plans: Undecided



DOROTHY HERBERT

*The quiet shy girl is our Dot,
But while driving she is hot.*

Commercial Course

Activities: Commercial Club, Library Club, Latin Club, School Paper, G. A. A., Pillar Staff.

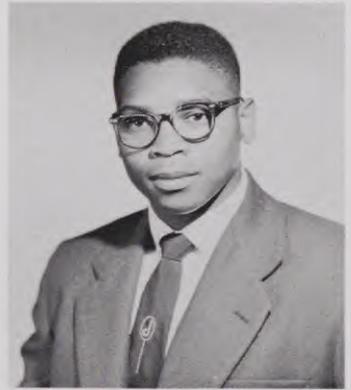
Plans: Commercial Work

JAMES HODGE
*Our boy Jimmy is never found
napping,
Because with his camera he's al-
ways snapping.*

General Course

Activities: Track Team Photo-
grapher, Pillar Staff.

Plans: Photographer



IDA IRONS

*Ida gives teachers her innocent
look,
When looking at other than her
book.*

Commercial Course

Activities: Majorette, Pillar Staff,
Glee Club, G. A. A.

Plans: Telephone Operator

ANNA MILLER JACKSON

*Anna does well in Commercial
Class,
In the business world she's sure to
pass.*

Commercial Course

Activities: Glee Club, Mixed
Chorus, Pillar Staff.

Plans: Stenographer



ALBERT JANWICH

*Al's car is always in the lead,
Maybe that's why he is known as
"speed."*

General Course

Plans: U. S. Navy



DORA JIOSNE

*Dora can strut and knows how to twirl,
She has dark hair and is an attractive girl.*

Commercial Course

Activities: Majorette, Mixed Chorus, Dramatics, School Paper, Pillar Staff.

Plans: Receptionist



ANN JOBES

*When it comes to sewing, Ann is at the head,
She can do wonders with the needle and thread.*

Commercial Course

Activities: Glee Club, G. A. A., School Paper, Commercial Club, Pillar Staff, Dramatics.

Plans: Office Work



ALAN THORNTON JOHNSON

*After Alan the girls do race,
Is it because of his handsome face?*

College Preparatory Course

Activities: Latin Club, German Club, Boys' State Representative.

Plans: College



PATRICIA ANN JOHNSON

*While in the band Pat never lagged,
A color guard, who carried the flag.*

Commercial Course

Activities: Color Guard.

Plans: Office Work



RICHARD JOSEPH LANZARO

*Man or mouse, Martin or Myrtle,
Neither one, that's just "Turtle".*

Commercial Course

Activities: Baseball.

Plans: Undecided

HELEN CLAIRE LARKIN
*Claire about her has a happy air,
She is always laughing and is free from care.*

Commercial Course

Activities: Senior Class Vice-President, Student Council, Pillar Staff, School Paper, G. A. A., Commercial Club, Glee Club, Mixed Chorus.

Plans: Office Work





JOAN PATRICIA LAWTON

*Joan is tall and blond,
Of art and dramatics she is fond.*

College Preparatory Course
Activities: Glee Club, French
Club, Commercial Club, Pillar
Staff, G. A. A., Dramatics.

Plans: College



ROBERT FRANCIS LEWICKI

*This boy sure is on the ball,
Dog—as he is known by all.*

College Preparatory Course
Activities: Football.

Plans: Factory Worker

DONALD MARVEL
*Donnie the score always did raise,
That's why he deserves our praise.*

General Course
Activities: Football, Baseball,
Track, Senior Play, Block M.
Plans: Baseball Player



VALERIE MARVEL

*Quite a personality has our girl
Val,
She's willing to be everyone's pal.*

Commercial Course
Activities: Cheerleader, G. A. A.,
Library Club, Glee Club,
Mixed Chorus, Commercial
Club, School Paper, Pillar Staff.
Plans: Secretary, Business School

TEDDER MAURO

*Hooker is our quiet looking one,
But you should see him when hav-
ing fun.*

College Preparatory Course
Plans: Farmer



LORETTA ANN MCGEE

*Loretta knows the cutest way,
To make everyone cheery and gay.*

Commercial Course
Activities: Glee Club, Mixed
Chorus.

Plans: Singer



JOHN JOSEPH Mc KENNA
*John always drives that TV truck,
 We sure do wish him lots of luck.*
 College Preparatory Course
 Plans: Undecided



JAMES WILLIAM MILLIGAN
*If you want to see a surprising
 sight,
 Just look a little to the right.*
 College Preparatory Course
 Plans: Undecided



RICHARD DAVID MILLIGAN
*Well now are you in a spin,
 This is Richie the other twin.*
 College Preparatory Course
 Activities: Basketball.
 Plans: College or Navy



ARTHUR EDWARD MEIXNER
*Although with us for only a year,
 We're so glad to have had you
 here.*
 General Course
 Activities: Football, Basketball,
 Baseball.
 Plans: Undecided

MARGARETHA ANN MOLNAR
*Ann's smart; a good cheerleader,
 too,
 Very few things she cannot do.*
 College Preparatory Course
 Activities: Mixed Chorus, Drama-
 tics, G. A. A., Senior Play,
 Latin Club, German Club,
 Cheerleader, Pillar Staff, Sec-
 retary Sophomore Class, Dance
 Band Vocalist, Honor Society.
 Plans: Nursing



ODESSA NICHOLSON
*Odessa is quiet with her Southern
 drawl,
 But she, as you know, is liked by
 all.*
 Commercial Course
 Plans: Nursing





ANTOINETTE NUNZIATO

*In Commercial Class she does quite well,
In the business world she will excel.*
Commercial Course
Activities: Honor Society, Pillar Staff, G. A. A., Commercial Club.

Plans: Undecided



MARGARET O'NEILL

*Peg is cute and rather shy,
In school activities she rates high.*
Commercial Course
Activities: Treasurer Junior Class, G. A. A., Captain Cheerleaders, Honor Society, Treasurer Student Council, Pillar Editor, Senior Play.

Plans: Secretary

RONALD A. ORR
*On the field, up goes the score,
Ronnie is a fellow we all root for.*
College Preparatory Course
Activities: Block M, Football, Track, French Club, Latin Club, Mixed Chorus, Senior Play, Boys' Trio, Student Council.
Plans: Mechanical Engineer



BEVERLY ANN PARRY

*Bev will be a pleasing sight,
While working in her cap of white.*
College Preparatory Course
Activities: Dramatics, Latin Club, French Club.

Plans: Nurse

FRED F. PETERSON

*We hope Fred never has to be guided,
Even though he is undecided.*

General Course
Plans: Undecided



ARTHUR PHELAN

*How he does it we can't say,
He takes apart a different car every day.*

General Course
Activities: Football.
Plans: Engineer



ROBERT RYDER PHILLIPS
*With his music he'll never flop,
 Watch this boy, he'll reach the top.*

General Course
 Activities: Band, Orchestra,
 Dance Band.

Plans: Mechanic



ELIZABETH LOUISE PITNEY
*Animals will be Betty's vocation,
 For PILLAR WORK she's done, we
 show our appreciation.*

College Preparatory Course
 Activities: Vice-President Honor
 Society, German Club, Presi-
 dent German Club, Latin Club,
 Mixed Chorus, Dramatics, Pil-
 lar Staff, Girls' State, Senior
 Play.

