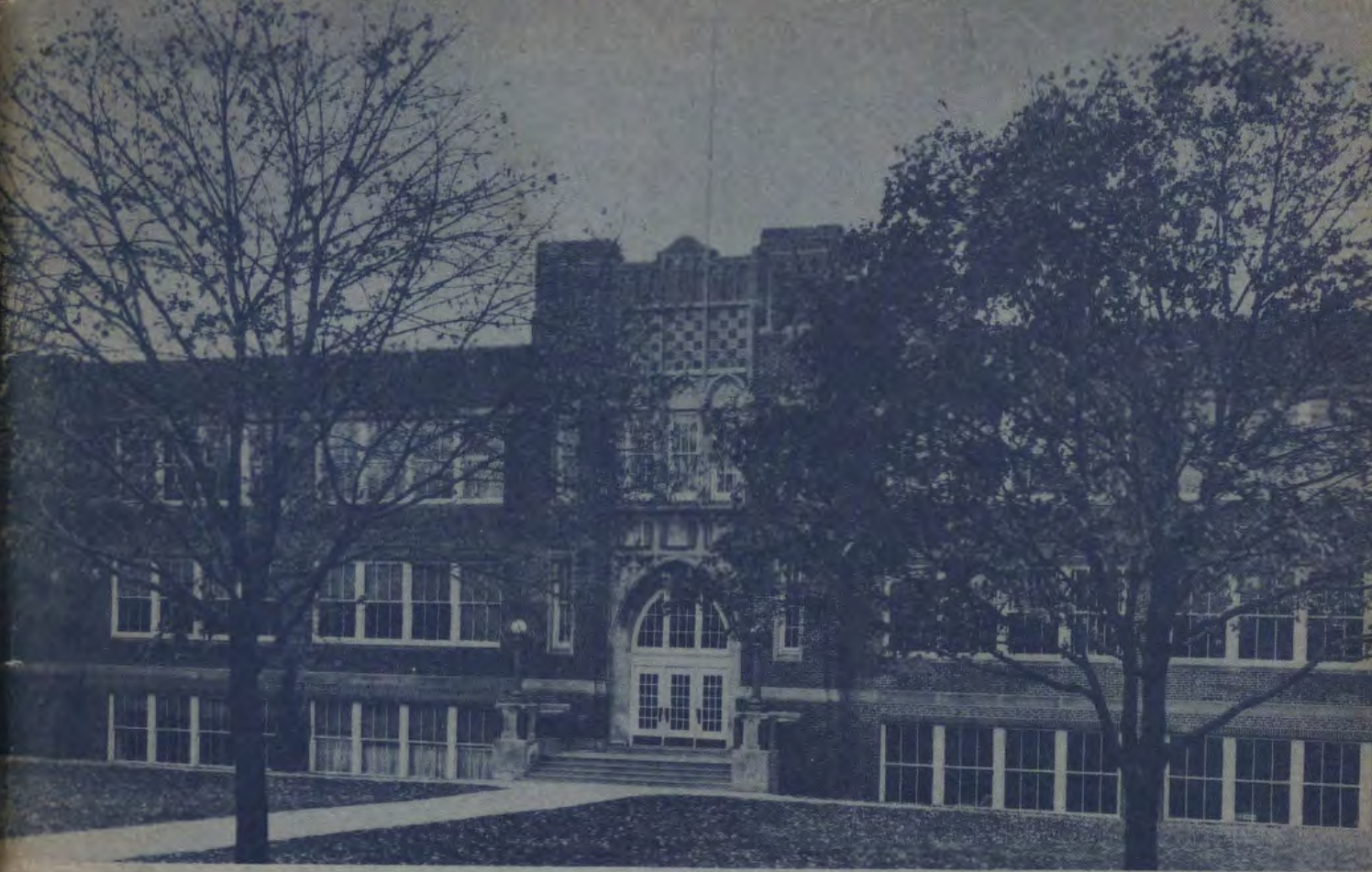
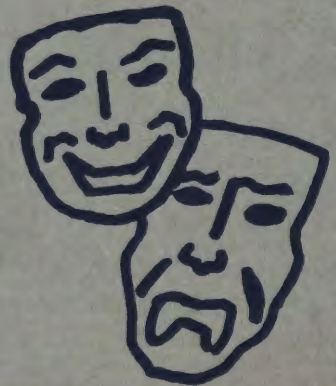




'52

CHALLENGE





CLASS OF 1952
WEST CHICAGO COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL



"Dedication"

*To Mrs. Marie W. Balzhiser and
Mr. Robert Haebich, we dedicate our
"Challenge", in sincere appreciation
for their efforts in guiding us through
act 1 in our role in life*

The Class of '52

*In many ways, Student Life closely resembles the production of
a play. The individual is important in each, yet success depends
on the friendly co-operation of every person concerned. The right
mixture of talent and enthusiasm, industry and sincerity will
combine to make pleasant memories of our High School days.*

And now the curtain is rising, and the Play is about to begin.

