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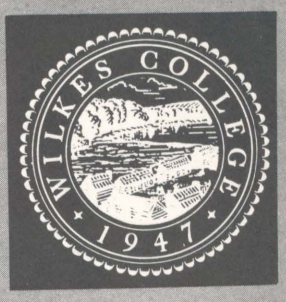

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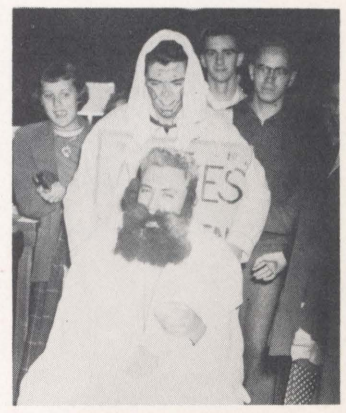

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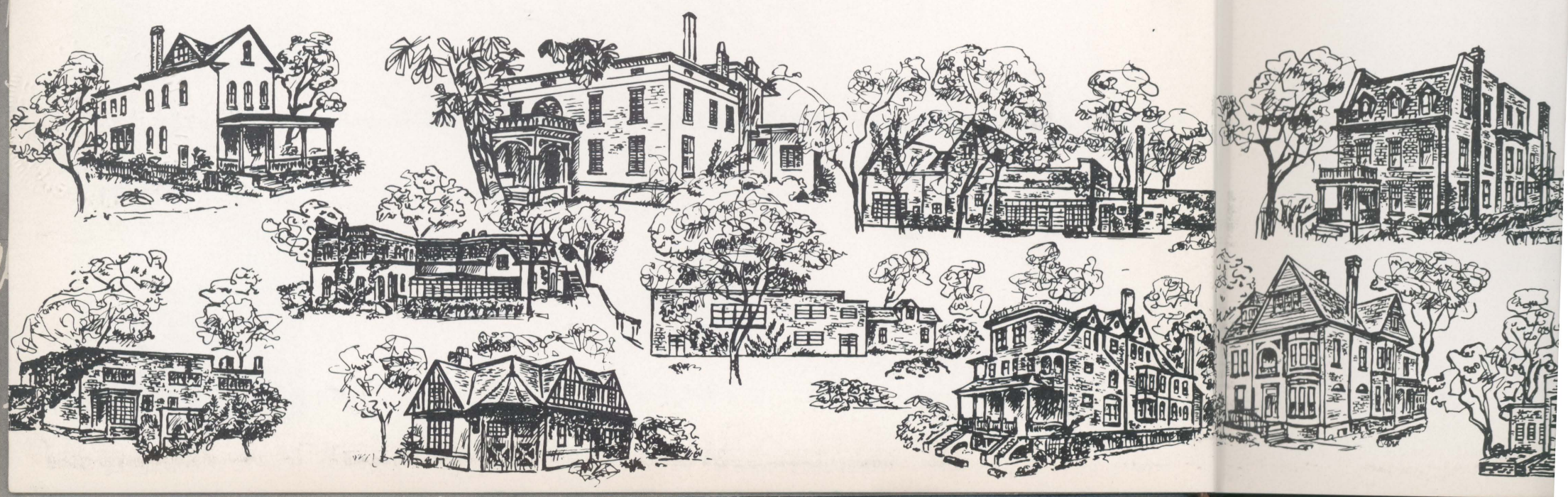

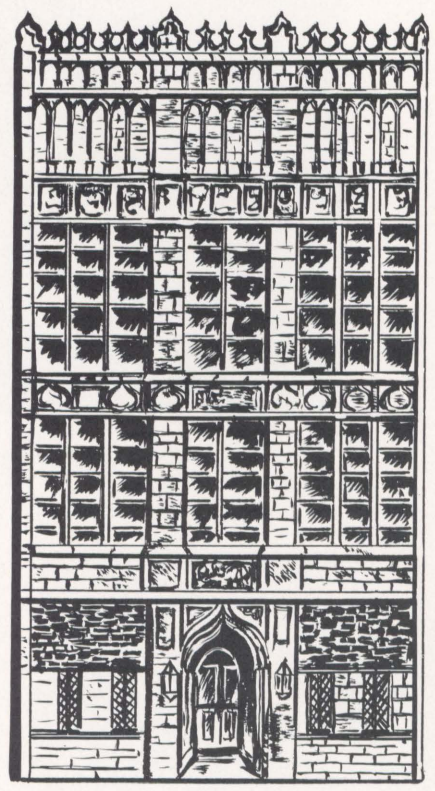

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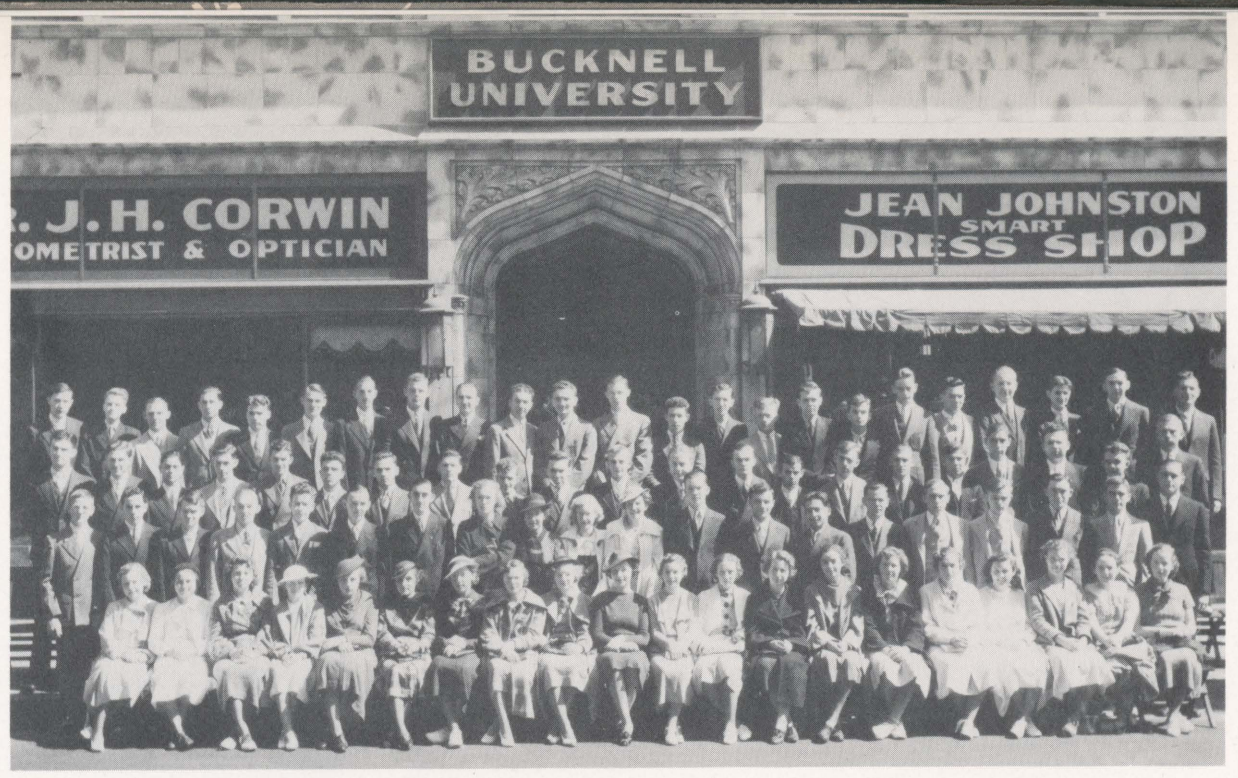
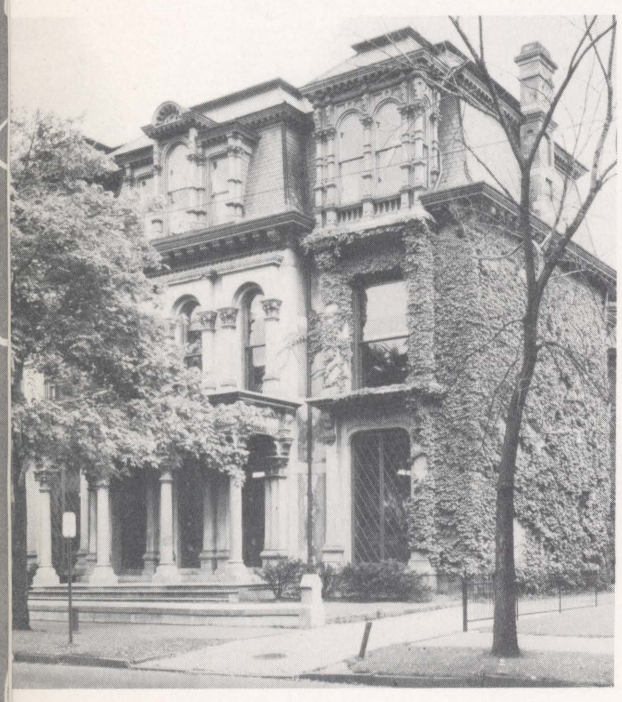


The first graduating class from Bucknell Junior College in 1935. Note that the building is now the site of Kings's College.



Mrs. John Conyngham donated Conygham Hall to the College in 1937.

VORIS B. HALL
Head of Engineering Department

ELWOOD J. DISQUE
Head of Language Department

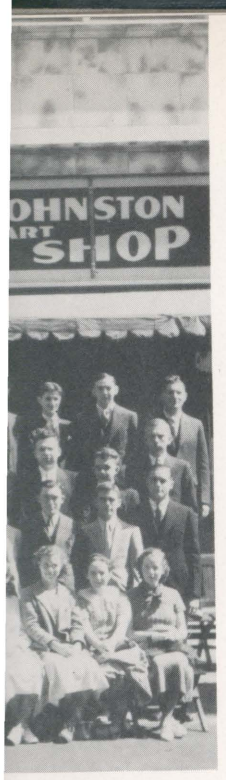
These two instructors have witnessed the growth of Wilkes College. They've been teaching here since its very beginning.

Wilkes

The story of Wilkes College cannot be recorded in bricks and mortar, financial records, nor in statistics of growth and achievement. The story of your college is the story of an idea changed into a reality.

In 1933, the idea of a local college was first conceived. Without seeking local support, representatives of Bucknell University at Lewisburg were persuaded to establish a junior college in Wilkes-Barre. In this new venture, as in all new ventures, the motives that led to action were mixed. During a period of falling enrollments a junior college in Wilkes-Barre would increase the enrollments in the junior and senior years at Lewisburg. At the same time the young people of Wyoming Valley were caught in the declining economy of the coal region, and without a local college many of the best students would be denied the opportunity of a higher education. To maintain the position of the University and at the same time to provide new opportunities for a neglected area, a new college was created. The motivating forces combined the practical with the ideal. The authorities at Lewisburg sought to strengthen their own position by rendering a service to the young people of Wyoming Valley.

So it happened that in 1933 Bucknell University established its Junior College on the third floor of the building at 39 West Northampton Street. Classes started in September.



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The first Board of Trustees

Later, in 1934, Bucknell University rented the entire building at 29 West Northampton Street and equipped it to serve 200 students, and in 1935 the first class graduated from the Junior College.

The opening of the College was seized by students as an opportunity for self-improvement, and as students demonstrated their sincerity and appreciation community leaders stepped forward to offer a hand. Men and women, imbued with faith in young people, broadened this opportunity by expanding the college.

In 1937, Admiral and Mrs. Harold R. Stark and Mrs. John Conyngham donated Chase and Conyngham Halls; and in 1938 a small group of friends gave $28,000 to finance the adaptation of Chase and Conyngham Halls to college requirements. Also in 1938, Weckesser Hall was presented to the College by Mr. and Mrs. Frederick J. Weckesser.

The first contributions to a scholarship fund were made by a small group of friends in 1939. These were enlarged by interested friends in 1942.

In 1941, Mr. Allan Kirby gave the former residence of his father for use as a library and arts building. A small group of friends joined Mr. Kirby to provide funds for alterations and endowment. The college also received $25,000 from the estate of Daniel C. Roberts in 1941.

Hollenback Hall, the latest addition to our expanding campus, 1953.

Chase and Conyngham Halls were the first buildings on campus. They were acquired in 1937.

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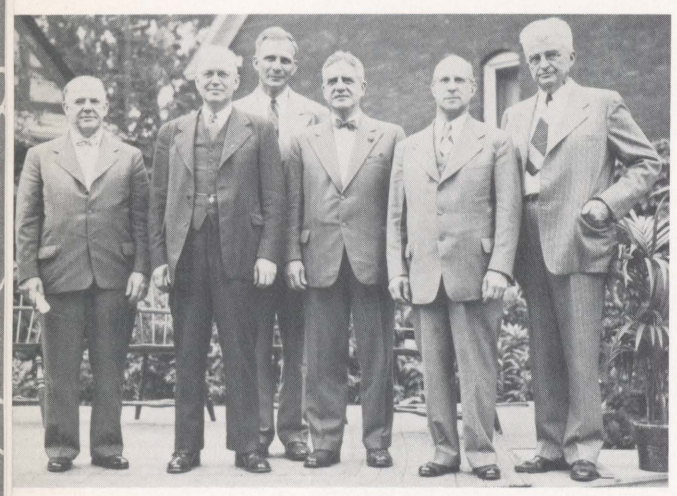

A proud day as Wilkes College receives its charter in 1947.

During the war aviation students studied at Wilkes.

Engrossed in their work, these students are sitting in what is now a lab in Conyngham Hall.

Then, in 1944, the Board of Trustees laid plans for the creation of a four-year college and raised $150,000 as the first step in creating the required endowment.

The purchase of Isaac Barre, and Gies Halls was made in 1945 with funds contributed by three trustees.

In 1946, the Board of Trustees with 1,200 friends of the College contributed $443,000 for endowment and expansion. In the same year Zebulon Butler Hall was purchased for the College and Ashley Hall was given by the heirs of the Ashley estate. Also in 1946, Bucknell University assisted the Junior College in meeting its obligations to veterans and the community by offering the last two years of College work in Wilkes Barre.

Wilkes College emerged from Bucknell University Junior College in 1947 and was chartered by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to offer four-year courses. During that same year the parking lot on South Franklin Street was given by Andrew J. Sordoni and the site of the gymnasium was acquired.

The year 1948 marked the completion of the lecture hall and the acquisition of Timothy Pickering Hall by purchase.

In 1949, fourteen hundred friends of the College pledged $217,000 to assure the construction of a gymnasium. Also in 1949, Sterling Hall came to the College by bequest of Col. Walter Carl Sterling and the president's residence at 146 South River Street was given by a friend of the College.

In 1950, members of the third graduating class received the first Wilkes College diplomas (members of the first two classes received Bucknell University diplomas). The gymnasium was completed and ready for use when the college opened in September.

McClintock, Sturdevant, and Hollenback halls were acquired by the College in the years 1951, '52, and '53 respectively. This brings us up to the present time.

Only after the College was established did those responsible for its development fully recognize the great service that could be rendered to the community through a constructive program of higher education. Through their work they soon gained the realization that the future of the community rested in its people more than in its economic resources. They sensed that an intelligent, trained, and confident people could create a new future for this community which in those years of depression seemed to have no future.

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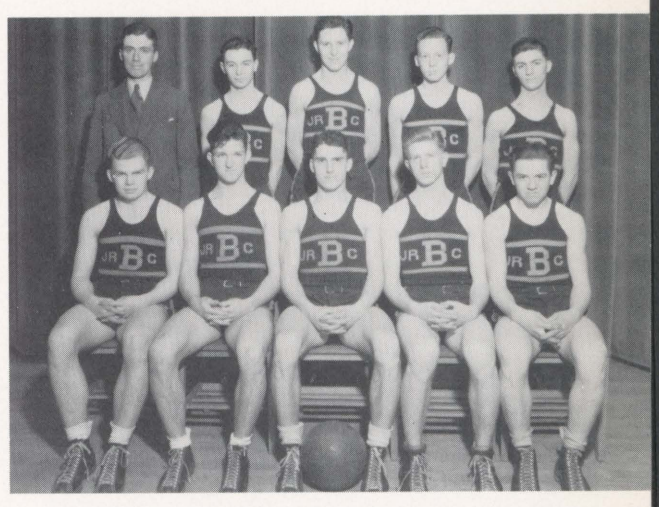
every individual and agency working for community betterment. In consequence of this realization, Wilkes College never has been and never will be a college apart from the community. It is bound into the community by its purpose, its sense of obligation, and its desire to be of service. It has been given support by the community and in turn it has offered its resources and given stimulus to the community. For some years it has been recognized that as the College prospers, the community will benefit, and as the community prospers, the College will benefit. The welfare of one affects the welfare of the other.

A community that has not been accustomed to the advantges of a college is slow to sense the cultural and economic advantages that are offered by the presence of such an institution. Although slow to sense the value of the College, the leaders of this community gave increasingly generous support once they recognized the significance of higher education to their young people and to the future of the community. They recognized that the community could not grow if it did not release and nurture the great resources of the human mind and spirit. They sensed that the future of Wyoming Valley lay in the minds and spirits of the people, for where you have men of intelligence and training, the economic resources of a community will be used; and where these dynamic resources of mind and spirit remain undeveloped the great economic resources of an area and nation also remain undeveloped.

As one trustee recently remarked, "Wilkes College is an evidence of the dynamic force inherent in a free community. Only where minds and spirits are free can a college be conceived in adversity and nurtured by hope until the substance for material growth is gained." To this trustee the College is an example of the creative and dynamic force of the human intellect and spirit released from its bonds and nurtured by the individual's quest for personal betterment.

Those of you who are graduating this year are aware of the tangible growth of the College. You know of the growth, buildings, endowment, and resources; but you may still be unaware of the spiritual roots which are its greatest strength.

If the College has served you well, you will take with you some of the vision, hope, and down-to-earth reality that has been built into the foundations of your Alma Mater. Because the hope of the future of our nation and our survival lie in the minds and the spirits of men, rather than in the institutions that have been created by them, we hope that the story of your own small college may give you a greater vision and a greater strength in the years ahead.



Bucknell University's first basketball team.
First row: (left to right)—Kolinarisky, Loftus, Sevengel, W. Haines, Grudkowsky. (Second row)—Coach Peters, Salsburg, Mallahan, O'Donnell, C. Haines.

A tea in the good old days.

The faculty of Bucknell U. Junior College go to a masquerade party.

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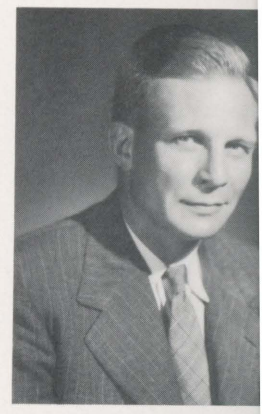
Gilbert McClintock receives the charter that allowed the banner of B.U.J.C. to be removed from the podium.



EUGENE SHEDDEN FA
President

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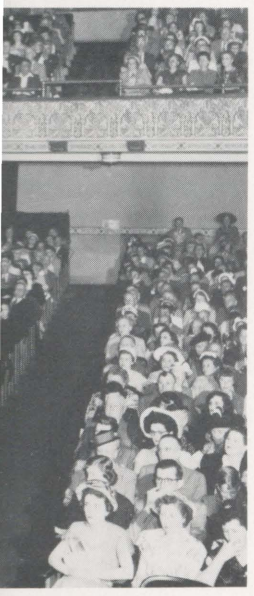
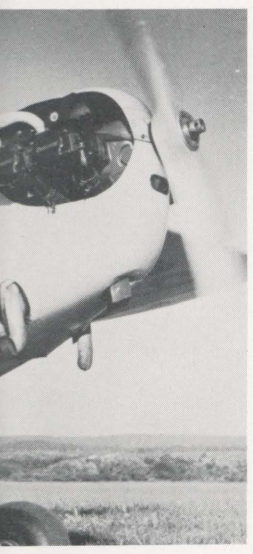
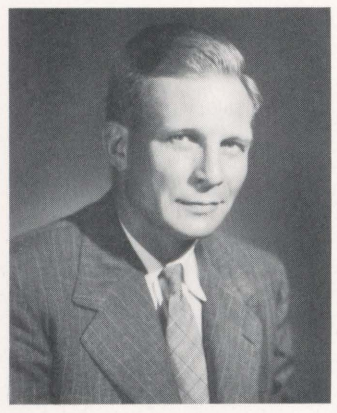
This, too, was a feature of the college when the Air Force was stationed here during the war.







EUGENE SHEDDEN FARLEY
President

Dedication

We dedicate this book with sincere appreciation to the man who is the school, Dr. Eugene S. Farley.

This man, above all others, has given us the right to an education by Wilkes College. His efforts and his driving force have made the school what it is today.

Just eighteen short years ago, he was asked to become President of this institution. At that time it was still a one building affair and a part of Bucknell University. He recognized the community's need for a college of its own and in the past years he worked towards the achievement of that goal.

He has his college now; the community's need is satisfied but new goals have taken the place of the need for a college. Now he concentrates on the enlargement of the school to a position that most people consider impossible.

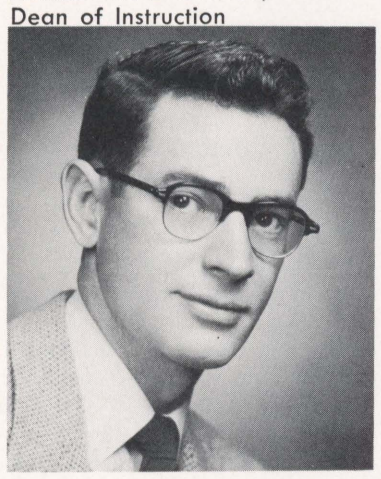
But they do not know Dr. Eugene Farley.

In his orderly way, he progresses step by step. There is nothing left undone behind him. He cannot regress . . . he has insured himself and the school against failure through his untiring efforts and his devotion and firmness in his beliefs.

Look to him, graduates.

Administration

ALFRED W. BASTRESS, Ph.D.
Dean of Instruction

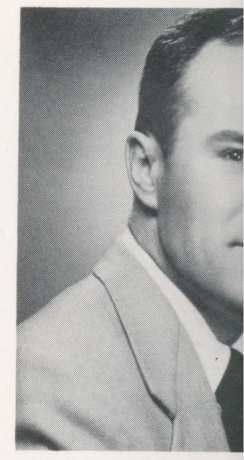


JOHN P. WHITBY, M.S.
Director of Admissions and Registrar

No college is truly effective as an educational institution unless it is properly administered. From inside Chase Hall the administration sends out policies which are to be followed during the course of the year. It is here that the official business of the College is conducted, and to the administration belongs a large part of the responsibility of maintaining a reputable college.

As students of Wilkes College we have all had personal relationships with the Administration at one time or another. Their friendliness and efficient manner have been a great comfort to us. The President, the Registrar, the Guidance Director, the Comptroller, the Chief of Public Relations, the Deans, and the Director of Activities are always willing to help us solve our problems whatever they may be.

Twenty years ago Bucknell University Junior College began here, that institution has since been replaced by Wilkes College. As a relatively young and struggling college we are fortunate indeed to have hard-working, sincere, responsible administrators working for the growth and improvement of Wilkes College.