Plans: Advanced Schooling



ELIZABETH JANE ROSENBOHM
*Betty is a bright J. V.,
 In the hospital a cheerful nurse
 she'll be.*

General Course
 Activities: Dramatics, Library
 Club, Mixed Chorus, German
 Club, G. A. A., Cheerleader,
 Glee Club, Senior Play.

Plans: Nursing



GWENDOLYN RUSSELL
*Gwen we think is our class riot,
 There's never a time you'll find
 her quiet.*

Commercial Course
 Activities: Glee Club.

Plans: Undecided

JEAN ANGELA SANGREGORIO
*Interior decorating interests Jean,
 Toward this skill she apparently
 leans.*

Commercial Course
 Activities: Glee Club, Dramatics,
 G. A. A., Commercial Club.

Plans: Interior Decorating

MARJORIE SCOTT
*Margie's typing is accurate and
 neat,
 In Steno she is hard to beat.*

Commercial Course
 Activities: Library Club, Pillar
 Staff, Commercial Club,
 G. A. A.

Plans: Undecided





JOAN KATHLEEN SHORT

*Joan is a lively jitterbug,
You ought to see her cut a rug.*

Commercial Course

Activities: G. A. A., Mixed Chorus, Pillar Staff, Dramatics, Commercial Club.

Plans: Undecided



PATRICIA ANN SHORT

*Pat always seems to score,
With the football hero she adores.*

Commercial Course

Activities: G. A. A., Mixed Chorus, Commercial Club, Dramatics, Pillar Staff.

Plans: Typist

CLARK L. SMITH
*Clark always is getting a different
car,
As a mechanic we're sure he'll go
far.*

General Course

Activities: Band, Orchestra, Glee Club.

Plans: Mechanic



HAROLD CHARLES SMITH

*About Harold we must profess,
He'll always have lots of success.*

College Preparatory Course

Activities: President Honor Society, Football, Latin Club.

Plans: College

ROBERT SMITH

*You'd have to run a bit to catch,
This fellow who is known as
"Stretch."*

General Course

Activities: President Student Council, Basketball.

Plans: Undecided



FREDERICK THOMAS
STAHLBAUM

*There goes Ricky so studious and
shy,
He ranks with us all as a very nice
guy.*

General Course

Plans: Armed Forces



THOMAS SULLIVAN

*With the girls Tom used to be a schemer,
But now that he's hooked, he is just a dreamer.*

General Course

Activities: Football, Baseball, Block M, Pillar Staff.

Plans: Monmouth Junior College



SHIRLEY JANE SUTTON

*With the band Shirl carries the flag,
When it comes to being helpful, she'll never lag.*

Commercial Course

Activities: G. A. A., Girls' Chorus, Glee Club, Mixed Chorus, Color Guard.

Plans: Waves



JEAN SZYMANSKI

*Jean an excellent seamstress will make,
She also knows how and likes to bake.*

College Preparatory Course

Activities: Latin Club, Senior Play, Dramatics.

Plans: Fashion Designer



MARY ANN VENA

*Mary Ann with her majorette step,
Is so cute and full of pep.*

Commercial Course

Activities: Mixed Chorus, Pillar Staff, G. A. A., Dramatics, Operetta, Commercial Club, Co-Captain Majorettes.

Plans: Undecided

SHIRLEY VENA

*Shirley used to march her best,
While on the field with all the rest.*

Commercial Course

Activities: G. A. A., Mixed Chorus, Pillar Staff, Color Guard, Dramatics, Commercial Club, Operetta.

Plans: Undecided

KENNETH TONNESSEN

*Handsome Kenny tall and blond,
Of hunting and fishing he is fond.*

General Course

Activities: Football.

Plans: Agriculturalist





VINCENT VINCI

*Vince surely isn't a fool,
He knows all the tricks of skipping
school.*

General Course
Activities: Football, Baseball
Block M., Basketball.
Plans: Undecided



CATHERINE LOUISE WALKER

*Cheerful, happy, funny Kay:
Always laughing, always gay.*

Commercial Course
Activities: Glee Club, Mixed
Chorus, G.A.A.
Plans: Nursing



ROBERT A. WALLING

*Bob wears shirts that are loud,
Of his car he is proud.*

General Course
Activities: Mixed Chorus, Track
Team Manager.
Plans: Undecided

CLASS

We the class of 1954, being of sound (?) mind and body do hereby make public this — our last will and testament.

Frances Auriemma leaves her ability to manage the concessions at football games to any future conscientious Senior.

James Armour leaves his good behavior to Willie Daniels.

Ginny Banafato leaves her "intellectual capacity" to Nancy Erdmann.

Jerome Becker leaves his seat in English to anyone foolish enough to fill it.

Kenneth Bennett leaves Bill Lanzaro a seat of his own in the office.

Joe Berbrick leaves his nose guard to Marvin Hauser.

Winnie Berbrick leaves her freckles to Mary Lou Siano.

Mauvline Bilarczyk and **Valerie Marvel** leave to Patti Hattrich and Eleanor Warmke their four years of wonderful friendship.

Alice Blanken leaves to anyone who wants it her ability to fall up stairs.

Pete Bol leaves his great knowledge of Physics and Chemistry to Andy Bol.

Janet Boldt leaves her place as drum majorette to one of next year's lucky Seniors.

Robert Boldt leaves his shyness with girls to John Fleischman.

June Bowne leaves to Arlene Jackson her crazy, mixed-up schedule.

Joan Brown leaves to Roger Olmstead her bottle of peroxide.

Joan Campbell leaves to her brother Jimmy her energy and vitality to carry on the Campbell tradition.

Bob Carlson leaves his "extra" weight to Mr. Lee.

Jean Cashill leaves to Shirley Eckel her burning passion for hillbilly music.

Carlos Concepcion leaves his baton to next year's drum major.

Jackie Craig leaves James Craig her place on the honor roll.

Fred De Nardo leaves his hillbilly voice to Marvin Hauser.

Pauline Del Rosso leaves her ability to take over Mrs. Bodziak's class to any worthy Junior girl.

Francis De Shaw leaves his "much used" Latin to Miss Dennison.

Gail De Shaw leaves her job as cashier for four years to some Freshman.

Bertha Edmonds leaves her books to Barbara Edmonds.

Marilyn Elliott leaves her short curls to Bert Collins.

Bobbie Ennis leaves her ability to talk like a long-playing phonograph record to Lynn Hall.

Elaine Erdmann leaves her shyness to Lenora Navin.

Barrie Fearon leaves his '32 Plymouth to Alan Wolf.

Gerry Fogg leaves to one brave girl of next year her seat in Solid and Trig class.

Ann Foti leaves her ability to remember things to Miss Gordon.

Dick Frost leaves to Steve Fedele his ability to borrow towels at football practice.

Anne Gallucci leaves her naturally curly locks to envious majorette Virginia Tune.

Donnie Gleichman leaves his crooked leg to Pete Vena.

Dotty Herbert leaves her place in library to anyone who has the ability to whisper more softly than she.

Jimmy Hodge leaves his old notebook to Charles Hall.