Board of Education

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"Pres."

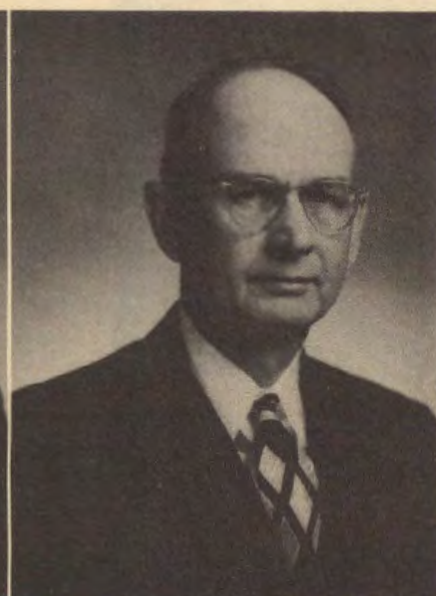
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D. E. Mack

M. C. Fink

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S. D. Bishop
"Principal"



Custodians

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E. Wurster



L. Voelz

Faculty



LAURA M. ABBOTT
Music



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Mathematics

BETTY GUILIANI
Physical Education



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Science

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English



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Home Economics

H. B. HOWARD
Music



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Coach—Biology

V. R. JAHNS
Coach—Ind. Arts



"Critics"

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Nurse



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J. D. SMITH
Social Science



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Commercial



NORMA J. STAHL
Latin—English



AUDREY LARSON
Art



WINIFRED THOMASSEN
Office Sec.—Commercial



ELIZABETH J. MAHONEY
History



SENIOR STARS

JAMES WILDER

"Jim"

"President"

Wisdom is humble.
I'm a proud man.



ROBERT

FREDRICKSON

"Bob"

"Vice President"

Once I've made up
my mind, I'm filled
with indecision.



MARILYN J.

MUELLER

"Murt"

"Secretary"

The very pink of per-
fection.



JESSE GARCIA

"Jess"

"Treasurer"

Half of wisdom is
being silent when
you have nothing to
say.





DOROTHY
ACHESON
"Bridgett"

The Olympics have
yet to see their
greatest star.



EDGAR BAETHKE
"Ed"

Well seasoned with
the spice of love.



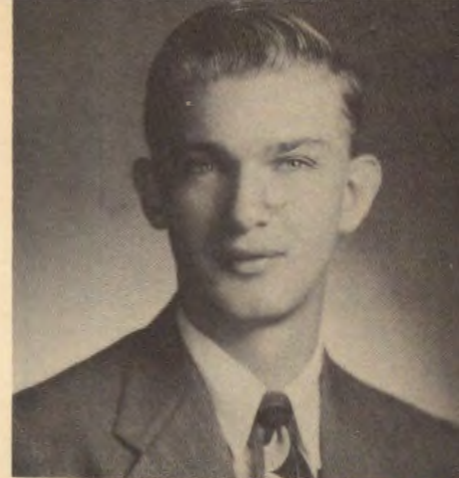
MAUREEN BAKER
"Maur"

Good times won't
come to those who
stay at home.



PATSY BERNDT
"Pat"

I love men not be-
cause they're men,
but because they
are not women.



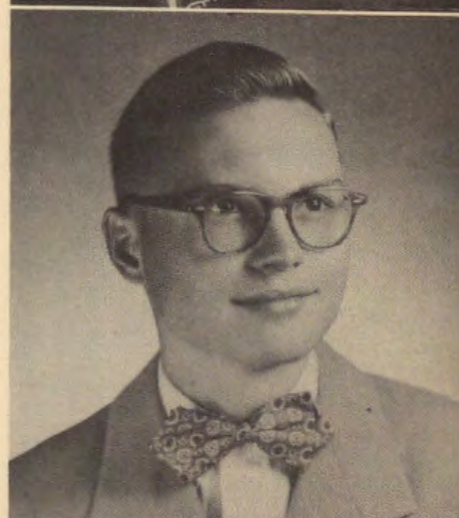
RALPH BLUM
"Ralphie"

You can't get ahead
unless you've got
shoulders.