GEORGE F. RALSTO
Dean of Men

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Director of Guidance
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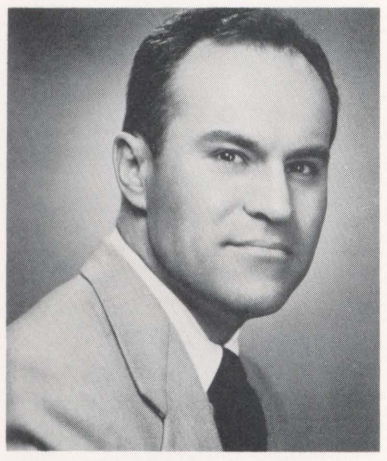

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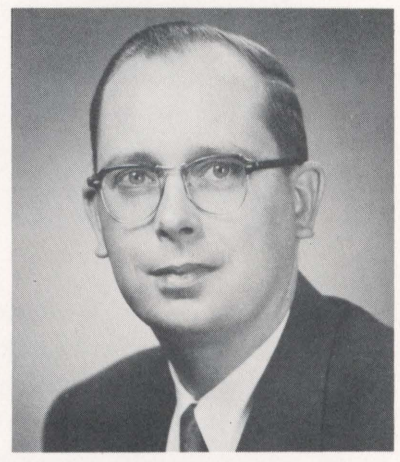

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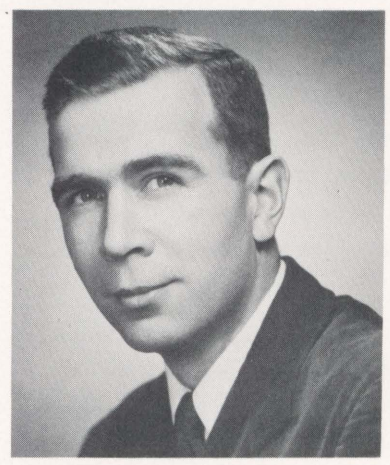

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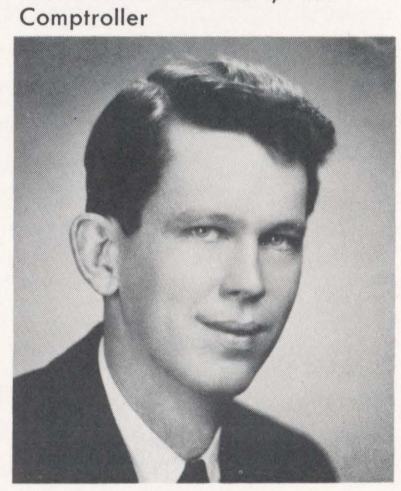

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Director of Public Relations

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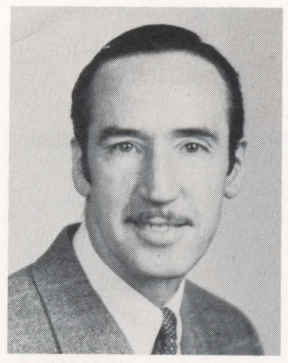
Department Chairmen

The vital role of the department heads of the college cannot be overstressed, Wilkes' rapid rise to a place of prominence among the nation's colleges and universities is in no small part the result of their earnest efforts. Their sound judgment and foresight, coupled with their human understanding, are responsible for the high standards, the expanding curriculum, and the varied activities of the College. To aid them in their task, they bring with them a wealth of specialized training and experience, as well as study, travel, and teaching the world over, thus giving them the cosmopolitan viewpoint so essential to the well-rounded development of the students. It is they who guide the students and prepare them to take their place as good citizens in the world.

Working together with the administration and the teachers they have the difficult task of keeping the educational program in tune with the times. It is essential that these mature educators understand fully both the needs and desires of the students. It is equally important that new courses be offered to the students and that new methods of teaching be introduced to keep pace with a rapidly improving educational world. This they have done for the benefit of the College and the community.

Students enrolled in the various courses offered by the College find the subject matter very interesting when it is explained by the Department Chairman. Fortunately, the privilege is extended to all students attending Wilkes. As diversified as their interests may be, the Department Chairmen are manifestly interested in the welfare of the students and they succeed in communicating their enthusiasm for their subjects to the undergraduates and thereby enliven the College curricula.



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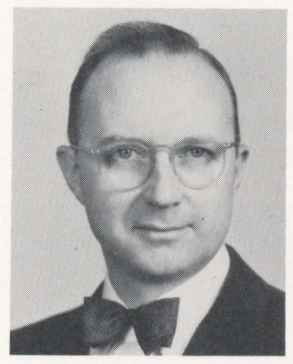

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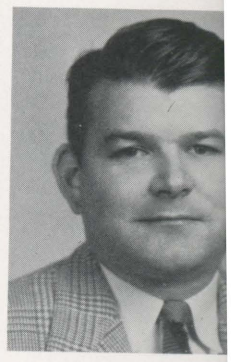

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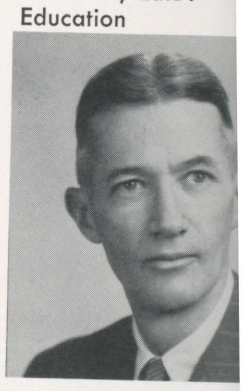

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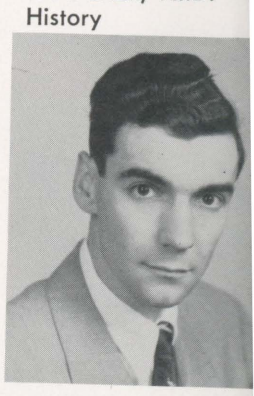

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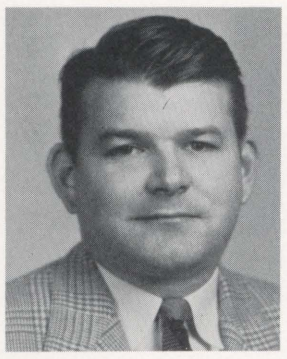

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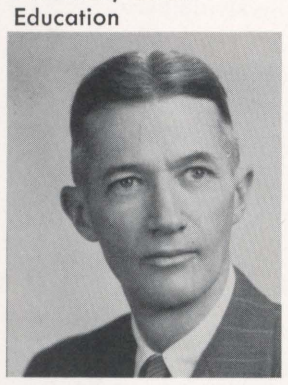

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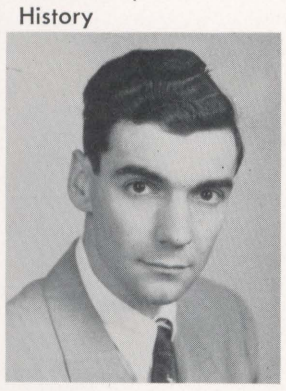

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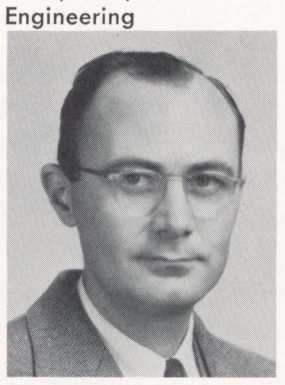

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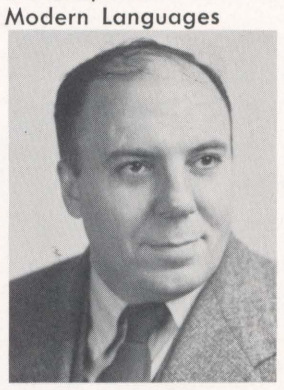

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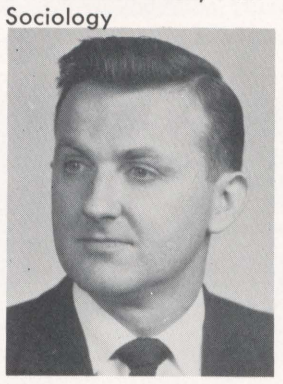

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Faculty

For a long time after graduation students will remember the faculty. They will often reflect smilingly on the fear that embraced them upon entering a classroom in their freshman year. They will remember, too, the warm smile, pleasant personalities, and inspiring character of the faculty members and who can forget the serious talks they had with their advisers and teachers when they were in need of advice, academic or otherwise? But the students will remember the faculty most for the efficient manner in which they conducted their classes and the knowledge which they successfully conveyed.

So much depends on our teachers—our learning to think logically, to make sound judgments, to discover values by which to live. Better than any other single group they can demonstrate that studying and learning can be fun, and that knowledge is to be valued for its own sake.

For that reason our faculty has been selected for their knowledge of the subjects they teach, the breadth of their experience, and the quality of their interest in students.

Not only do our teachers play a part in our scholastic life, but they also support our social ventures with regularity and enthusiasm. This interest in more than the academic aspects of college has done much to promote a congenial atmosphere and a healthy school spirit.

The unique personalities of many of our teachers has enriched our college days. They have left an indelible impression on our character, and we shall always remember them for their words of wisdom.

This new year members of the faculty include Miss Gallia, Mr. Joseph Miller, Mrs. Antoinette Shoemaker, Mr. Dana Verry, and Dr. Hoh-Cheung Mui, who taught at Wilkes before, but took a leave of absence.

Dr. Thatcher proves his versatility.

CATHERINE H. BONE
Chemistry

VERNE BUNN
Retail Merchandising

Now I'm no radio expert, but . . .

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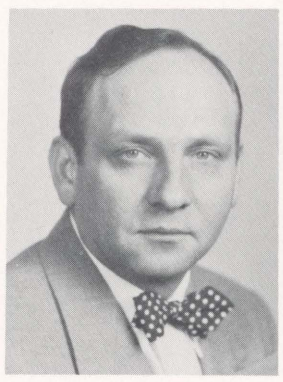

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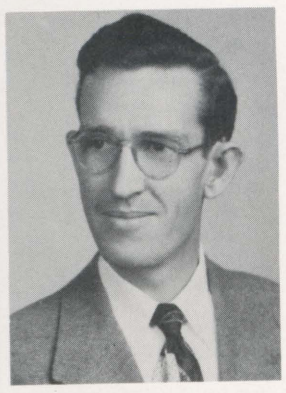

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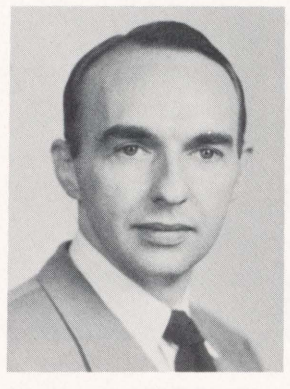

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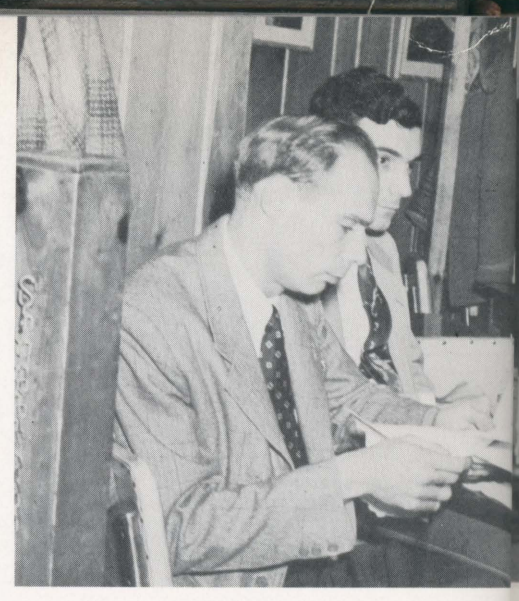
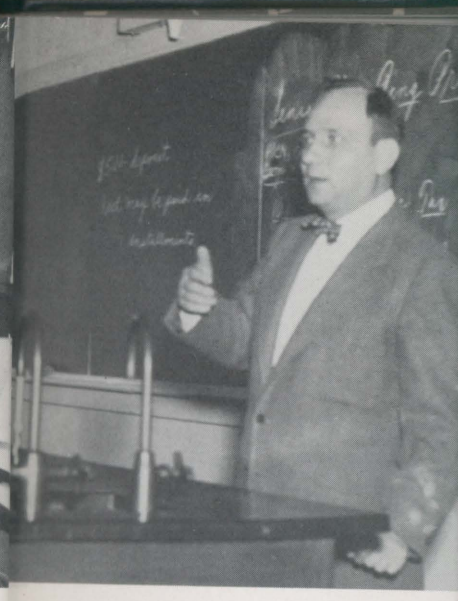
Faculty women, wives and friends meet to eat after the Moravian football game.

Cathal O'Toole making a sump look beautiful. Picture was taken last summer on land of the Glenn Alden Coal Company.



Acting and Music get together to discuss plans for the alumni musical, "Here's to Ya."



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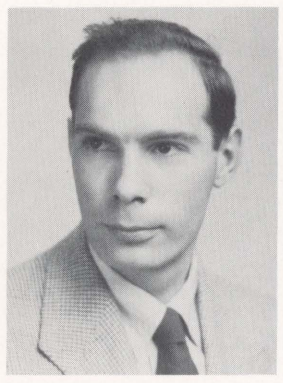

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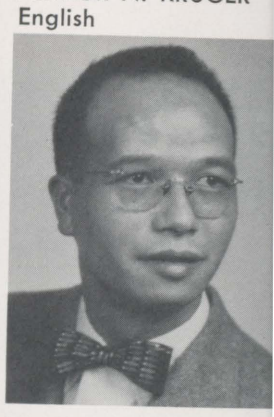

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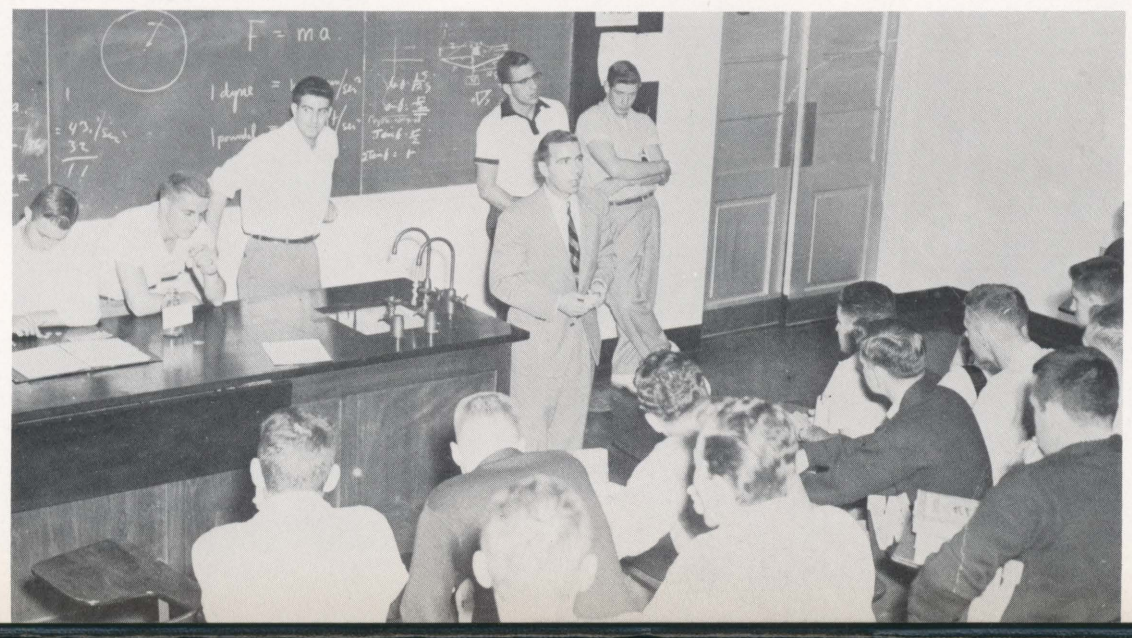

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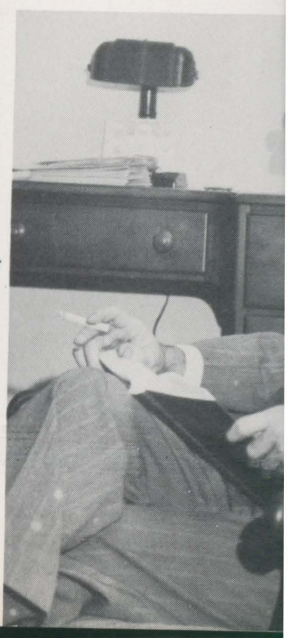

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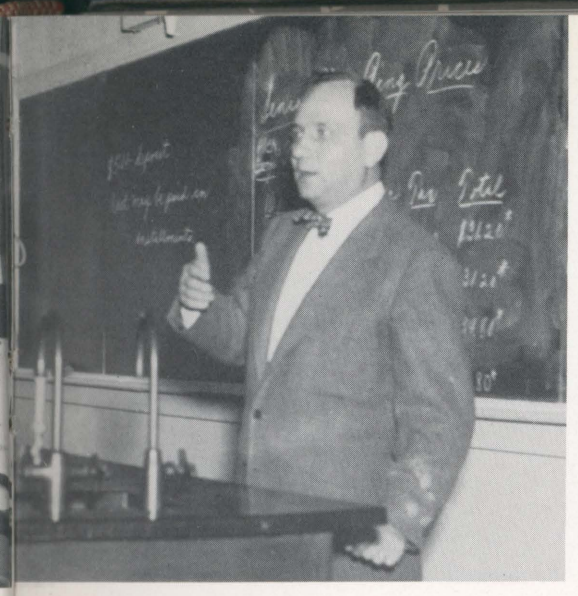

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Al Groh directing a rehearsal for "Ah! Wilderness!"

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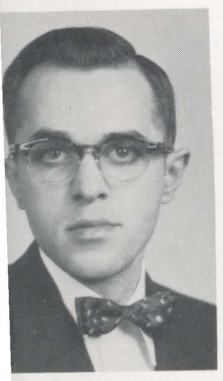

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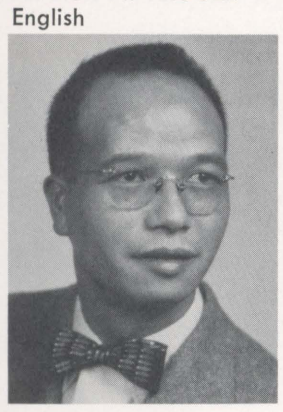

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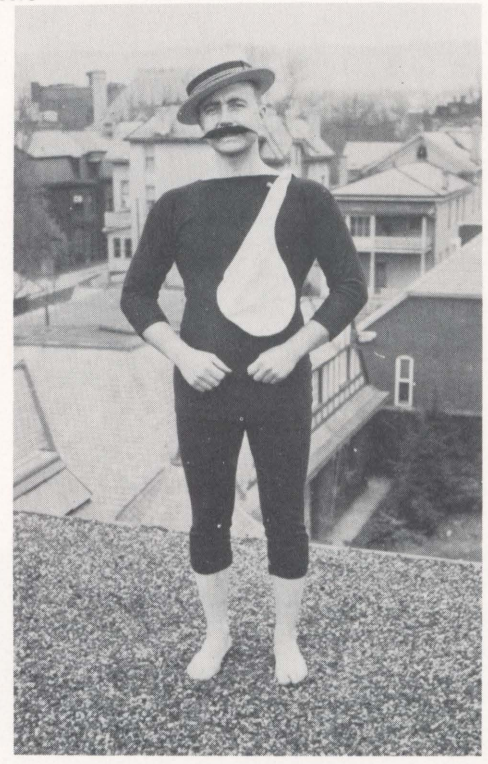

Not Faculty . . . We found it in our files—
you name it.

Mr. Robert Partridge gave the freshmen many helpful bits of advice.

A moment's rest at the end of the day.

Dr. S. A. Rosenberg and his Economics Club during their trip to Washington, D. C.

Mr. Moran directs the band whil the cheerleaders keep time.

MARITA RILEY
Psychology

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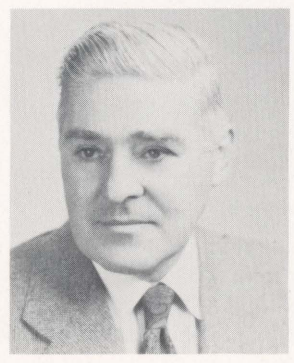

CROMWELL E. THOMAS
Engineering

Bob Moran and the boys have a little laugh.

Mr. Detroy seems to be raising an arde football fan. Must be an interesting gam

Mr. Moran directs the band while

the cheerleaders keep time.

"Let's see now, where was I?" Mr. Riley scans his notes in psychology class.

NETTE M.
AKER
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Secretarial Studies

NADA VUJICA
Library

STANLEY H. WASILESKI
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PAUL R. WERNER
Accounting

STANLEY J. YOUNG
Business Administration

It seems every photographer has to be a contortionist also. Mr. Detroy does very well.

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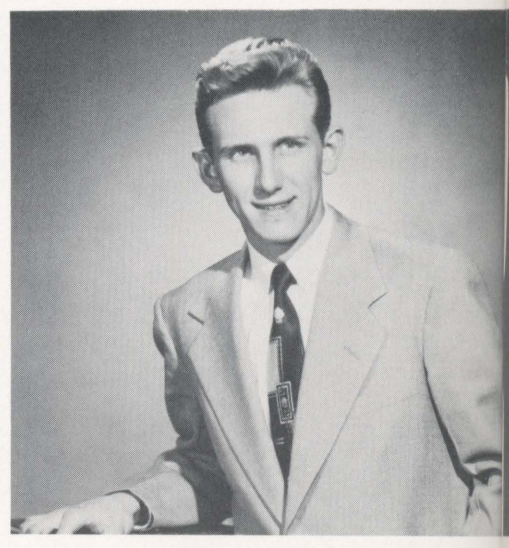
Campus Personalities

The story of a college and campus life is the story of the students enrolled in that institution, and it is with a great deal of pride that we of the *Amnicola* staff present our choice of Senior Campus Personalities. We feel that these seniors deserve special recognition for their efforts as prominent leaders during their four-year stay at Wilkes College. As active participants in extra-curricular activities these students have devoted a great deal of their time and talents to the improvement of the social life on the campus. These seniors were selected for their contributions to the college and the activities in which they participated, their ability to guide and get along with others, and their inspiring character.

As leaders and responsible campus citizens, these students have left their mark in all phases of campus life—athletics, scholarship, student government, music, drama, student publications, and departmental clubs.

When these students take their place in the world, the knowledge, patience, perseverance, tolerance, and sense of responsibility which they have acquired during their four years at Wilkes College will prove to be a valuable asset in a world full of challenges and conflicting opportunities.