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- Ida Irons** leaves to Bernice Szymanski her place in the Majorettes.
- Ann Jackson** leaves her sense of humor to Barbara Tullis.
- Al Janwich** leaves his ability to drive with one arm to Norman Janwich.
- Dora Jiosne** leaves her baton to Nina Jiosne.
- Ann Jobs** leaves her ability to lose weight to Barbara Knapp.
- Alan Johnson** leaves his baby face to Richie Robinson.
- Pat Johnson** leaves her crazy mixed-up ideas to her crazy mixed-up brother, Larry.
- Richard Lanzaro** leaves his quick answers to Mrs. Gilbert.
- Claire Larkin** leaves her friendly smile to Mr. Stetler.
- Joan Lawton** leaves her height to Ruth Ann Pitts. May she use it well.
- Bob Lewicki** leaves a vacant seat and an empty desk to his brother.
- Donnie Marvel** leaves his football ability to Ken Bruder.
- Tedder Mauro** leaves his small hands to Alan Wolf.
- Loretta McGee** leaves his voice to Dianne Perry.
- John McKenna** leaves his knowledge of German to Mr. Auermuller.
- James** and **Richie Milligan** leave their black Ford to Kenny Burlew.
- Ann Molnar** leaves her long brown curls to Jane Muro.
- Antoinette Nunziato** leaves her stenographic ability to Marie Leperopolos.
- Peggy O'Neill** leaves her Irish name to John Pointkowski.
- Ronnie Orr** leaves his ability to flirt with Freshman girls to John Fleischman.
- Beverly Parry** leaves her ability to do homework to her sister Nancy.
- Fred Peterson** leaves all his homework to Pete Rushing.
- Betty Lou Pitney** leaves her unfortunate ability to break apparatus in Chemistry to any unsuspecting future Chemistry student.
- Gwen Russell** leaves her seat in Secretarial Practice to Barbara Holmes.
- Jean Sangregorio** leaves her dark brown hair to Liz Vreeland
- Majorie Scott** leaves her shyness to Barbara Bos.
- Joan Short** leaves her many excuses for not taking gym to Penny De Felice.
- Pat Short** leaves her ability to shackle a football player to Virginia Tune.
- Clark Smith** leaves his troubles in English to Marvin Hauser.
- Harold Smith** leaves his ability to blush to Mr. Auermuller.
- Bob Smith** leaves his height to Mr. Mauro.
- Fred Stalhbaum** leaves his quietness to his sister Marilyn.
- Tom Sullivan** leaves his long pants to Mr. Levine.
- Shirley Sutton** leaves her quietness to Janice Hahn and Lillian Smith.
- Jean Szymanski** leaves to Mrs. Ochs a package of straight pins for the ones she never returned.
- Kenny Tonnesen** leaves his "jitterbug" to Bobby Van Brackle.
- Mary Ann Vena** leaves her brown eyes to Barbara Bos, so she may attract football players while strutting down the field.
- Shirley Vena** leaves her ability to ride in cars to Pat Ahern.
- Catherine Walker** leaves her smile to Lillian Wothington.
- Robert Walling** leaves his ability to get to school at eight o'clock to anyone who has trouble getting here on time.
- Rose Greenman** leaves her good nature and dry humor to Mr. Lloyd.

CLASS

September 1950 was the month of our very first performance in Matawan High School. We were all a bit nervous, but self-assurance grew as we performed day after day. We joined the activities that suited us and because of our successful show, we had a dance to close our year of performance. This, by the way, was worth all the hard work.

September 1951 was the beginning of our next big performance. No longer classed as Freshmen, we had gained recognition in the eyes of the entire troop. Our best performance of the year was at our Bunny Hop given before Easter. Already people were beginning to notice our star performers. We closed the year looking forward to our next season.

September 1952 found us relaxed and ready for our show ahead. We had polished off most of our rough spots and our head ringmasters placed more confidence in our performance. To meet the expenses of our troop, Christmas Cards were sold at side shows. We had a St. Patty's Day Dance

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in March, which helped us practice the routine for our big special performance of the year, our Prom. Hard work and good judgment were essential for the success of the Prom and we came ahead winning admiration. Once again our season ended and we looked forward to the following year when we would be the star attraction.

September 1953 saw our troop start with heads high and shoulders back. We went to work immediately selling candy and souvenirs at all our activities. Big occasions and shows occurred often for our troop. The first big one came in December with our Christmas Ball. We attempted more difficult tricks and put over the performance of **Don't Ever Grow Up**. This was a success and because of our hard work a trip to Washington was awarded to our group. We came back and settled down to our regular routine. Time passed quickly and soon the biggest moment of our lives arrived. It was our last performance, and our greatest. This was what we had been waiting for — Graduation, starring the troop of 1954. We grasped our diplomas and walked proudly out of Matawan High School.

CLASS

I must call to see if my tickets have been reserved for the opening of the Zingling Brothers Circus.

"Hello, Ida Irons? Please get me the ticket department of the Zingling Brothers. Did you know Dora Jiosne is their receptionist now? Yes, really. . . . Hello, Dora? Let me speak to J.Z. Darling, have you reserved my tickets for tonight? You know I don't want to miss Carlos Concepcion's new mambo band, darling, or that terrific new singer you've hired, Loretta McGee. No, darling, I won't forget to stop in and see you. Toodleloo."

Donald Gleichman, once-famed stock-car driver, drives my gold-plated Jaguar out to La Guardia where the plane is scheduled for take-off in fifteen minutes. While waiting for the plane to be announced, who should walk in but that famed comedienne of stage, screen, and television — Joan Campbell. I call to her, but when she is half way across the room she is rushed by a swarm of reporters and photographers. Among them are James Hodge, recently noted for his excellent coverage of the Blink's Bank robbery, and Ann Jobes and Valerie Marvel, reporters on the "World Letter" and "Moon."

Headed Joan's way is that eccentric scientist, Arthur Meixner, and on his arm is the terrific blonde, Betty Rosenbohm, who made her Broadway debut in "Born the Day After Tomorrow."

Mauvline Bilarczyk, air-line stewardess, is at the door of the plane to greet the passengers, many of whom are also on their way to the premiere. As I sit down I notice James Armour, scientist, Ronald Orr and Robert Carlson, engineers, and John McKenna, electrician, on their way to Space Port No. 93 to start planning for the interplanetary bridge, Creatole; also among the prominent people present are Alice Blanken, who recently won the Nobel Prize for her poetry, and James Milligan, millionaire.

While glancing through my program, I learn the costumes are designed by Joan Brown, who is noted for her work in Hollywood. The hair styles are created by Ann Foti, also known for her work in Hollywood, and Elaine Erdmann. The props are made by Joseph Berbrick, brother of Winifred Berbrick, columnist and an associate of mine. As the acts progress I notice Fred Stahlbaum and Jerome Becker are again astounding their audiences with superhuman feats of lifting 900,000 pound weights. During the trapeze performer's act, one falls. A doctor is called but there doesn't seem to be one in the house. Five nurses rush to the disaster: Ann

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Molnar, Beverly Parry, June Bowne, Kay Walker, and Gwen Russell. But nothing stops the performance — the show must go on.

I see those dare-devils, Joan Short, Mary Ann Vena, and Shirley Vena, are defying gravity again with their stock cars.

While walking along the midway I see several speakers on "Why You Should Join the Service." Among them are Kenneth Bennett for the Army; Dick Frost and Robert Boldt for the Navy; Shirley Sutton for the Waves. I also see Richard Lanzaro famous slugger of the New York Yankees, exhibiting his hitting ability. And there are Kenneth Tonnessen, who rose from a small-town farmer to fame with his discovery of the Atomic Thresher, and his assistant, Tedder Mauro.

I've noticed several famous celebrities strolling along the midway today. Among them is Arthur Phelan, connoisseur of fine food, owner of that restaurant everyone is raving about — The Glass Rail; there also is Barbara Ennis, the only psychiatrist to have a platinum couch and Clark Smith, known to have the largest collection of old cars since James Melton. I guess I'll stroll over to J.Z.'s office for awhile.