THOMAS
BOLLWEG
"T-Bone"

We shall never re-
pent of having eat-
en too little.



CHARLES BUHR
"Chuck"

Elementary, my dear
Watson.



GRACE CAIN
"Gracie"

There is no substi-
tute for thorough,
ardent, and sincere
rest.



BETTY CHASE
"Betty"
Rich in good works.



JOAN CRETTOL
"Joan"
The happiest people
are those who are
too busy.



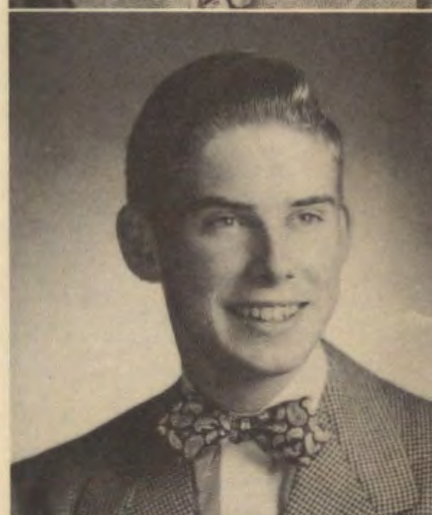
ROBERT CLEMENT
"Bob"
As big as life, and
twice as natural.



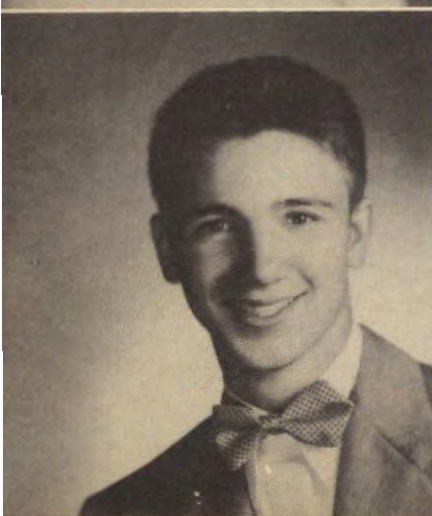
DONALD DABBERT
"Don"
News and truth are
two different
things.



BARBARA COBAIN
"Barb"
Thy modesty's a
candle to thy merit.



JOHN DENNERLEIN
"Jack"
Nothing is of more
value to a man
than courtesy.



STANLEY COOK
"Bud"
I was gratified to be
able to answer
promptly. I said I
didn't know.



PATRICIA DICKEY
"Patti"
Wild life hasn't
disappeared, its
moved to my house.



EDWARD DIEHL
"Eppy"

A fool can stay awake
all night, but it
takes a good man
to get up.



EDWARD
DIERKING
"Eddie"

Food, food, my king-
dom for food.



CAROL DODGE
"Carrie"

As good as she has
to be, and as bad
as she dares.



WILLIAM ENDERS
"Bill"

I will put my foot-
prints in the sands
of time, I will do
it sitting down.

PARTICIA
FARRELL
"Tish"

School is a great in-
stitution, no teach-
er should be with-
out it.



WAYNE FESSLER
"Fout"

Dancing is wonder-
ful training . . . for
girls.



GEORGIANA
GIAMBRI
"George"

She has a complete
ignorance of every-
thing a woman does
not need to know.



BEVERLY
GLASSHAGEL
"Bev"

Her mind does not
know why her feet
go so fast.





GERALDINE
GURBACKI
"Gerry"

Be to my virtues very
kind,
Be to my faults a
little blind.



PETER HEIBEL
"Pete"

I won't be content
with my lot until
it's lots more



DOLORES HEINZ
"Dee"

Full of DEEvices.



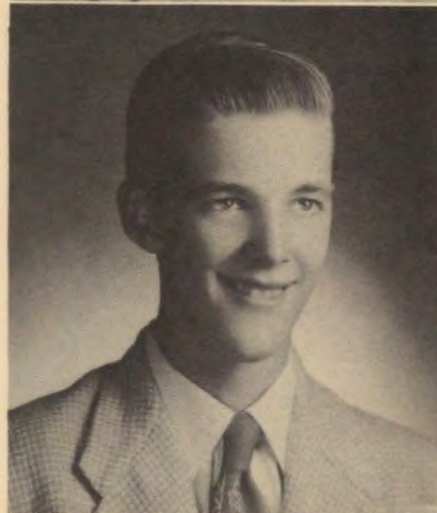
GEORGENE HEINZ
"Genie"

If kindness were
gold, she'd be a
millionaire.