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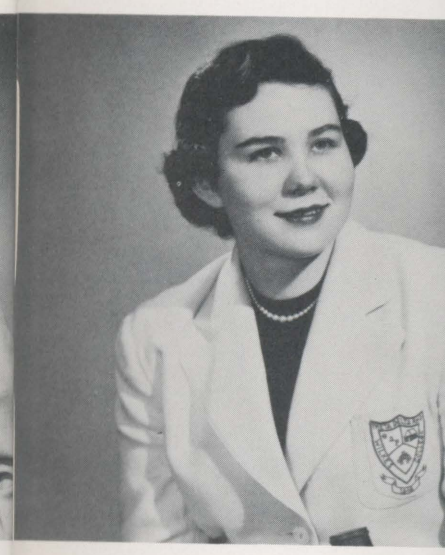

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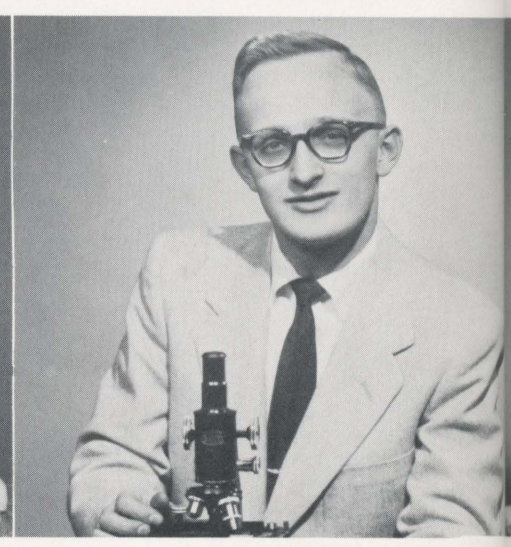

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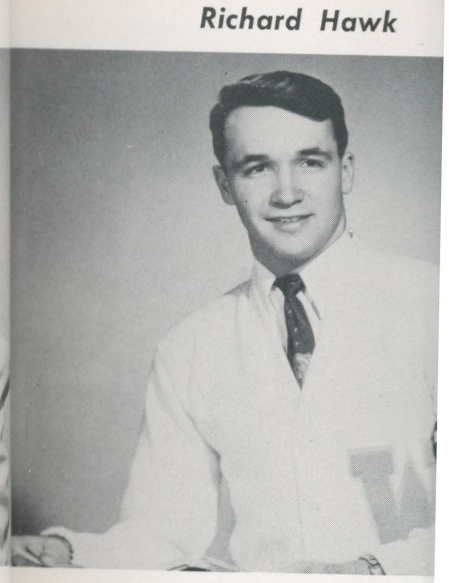

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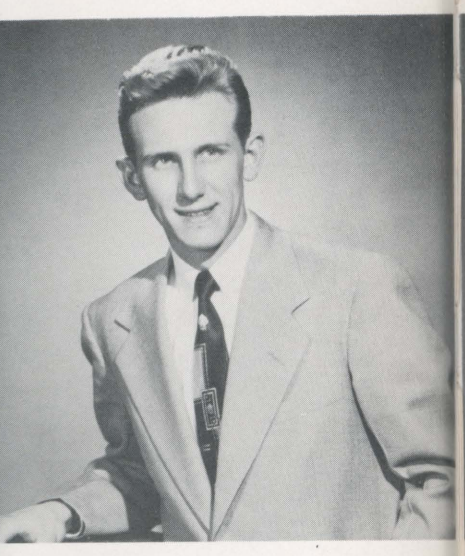

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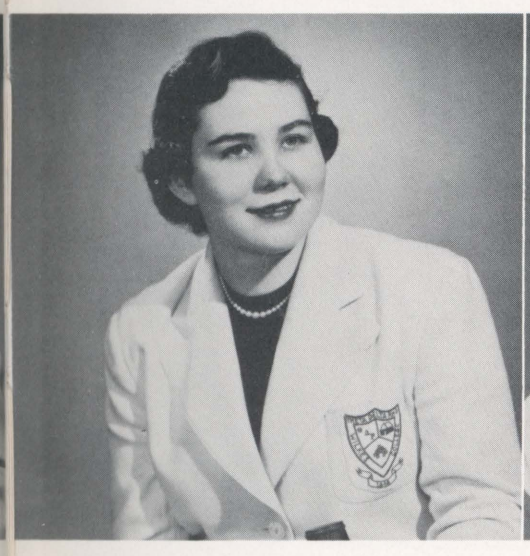

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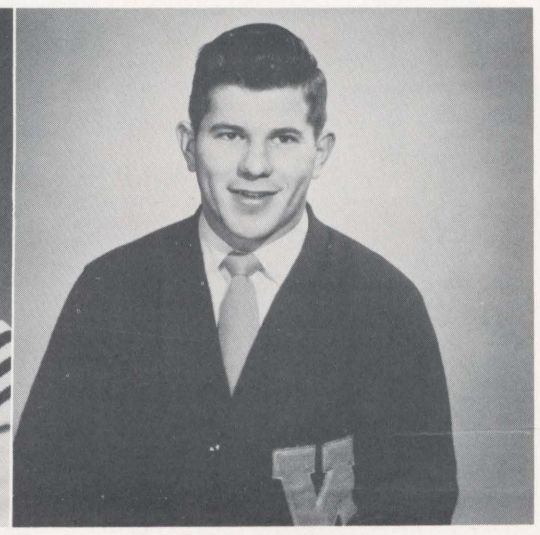
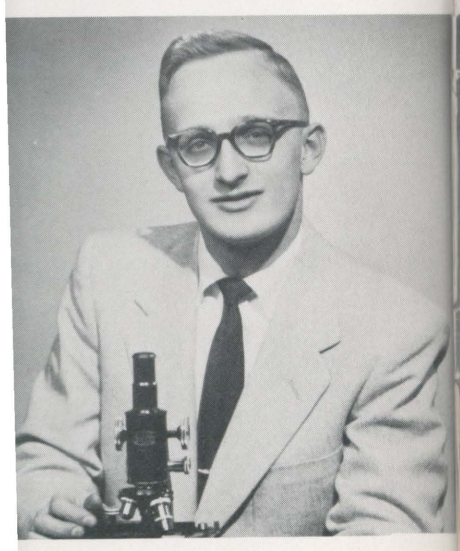


Hillard Kemp



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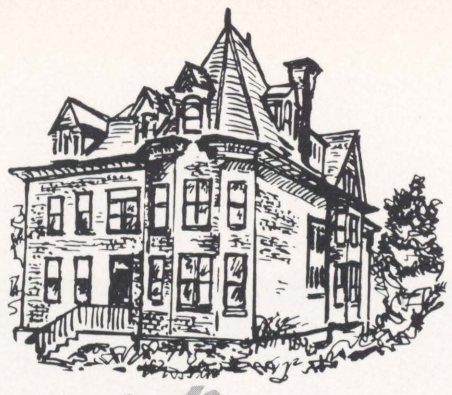
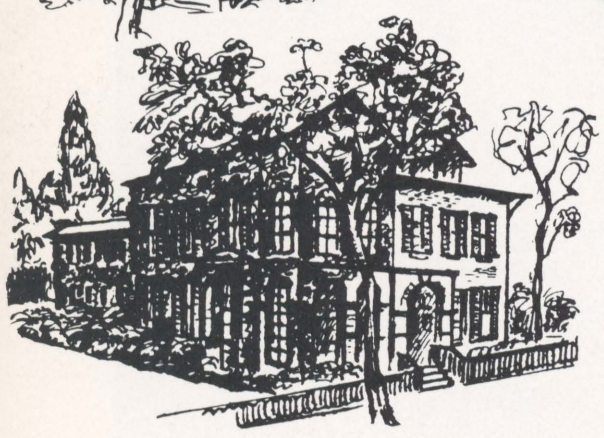


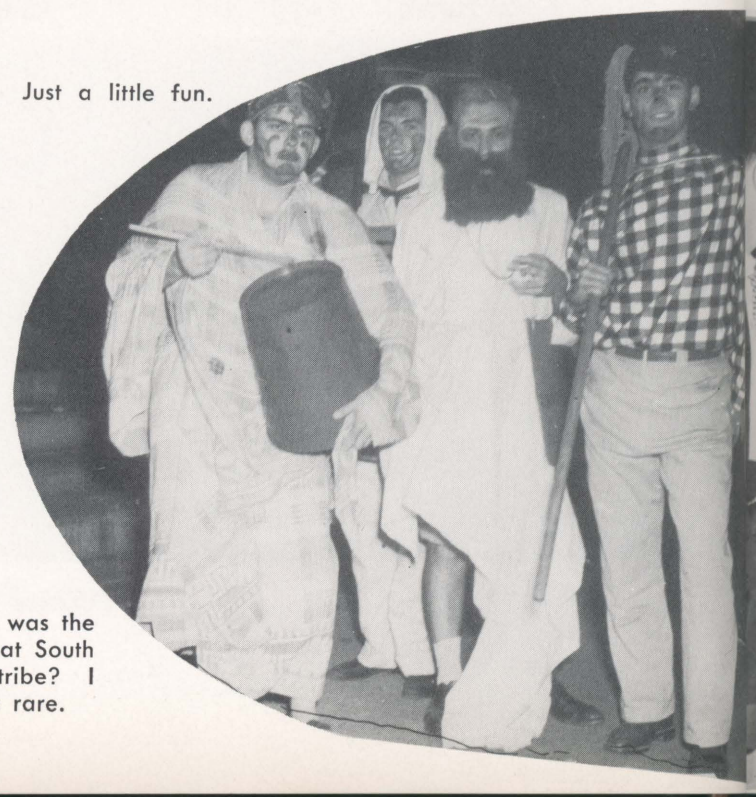


Dorm Doings

The lower one is "for real."

Room for one more?

Just a little fun.



Now, what was the name of that South American tribe? I know it's rare.

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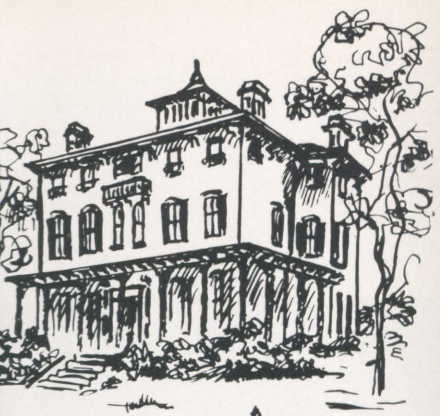

Moral: Never go into an examination room with cold feet.

e?

Let's see now, debit cash and credit sales . . . .

Dorm students chat during lunch hour.

Katia carefully and expertly directs the cold cuts.

Space Cadet.

World Lit. and history are obviously not the topic for discussion at the Dorm Christmas Party.

Christmas

A gift to Gayle Jones expresses the Lettermen's appreciation.

Faculty takes a moment's rest.

The traditional receiving line.

A bird's eye view of the beautiful backdrops created by Gayle Jones.

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As the band played on . . .

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formal

The annual Letterman's Formal highlighted the winter social season with General Chairman Russ Picton and Decorations Chairman "Hawk" Gross dreaming up some novel decoration schemes. The ceiling was dark blue and it was lighted by beautiful silver stars. The dance floor was outlined by Christmas trees adorned with soft blue lights creating a cool, soothing atmosphere. The spirit of Xmas was everywhere; even the entrance to the gym proper and all of the tables were gift-wrapped. All this was supplement by an inviting, colorful backdrop created by Gayle Jones.

As the couples made their entrance into the gym, they were greeted by "Old Saint Nick" who gave small favors to the ladies. They then proceeded to dance to the dreamy music of Lee Vincent and his orchestra.

"Would you mind checking my coat for me, Bob?"

Everyone's smiling, but what does Millie want with Naomi's dance card?

As the band played on . . .

Homecoming

Old grads were made to feel right at home on October 13 and 14 as the College celebrated its annual homecoming. The alumni came back to Wilkes on Friday, October 13, and enjoyed a coffee hour that afternoon in McClintock Hall. On Friday evening they held a general business meeting in the cafeteria, and on Saturday they attended a buffet supper and party at the Kingston House after which they went to see the Wilkes-Hofstra football game. The alumni had a very busy weekend.

There was fun for all as the students joined the celebration. The various clubs on campus welcomed the alumni with elaborate displays and decorations. The Chemistry and Engineering combined efforts to win the trophy awarded by the alumni. On Saturday evening the students formed a snake dance and moved over to Kingston where they enjoyed the Wilkes-Hofstra game.

Members of the alumni weigh the aesthetic value of the display on Conyngham Hall in judging the contest.

"You stay there ar

They're off to the Wilkes-Hofstra game.

The prize-winning display, artistically constructed by the chemistry and engineering students.

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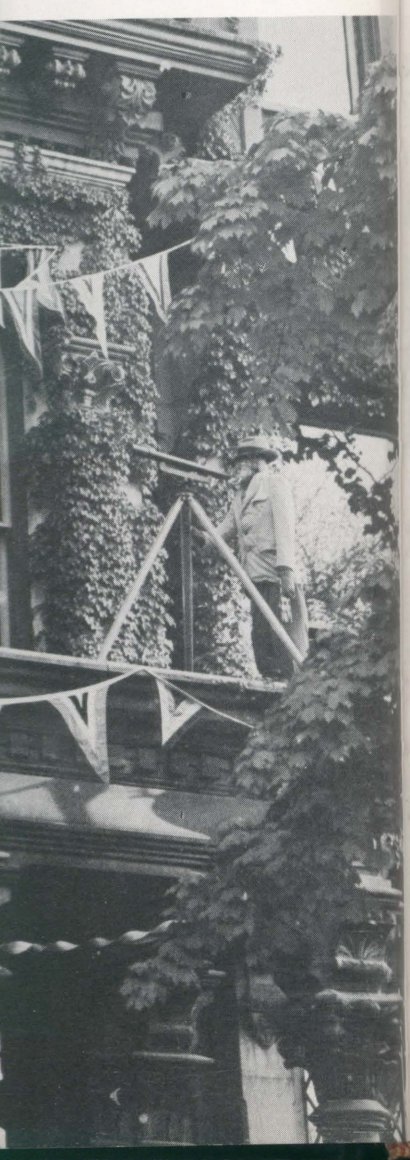
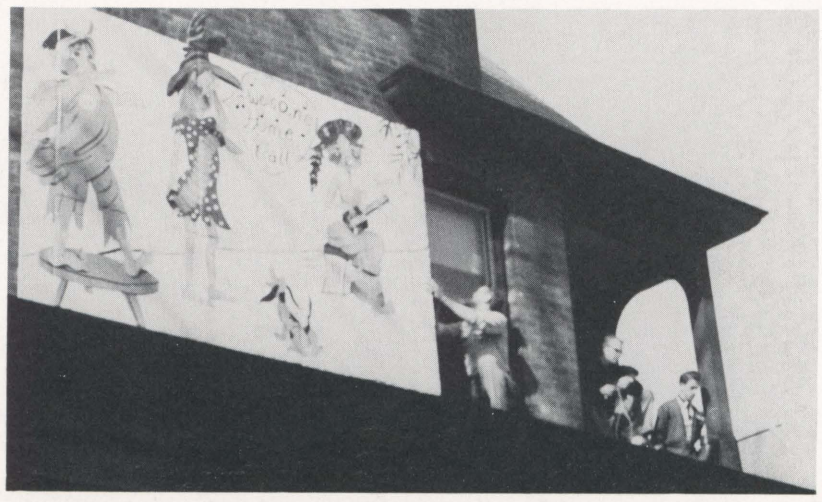


"You stay there and hold it, Carl."

The Lettermen set their books aside to prepare for Homecoming.

They're off to the Wilkes-Hofstra game.



Adjusting the display at Gies Hall.

A frosh does a small favor for the upperclassmen. Doesn't she look ambitious?

Grunting and groaning as
prove their worth on the f
and bring an abrupt end
period.

A group of frosh "criminals" sing the Alma Mater as their "superiors" listen intently.

Perhaps if we took off a few
hair she'd be less defiant.
paint her face with lipstick. (

ambitious?

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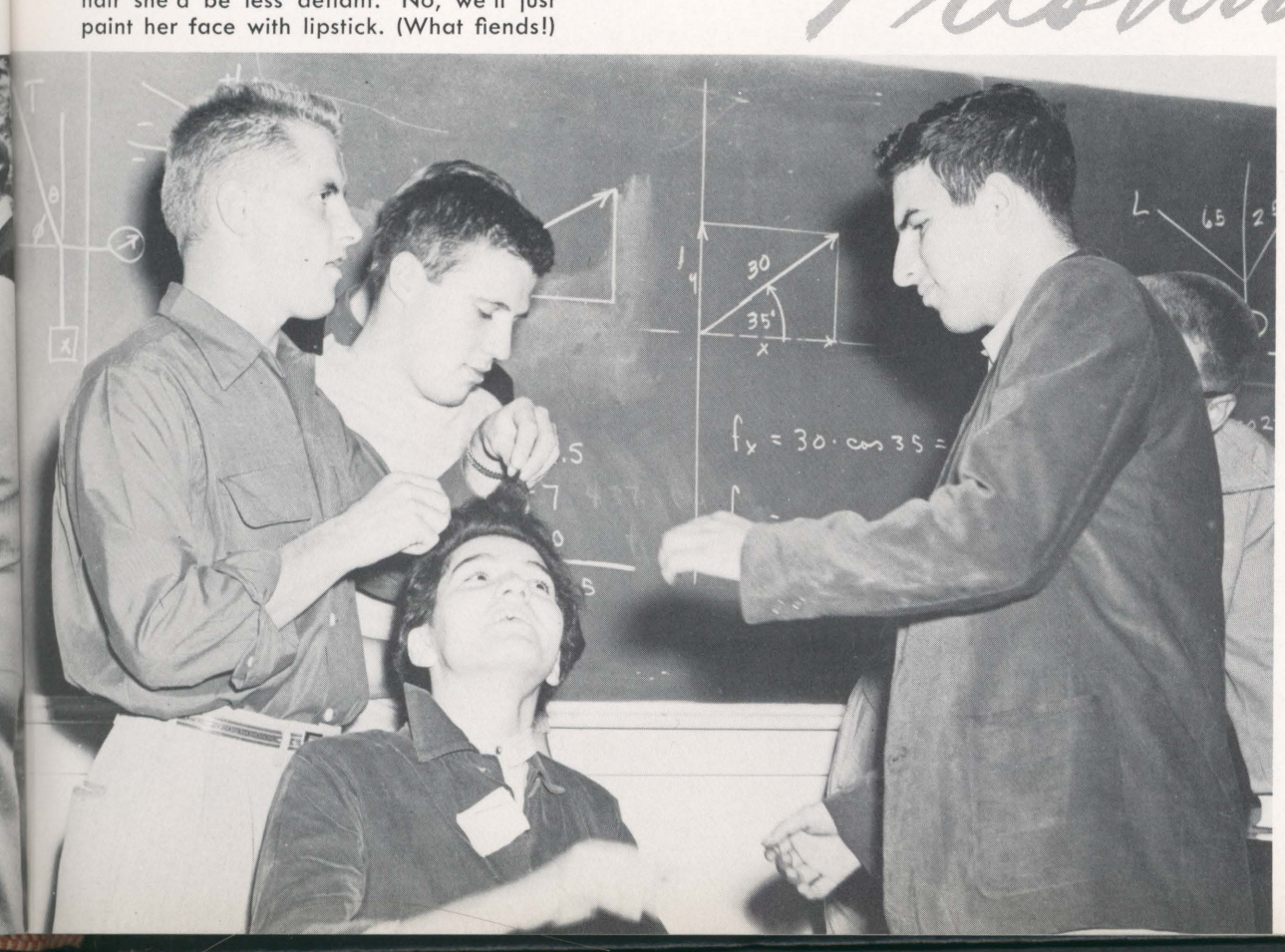
Grunting and groaning as the freshmen prove their worth on the field of battle and bring an abrupt end to the hazing period.

Perhaps if we took off a few locks of her hair she'd be less defiant. No, we'll just paint her face with lipstick. (What fiends!)

Freshmen



Freshmen

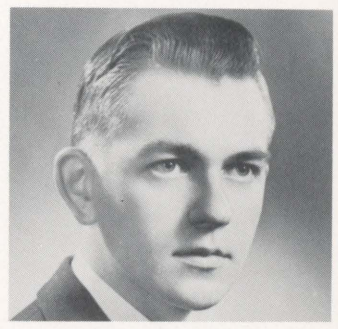
In the fall of 1953, on the fourteenth of September, we, the freshmen, came together for the first time as an organization of Wilkes College. During the first three days at college we were entertained by various campus groups, and finally registered as the class of "57." As a class we were initiated into campus life during the "hazing period," conducted by the Student Council. It was during this period that we learned to act and plan as a group. We became acquainted with the upperclassmen as well as with each other. Although we didn't exactly enjoy initiation into Wilkes College at the time, we can now look back to it and laugh, knowing it was all for our own benefit.

The orientation program, under the direction of Dr. Neel, Dr. Mailey, and Mr. Warmouth, helped the class to make the necessary adjustments to college life. We became aware of our duties and responsibilities as a class, as individuals, and as future citizens. Since then the class of "57" has become an active part of Wilkes. They elected the following officers:

President: Edward Linkiewicz
Vice-President: Patsy Reese
Secretary: Audrey Cragle
Treasurer: John Jewelinski

The officers met with the class advisors, Mr. Alfred Groh and Mr. Cromwell Thomas, and the Director of Student Activities, Mr. Robert Partridge to plan future activities. In the future we hope to be able to contribute a great deal as a class to Wilkes College, and to uphold its high standards. College life has just begun for us. Our future will be filled with hardships, bad luck, disappointments, and formidable challenges as well as moments of happiness, contentment and joy. May we take all in our stride and graduate as intelligent, responsible, and conscientious men and women.

Audrey Cragle and Patsy Reese.