"Hello, darling. Your show is really a success. Jean Cashill made a tremendous hit with her yodeling. Darling, tell me who decorated your office? It's in exceptionally good taste. Jean Sangregorio? I'll make a note of that . . . Darling, you have such wonderful secretaries; I'd like to borrow one for my next trip to Mars. Either Virginia Banafato, Janet Boldt, Claire Larkin, or Pat Johnson will do. Of course, I have my own secretaries, Dorothy Herbert, Marilyn Elliott, Jacqueline Craig, and Anne Gallucci, but they are so busy I really can't spare them now. Thank you, darling."

As I walk out of J.Z.'s office I see Gerry Fogg, science teacher, Gail De Shaw, gym teacher, and Rose Greenman, English teacher, discussing the advantages of the teaching profession.

I make my way to the airport through a milling crowd. As I am boarding the plane, I notice my airline stewardess this time is June Burdick. Among the passengers are Thomas Sullivan, President of International 5D Corporation, and his secretary, Peggy O'Neill; also present are Albert Janwich and Richard Milligan, State troopers, and Betty Lou Pitney, specialist in outer-orbit animals.

Arriving at my office I hand my notes to typist, Pat Short, to prepare for tomorrow's column.

"Toodleloo, darlings"



DON'T EVER GROW UP

The Seniors presented the play DON'T EVER GROW UP, which is the portrayal of modern youth and their problems. It features a sixteen-year-old girl, her family and friends.

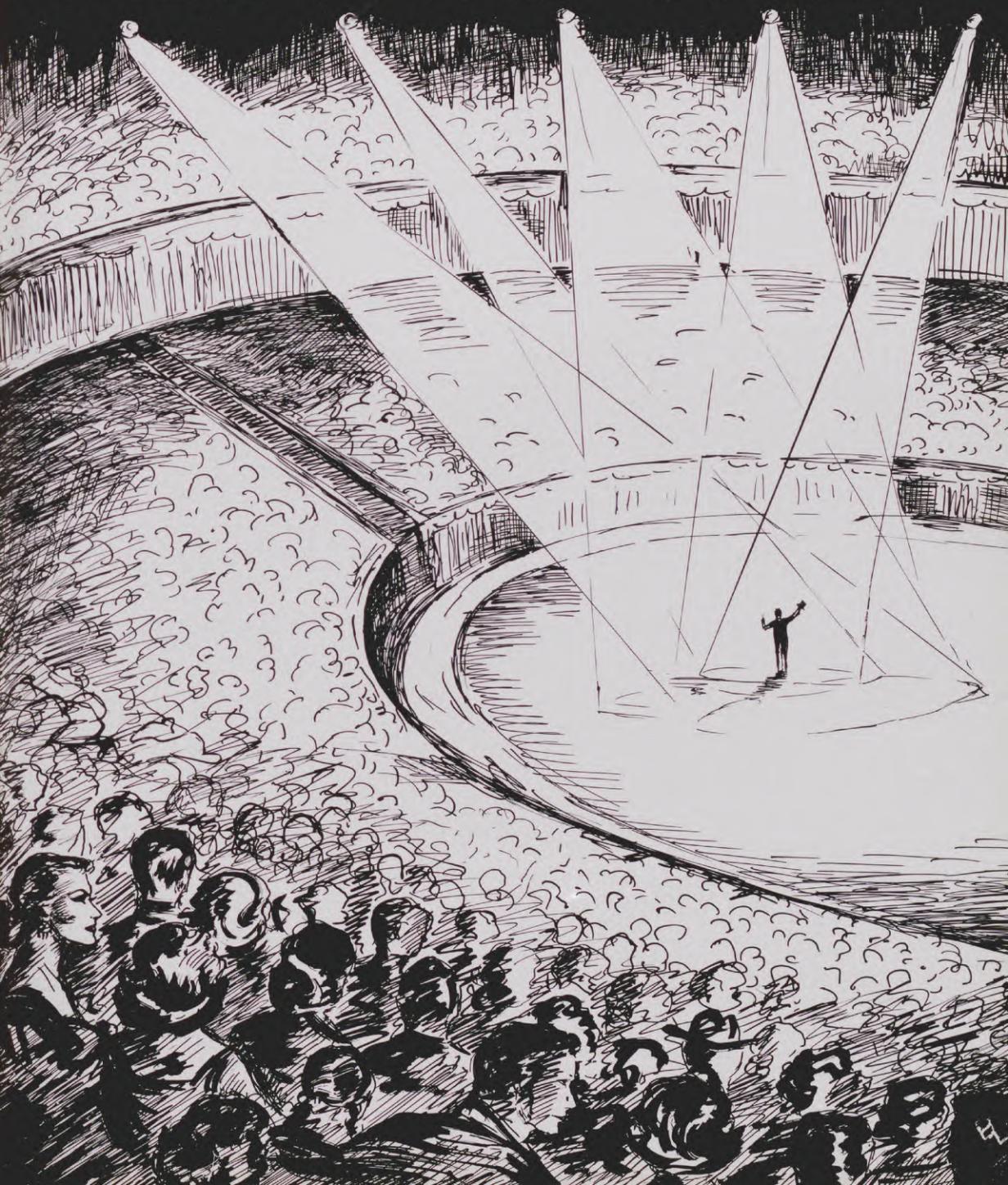
CAST

Molly	Jean Szymanski
Mrs. Meadows	Gail De Shaw
Mimi	Joan Brown
Cravath	Richard Frost
Dud	Jerome Becker
Elaine	Betty Lou Pitney
Mr. Meadows	Ronald Orr
Glenn Stevens	Peter Bol
Hal Kenny	Donald Marvel
Judy	Winifred Berbrick
Johnny	Alan Johnson
Velma	Betty Jane Rosenbohm
Rae	Geraldine Fogg
Debbie	Barbara Ennis
Carrie	Ann Foti
Betty	Peggy O'Neill
Jean	Anne Gallucci
Ann	Ann Molnar
Janet	Virginia Banafato
Pat	Mauvline Bilarczyk



Hurry Up Will You Kid?

UNDER THE BIGTOP



JUNIORS

The Class of '55 has done a great job this year in meeting the problem of raising money. With continued efforts, their Senior year will be a huge success.

Best of luck from the Class of '54.



JUNIOR CLASS OFFICERS

Alan Wolf, *President*; Eleanor Warmke, *Secretary*; Doreen Worsley, *Treasurer*; Robert Collins, *Vice-President*.

First row: Mary Lou Siano, Anna Mary Rice, Betty Herrity, Patti Hattrich, Connie Russell, Barbara Tullis, Eddie Mae Bethune, Doreen Worsley, Lillian Smith, Arlene Patson, Eleanor Warmke, Shirley Brown, Jane Muro, Nancy Erdmann. *Second row:* Stewart Sprague, Frances Rounds, Sandy Trout, Jane Bennett, Lynn Hall, Jean Bethune, Joan Bethune, Doris Emmons, Valjean Wesley, Barbara Holmes, Carol Hyer, Barbara Hickey, Norma De Felice, Ralph Ronson. *Third row:* Robert Van Brackle, David Benton, Tony Falco, Tony Panzaro, Paul Headen, Frank Tourine, William Costello, Walter Brosky, Tony Bricese, Walter Jones, Joe Sheeran, Camilla Sardello, Henry Moreno, Joe Butts. *Fourth row:* Peggy Chamberlain, Mary Lou Blahota, Peggy Read, Rita Jones, Loretta Hull, Beverly Lampkin, Joan Blondek, Dorothy Kudrick, Ann Di Santo, Audrey Rushing, Dorothy Hoever, Florence Daniels. *Fifth row:* Joyce Woodman, Beverly Haspel, Camille De Matteo, Margaret Johnson, Veressa Nicholson, Eula Mae Hill, Kathleen Crawford, Carol Lambertson, Elizabeth Vreeland, Jean Gaub, Marie Leperopolos, Janice Hahn, Barbara Edmonds. *Sixth row:* Kenny Bruder, Fred Hausman, Willis Calvert, Robert Collins, Joe Acquilino, Robert Himmelright, Ed Hourihan, Harry Wilson, Harry Wilkonson, John Fleischman, Art Abbazia, Charles Hall. *Seventh row:* Larry Salmon, Richard Johnson, Thomas Stames, Alton Davis, Larry Walker, James Dillon, John Tiill, Allan Wolf, Richard Robinson.