PATRICIA HEISLER
"Patty"

Not much talk — a
great silence.



ROY HELLICKSON
"Roy"

Work fascinates me.
I could watch it
for hours.



PATRICIA HENSEL
"Pat"

She has to be seen
and not heard to
be appreciated.



BARBARA HUTSON
"Barb"

Kissing doesn't
shorten life, it just
makes time pass
more quickly.



FRANK KIMMEL
"Stork"

The trouble with racing trains to crossings is, if it's a tie, I lose.



GEORGIA KLINE
"George"

A good heart is better than all the heads in the world.



RODNEY KULLMAN
"Swede"

The world's greatest men have not all been scholars.



JAMES LANE
"Jim"

Every day should be passed as if it were the last.



WILLIAM LANZ
"Bill"

No one can be wise on an empty stomach.



KENNETH LENERTZ
"Dutch"

A fellow of infinite wit and jest.



MARY LISTER
"Mary"

Solitude is the best society.



SIDNA LOCKIE
"Sid"

Reproof on her lips, but a smile in her eyes.



LOIS McLEOD

"Lois"

My ambition is to be
a little sunbeam in
this dark world.



NOEL MERIAM

"Noel"

A man's best friends
are his ten fingers.



AGNES
McNICHOLS

"Aggie"

The picture of health
requires a happy
frame of mind.



MARILYN R.
MUELLER

"Marilyn"

As merry as the day
is long.



KATHLEEN
MAGUIRE

"Kathy"

A girl of all hours—
ready for anything.



JOSEPH MURPHY

"Joe"

Get thee behind me
Satan and PUSH!!



ROSE MARACEK

"Rosy"

Simplicity, of all
things, is the hard-
est to be copied.



FLOYD OLESEN

"Ole"

A good many things
go on in the dark
besides street-
lights.



PATRICIA PESTER
"Pat"

Be not the slave of words.



DAVID PHILLIPS
"Dave"

Genius is the capacity of evading hard work.



BETTY RAFFEL
"Bets"

Always ready to take what's becoming to her.



SALLY RUCKER
"Sally"
 Dreams are made of diamonds and stuff.

BARBARA RUSSELL
"Barb"

Wisdom is knowing what to do, virtue is doing it.



DIANE SANDHOP
"Diane"

My conscience speaks; and says I've been caught.



BARBARA SAUBER
"Barb"

A girl with many personalities.



GLEN SCHLUETER
"Big Red"

He is so generally civil that nobody thanks him for it.





ARVILLA SCHRAM
"Arvie"

If it were not for the presents, elopment would be preferable.



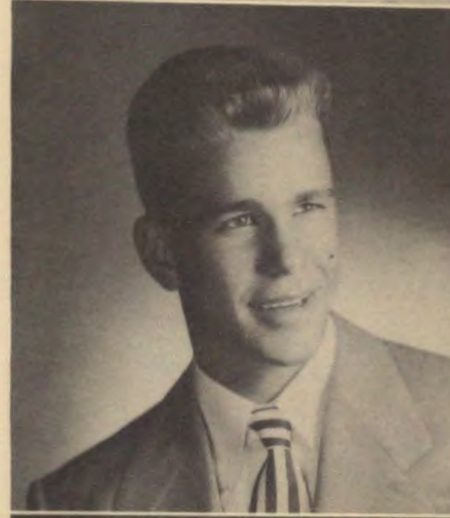
ALICE SPECK
"Al"

People who make no noise may be dangerous.



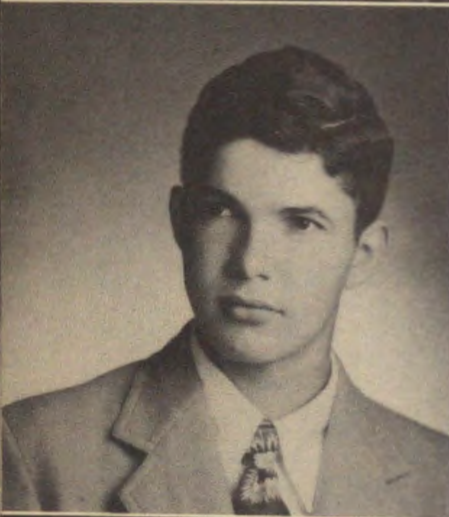
ELIZABETH SHEAHAN
"Bette"

There's only one thing I can't resist—temptation.