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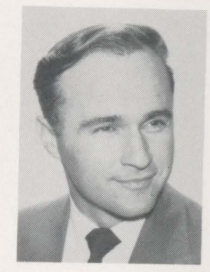

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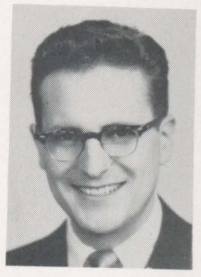

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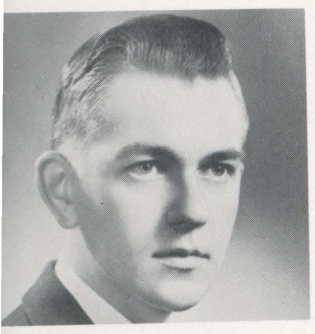

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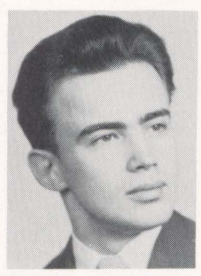

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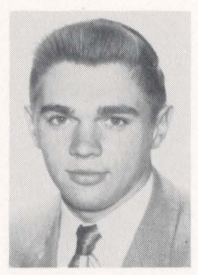

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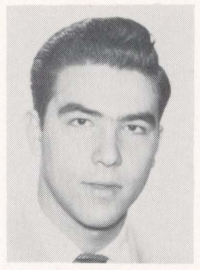

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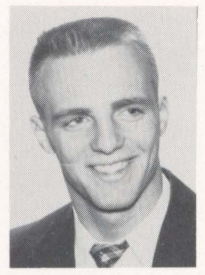

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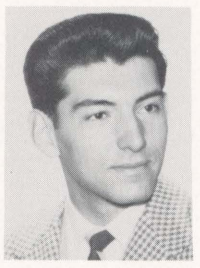

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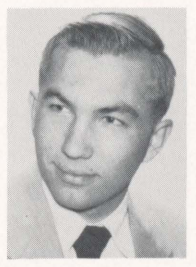

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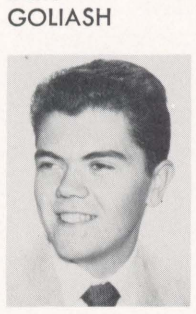

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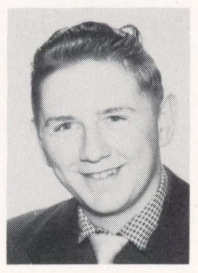

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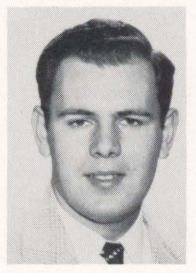

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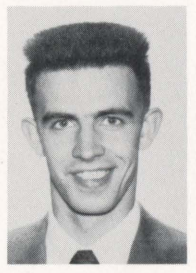

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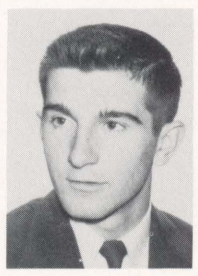

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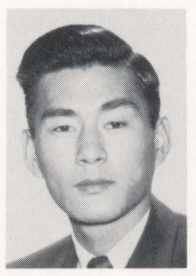

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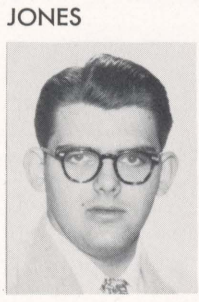

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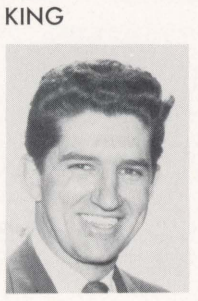

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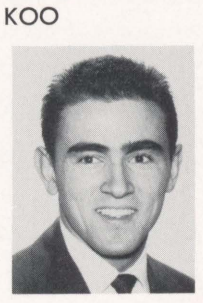

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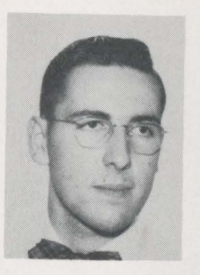

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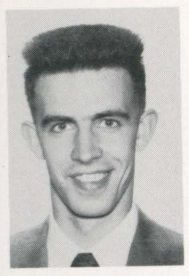

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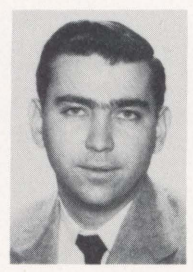

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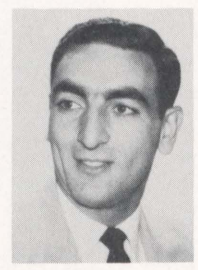

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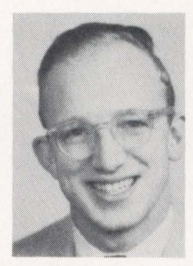

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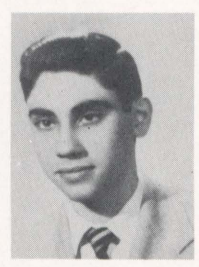

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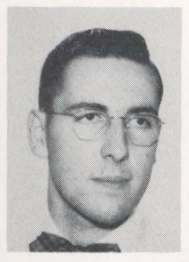

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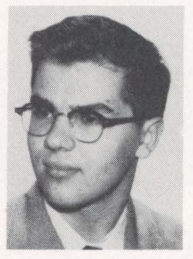

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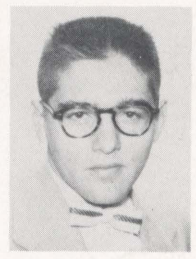

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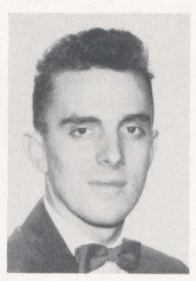

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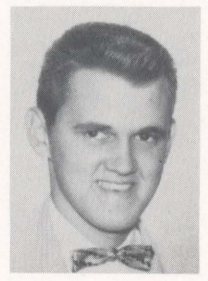

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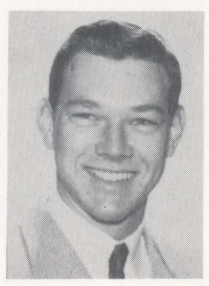

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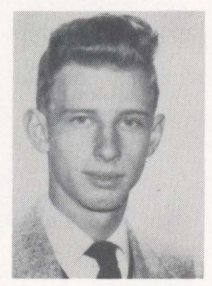

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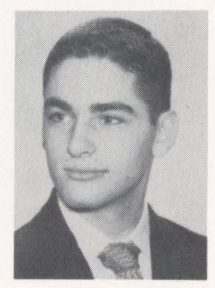

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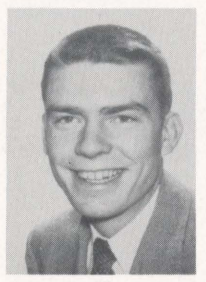

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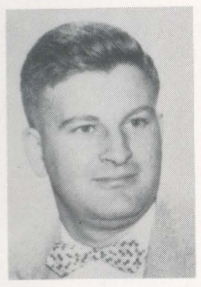

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swamped.

You name it.
I'm lost.

All together now. Wilkes our Alma Mater.

Button and bow to your superiors, frosh.

Must be posed.

Taken when Kirby Hall was still a home. 'Tis now a library.

Library

When a student first enrolls in Wilkes College he is given a library card which he is expected to and always does use during his stay at the College. Upon first entering the library, most students are amazed by the systematic efficiency with which it is run. Inside Kirby Hall can be found some of the greatest literary works of the age. Reference material, newspapers, magazines, and books pertaining to all imaginable subjects can be found on the shelves of the library.

While it is far from easy to organize and maintain a library containing thousands of books, our library staff has done a fine job. With their pleasant, efficient manner, they have been a great help to the students of Wilkes. Without them many valuable hours would have been lost in futile attempts to find the proper material sought by students. To many a confused, bewildered student, the cheerful words of, "May I help you," as uttered by a member of the staff represent help when most needed.

Hats off to our library staff for a job well done.

(1st row) F. Hopkins, M. Hopko, I. Forck, J. Hopkins. (2nd row) Joseph Miller, R. Chase, Nada Vujica, S. Knapich, Warren French.

A typical library

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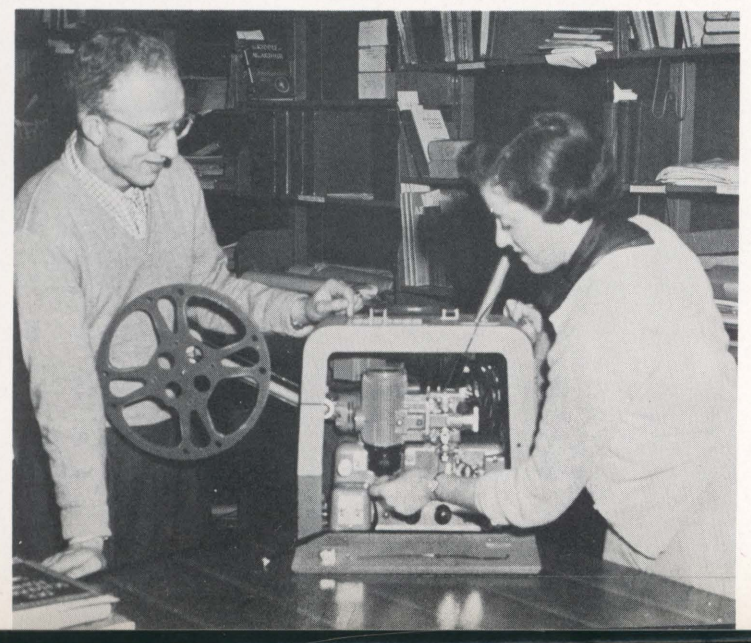
A typical library scene . . . everyone's reading.

Miss Hopkins illustrates her knowledge of projectors.



This fellow's really cutting it up.

Jim and Nancy don't seem to be bothering each other.

Perhaps you will find it in the reference room.

"Millie" turns on the charm.

BOOKSTORE

(Sitting) Mildred Gittens. (2nd row) R. Lynch, W. Crowder, G. Schlager.

Bookstore

With the semester about to start, there is standing room only in the bottom-rear of Chase Hall.

CAFETERIA

(1st row) Mrs. Rhoda Meeker, Miss Nancy Petras, Mrs. Genevieve

Cafeteri

Full-time . . . . . .

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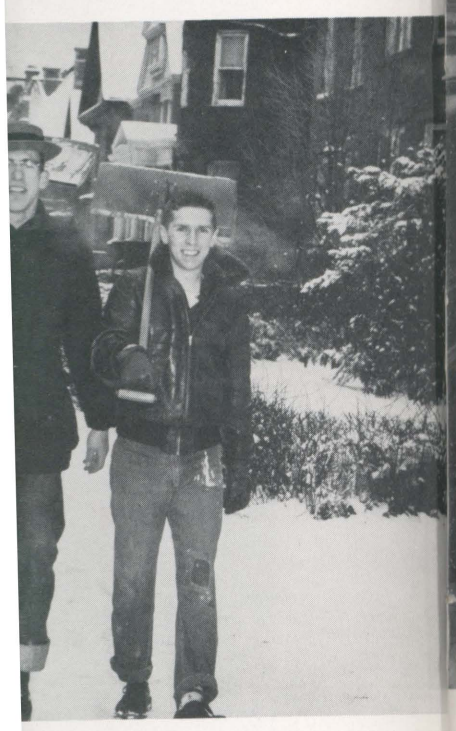

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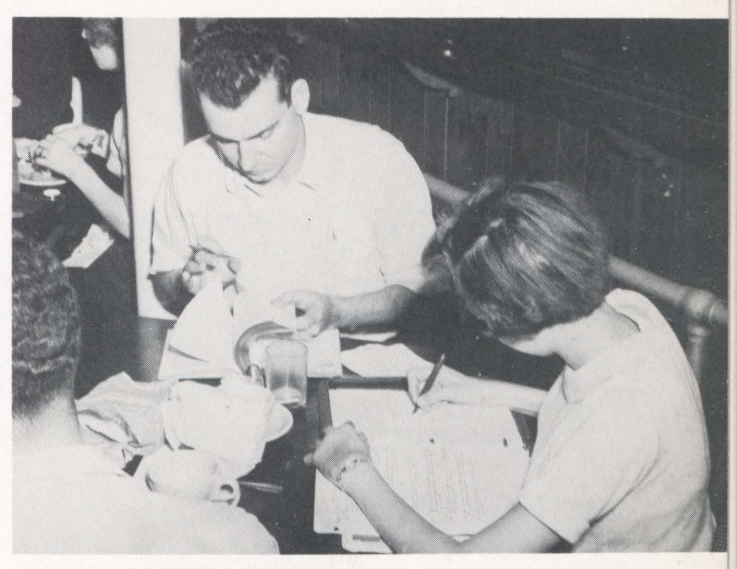
CAFETERIA

(1st row) Mrs. Rhoda Meeker, Miss Nancy Davis. (2nd row) Mrs. Helen Petras, Mrs. Genevieve Brennan.

Cafeteria

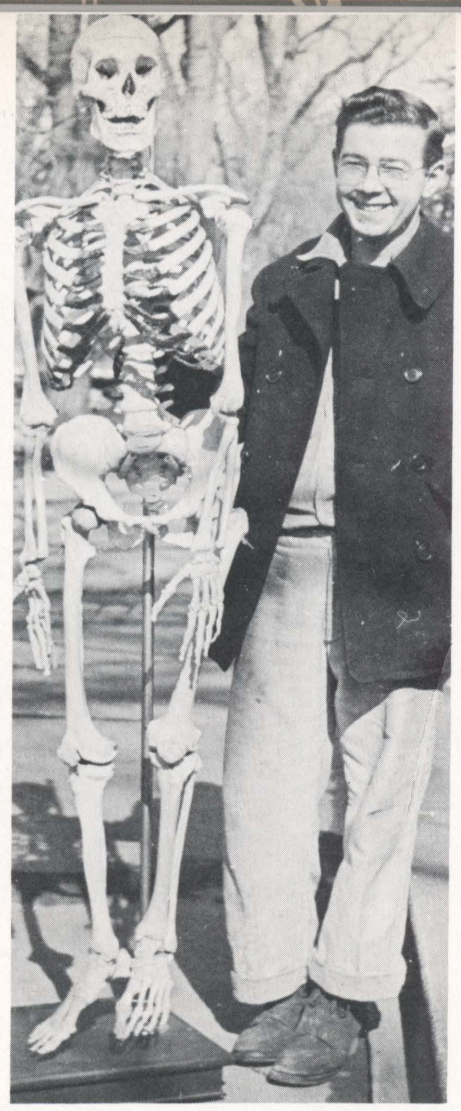
For those who have heard him play there will always be a place in their hearts for Jack Gittens.

A view of the cafeteria when it was first built.



. . . and some mistake the cafeteria for the library!

A gathering place for all is the Wilkes Cafeteria.



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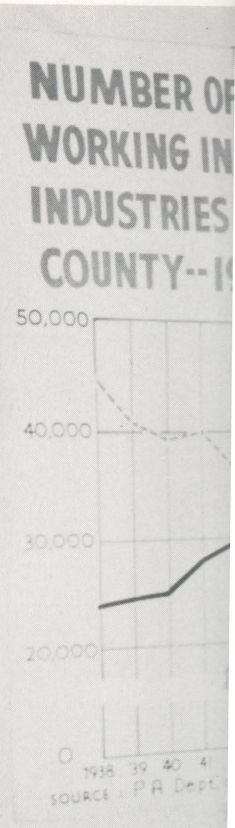
One of the many sport dances on campus.



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Did she take the last one, Parker?

Completing a chart for the Economics Club.

Clubs

Biology Club 46
Chemistry Club 46
I.R.C. 47
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Biology Club

(1st row) E. Brizer, E. Stashick, M. Kozak, Dr. Reif, Adviser; J. Lupas, President; R. Kleyps, Vice-President; T. Sapp, Secretary; G. Dran, J. Hooper, I. Seheiling. (2nd row) A. Lieberman, J. Castagna, R. Orenstein, M. Schmeizer, M. Kurlancheck, W. Fisher, S. Mines, J. Moss, Program. (3rd row) D. Arvan, J. Stein, D. Gehman, J. Halcisak, J. Mitchell, S. Furey, J. Glodek, B. Ondash, Treasurer.

Chemistry Club

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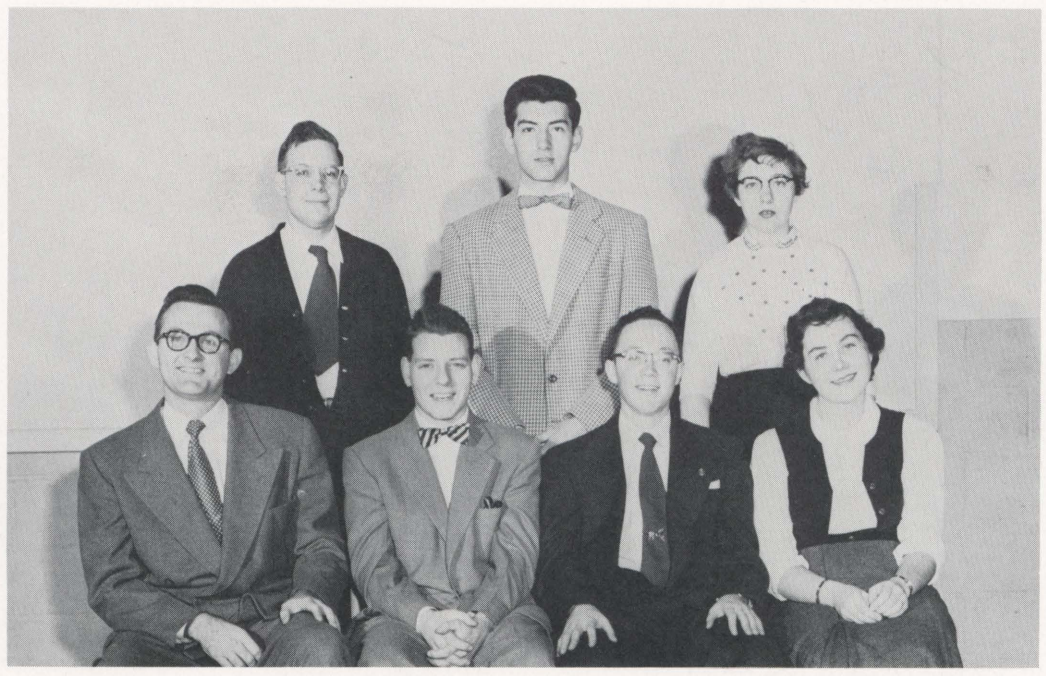

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View of the Childrens Center where future teachers receive their trial by ordeal.

Learning methods of testing in Education.

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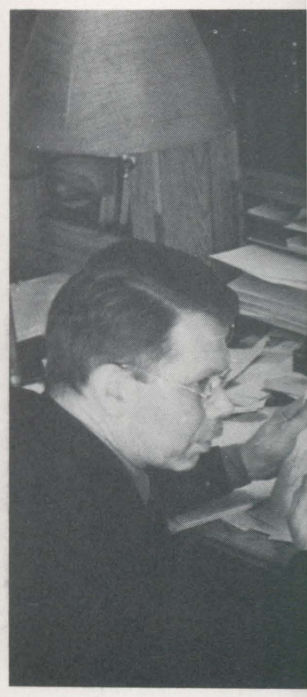

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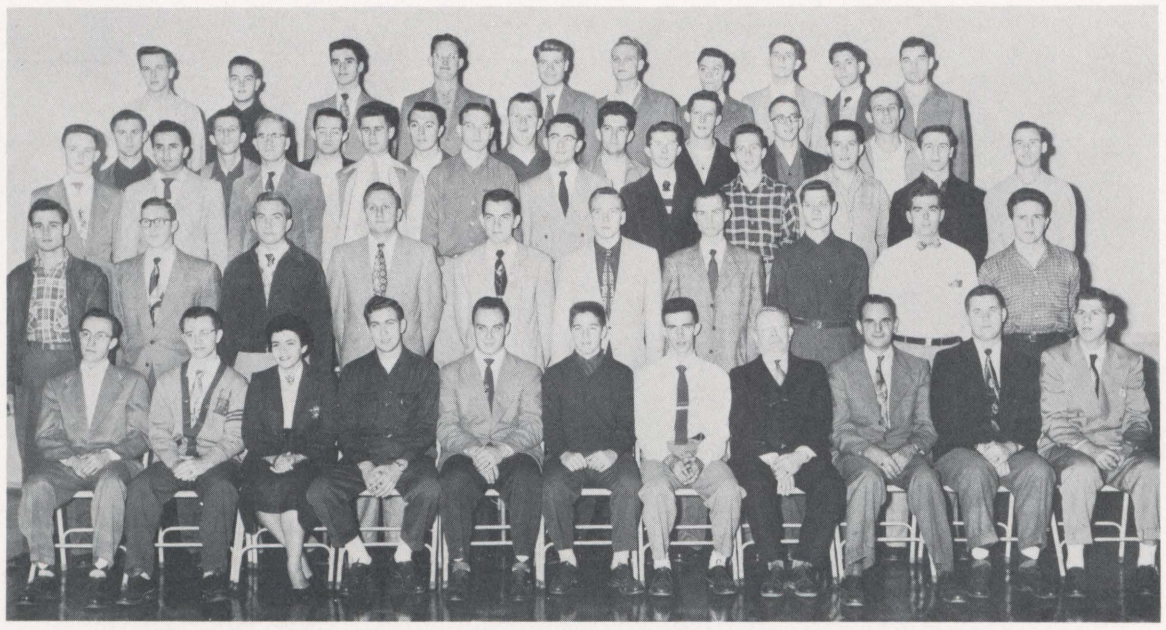

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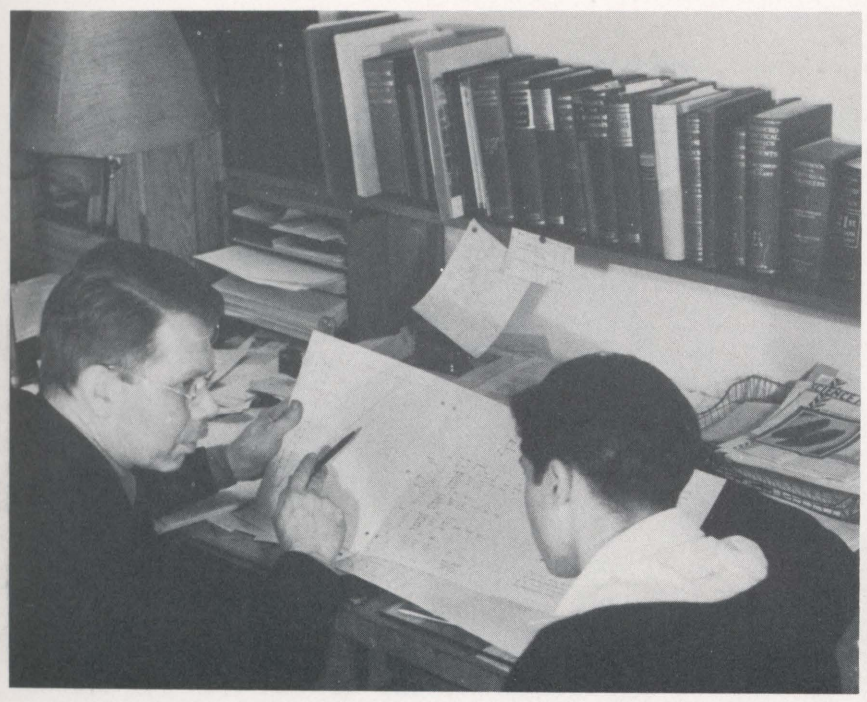

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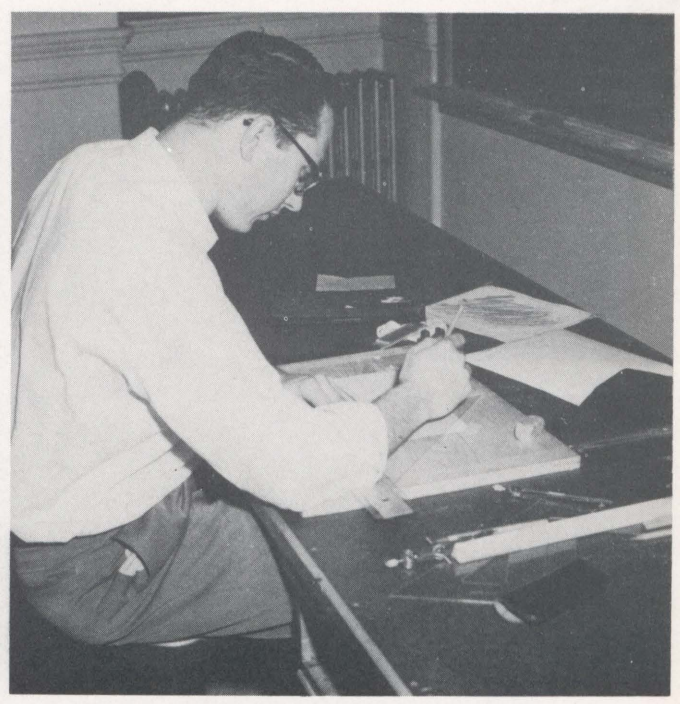


A project goes forward.

Ah! To be
a Sophomore again!

A familia

The Frosh will not forget these six whose thumbs never turned up.

Sophs tryi

A familiar scene each Tuesday at noon.

Sophomores

Sophs trying their best not to look posed.