SOPHOMORES

The Class of '56 has not made definite plans for raising money for their Senior year. They did, however, sponsor their annual dance in May.

So far this has been their only big project, but with furthered efforts they will come out on top.

SOPHOMORE CLASS OFFICERS

Thomas McGee, *Treasurer*; Joseph Kelly, *President*; Mary Lou Rodrigues, *Secretary*.

First row: Ruth Ann Pizzi, Gwen Edmonds, Agnes Marshal, Ora Lee Guttridge, Nancy Parry, Joan Slee, Pat Costello, Carol Schnuck, Gail Duncan, Carolyn Morrell, Ann Sebera, Shirley Jones, Gladys Hyrne. *Second row:* Nancy Orr, Charlotte Walters, Lucille Young, Carol Seaman, Mae Cavangaro, Joan Aryes, Alta Boyce, Winifred Waltz, Mary Lou Cartan, Pat Ahern, Mary Lou Rodrigues, Joan Griswald, Pat Sarbucello, Lenora Navin. *Third row:* Jessie Johnson, Charles Haddock, Joe Savathy, Bernie Meixner, Joe Johnson, Jack Scully, Richard Erdmann, Alan Arnold, Alan Freidland, Grant Scharff, Carl Fischer, Joe Beal, Richard Leuders. *Fourth row:* Judy Polosky, Alice Eager, Kathy Flynn, Gloria Preston, Connie Sickles, Chloe Ann Tourine, Joan Boyle, Phyliss Brown, Beteal Hughes, Barbara Fleming, Lou Ann Wathington, Marilyn Krackhour. *Fifth row:* Carl Leuders, Ed Weston, Ernie White, Joe Rizzo, Robert Faust, Ronald Johnson, Robert Wilson, Robert Parks, Bernie Burlew, James Arace, Eddie Sutton, Jim Campbell, Robert Phelan. *Sixth row:* Nadine Walker, Dorothy Conover, Debbie Lazow, Elaine Rosenbohm, Willhemina Borowsky, Diane Perry, Barbara Bos, Susan Dominy, Virginia Tune, Virginia Germann, Barbara Knapp, Jane Bowie. *Seventh row:* Shirley Lee, Zelma Guttridge, Marilyn Hall, Elizabeth Rice, Joan Pollett, Gail Nelson, Harriet Fearon, Rose Ann Parisi. *Eighth row:* Andy Bol, Mr. Hyer, Danny Vanderbilt, George Hicks, Joe Zahn.



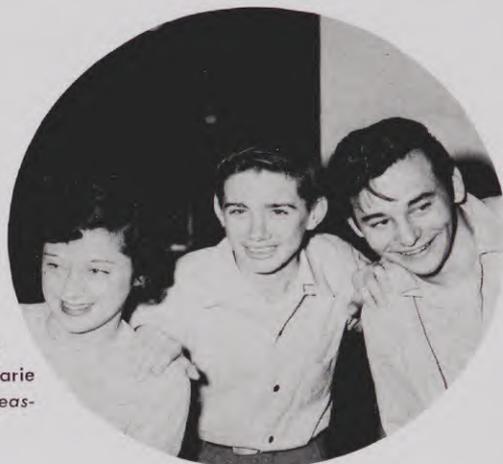


First row: Harriet Mackason, Lenora Mackason, Sonja Singelsether, Joan Lemaire, Gail Meny, Antoinette Siano, Eleanor Scott, Jean Trahim, Antoinette Messina, Joyce Navin, Linda Johnson, Velma Sabo, Myraann Dice, Mary Agnes Coghlin, Peggy Collins. Second row: Frances Taber, Janice Royster, Mary Betner, Connie Houston, Lizzie Davis, Julia Crone, Beverly Thompson, Pat Flynn, Joan Gray, Joan Maresca, Nina Jiosne, Barbara Perry, Betty Lou Hodge, Dolores Fuentes. Third row: James Benner, George White, Ralph Yeomans, John Wagner, Fred Trembly, Douglas Dietrich, Stanley Gilbertson, Joe Bukowczyk, Peter Rushing, Albert Weisman, Robert Bennett, Richard Wenner, Kenneth Wooley, Fred Mauer. Fourth row: Rose Marie Gallo, Dolores Falco, Cathy McDowell, Ann Molnar, Patricia Angelo, Diana Diggin, Ruth Smith, Dolores Haithcock, Susan Miller, Patricia Pizzi, Joyce Stevens, Marie Ehlers, Muriel Baker. Fifth row: Billy Rose, Carmen Parisi, John Anderson, Robert Costello, Melvin Vreeland, George Kahrs, Richard Lewicki, James Burlew, Frank Johnson, Matthew Kelly, Robert Nicol. Sixth row: Joseph Peters, James Kudrick, Charlie Benson, Jerome Crone, Thomas Welstead, Chris Gallo, David Tuttle, Harold Dodson, Robert Deitz, Steve Alikas, Raymond Colot, Kurt Collins, John Coon. Seventh row: Juanita Waggoner, Kathy Krimmel, Ruth Crawford, Nancy Bowie, Janet Morgan, Phyllis Kavener, Joan Vena, Muriel Routh, Ted Shafto, Delia Lee, Phyllis Mackason, Ruth Rice, Ann Marie Leuders, Jean Wilchek, Joe Lester. Eighth row: Phyllis Krammer, Ruth Mulcrone, Grace Fischer, Veronica Baranowski, Linda Tilton, Eddie Marks, Kenneth Williams, Bob Harrison, Hal Myers, Louis Armour.

FRESHMEN

The Class of '57 has just begun their four years of high school and are gradually getting into the "swing" of things. In June they undertook their first big responsibility, the annual Freshman dance.

In the next three years they are expected to reach high standards..



FRESHMAN CLASS OFFICERS

Ted Shafto, *President*; Rose Marie Gallo, *Secretary*; Matthew Kelly, *Treasurer*.



PERFORMERS



First row: Coach Anthony Nuccio, Joseph Berbrick, Donald Marvel, Alan Wolf, Kenneth Tonnessen, Ronald Orr, Daniel Vanderbilt, Arthur Phelan, Peter Bol, Richard Frost, Fred De Nardo, Vincent Vinci. Second row: Pete Vena, Robert Lewicki, Jack Kuhns, Louis Armour, Arthur Meixner, Herbert Carbone, Marvin Hauser, Frank Drogan, Kenneth Bruder, William Auriemma, Eugene Fariello. Third row: Richard Erdmann, Manager, Andy Bol, Robert Deitz, James Campbell, Harold Dodson, Stanley Parrish, William Daniels, Roger Olmstead, John Pointkowski, Alton Davis, David Benton, David Decker.