HERMAN STAHL
"Herm"

The five secrets of happiness—Money, Money, Money, Money, Money.



KENNETH SHELTON
"Ken"

A "gag" is sometimes best applied to the mouth.



SHARON STONE
"Shary"

A miss is as good as her smile.



BEVERLY SIMPSON
"Bev"

Nothing is impossible for a willing heart.



RICHARD STURM
"Dick"

He's a movin' on.



DONALD
THEILKING
"Philco"

He who thinks himself a wit is usually half right.



AUSTIN
UTTERBACK
"Bud"

There's a place for me in this world, if I can find someone to dig it.



EUGENE
VAN DRAN
"Gene"

The horn of plenty will start me on a toot.



AUDREY
WEGENER
"Aud"

Nothing great was achieved without enthusiasm.

IRENE WHEELER
"Wheel"

There'll be a hot time in the old town tonight.



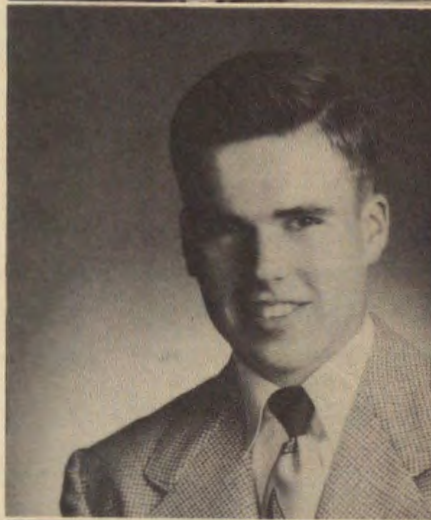
BERYL WHELCHER
"Beryl"

He is a gentleman—look at his boots.



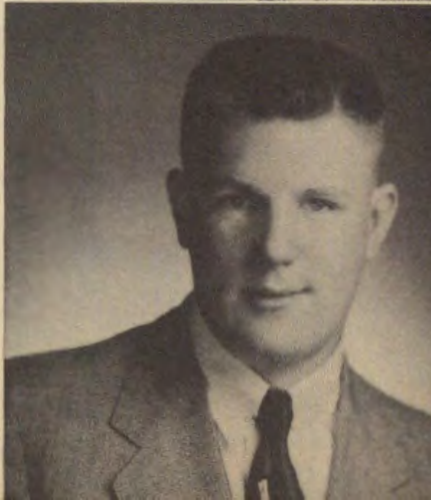
FRANK WHITTON
"Butch"

What this country needs is a good five-cent cigar.



ALBERT ZOLIN
"Al"

I'll never see ninety except on a speedometer.



JUNIOR UNDERSTUDIES



1st Row: A. Anderson, M. Armbrust, A. Babcock.

2nd Row: G. Baum, R. Berger, M. Bollweg.

3rd Row: N. Bradley, J. Braun, F. Brinkman.

4th Row: G. Brooks, J. Brown, J. Bryson.

5th Row: M. Buckley, J. Byewater, D. Crane.

6th Row: L. Cue, L. Dettmann, C. Dierks, B. Dieter, C. Enders, L. Fischer, J. Flens, R. Frye.

7th Row: M. Gardner, C. Goering, K. Golan, C. Gustafson, K. Havlik, M. Heinberg, N. Heinz, E. Heiser.

8th Row: J. Hill, D. Homer, R. Kaelin, D. Kaelin, J. Kaelin, J. Kammes, J. Karp, C. Kearns.



1st Row: J. Kistenbroker, G. Kozlowski, D. Kroning, B. Kruse, B. Lootens, S. McAleese, M. McNichols, G. Main.

2nd Row: B. Mell, B. Marecek, B. Miller, J. Mishler, I. Munson, H. Neylon, B. Padilla, M. Patch.

3rd Row: O. Pietrobon, J. Rawlings, T. Rucker, J. Sauber, R. Schmuggerow, O. Shaw, S. Silvasy.

4th Row: N. Simpson, E. Stillman, L. Stillman.

5th Row: L. Streit, M. Struckman, D. Taylor.