Sophomores

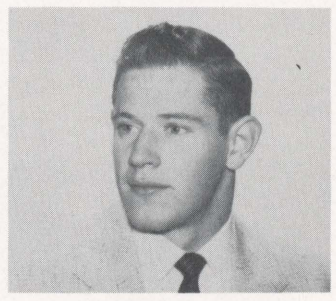
A whirlwind election campaign which started the class of '56 on its sophomore year proved to everyone that the enthusiasm shown by them as freshmen had not diminished. The heated atmosphere at nomination time foretold the keen rivalry which was to come. Nominations completed, the candidates set out on a lively campaign and uncovered many stunts and slogans. Many unsuspecting passers-by were startled to hear music blaring from Butler Hall "broadcasting station"—music interspersed with campaign commercials and slogans such as: "Win with Cliff." The students were not too surprised to vote, however, for election day brought a remarkable turnout and the new officers chosen were:

President: Clifford Brautigan
Vice-President: Jeanette Perrins
Treasurer: Charles Acore
Secretary: Joan Shoemaker

This enthusiasm was carried over into student activities; the sophomore class sponsoring more than its share of dances. A Red Feather Dance was held to aid the Community Chest Drive, and Miriam Dearden was chosen queen. An outstanding example of community spirit, this affair was typical of the exciting year that followed.

As sophomores, we feel that we have adequately fulfilled our social obligations. Our dances were well planned and the spirit with which our class worked as a unified body demonstrates what is yet to come. If that same spirit and determination stays with us for the next two years the class of '56 will leave Wilkes College with a sense of pride knowing they will long be remembered for their four years as an active, prosperous class.

"Cliff" Brautigan.



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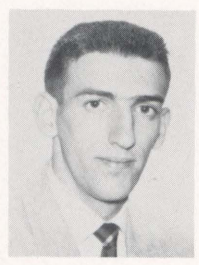

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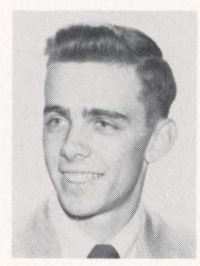

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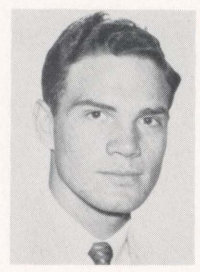

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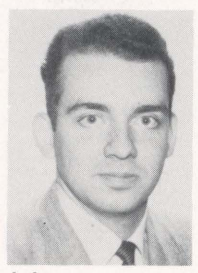

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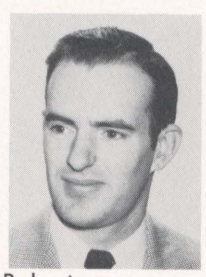

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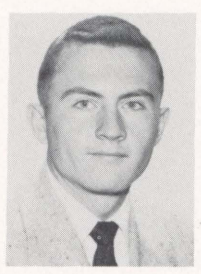

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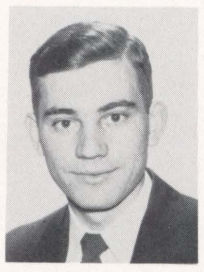

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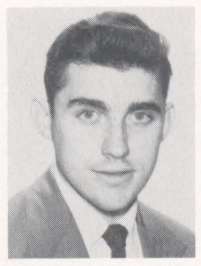

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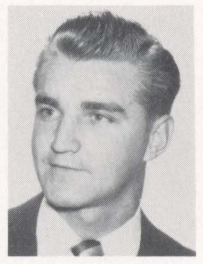

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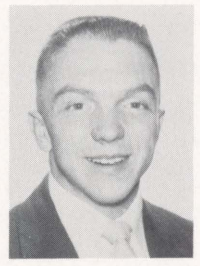

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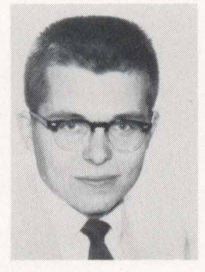

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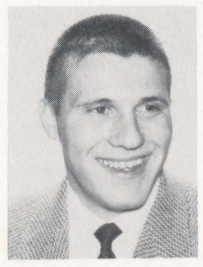

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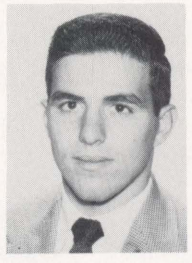

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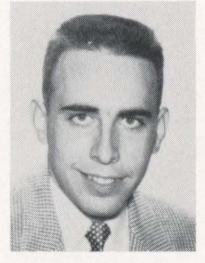

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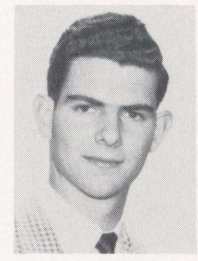

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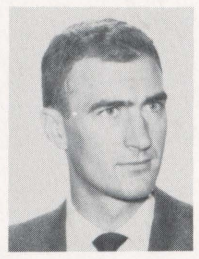

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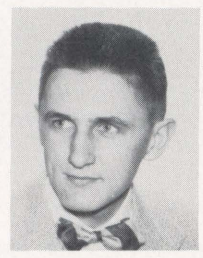

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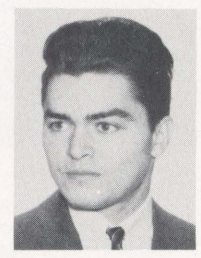

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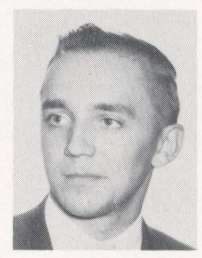

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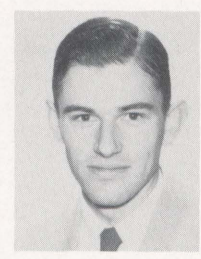

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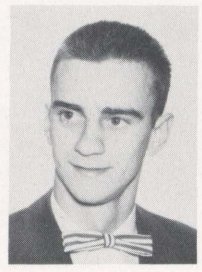

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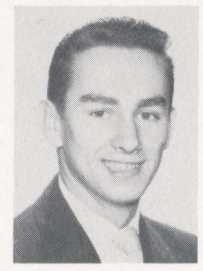

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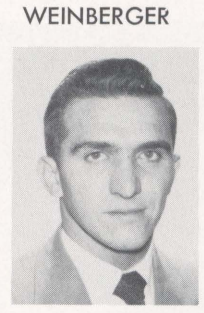

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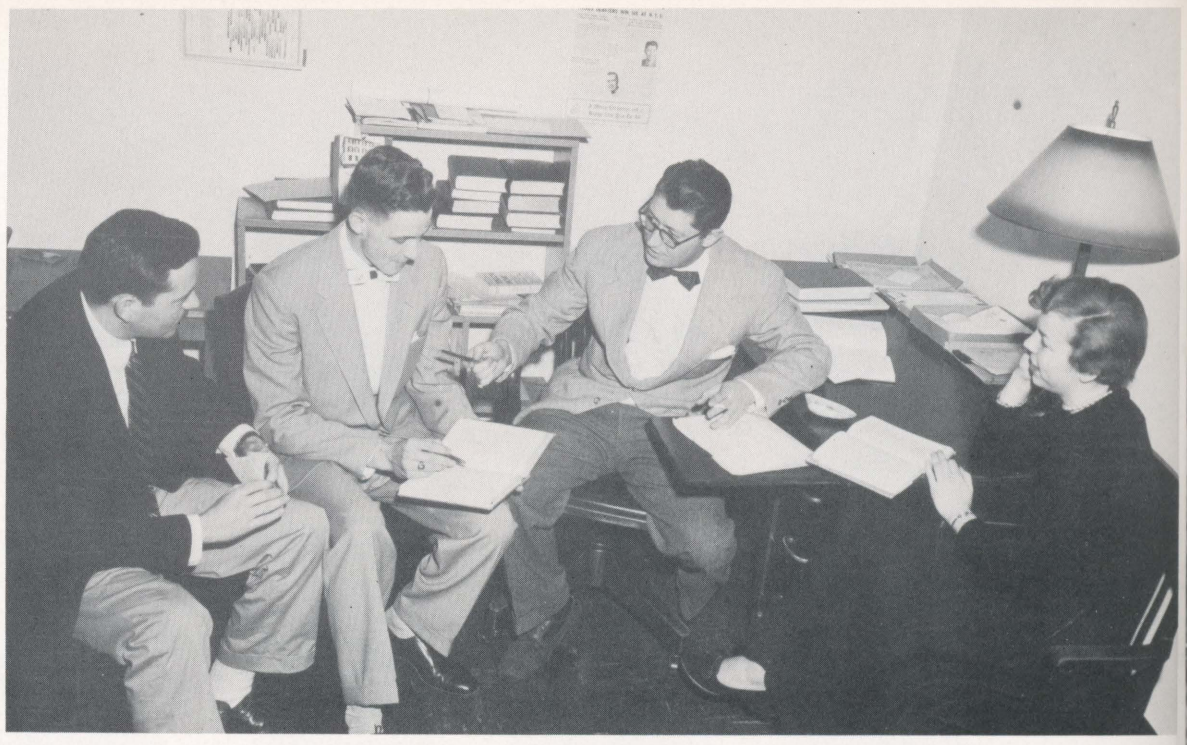

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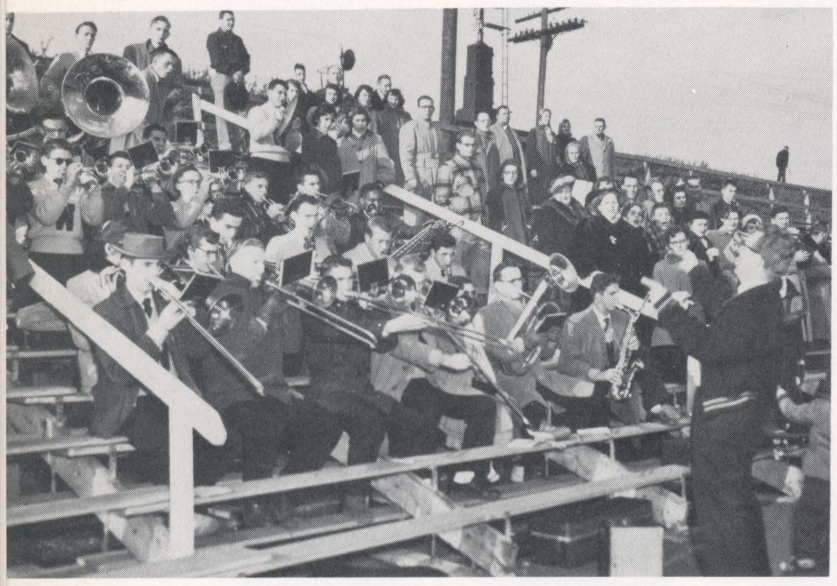

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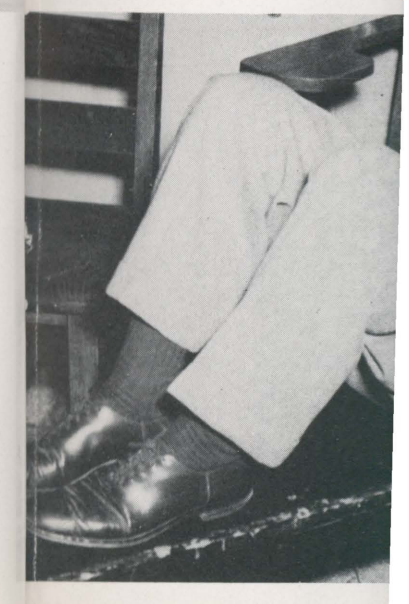

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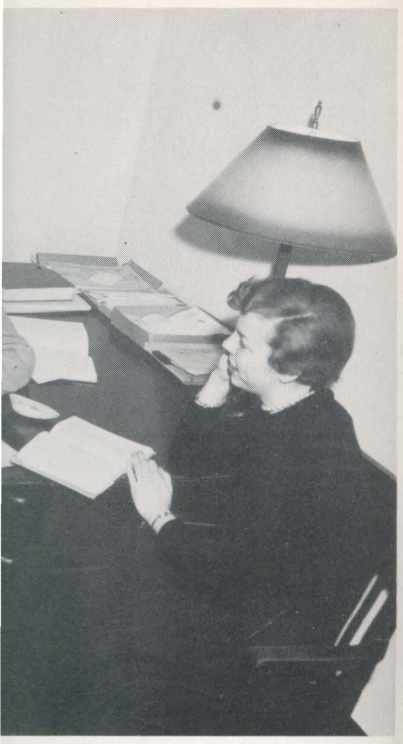

Moran and Cheerleaders team-up to go up.

Strength through Function.

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All year long the members of the *Amnicola* Staff have been busy planning, taking pictures, writing copy and acquiring advertisements for your yearbook. The task of completing the book on schedule was a difficult one; we all worked hard and often well into the night. But we enjoyed it.

In publishing this yearbook we have tried to give you, the students, a complete picture of Wilkes College; its students, its faculty, its social activities, and its growth during these past twenty years. We have tried to present to the students of Wilkes a yearbook that will bring satisfaction to the reader whenever it is opened.

The task of providing complete coverage of a rapidly expanding institution has been challenging. We feel that we have produced a yearbook that covers every phase of the College quite thoroughly. We're proud of it. We hope you will enjoy it.

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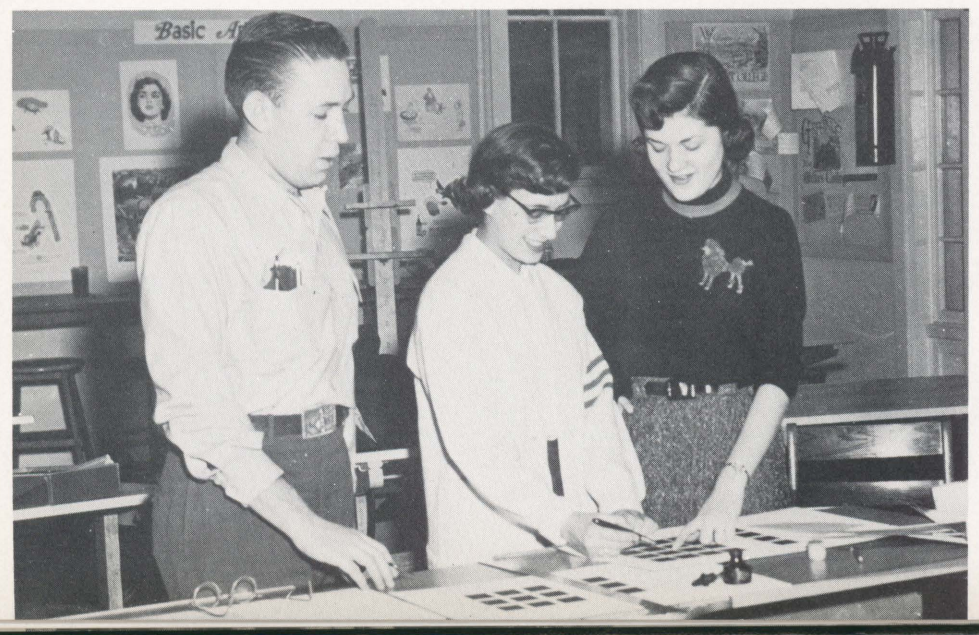

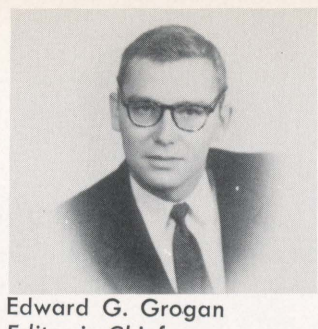

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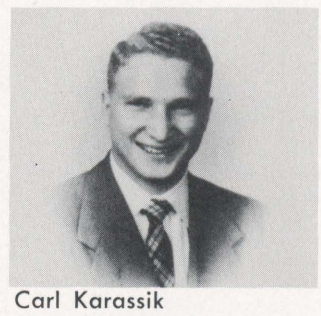

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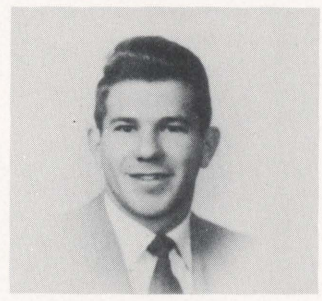

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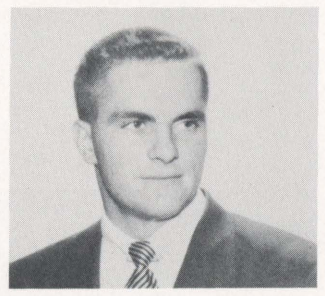

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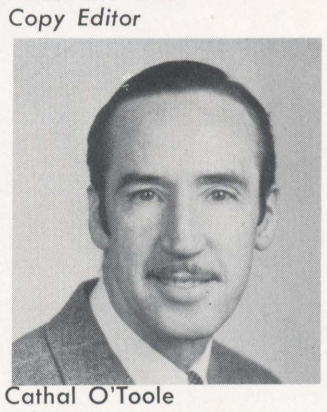

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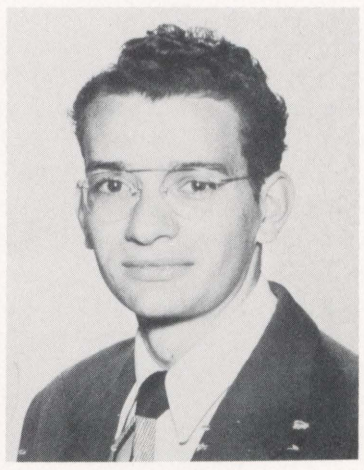
Beacon

On Friday, September 18, 1953, the first *Beacon* of the 1953-1954 school year was published. With Gene Srudato as editor-in-chief and Jean Kravitz and Jack Curtis as associate editors, the *Beacon* began another year of reporting the school affairs to the student body and faculty.

Gene had two goals when he took over the *Beacon:* to publish more issues than ever before, and to publish a larger paper of approximately six pages at various times throughout the year. Faced with a limited budget this seemed almost impossible. However, through his efforts Gene was fortunate to secure more advertising for the paper which supplied the needed revenue for his goals.

For the past year the *Beacon* has covered quite adequately all events on campus . . . dances, sporting events, class and club activities, assembly stories, elections, plays, and student council news. They also did a fine job presenting student opinions through their Letters to the Editor section. The editors and staff of the *Beacon* certainly did themselves proud.



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Manuscript

With the arrival of spring, once again was heard the familiar hustle and bustle in the small *Manuscript* office on the second floor of Kirby Hall. The staff members were gathered in a serious discussion of good last minute material that had just been received. It was publication time and the printer's deadline was swiftly approaching. This was the picture found behind the scenes as the staffers busied themselves scrupulously scanning through a maze of last minute literary efforts to detect errors which might have been previously overlooked.

Although handicapped at the beginning by the loss of several of the more experienced members, the *Manuscript* was augmented and strengthened by the addition of four new members, Lois Jones, Margaret Luty, J. Harold Flannery and Herbert Bynder. The newly reorganized staff comprised Sandy Furey, editor; Leo Kelly, associate editor; and Nancy Beam as assistant secretary. Sentiment and friendship are without ration among the closely knit staffers whose hearts and souls lie in their work.

The activities of the *Manuscript* are assisted through the sage counsel of Dr. Mary Craig whose leadership and untiring cooperative efforts have continuously served as the guiding light for the *Manuscript* staff. It was the goal this year to make the magazine a combination of the best prose and poetry that was available on the campus, in order that a rich opportunity for creative writing in the attempt at the attainment of literary excellence could be had by the student body at Wilkes. Not only do the authors and contributors to the Wilkes College literary magazine receive recognition and praise here, but they also have satisfaction of knowing that their articles are being read on campuses throughout the country because the *Manuscript* is fortunate in maintaining an extensive exchange program with colleges in all parts of the nation.

Staff discussing various papers.

Editor Furey gets in a few words.

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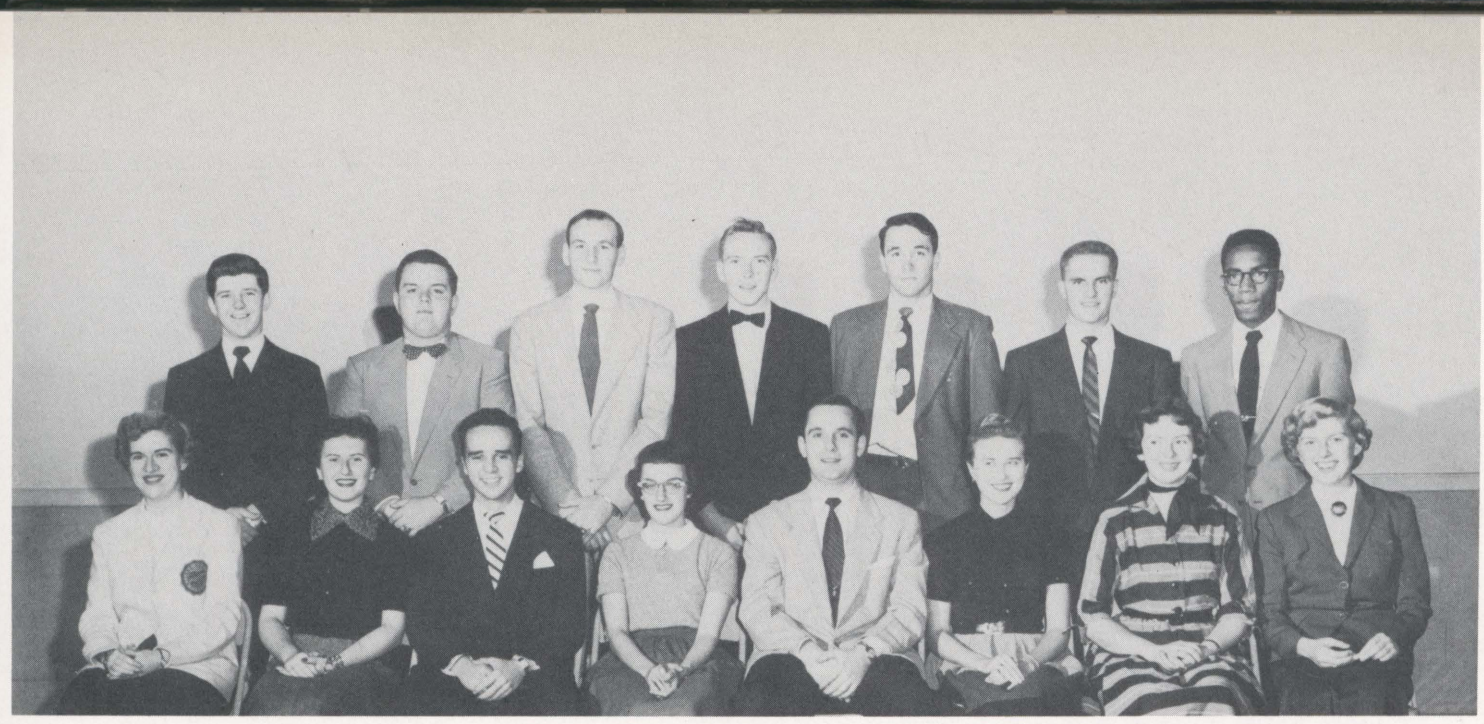

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Student Council

As the student governing body of the school, the Student Council is elected as servants of the students. The 1953-54 Student Council very efficiently carried out its obligations. Under the leadership of Wayne Madden, the council began the year by appropriating funds to the various organizations on the campus. With the budget approved by the administration, the social activities went into full swing.

Working hand in hand with the administration, the Student Council, under the able guidance of Mr. Partridge, served the students well. As a responsible body they deserve a great deal of credit for supervising and co-ordinating other student organizations and activities.

Miss Ann Azat . . . Cinderella 1953 at the Student Council's Cinderella Ball.

Scene from one of the many sport dances sponsored by the council.

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Lettermen

Little All-American G. Elias hard at work.