Go, Go, Go

FOOTBALL

Matawan High School's Championship football squad opened its brilliant season against Neptune with an easy win. They also rolled easily over Point Pleasant, Rumson and Red Bank Catholic likewise met with defeat at the hands of the Huskies.

Freehold won a decisive victory over the Huskies, though Matawan showed true to form in the Atlantic Highlands game. In the traditional Thanksgiving Day game against Keyport the Huskies again came out on top with a 25-12 victory to close a most successful season.

Matawan	20	Neptune	0
Matawan	26	Point Pleasant	0
Matawan	34	Rumson	7
Matawan	20	Red Bank Catholic	7
Matawan	0	Freehold	47
Matawan	26	Atlantic Highlands	0
Matawan	25	Keyport	12



First row: Arthur Meixner, Kenneth Tonnessen, Ronald Orr, Robert Lewicki, Arthur Phelan, Peter Bol, Richard Frost. Second row: Joseph Berbrick, Vincent Vinci, Donald Marvel, Fred De Nardo, Herbert Carbone.



Back row: William Utter, Allan Wolf, Daniel Vanderbilt, Joseph Fasso, Ronald Carlson. Front row: Henry Moreno, Richard Frost, Robert Smith, Richard Milligan, Robert Collins.

BASKETBALL

The Matawan High Basketball team of 53-54 started the season by winning the first two encounters against Jamesburg and Toms River. In the next four games, one of which included our traditional rivals Keyport, the boys lost. They bounced back to beat the Rumson club twice, with four losses between the games. After losing to Atlantic Highlands and Red Bank Catholic they won their last encounter against Croydon Hall which finished their season with a won five and lost ten record.

Back row: David Tuttle, Allan Arnold, Joseph Butts, George Hicks, Joseph Zahn, Kenneth Williams, Robert Gold, John Coon, First row: Ted Shafto, Thomas Nelstead, Harold Deitz, Thomas McGee, Jack Kuhns, Raymond Colot, Robert Deitz.



Richard Frost

Richard Milligan



Robert Smith

SENIOR STARS





Back row: Mr. Caracciolo, Harold Dodson, Donald Green, Thomas Sweeney, George Hicks, Ronald Orr, Melvin Vreeland, Thomas Parrish, Samuel Kudrick, Kenneth Williams, Merrill Evans. **Second row:** George McBride, Thomas McGee, Ernest White, Thomas Falco, Stanley Parrish, Alan Johnson, Ted Shafto, Thomas Welstead, Robert Hausman, Joseph Butts, Robert Zielinski. **First row:** Raymond Colot, William Daniels, Larry Salmon, Kenneth Burlew, Herbert Carbone, Carlos Concepcion, Joseph Berbrick, Jack Kuhns, Ronald Carlson, William Strother.

This year's squad is hoping to live up to the record of Matawan High School Track teams of the past. Matawan's Track team won the Shore Conference Championship last year and has been no less than third in the Shore Conference for the past five years. They have always been high in the Central and State Jersey Championships. In 1952 they won the Central Jersey Championship and last year they were second in the State Jersey Championship.

The outlook for this year is a bit dubious because of an average of thirty points per meet lost through graduation. A group of proven Sophomores and Juniors, however, will help the situation. Mr. "C" is trying to make this a year of rebuilding but is hoping for a Championship.

Shore Conference Champions.

TRACK

Undeclared in '54



Back row: James Campbell, Harold Deitz, Alan Wolf, Richard Robinson, Daniel Vanderbilt, James Dillon, Joseph Fasso, Steve Alikas, Gene Fariello. **Front row:** Tom Nuccio, Coach Nuccio, William Votta, Richard Lanzaro, Morris Inguaggiato, Fred DeNardo, Steve Fedele, Vincent Vinci, Robert Collins, Richard Frost, John Till.

BASEBALL

Undeclared in '54!

Last year's champs will open their season April 8.

This year there will be five familiar faces missing: Marvel, McQuarrie, Gray, Fariello, and Sullivan. Last year Matawan won 13 and lost 1 to become Central Jersey and Shore Conference Champions. Coach Nuccio is looking forward to another successful season.

This year's Seniors are: Richard Frost, catcher; Fred De Nardo, third base; Vincent Vinci, short-stop; Joseph Berbrick, outfield; Herbert Carbone, outfield; and Richard Lanzaro, outfield.

GOOD LUCK TEAM!



Virginia Banafato, Barbara Tullis, Edith Olmstead, Marilyn Elliott, Valerie Marvel, Ann Molnar, Geraldine Fogg, Ann Foti, Peggy O'Neill *Captain*, Mauvline Bilarczyk *Co-captain*.

CHEERLEADERS

These peppy, poised gals with personality work hard to boost the spirit of Matawan High School.

The varsity cheers the football and basketball fellows on to victory, and the junior varsity supports their basketball team with the same enthusiasm.

Miss Gordon, their able adviser, deserves a lot of credit for a good squad.

Throughout the year the girls raise money for uniforms, letters, a trip to New York, the Mother and Daughter Banquet, and gold megaphones which each girl receives as she graduates.



Reading clockwise: Peggy O'Neill, Mauvline Bilarczyk, Ann Foti, Virginia Banafato, Marilyn Elliott, Barbara Tullis, Debbie Lazow, Valerie Marvel, Betty Jane Rosenbohm, Winifred Berbrick, Elizabeth Vreeland, Ann Di Santo, Ann Molnar, Geraldine Fogg, Nancy Erdmann, Jane Muro, Eddie Mae Bethune.

ADDED ATTRACTIONS





Standing: Mr. Shea and Mr. Lloyd Advisers, Barbara Ennis, Anne Gallucci, Elaine Erdmann, Nancy Erdmann, Camilla Sarella, Nadine Walker, Rita Jones, Claire Larkin, Barbara Tullis, Mr. Auermuller Adviser. *Seated:* Robert Collins, Peggy O'Neill, Mauvline Bilarczyk, Robert Smith, Marilyn Elliott, Joseph Kelly.

STUDENT COUNCIL

The governing body of the school is the Student Council, which tries to create a better relationship between teachers and students and help the students as a group in the school activities. The Student Council of Matawan consists of 20 members elected by the students.

Some of the accomplishments of the Student Council this year were making the dance schedule, cleaning up the school, conducting all student elections and passing on eligibility. Members also attended county student council meetings at other schools. Our council presented a county council meeting in the Matawan High School Auditorium.



STUDENT COUNCIL OFFICERS
 Mauvline Bilarczyk, *Vice President*;
 Peggy O'Neill, *Treasurer*; Robert
 Smith, *President*; Marilyn Elliott, *Secretary*.



Antoinette Nunziato, Winifred Berbrick, Geraldine Fogg, Peggy O'Neill, Mrs. Gilbert Adviser, Harold Smith, Betty Lou Pitney, Ann Molnar, Pauline De! Rosso.

The members of the Matawan Chapter of the National Honor Society are chosen on the basis of leadership, scholarship, character and service. It is made up of Juniors and Seniors.

The Honor Society gives the first Dance of each year to raise funds for two \$50 scholarships, each given to a worthy girl and boy in the graduation class.

Their officers are *President*, Harold Smith; *Vice-President*, Betty Lou Pitney; *Secretary-Treasurer*, Ann Molnar.