6th Row: G. Tinnes, W. Watanabe, K. Wheeland.

7th Row: L. Wheeland, J. Wegner, W. Weibrecht.

8th Row: R. Wilson, B. Wold, S. Young.





SOPHOMORES BIT PLAYERS



1st Row: H. Ackerman, H. Albrecht, H. Barbrey.

2nd Row: C. Beach, P. Beamer, M. Bennett.

3rd Row: M. Bork, C. Born, L. Bromilow.

4th Row: D. Brown, F. Brown, I. Brown.

5th Row: R. Brown, L. Buckner, D. Buhr.

6th Row: G. Catriz, J. Cobain, J. Cook, J. Cornella, R. Craig,
A. Crane, A. Dean.

7th Row: D. Deder, P. Diehl, M. Doherty, H. Dovre, J. Fox,
M. Fry, E. Garcia, M. Genovesi.

8th Row: J. Gent, P. Giambri, B. Glasshagel, L. Graham,
M. Gramer, F. Grommes, G. Grommes, P. Gruenberg.





1st Row: F. Hansen, M. Heinz, D. Hellickson, D. Holm,
J. Keck, D. Kerner, T. Koch, S. Kroning.

2nd Row: N. Lee, E. Lenertz, R. Logan, C. Long, N. Lootens,
D. Markl, A. Mitros, P. Petersen.

3rd Row: J. Poole, R. Purdy, J. Raffel, P. Raymond, M.
Root, L. Schlick.

4th Row: D. Schramer, M. Scott, C. Sinclair.

5th Row: J. Sleeman, L. Snyder, M. Spoden.

6th Row: B. Stuart, T. Swiatowski, D. Taylor.

7th Row: O. Tolley, W. Van Burkom, B. Vetter.

8th Row: N. Walker, M. Wheeler, B. Williams.



FRESHMEN EXTRAS



1st Row: L. Adamson, L. Anderson, G. Beardsley.

2nd Row: K. Beeman, R. Berndt, H. Breitenborn.

3rd Row: C. Brown, R. Burian, D. Byewater.

4th Row: C. Carlson, L. Christopher, M. Cornella.

5th Row: D. Cue, A. Dastych, D. Dickey, J. Dierks, B. Diershaw.

6th Row: A. Dieter, H. Dieter, R. Dieter, A. Eck, D. Ferguson, N. Fox, R. Gardner, M. Gerbers.

7th Row: A. Glasshagel, K. Haag, L. Hacker, R. Hanson, G. Hawley, F. Heibel, B. Heisler, D. Holm.

8th Row: G. Hutson, C. Jaeger, K. Jahns, M. Johnson, D. Jones, C. Kaelin, J. Kammes, R. Kimmel.





1st Row: D. Kozlowski, L. Krauss, L. Kruse, E. Lenertz,
R. Levey, D. Lister, R. McChesney, R. McMahon.

2nd Row: T. McNichols, D. Marlowe, J. Mayo, J. Meriam,
D. Moore, E. Mummert, P. Neslund, G. Nottingham.

3rd Row: J. Olson, M. Olesen, T. Paladeau, J. Phillips,
R. Rakow, W. Rohr, N. Saeck, D. Sauber.

4th Row: G. Schauner, G. Schingoethe, J. Schmidt, S.
Schommer, J. Schusler.

5th Row: L. Stone, G. Sykes, D. Todd.

6th Row: W. Towne, H. Vantrese, J. Vantresse.

7th Row: M. Verselder, E. Villegas, W. Warkentin.

8th Row: T. Warning, L. Weissing, L. Wheeler.





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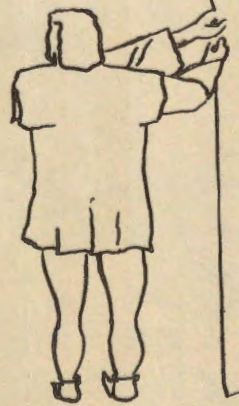
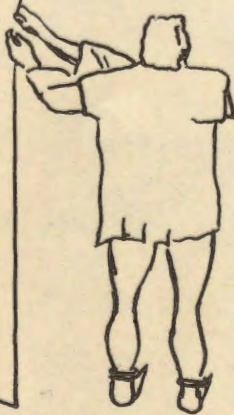
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"The Mob"





PRESENTING
THE
ACTIVITIES





Challenge

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4th Row: G. Cain, J. Dennerlein, J. Garcia, G. Schlueter, W. Lanz, F. Kimmel, P. Heibel, F. Olesen, E. Baethke, B. Russell, S. Lockie.