Under the leadership of President Al Wallace the Lettermen's Club enjoyed another successful year as the outstanding service organization on the Wilkes campus. The club, which is composed of Wilkesmen who have earned "W's" in varsity sports, actively participated in the Community Chest Drive and the Red Cross Blood Drive and produced a clever display of the Flying Dutchman clipper ship for the homecoming display contest. It also held a raffle with the drawing at the Wilkes-Hofstra game.

The highlight of the College's winter social season was the Christmas Formal, sponsored by the Lettermen. The gym was beautifully decorated and fun was had by all as they danced to the smooth music of Lee Vincent and his orchestra.

As a unified body our athletic representatives in intercollegiate competition proved to be an indispensable part of Wilkes College social life. They do a fine job on and off the field of battle.

Some of the Lettermen in action.

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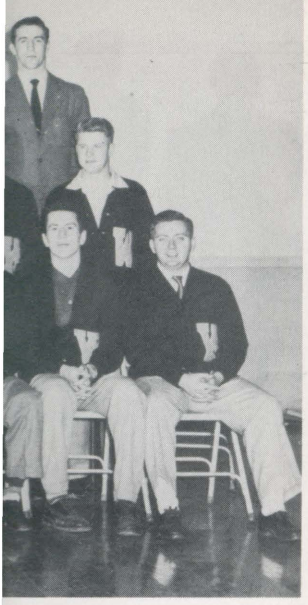

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Theta Delta Rho

Working from their headquarters on the third floor in Chase Hall, the girls in Theta Delta Rho had another busy year. Once again they proved to be a part of one of the most energetic organizations on the campus.

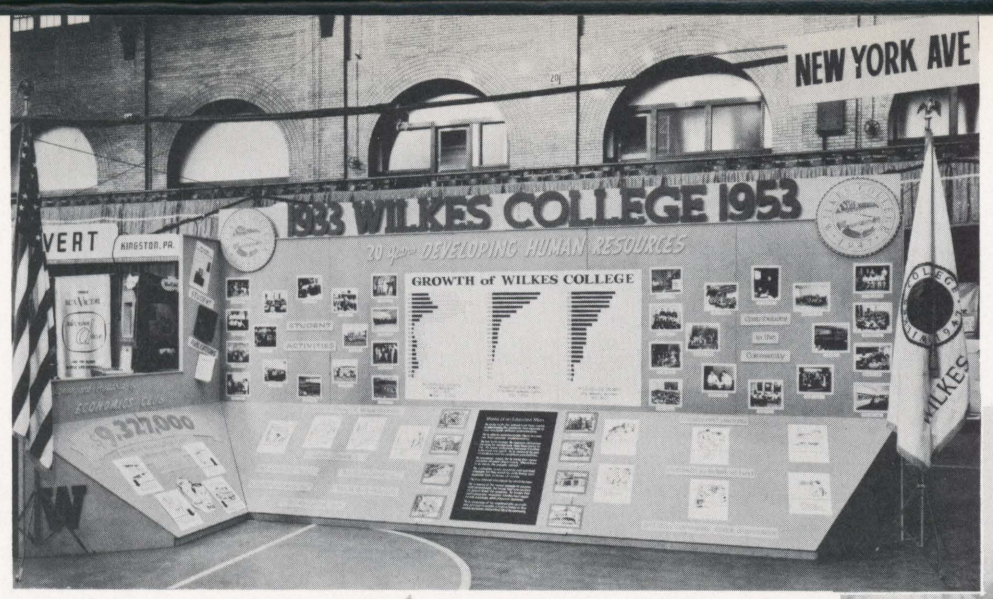
The traditional Valentine Dance, which was held on February 12, highlighted the girls' activities as the males on campus enjoyed an evening of dancing to the smooth music of Al Anderson and his orchestra at the expense of the women. The gym was beautifully decorated and the girls worked hard to make the affair a success.

Much credit for Theta Delta Rho's successful year must go to President, Helen Brown; Vice-President, Naomi Kivler; Secretary, Bernice Thomas; Treasurer, Ellen Louise Wint; Social Chairman, Ruth Rilley, and all femmes who played supporting roles. What would college life be without the feminine touch? Leave it to the girls. They're behind Wilkes all the way.

President Brown pouring.

Enjoying one of the many Coffee Hours.

Table of Honor at Christmas Buffet.



Display that won first prize in the Parade of Progress. Planning and construction was under direction of John Konsavage.

Economics Club

The Economics Club gained recognition in Wyoming Valley with their exhibit in the 1953 Parade of Progress. Erected in the Kingston Armory, the exhibit was awarded first prize in the Educational Division. Constructed under the supervision of General Chairman John Konsavage and his assistants, Marvin Kanner and William Paparoski, it publicized the growth of Wilkes College in the past twenty years. The exhibit was one of the best devices used to acquaint the people of Wyoming Valley with the services offered by Wilkes College.

Accompanied by their adviser, Dr. Rosenberg, members of the Economics Club went down to Washington where they visited the office of Congressman Bonin. The group also had conferences with Carl Blackwell of the Department of Commerce, and Faith Williams and Sydney Natreba of the Department of Labor. This visit was one of the most informative and enjoyable that the club has taken in all its years of existence.

Economics field trip to Washington.

Club members visiting the office of Congressman Bonin.

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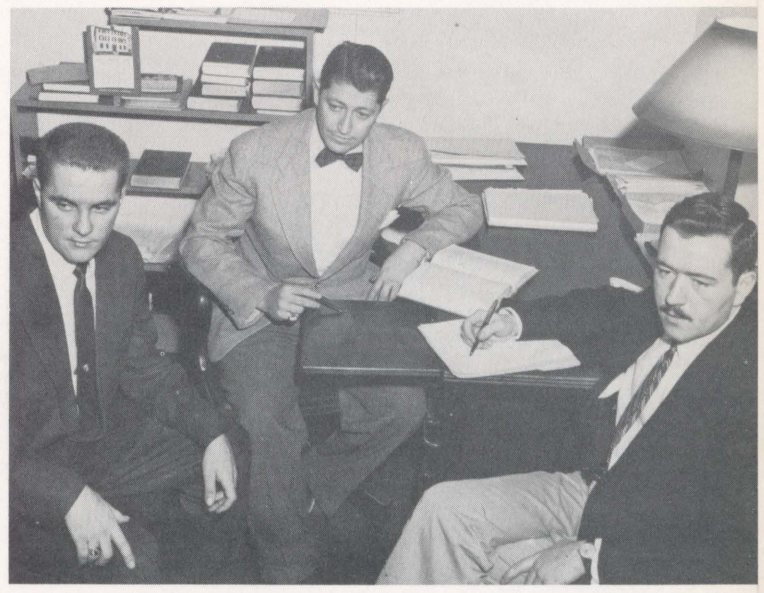
The Wilkes College Debating Society was once again a top debating power in the East. In keeping with the tradition established in former years, the debaters gained recognition in the eastern part of the United States early in the season when they finished second in the N. Y. U. Hall of Fame Debating Tournament. Their reputation followed them throughout the rest of the season and they were recognized as the team to beat by many schools in later tournaments. The debaters and their fine coach, Dr. Kruger, are especially deserving of praise not only because they are the only campus group to compete with other schools on an intellectual level, but also because as a competitive group they have debated and beaten some of the finest schools in the country. "Little" Wilkes College's debating squad has defeated Harvard, Columbia, Navy, Penn, Penn State and other fine teams.

Much of the credit for the success of this year's debating team belongs to Dr. Kruger who is a leading debate authority in the East.

The Varsity debaters, John Doran, Sally Harvey, Jim Neveras, and Nick Flannery began the season with a record of six wins and two losses at N. Y. U. They then continued their winning ways in the John Hopkins U., Brooklyn College, and Eastern Forensic Tournaments and in the national eliminations at King's Point. The team finished the season with an excellent record.

(1st row) Dr. Arthur Kruger, Advisor; Sally Harvey. (2nd row) James Neveras, J. Harold Flannery, Jr., John Doran.

Jim Neveras and Harold Flannery congratulate each other on a successful debate.



A planning conference hard at work.

Flannery and Sally Harvey outline their case.

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Mr. John Detroy directing.

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Choral Club

Under the direction of John Detroy, the Choral Club had another active and successive year. The club presented numerous concerts on campus and before various high schools throughout Wyoming Valley. Their Christmas assembly program in conjunction with the band and Men's Chorus was one of the most delightful programs ever presented to the students.

One of the reasons for the success of the choral group is that they offer a variety of songs that are pleasant to sing and hear. Mr. Detroy employs many of Fred Waring's arrangements for the group.

For the past two years the club has enjoyed the privilege of combining with other musical groups to sing at the concerts of the Wyoming Valley Philharmonic.

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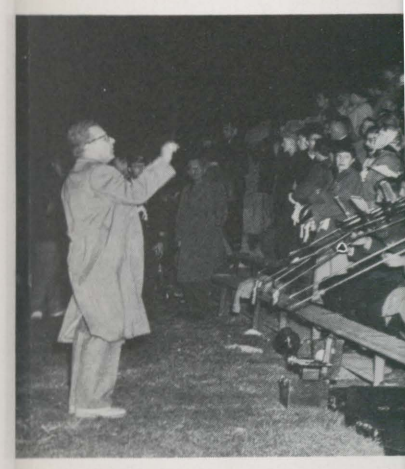

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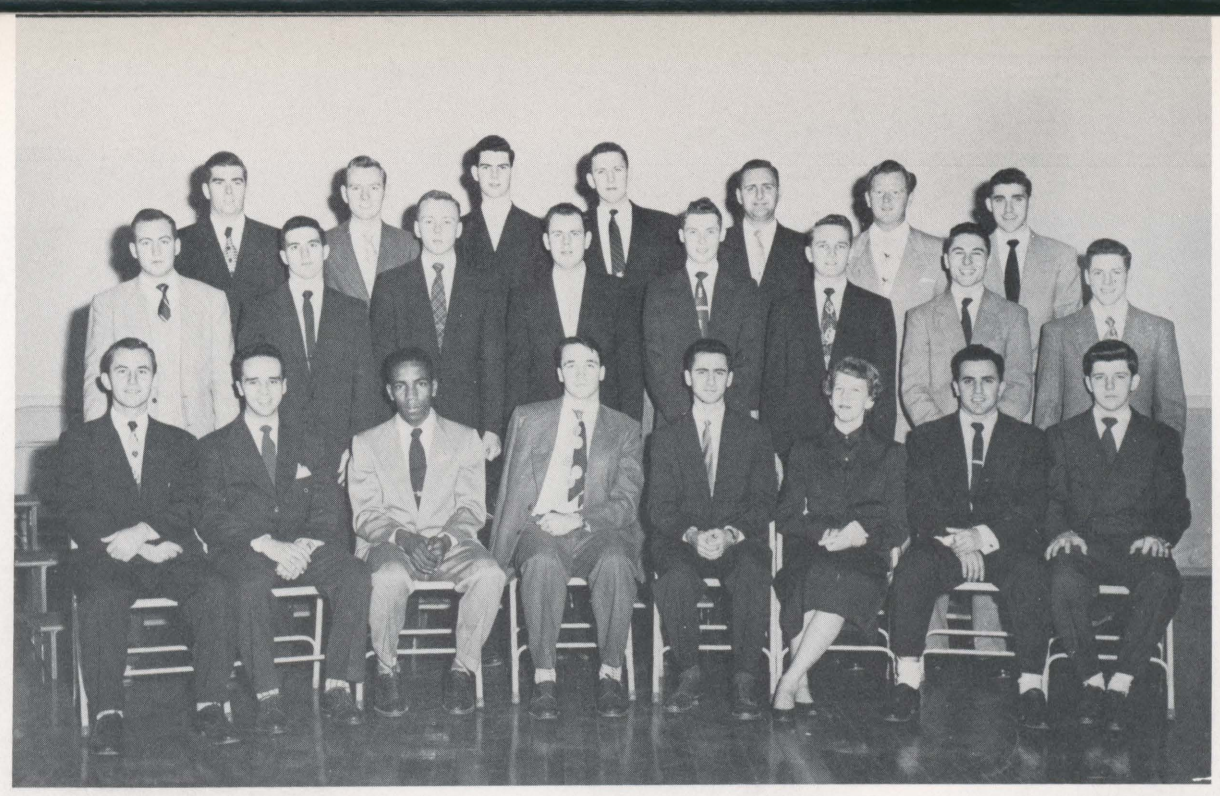
Band

In 1949 the first Wilkes College Band, comprised of eleven members, was organized. Since then it has grown both in size and quality so that today it is a proud and intricate part of the College. Director Robert E. Moran performed a truly remarkable fete in bringing the band to its present status during these past five years. The organization did a fine job throughout the year adding color to our athletic events. It is also to be commended for its performances at the various high schools in the Valley.

The Wilkes College Band serves the laudible purpose of satisfying the cultural thirst of the community as it plays light and heavy music in its annual concert.

Wilkes College just wouldn't be the same without Mr. Moran and the band. They certainly did a fine job these five short years.



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Men's Chorus

Enjoying their third year as an outstanding popular organization on the campus, the Men's Chorus successfully upheld the fine reputation which they acquired at Wilkes and throughout the Valley. Anyone and everyone who appreciates good vocal music would enjoy the delightful arrangements of the Men's Chorus. Ably directed by Bill Crowder, the fine voices of these Wilkesmen were heard throughout the year as they appeared before numerous high school assemblies as well as our own students.

Singing popular and semi-classical works, the male chorus was accompanied for the past two semesters by Ruth Remley and Dave Fischi on the piano. In their three short years of existence, old and new members of the Men's Chorus can be justly proud of the fine reputation they now have both on and off the campus.

Director William Crowder

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Cue 'n' Curtain

Theatre represents a history of man's experience dramatized in terms of human emotion. The theatre is a meeting place for ideas that come alive on the stage when they are charged by the vitality of those responsible for a play's production.

Cue and Curtain offers students opportunities in acting, playwriting, directing, and stagecraft to prepare them not so much for professional careers as to develop their ability for self-expression.

Touring companies play before local high school student bodies and answer numerous invitations to appear before community clubs and organizations. Preview performances of major productions (at the gym) have been well attended by high school students and their coaches, as well as Little Theatre and college groups. Audiences have seen performances of Shakespeare, Moliere, O'Neill, Christopher Fry, and plays of American dramatists significant to their times.

With a stirring production of Ibsen's *The Master Builder* presented in the fall, Cue and Curtain climaxed a season of exciting theatre, following last year's artistic and dramatic success of Philip Barry's *Hotel Universe*.

The activity of Cue and Curtain gives evidence of the growth and maturity of the college.

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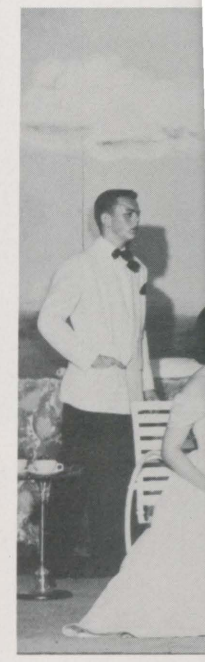

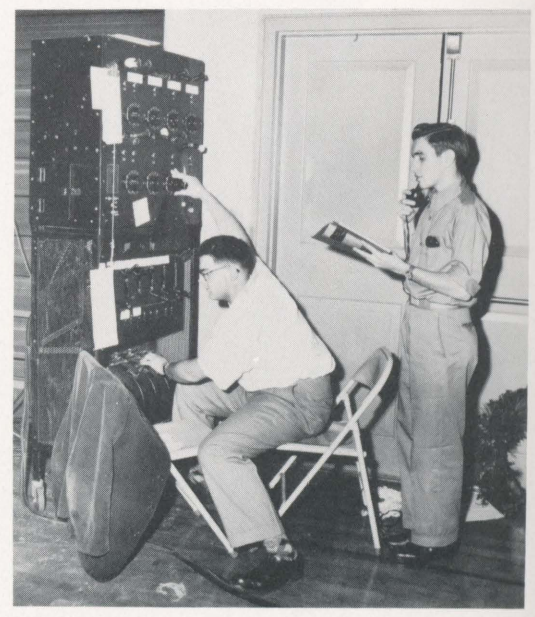

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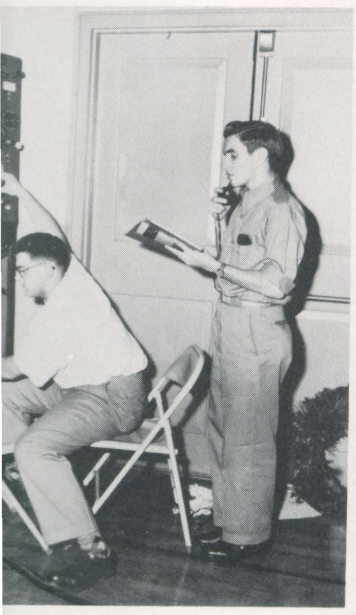

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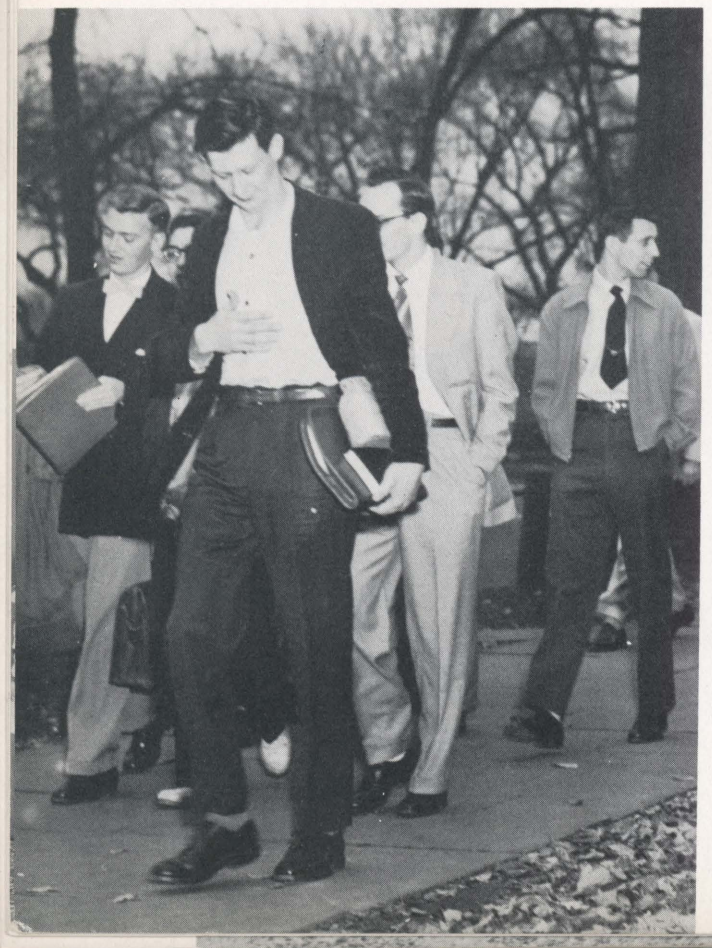

Group of Juniors at the Cinderella.

Art Hoover gives the fr

the Cinderella.

Some Juniors leaving the weekly assembly.

Juniors

Art Hoover gives the frosh the low-down.

Juniors

Bursting with class spirit and enthusiasm, the Junior Class found itself enjoying a most successful year. The year began with the customary election of officers. Jim Neveras was chosen president; Dick Kleyps, vice-president; Ralph Zezza, treasurer; and Miriam Dearden, secretary. With the guidance of these leaders the Junior Class looked forward to a year of fortune.

The Junior Year was successful for the class of '55 not only as a unit, but also as individuals. As a class, the Juniors sponsored their annual Turkey Trot and the "Snow Flake Follies," two dances which emphasized the role of the Juniors in the social life of the college. The activities of the class culminated with the Junior-Senior Party, which was the Juniors' way of saying "farewell" to the departing seniors.

As individuals, the part played by the members of the class in every phase of campus life was extremely significant. Sandy Furey became editor of the *Manuscript,* Naomi Kivler was elected vice-president of Theta Delta Rho, and Helen Koelsch, Pat Fitzgerald and Ellen Louise Wint continued their fine work on the cheerleading squad. Nick Flannery and Jim Neveras represented the class on Dr. Kruger's debating squad, while Art Hoover was once again a "big" man on campus, both in size and importance. Bill Crowder did a commendable job directing the Male Chorus, and Jack Curtis rose to prominence as a sportswriter. In the field of athletics, Ron Fitzgerald and Walt Chapko gained plenty of yardage for the Colonels on the gridiron. Bob Reynolds and Jerry Elias are to be cited for their proficiency in wrestling, and Dick Polakowski on being elected co-captain of next year's soccer team.

As Juniors we look forward to our last year at Wilkes College with the hope that we will assume our share of responsibility on the campus with pride, confidence, and ingenuity. May our conduct in our senior year be such that it will be worthy of pursuance by the underclassmen.

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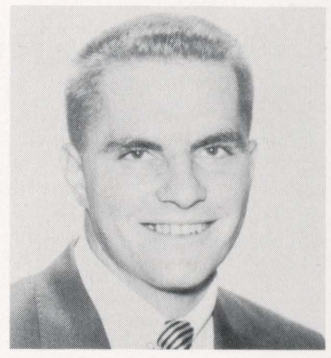

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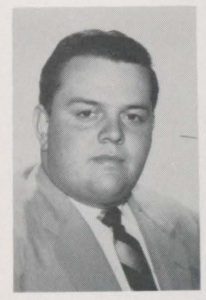

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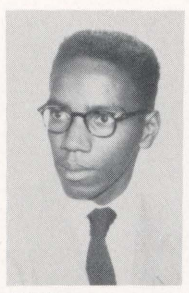

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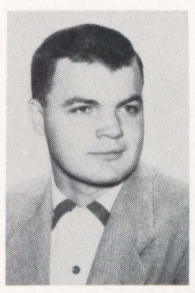

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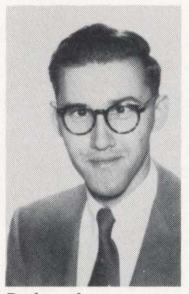

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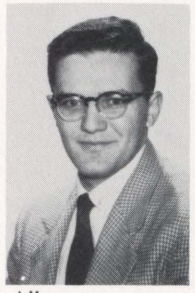

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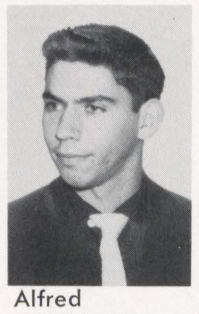

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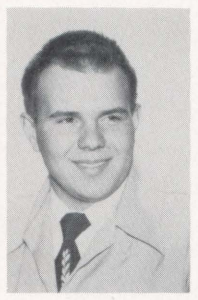

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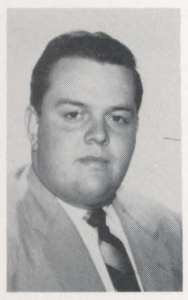

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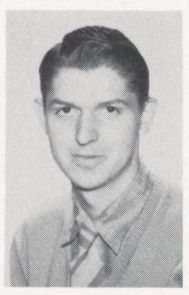

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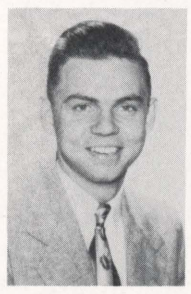

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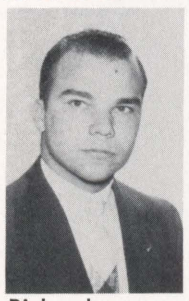

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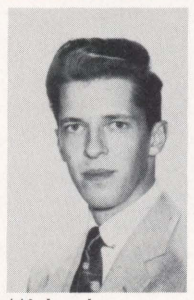

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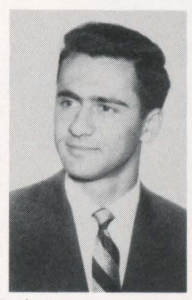

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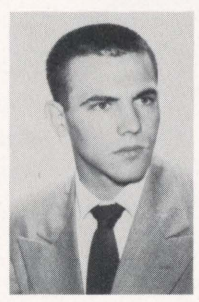

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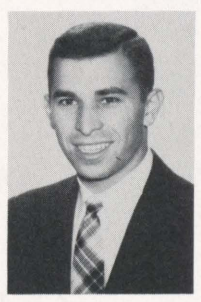

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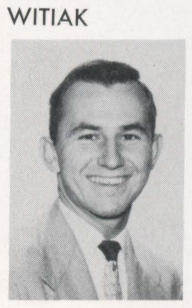

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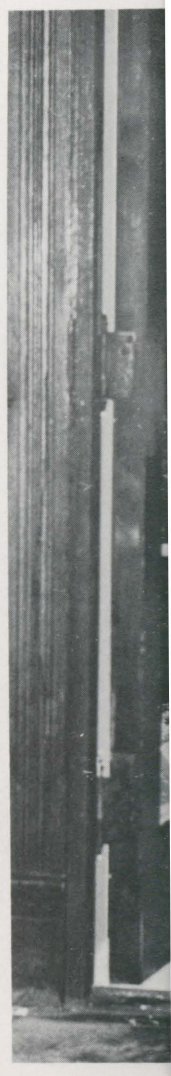

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Moving en masse from one class to another.