HONOR SOCIETY

BOYS' AND GIRLS' STATE

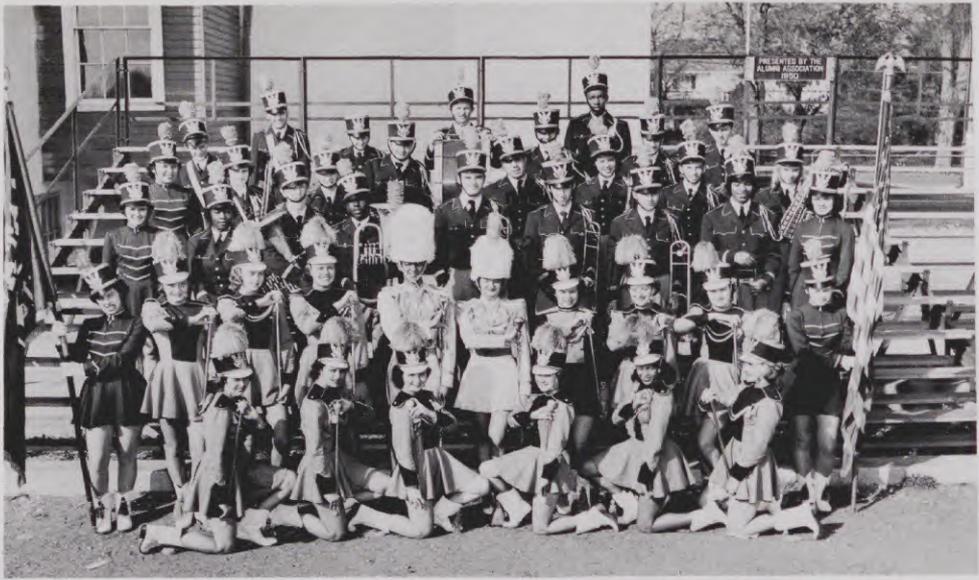
Boys' and Girls' State is a program sponsored by the American Legion, through which a boy and girl are selected from the Junior Class to represent their high school at Rutgers University and New Jersey College for Women respectively. Last year Alan Johnson and Betty Lou Pitney were representatives for their class.

Alan spent a week at Rutgers, while Betty Lou was at N. J. C. for five days. There they learned about the organization of state government and the mechanics of gubernatorial elections.

Candidates for Boys' and Girls' State are selected on the basis of scholastic ability, extracurricular activities, leadership, and service to their school.

In December there is a reunion of Boys' and Girls' State in which the elected representatives take their respective offices and hold assembly.





First row: Virginia Tune, Dora Jiosne, Patti Hattrich, Betty Herrity, Doris Emmons, Ida Irons. Second row: Shirley Vena, Virginia Germann, Barbara Bos, Janice Hahn, Carlos Concepcion, Janet Boldt, Mary Ann Vena, Dolores Sauer, Anne Gallucci, Joan Campbell. Third row: Pat Ahern, Gwen Edmonds, Raymond Colot, Gene Edmonds, Joe Zahn, Tom McGee, Richard Presser, Barbara Edmonds, Pat Johnson. Fourth row: Dot Kudrick, Peggy Chamberlain, Fred Mauer, Todd Fung, Tony Bricese, Juanita Waggoner, Bob Zielinski, Serena Anderson. Fifth row: Robert Nicol, Joe Peters, Jimmy Benner, Carl Wagner, Ted Shafto, Jim Armour, Ed Marks, Fred Hausman.

BAND

The uniformed marching band is the pride of the school. The band grows in size and ability and is better uniformed each year. The band performs difficult formations at football games, marches in local parades, and plays for school assemblies.

The Brass section is known as the "German Band." It performed for the Senior Play. With the addition of string instruments, the band becomes an orchestra performing classical music. The instructor is Mr. Maritko.

Patti Hattrich, Virginia Tune, Ida Irons, Dora Jiosne, Virginia Germann, Janice Hahn, Janet Boldt (captain), Mary Ann Vena (co-captain), Barbara Bos, Dolores Sauer, Anne Gallucci, Doris Emmons, Betty Herrity.

MAJORETTES

These high-stepping gals twirl their batons in rhythm with the band. They perform at pep rallies and add color to parades during the school year. These pert girls, uniformed in maroon and steel, add interest at a football game.

The Majorettes raise money by holding a tag day and food sale and use it to purchase uniforms and finance a Mother and Daughter Banquet.

Mrs. Ducat and Mr. Maritko, their capable advisors, deserve a lot of credit.



BLOCK M

The Matawan Block "M" Club consists of members of the various athletic teams, who have earned at least one varsity letter.

The candidates for membership are voted in by the old members. The boys sponsor a dance in order to buy for their senior members gold charms representing their individual sport activities.

Mr. Anthony Nuccio, organizer of the club, has done a great job advising the club through the years.

The officers are Thomas Sullivan, *President*; Richard Frost, *Vice-President*; Donald Marvel, *Treasurer*; and Carlos Concepcion, *Secretary*.



Standing: Richard Frost, Vincent Vinci, Thomas Sullivan, Daniel Vanderbilt, Donald Marvel, Ronald Orr, Joseph Berbrick, Eugene Fariello. *Seated:* Herbert Carbone, Carlos Concepcion, Kenneth Bruder, Peter Bol, Richard Lanzaro.

Back row: Ann Foti, Marilyn Hall, Winifred Berbrick, Claire Larkin, Ann Jobs, Valerie Marvel, Mauvline Bilarczyk. *Front:* Mrs. Gilbert, Janet Boldt, Dora Jiosne.

JOURNALISM

The Journalism group of 1954 was organized at the beginning of the school year. The group issued a school paper for almost every marking period during the year. They also wrote articles for the school-news section in the *Asbury Park Press* and *The Matawan Journal*. Under the guidance of Mrs. Gilbert and, in the second semester, Mr. Albright the group did much toward keeping the school and also the town posted on the activities taking place at Matawan High School.





First row: Antoinette Messina, Selma Guttridge, Jean Trahim, Linda Johnson, Gwen Edmonds, Frances Taber, Pat Flynn, Antoinette Siano. *Second row:* Sonja Singlesether, Anna Mary Rice, Katherine Walker, Richard Wenner, Carmen Parisi, Ted Shafto, Raymond Colot, Eddie Marks, Peter Bol, Ronald Orr, Ann Louise Sebera, Carol Schnuck, Janet Morgan, Lenora Navin. *Third row:* Phyllis Brown, Beteal Hughes, Betty Lou Hodge, Connie Houston, Janice Royster, Cathy McDowell, Velma Sabo, Ann Molnar, Peggy Read, Peggy Chamberlain, Alice Eager, Judy Polosky, Muriel Baker, Patricia Pizzi, Ruth Crawford, Kathy Krimmel, Linda Tilton, Mrs. Ducat, Adviser. *Fourth row:* Elizabeth Rice, Lillian Wothington, Gwen Russell, Loretta McGee, Marilyn Hall, Joan Maresca, Antoinette Jiosne, Marilyn Hall, Betty Szymanski, Phyllis Krammer, Grace Fisher, Gail Nelson, Harriet Fearon, Barbara Edmonds, Arlene Jackson.

MIXED CHORUS

All students are eligible for Mixed Chorus.

This group has participated in the Spring Concert, Christmas Operetta and Baccalaureate Services for the Senior Class. They have also sung for outside organizations.

Their instructor is Mrs. Ducat.

DANCE BAND



The Rhythmaires play at all school dances for a small charge to cover expenses. They also play for assemblies.