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2nd Row: P. Farrell, A. Speck, D. Heinz, P. Heisler, R. Raffel, P. Berndt, M. Lister, S. Stone, I. Wheeler, B. Sheahan.

1st Row: G. Gurbacki, B. Simpson, G. Klein, R. Kullman, D. Phillips, J. Wilder, G. Van Dran, M. Baker, M. J. Mueller, S. Rucker.

Back Row: J. Dennerlein, G. Van Dran, F. Kimmel, D. Phillips.

Middle Row: J. Garcia, G. Giambri, G. Gurbacki, B. Russell.

Front Row: R. Kullman, J. Wilder, Editor, B. Lanz, C. Dierks.

"Guys and Dolls"

Challenge Staff





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3rd Row: D. Sandhop, D. Schramer, D. Holm, P. Hensel, L. McLeod, C. Kearns, M. Armbrust, D. Heinz, B. Glasshagel, C. Enders, M. Gramer.
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"The Informer"

We-Go Staff

"The Editors"

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Director



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Orchestra

"The More the Merrier"

5th Row: H. Howard, L. Adamson, T. Rucker, C. Brown, S. Perkins.

4th Row: L. Stillman, G. Cain, A. Wegener, B. Hutson, W. Rohr, W. Hensel.

3rd Row: B. Wilson, C. Carlson, E. Schlueter, S. Dieter, M. Gerbers, C. Born, M. Lovellette, M. Haag, N. Lootens, B. Hammond.

2nd Row: N. Saeck, J. Cobain, M. Johnson, J. Raffel, D. Roloff, J. Burns, C. Booth, G. Catriz.

1st Row: L. Wheissing, J. Podzansky, D. Crane, J. Wilson, C. Rolloff, D. Buhr, D. Choice.

2nd Row: N. Meriam, B. Cook, R. Kullman, H. Ackerman, T. Rucker.

1st Row: G. Nottingham, B. Lanz, E. Dierking, M. Johnson.

"Idiot's Delight"

Dance Band





Top Row: C. Booth, A. Wegener, C. Brown, G. Cain, G. Catriz.

Middle Row: L. Stone, C. Born, H. Born, P. Vantreese.

Bottom Row: S. Dieter, E. Schlueter, M. Lovellete, J. Schmidt.



Top Row: N. Lootens, B. Lanz, G. Nottingham, M. Root, E. Dierking.

Bottom Row: L. Christopher, B. Lootens, S. DeLong, R. Sauer.

Band

B. Williams, R. Levey, M. Johnson, K. Jahns, J. Donahue.



"Gone With the Wind"

Top Row: R. Berndt, F. Brown, J. Cornella, P. Giambri, D. Homer.

Middle Row: W. Rohr, R. Sauer, C. Norris.

Bottom Row: H. Ackerman, D. Rucker, D. Rybacki.





Pep Band

"Hellzapoppin"

Back Row: R. Berndt, D. Taylor, J. Cornella, R. Kerner, H. Ackerman.
Front Row: G. Nottingham, M. Johnson, M. Root.

Miss Abbott, P. Giambri, A. Utterbach, J. Wilder, T. Rucker, A. Babcock, N. Meriam,
 K. Wheeland, G. Schlueter, W. Lanz, M. Root, D. Taylor.

"The Jazz Singers"

Boy's Chorus





Freshmen Girls' Chorus

"Mad Wednesday"

Back Row: L. Weissing, L. Stone, D. Lister, E. Mummert, L. Adamson, M. Cornella, G. Sykes, D. Holmes.

Front Row: D. Jones, S. Schommer, R. Levey, M. Oleson, T. McNichols, C. Jaeger, C. Carlson, A. Glasshagel.

Back Row: G. Gurbacki, I. Brown, S. Rucker, M. Bollweg, L. Cue, B. Glasshagel, M. Hienburg, L. Fisher, C. Sinclair, M. Patch, D. Buhr, D. Holmes.

Middle Row: A. Mitros, L. Graham, S. Stone, L. Dettmann, G. Brooks, M. Armbrust, L. Buckner, J. Brown, B. Miller, J. Wegener, G. Catriz, P. Raymond.

Front Row: J. Cobain, B. Kruse, C. Long, M. Mueller, L. Schneider, G. Giambri, B. Hutson, C. Beach, P. Gruenburg, A. Crane, N. Walker, M. Bork.