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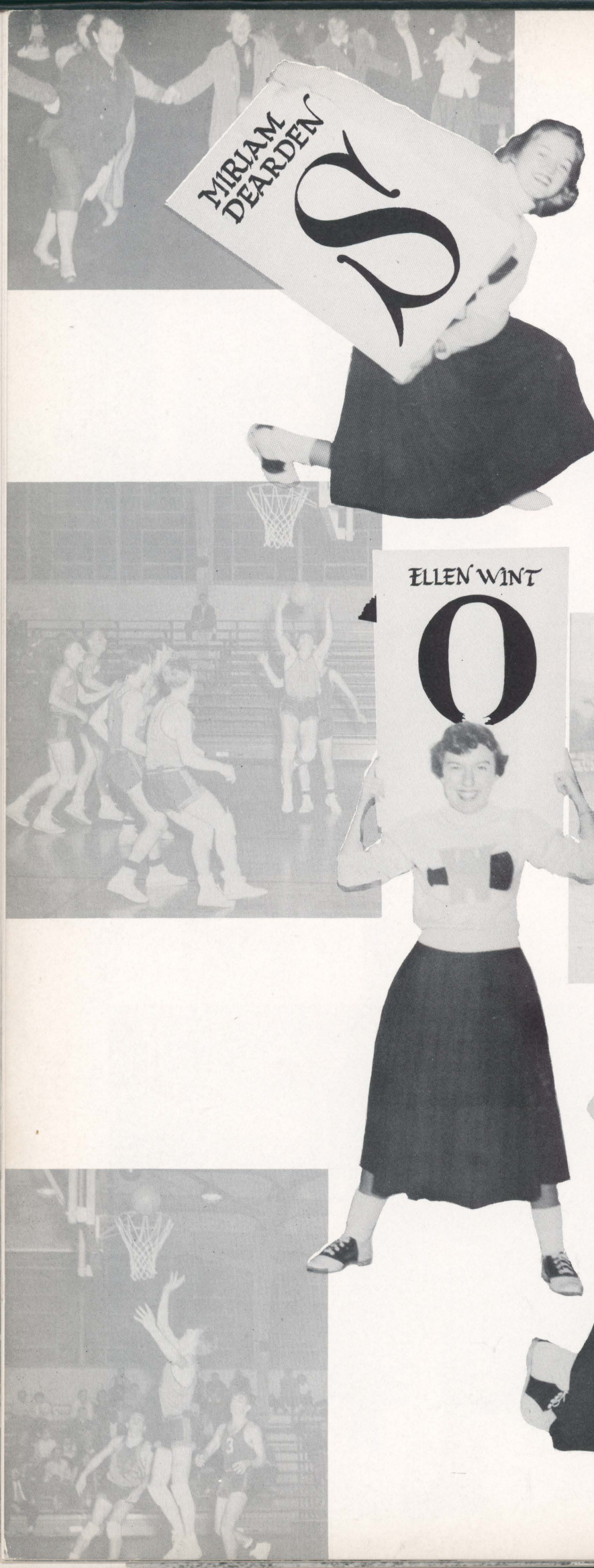
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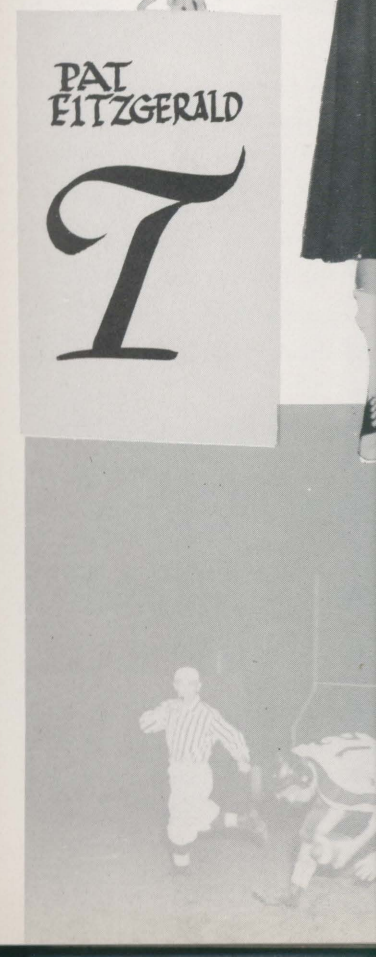
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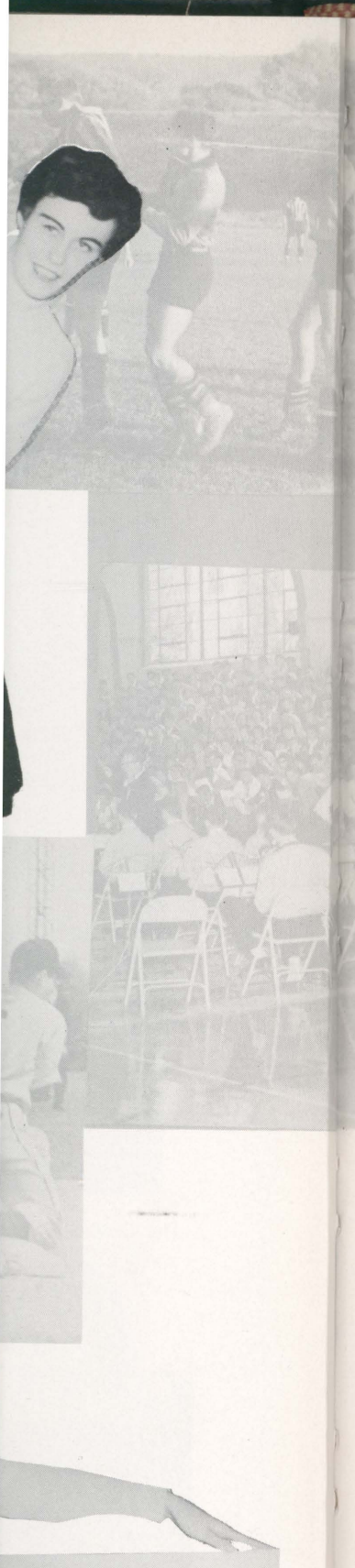

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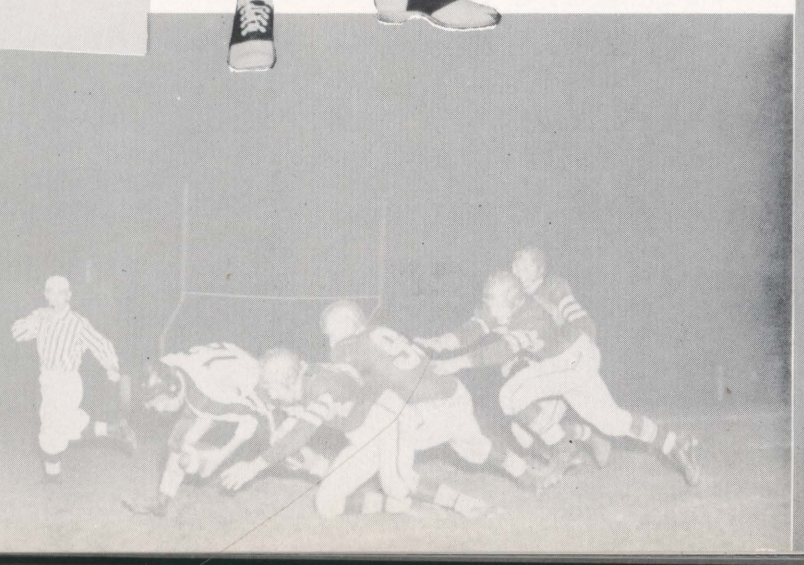

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Picton and Pinkowski do a little vicarious living.

Walt Chapko diggin' in.

Coach George Ralston and Co-Captains Joe Trosko and Eddie Davis.

Adelphi on its way to defeat.

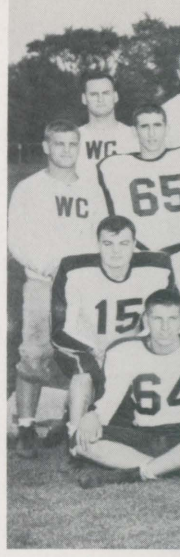
Football

The Colonels ended the gridiron season on the short end of an eight-game schedule with 3 wins and 5 losses this year. The outlook in pre-season workouts was optimistic and the spirit of the squad was high. The chief problem confronting Head Coach George Ralston and his assistants, Francis Pinkowski and Russ Picton, was the lack of depth and experience of the squad. If the key men were injured, there was no one with experience to take their place. We were only two deep in most positions. With this danger present, we met Bloomsburg State Teachers College for the season's opener.

The first half was a thriller with both teams managing to get six points. Ours came via the air lanes on a beautiful pass play from fullback Eddie Davis to left end Paul Gronka. In the third period with the score still tied 6-6, Wilkes lost its scoring punch when Davis had his previously broken leg reinjured and was sidelined for the season. We had no other experienced passer or quarterback. Spirits fell and Bloomsburg romped for three more T.D.'s to end the game, 27-6.

Men rise to opportunities and so Howie Gross, a converted center, took over the passing chores as blocking back for the Colonels. "Hawkie" had no previous experience as a back or as a passer.

Against Lebanon Valley, the gridders had a 6-0 lead



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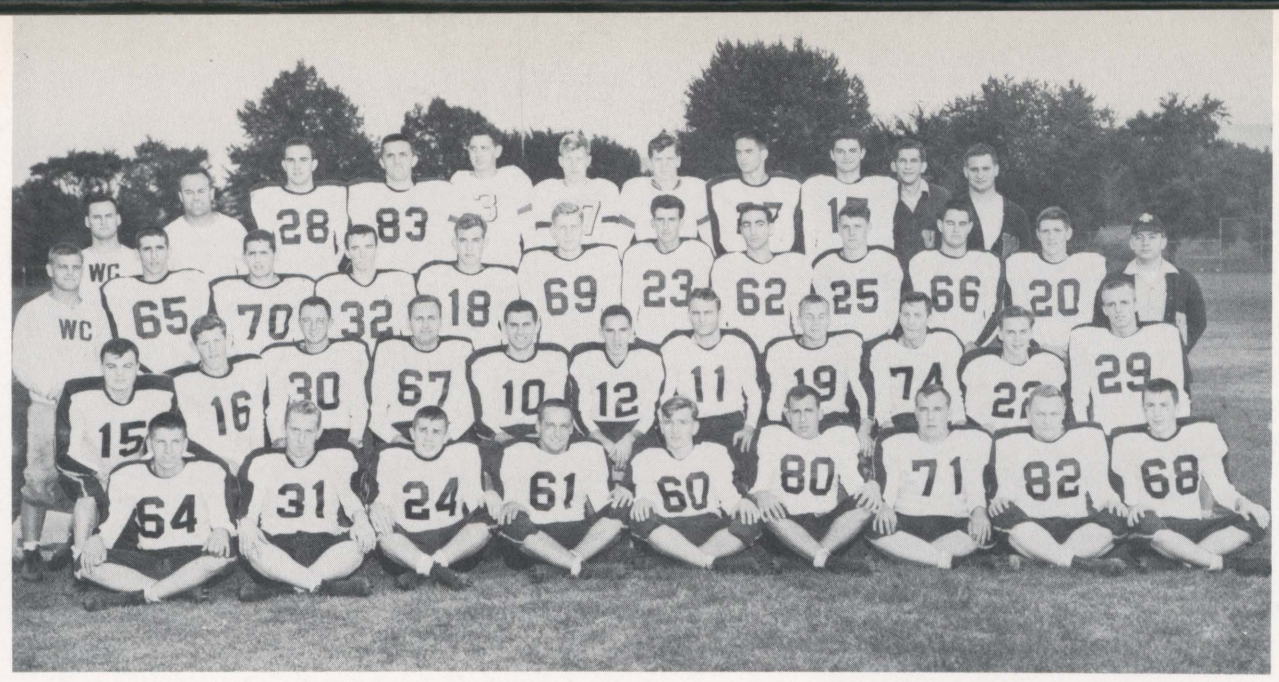

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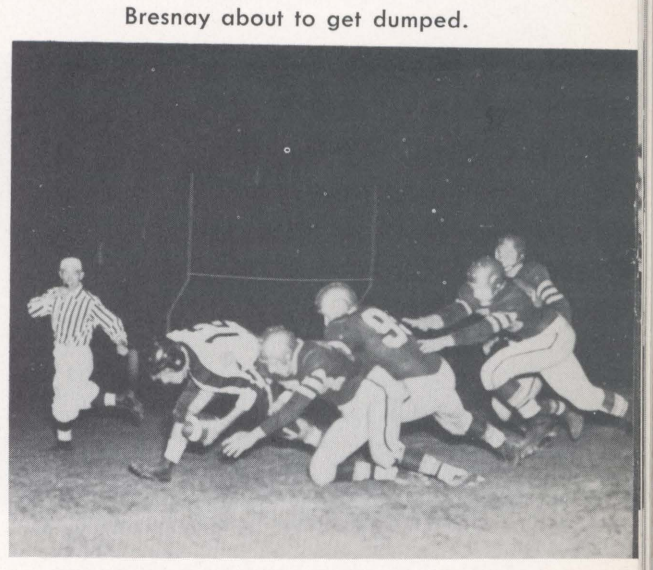
at half time, but lost on a safety and two touchdowns that were pushed over in the fourth quarter. Gross came through in fine form with his passing as he hit Gronka again and again for long gains. The six pointer came on a 35-yard pass into the end zone where the elusive Gronka stood all alone. The Colonels just couldn't put enough good plays together to score again. Our ground attack had no scoring threat for we had no break-away runner. The score was 15-6 when the final gun went off.

We had no break-away runner, that is, until the Ithaca game, when Andy Bresnay, a freshman speed merchant, came into his own on a brilliant 64-yard dash on the first play from scrimmage and again on a beautifully executed cut back on a weak side sweep when he raced 16 yards into the end zone without a man touching him. It was a perfect play with terrific blocking from the up-front men. Gross stood up under the pressure and threw for 125 yards and two touchdowns, one to the gluefingered Gronka and the other to right end Patrick Petrilak. Gross converted two of the four P.A.T. attempts. Ithaca scored on a long pass early in the first quarter to tie the score for a short time, but the Wilkesmen would not be denied that night. Final score, Wilkes 26, Ithaca 7.

Now came the meat of the schedule. The high flying, Flying Dutchmen of Hofstra, with a squad of hand-picked men studded with Little All Americans were next. We were in good shape physically and mentally for this one and spirits were high since the Colonels had placed a solid win under their belts.

Just sittin' and waitin'.

Bresnay about to get dumped.



Boxer Wright blocks for Gigi Elias.

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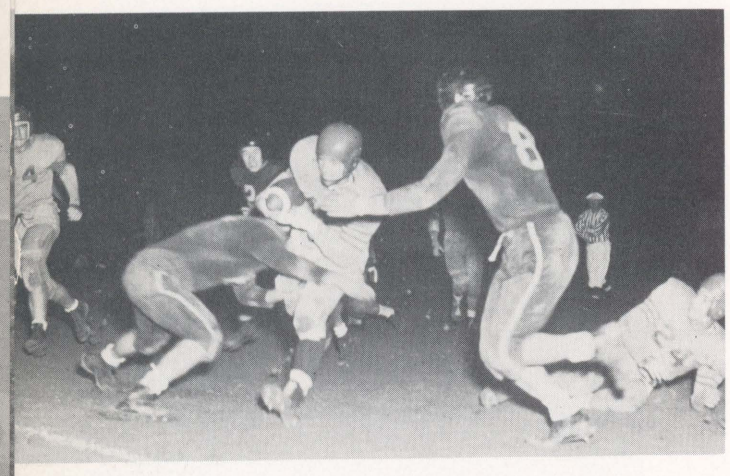

Tait and Wright team up for a clobbering.

But depth and experience will tell, and the Dutchmen really rambled. There were eleven touchdowns scored in this thrilling, high-scoring ball game, but two were called back on Hofstra. The fans loved it, and the Wilkesmen fought for the home crowd. The score at halftime was Hofstra, 20, Wilkes, 13. Hofstra's scores were on beautiful long runs and Wilkes' points were scored or set up on a Gross to Gronka combination. The clever faking Gronka got into the clear for one T. D., and again for a substantial gain to set up the second touchdown. Then Walt Chapko took a handoff from Little All-American fullback George Elias and boomed over on an off-tackle smash. Gross converted this one. In the third quarter Wilkes scored on pure power when Bresnay, Elias and Ronald Fitzgerald tore off pieces of yardage at a steady pace for 40 yards, capping it when Elias bulldozed over from the two. But the pace began to tell and injuries began to harass the Colonels. Bresnay, Gross, Joe Trosko and then Elias were injured and removed from the game. Our scoring punch was gone and Hofstra hit their stride, scoring 14 points in the second half. The final score was Hofstra 39, Wilkes 20.

A sorely battered and bruised team turned out for practice the next Monday to prepare for the Trenton game. Most of our first backfield and a few key linemen were injured so that we had to reshuffle our lineup and count on the untried men to carry us through this one. They did. Particularly sharp were Arnie Nelson who looked like a pro with his calmness and passing, Vince Slavitsko, who was the field general and a constant running threat, and Norman Chanosky with his running and passing. The line play was superb and stopped Trenton cold. Touchdowns were scored by Slavitsko on a 35-yard run, Louis Chaump, tailback, and Fitzgerald, who scored two, one on a reverse and the other a pass from Chanosky. Chapko supplied the last six points on a sweep around end. Galloping Gaylord Fitzgerald kicked the lone extra point. Everyone played in this game as the untried men came through with flying colors.

All the injured men were in good shape for this tilt with Adelphia except fullback George Elias, who had a badly bruised bone in his knee. This is the game where Paul Gronka earned the right to be mentioned as a Little All-American. This game was all his. He provided both of the Colonel tallys, one on a touchdown pass from Gross

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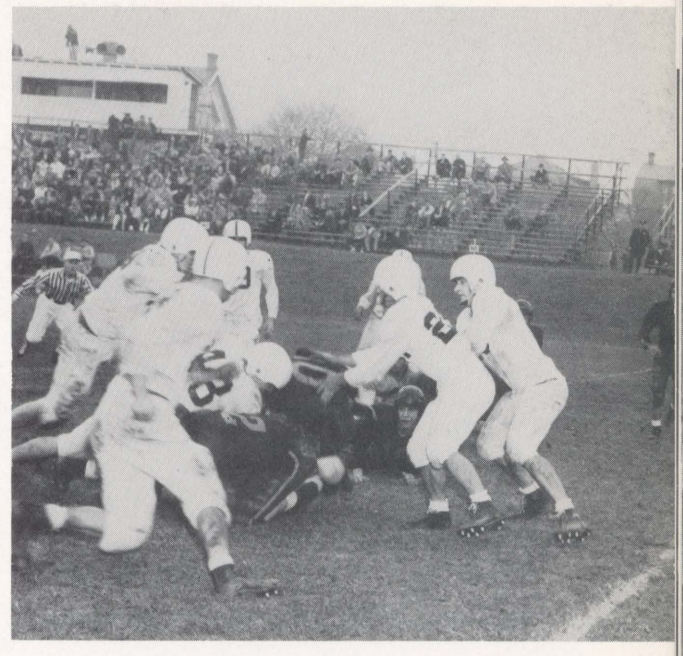
The Purple Knights of Bridgeport were next on the agenda and they boasted a fine passer and two fine ends. It was to be a passing duel between their ace passer and our Gross-to-Gronka combination. That is what it turned out to be. Bridgeport recognized the threat and double teamed Gronka so he could not get down field and outfake their half-backs. Paul managed to break free and score a T.D. on a pass from Gross. Wilkes made their other T. D. via the air lanes with Nelson pitching and Right End Neil Dadurka catching. Fine running by Fitzgerald and Elias kept the game wide open but the Knights passer was "on" and the Colonels were outpassed to a 25-14 victory for Bridgeport.

After a week's lay off, the team readied for their final tilt with Moravian College who boasted a good defensive team. It was a defensive ball game and evenly played during the first half. Early in the second quarter, Fitzgerald scored from the ten on a reverse after the team had worked the ball down from midfield, putting Wilkes ahead 6-0 at halftime. A halftime penalty for taking too much time put Wilkes in a hole that they never could get out of. The Moravian Greyhounds were held scoreless for three periods and then scored two touchdowns in the fourth quarter. A glimpse of next year's potentialities was shown when Norman Chanosky and Arnie Nelson teamed up on the passing to Fitzgerald and Dadurka and led the Colonels the length of the field to the Moravian twenty where the drive was halted. The final score was Moravian 14, Wilkes 6.

All in all, it was a fair season and the one thing that has always been said about the Wilkes College football team was true again this year. They never quit. Although they were outmanned and outgunned in many games, they were there to the final gun and their opponents knew it.



Costly fumble at the Moravian game.