Those students who like to play musical instruments are given the opportunity to receive training in popular music from the Rhythmaires with the aid of Mr. Maritko.

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STAMP CLUB

The Stamp Club is a new organization in Matawan High School. The club meets about once every two weeks to trade stamps and to put stamps in albums. The members planned a project of putting stamps about different subjects together and have also planned a showcase to display their work in the library. The motto of the club is "Stick together", and the golden rule is "Trade honestly".



Walter Jones, *Vice-President—Treasurer*; Fred Hausman, George McBride, *President—Secretary*; Frank Marks, James Campbell, Ronald Orr, Donald Marvel, Peter Bol, Mr. Auermuller, Adviser.

LIBRARY CLUB

Members of the Library Club are taught by the Senior members the process of Library work. They process books, help out at the desk, mend books, take inventory, decorate the library, and perform various other library duties to help the librarian. Visits are made to the Princeton and Trenton State Library, and the club also attends the Library Council Meeting in Asbury Park.

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The editing of the 1954 *Pillar* began in June of 1953 when the theme was decided upon and the work planned. In September the organization of committees to handle different jobs was started. Throughout the year the staff worked hard to organize the book according to the Circus theme.



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The Dramatics group performs at assemblies according to the holidays or seasons of the year. This is done by the under-classmen of the group. The Seniors presented the play "Don't Ever Grow Up".

The students are taught the fundamentals of acting, costuming, make-up, and stage setting.

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D R A M A T I C S

SCIENCE CLUB

The Science Club is a new club in Matawan this year. It is composed of all Freshmen. The club tries many experiments and has demonstrations. The group also went on a trip in the spring.



Back row: Peter Rushing, Robert Nicol, James Benner, Teddy Shafto, Jimmy Burlew, Douglas Dietrich, Robert Zielinski, John Coon, Sam Krudrick. Second row: Miss Scrocco, Adviser, Patricia Angelo, Patricia Pizzi, Varonica Borowonski, Ann Leuders. First row: Linda Johnson, Muriel Rough, Connie Houston, Earnestine Betner.

The Biology Club is also a new club this year and is composed of Sophomores. They have many different projects. Food Sales were held by the group to raise money for their trip in the spring.

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When a student is a member of the German I or II classes, he is automatically eligible for membership in the German Club.

This club takes part in many interesting activities. In the spring they sponsor a dance in co-operation with the other language clubs. To raise funds for their annual jaunt to New York, where many places of interest to German students are visited, candy is sold. They have lots of fun along with learning to speak "auf deutsch."

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The French Club had a few meetings this year. All the students purchased French dictionaries and story books from the money in the treasury. They had many activities during the spring, the most important being the trip to New York.

The Latin Club, although not officially organized this year, had a few meetings, and also put on skits in many classrooms. Their annual banquet held in the spring was a big success. To conclude the year a trip to New York was taken.

Standing (side): Robert Costello, Willie Daniels, Robert Faust, James Arace, Ted Shafto, John Coon, Richard Erdmann, Buddy Anderson, Earl Williams. *Seated:* George White, Fred Mauer, Robert Nicol, Douglas Dietrich, Joe Peters, Alfred Wiseman. *Back row:* Marilyn Hall, Kathy Flynn, Miss Dennison, Ruth Crawford, Catherine Krimmel, Pat Angelo, Cathy McDowell. *Second row:* Kathleen Crawford, Diana Diggin, Jean Wilchek, Anna Marie Lueders, Arlene Jackson, Vilma Sabo, Pat Flynn. *First row:* Peggy Read, Linda Johnson, Zelma Gutridge, Antoinette Siano, Gail Meny, Joan Lemaire, Bill Hansen, Mary Lou Siano.



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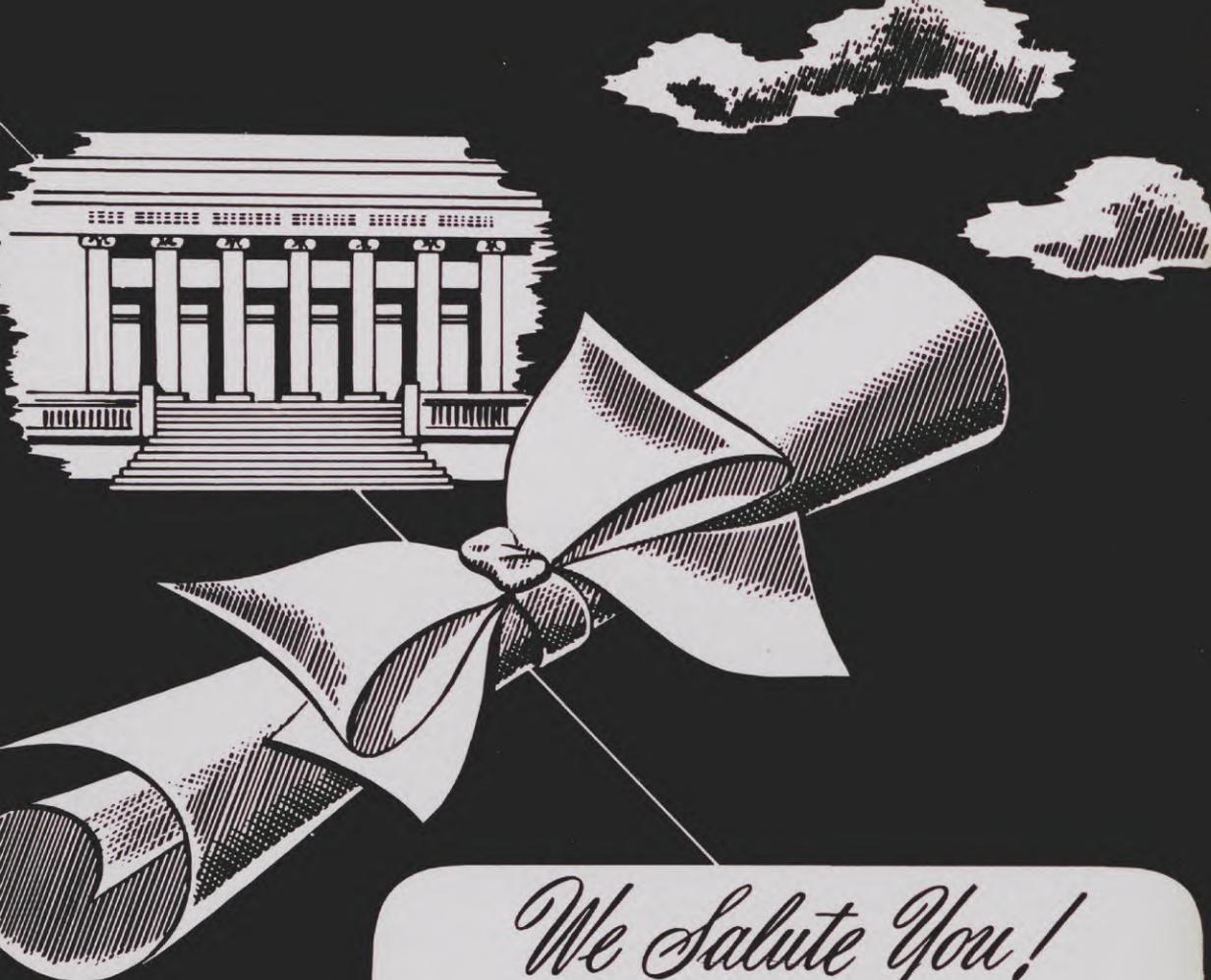
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