"For Men and Music"

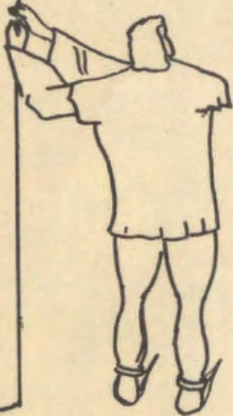
Girls' Glee Club







PRESENTING
THE
SPORTS



Varsity Basketball

"The Lemon Drop Kids"



Top Row: D. Kaelin, G. Tinnes, D. Dabbert, mgr., N. Meriam, R. Wilson, R. Price, coach.
Middle Row: B. Cook, K. Golan, G. Schlueter, K. Lenertz, E. Dierking.
Bottom Row: C. Gustafson, K. Wheeland, H. Stahl, capt., A. Anderson, O. Shaw.

Top Row: H. Fletcher, coach, F. Brown, H. Breitenborn, R. Vetter, D. Deder, W. Towne, V. Jahns, coach.
Middle Row: T. Warning, mgr., W. Warkentin, J. Dierks, H. Ackerman, L. Kruse, R. Gardner, A. Eck, K. Jahns, J. Gent, Mgr.
Bottom Row: H. Dovre, D. Kerner, R. Purdy, R. Hansen, J. Cook, D. Taylor, G. Hawley.



Fresh-Soph Basketball

"The Prowlers"



Top Row: O. Tolley, R. Vetter, N. Meriam, F. Kimmel, K. Wheeland, F. Brown, R. Price, coach.

Middle Row: T. Swiatowski, B. Cook, T. Rucker, K. Golan, W. Watanabe.

Bottom Row: H. Dovre, E. Dierking, J. Kistenbroker, G. Tinnes, D. Phillips, J. Wilder.



Field Events



Distance Runners



Relay Team



Hurdles



Back Row: M. Gardner, A. Wegener, A. McNichols, B. Russell, L. Graham, S. McAleese.

Middle Row: P. Raymond, N. Lee, D. Acheson, M. Gramer, M. R. Mueller.

Front Row: L. Cue, G. Gurbacki, D. Heinz, S. Kroning.

P. Raymond, M. Bollweg, L. Dettmann, M. Heinz



"As You Like It"

Cheerleaders

"The Women"



5th Row: M. Baker, M. Patch, A. McNichols, M. Lister, P. Farrell, B. Wold, B. Russell, S. Lockie, M. Hienberg, L. Fisher, M. Struckman, P. Berndt, S. Stone.
 4th Row: M. McNichols, E. Stillman, S. Silvasy, M. Buckley, D. Heinz, M. R. Mueller, N. Bradley, L. McLeod, B. Hutson, C. Kearns, B. Sauber.
 3rd Row: N. Simpson, L. Stillman, C. Enders, P. Hensel, D. Acheson, A. Wegener, G. Heinz, B. Glasshagel, N. Brown, A. Speck, B. Kruse, E. Heiser, G. Gurbacki.
 2nd Row: L. Wheeland, L. Streit, G. Main, G. Brooks, L. Dettmann, M. Bollweg, M. Gardner, N. Heinz, J. Karp, M. Armbrust.
 1st Row: I. Wheeler, P. Dickey, M. J. Mueller, P. Heisler, I. Munson, B. Miller, J. Bryson, S. McAleese, L. Cue, J. Wegener.

G. A. A.

5th Row: I. Brown, D. Hellickson, L. Wheeler, L. Stone, M. Wheeler, D. Lister, J. Meriam, E. Mummert, S. Kroning, L. Adamson, C. Sinclair.
 4th Row: M. Gramer, D. Moore, C. Jaeger, G. Sykes, R. Levey, J. Schusler, M. Fry, L. Graham, A. Mitros, N. Lee, J. Cobain.
 3rd Row: B. Heiser, P. Raymond, G. Catriz, M. Gerbers, A. Glasshagel, S. Schommer, M. Verselder, M. Heinz, N. Walker, Miss Giuliani.
 2nd Row: C. Beach, L. Bromilow, D. Holm, C. Born, T. McNichols, D. Buhr, B. Glasshagel, M. Doherty, F. Grommes, A. Crane.
 1st Row: D. Schramer, J. Schmidt, L. Hacker, D. Dickey, N. Seack, D. Holm, C. Long.



"Little Women"







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