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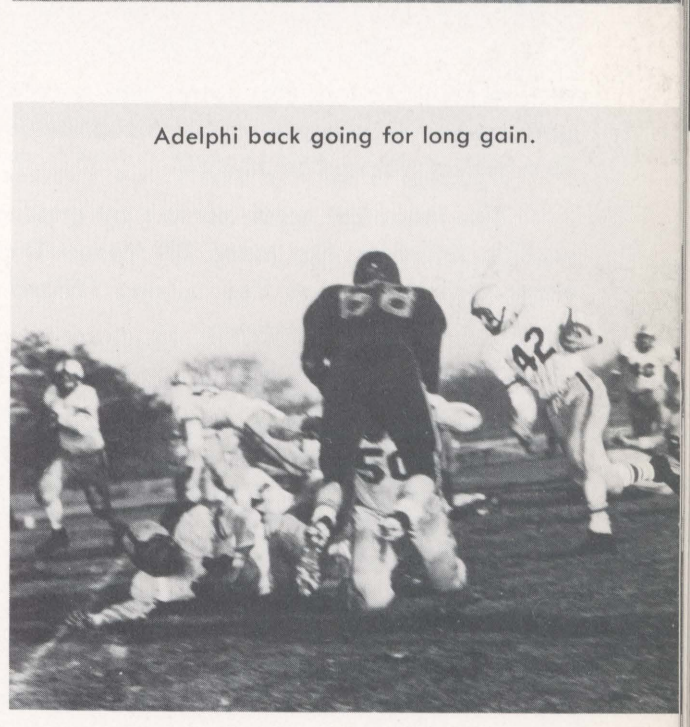

Soccer

The 1953 season is one that will never be forgotten as long as there is soccer at Wilkes College. Coach Bob Partridge's booters, winless since the inception of the English uncle of American football—four years straight and 28 games—got off to what promised and proved to be a great season in the first tilt.

The Blue and Gold soccermen eeked out a historic first win over Rider College on the New Jersey institution's field and from there went on to take another historic first—a winning season.

In fact, records were broken all season long. Fortified with an international trio consisting of Dean Arvan of Greece, Ahmad Kizimi of Trans-Jordan, and Koo Younsu of South Korea, the Partridgemen notched wins over Rider, 2-1; Lock Haven, 6-1; Elizabethtown, 5-1; and Trenton Teachers, 4-0.

Three losses were suffered, one each to Lafayette, 2-1; Elizabethtown, 5-1; and East Stroudsburg Teachers, 2-0.

The final win over Trenton meant the winning season. Co-Captain Flip Jones had a record three goals, while Goalie Jim Moss tended the nets in the first Wilkes shutout in history.

The team lost seven seniors by graduation including Jim Moss, Flip Jones, Bill Mergo, Dick Hawk, Hank Deibel, Charles Zezza, and Hillard "Lefty" Kemp.

They have left behind an inspirational heritage for those who follow them. They have performed well their task of helping their coach establish soccer at Wilkes College.

Coach Bob Partridge and the Co-Captains of his first winning team, Flip Jones and Bill Margo.

Two who added a bit of foreign flavor and excellence to the game this year were Ahmad Kazimi and Koo Younsu.

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Looks like a well-rehearsed ballet scene as Carl Van Dyke heads the Ball to Ahmad Kazimi.

(1st row) C. Van Dyke, R. Hawk, W. Mergo, P. Jones, Y. Koo, A. Kazimi. (2nd row) J. Konsavage, Manager; H. Kemp, H. Deibel, J. Curtis, C. Zezza, J. Dopple, D. Polakowski, R. Partridge, Coach. (3rd row) J. Gay, D. Arvan, S. Shugar, F. Kopicki, J. Moss, J. Ferris, R. Heltzel, G. Phethean, A. Sherman, Manager.

Greek student, Dean Arvan, poses alertly beneath a Lock Haven player heading the ball. The Colonels took the Teachers 6-1.

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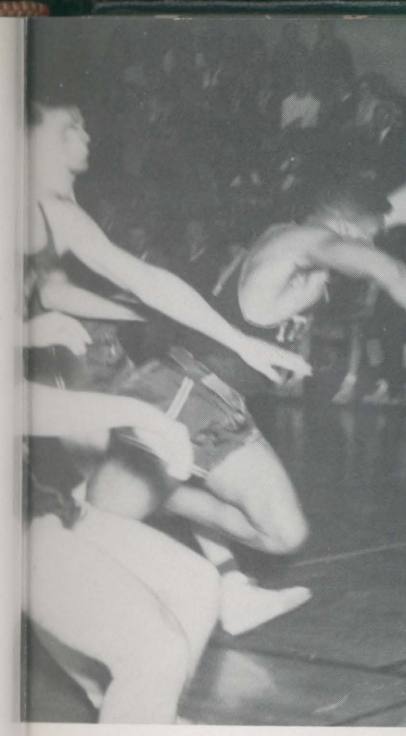


Jim Jones of Ithaca falls in

Basketball

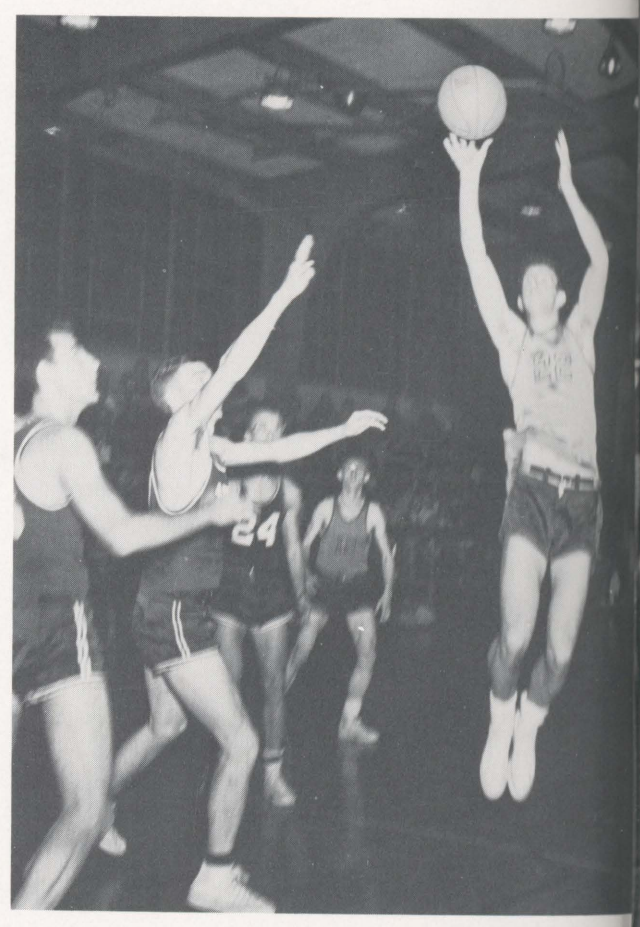
With almost the entire first string members being seniors who have played together for the past three years, prospects in pre-season round-ups looked mighty good for the Colonels.

With some of the powerful colleges on the schedule the results will not be as good as the forecast would have us believe. Some of the really big powerhouses were Lafayette, Wagner, Bloomsburg, and Hofstra. At the end of the first semester the Colonels were nursing along an even record. It was expected that the vacation following finals would give the boys a chance to get rested and play a better game than they have thus far in the season.

Under the guidance of Bill Mock the Colonels began the pre-season training until Head Coach George Ralston finished with his football chores. Mock last year guided the JV team to an unbeaten record. His efforts to repeat this feat were thwarted in the first game when his jay vees lost.

Another coach has been added to the basketball team in the person of Frances Pinkowski. "Pinky" has had double duty this year for he also served out his initial year as assistant coach on the gridiron.

One of the most interesting men to watch this year was Len Batroney. Since he set a new record last year for the most points a person has scored while on the team, every basket he made this year set a new total point record for the school. Part of Bart's secret to success is his average for the season which at the time of this writing was soaring above .500. That means he makes better than one out of every two attempts!



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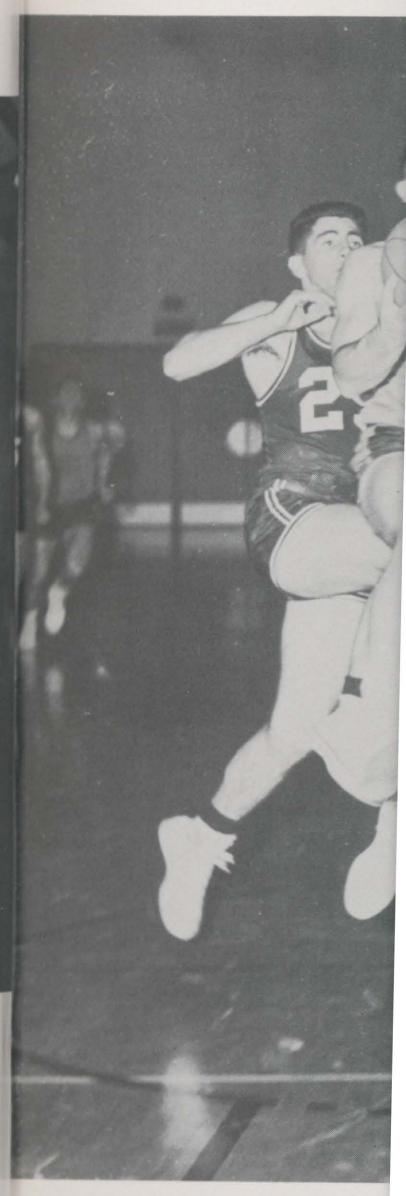

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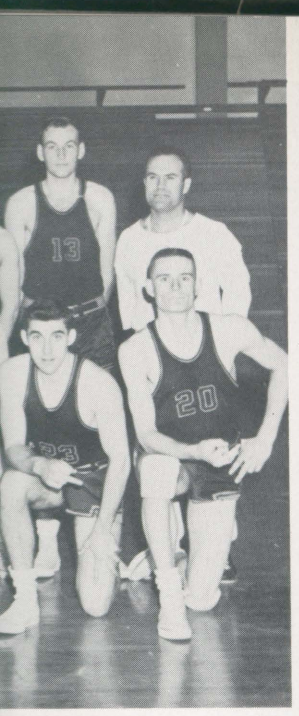

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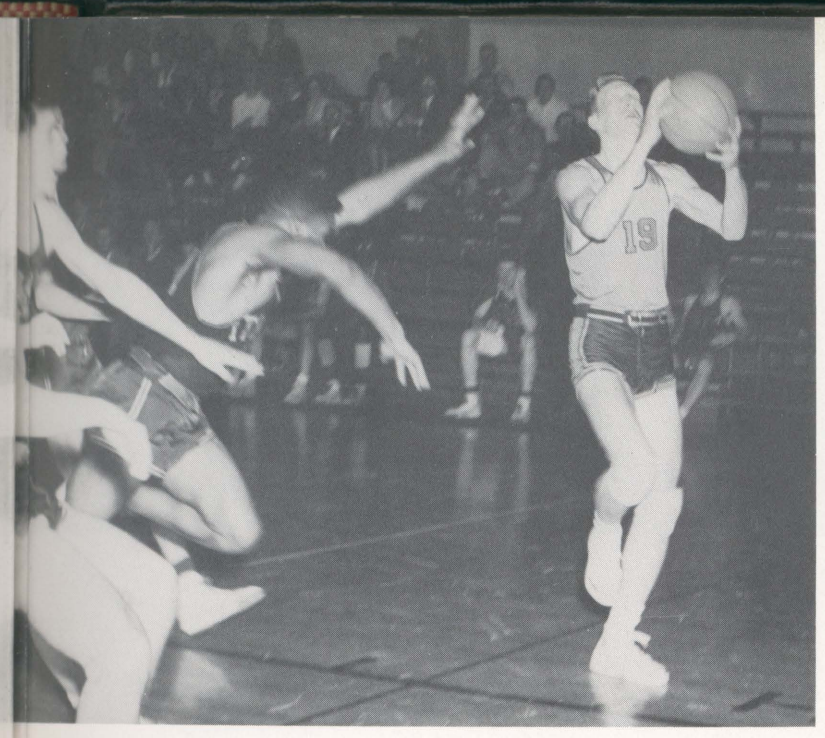
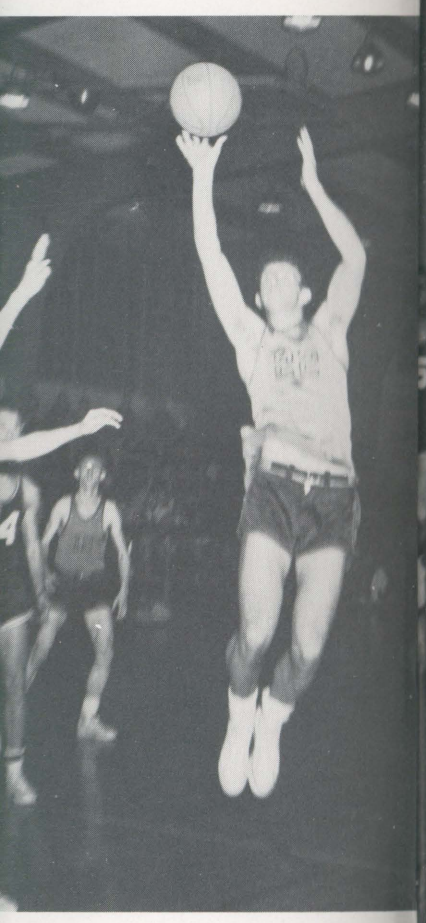


Jim Jones of Ithaca fails in attempt to stop Kopicki.

Kopicki performs at the center post.



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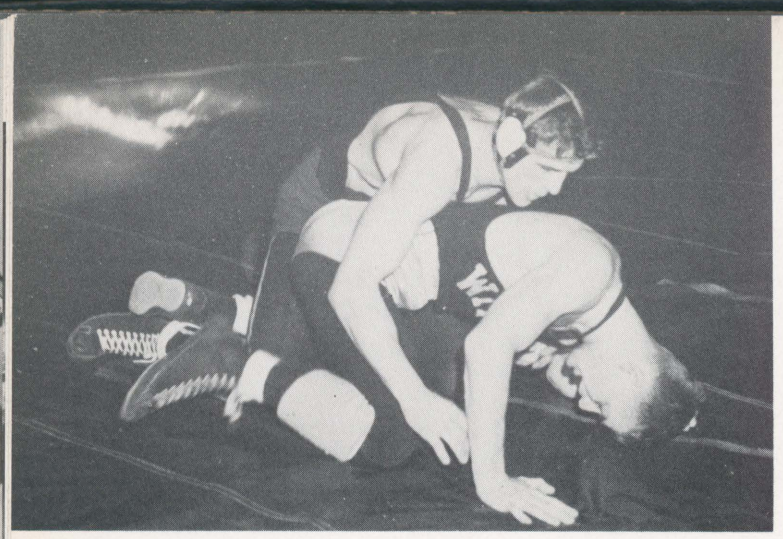
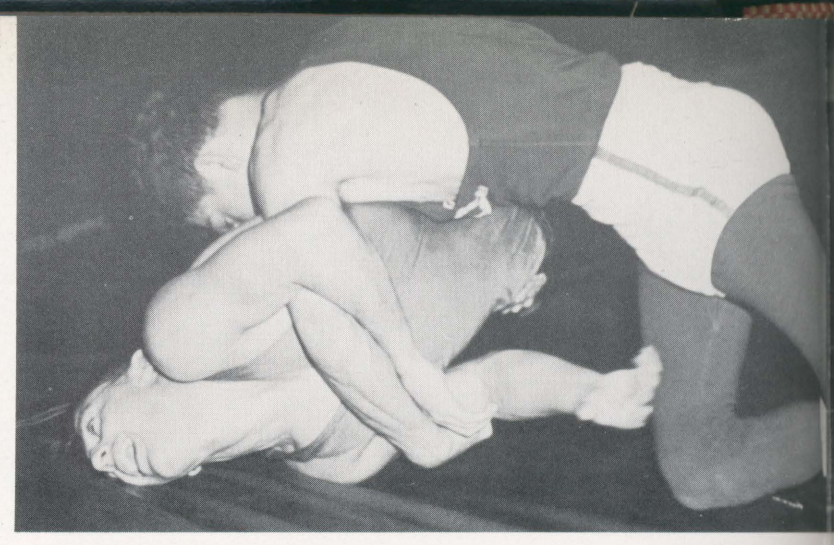


Wilkes about to be taken.



Yeisley trying for pin.

Wrestling

The Wilkes College Wrestling Squad got an added boost when it was announced shortly before the season was to begin that John Reese would do the coaching duties.

With only a few members of last year's team returning for action and a great bulk of the entire team made up of men trying intercollegiate grappling for the first time, Coach Reese had a job cut out for him.

Daily drills put the boys in top condition and Reese was a hard task-master. But it was all for their own good and the members worked capacity for the new mentor.

At the time of this writing the team was on the short end of a 2-3 record with two games remaining. Coach Reese was optimistic in his team's chances for the future and believed that he would end with a better than even season.

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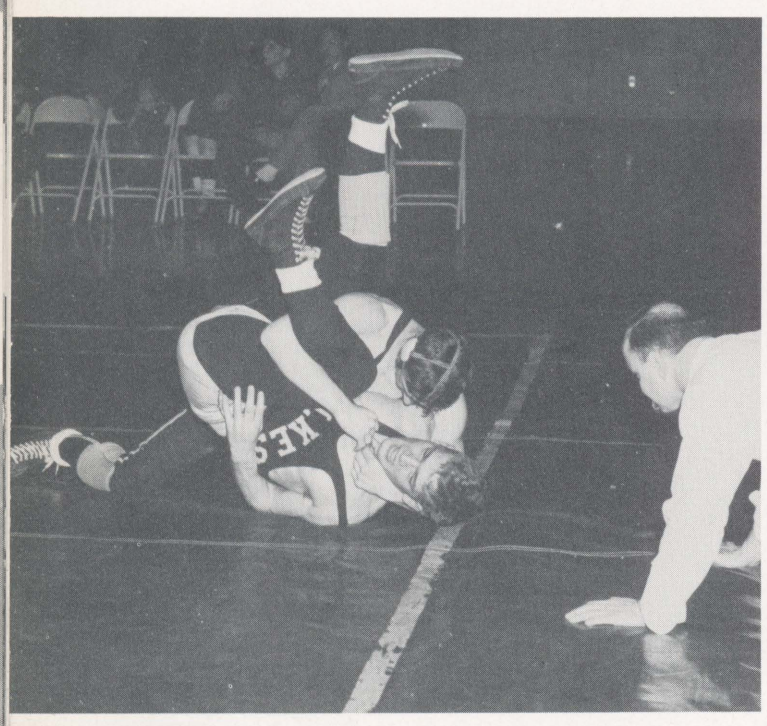

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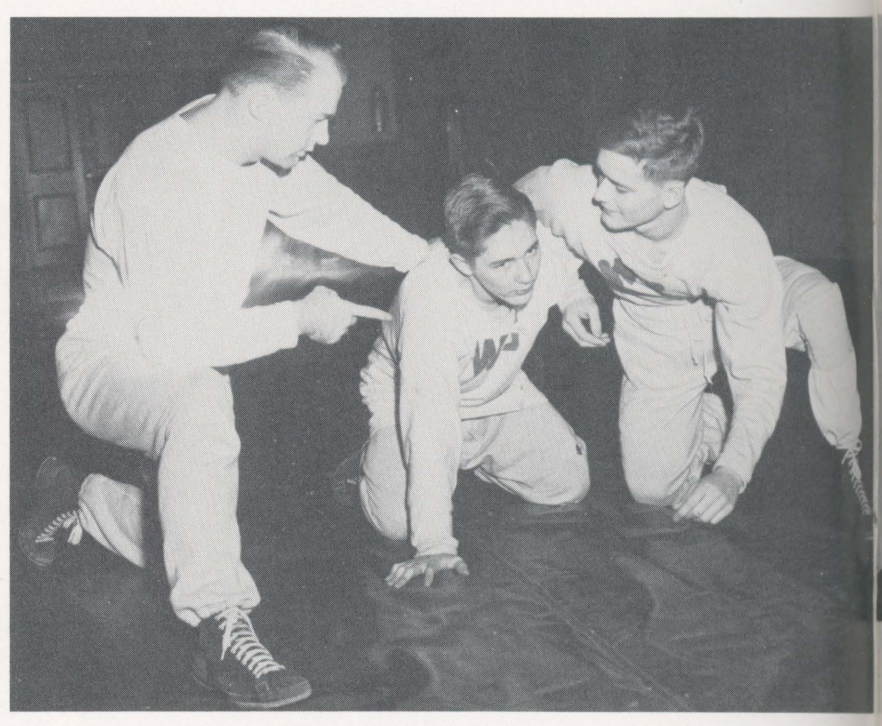

Reese giving some helpful hints for success.

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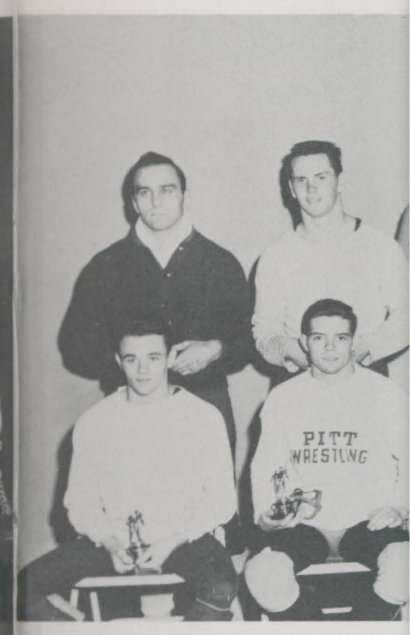

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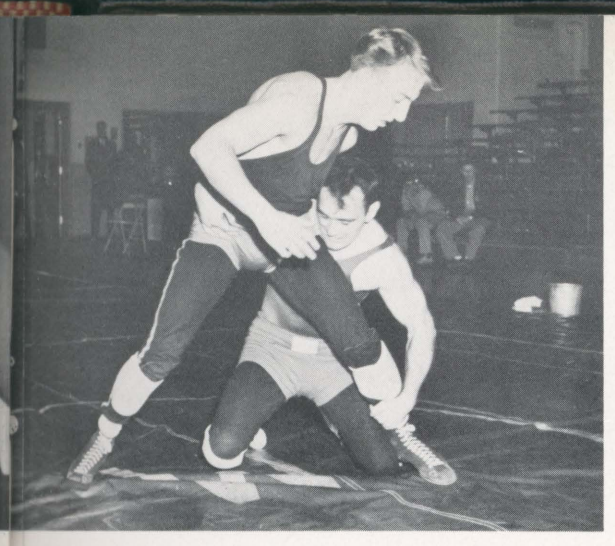


Scene from the semi-finals.

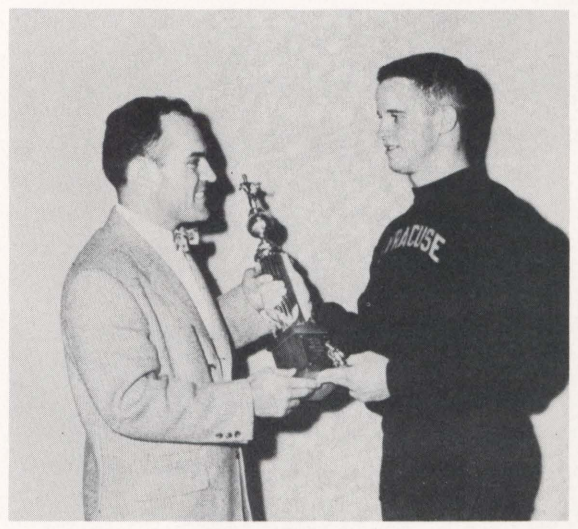
Open Wrestling Championships

The 22nd Annual Open Wrestling Championships held here during the Christmas vacation was more than a success. Plan had been made for approximately 180 grapplers from the east to appear for the tourney but registration reached a new high of 256.

From Maine, North Carolina, Maryland, Ohio, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and all of the New England states came grapplers of every size and skill.

Last year's Outstanding Wrestler at the meet, Cornell's Frank Bettucci, attended but was unable to recapture this coveted title. It went instead to Syracuse's Ed Rooney. It was Rooney's third attempt at the title and he won it by taking his final match with a pin despite a severe head injury seconds before.

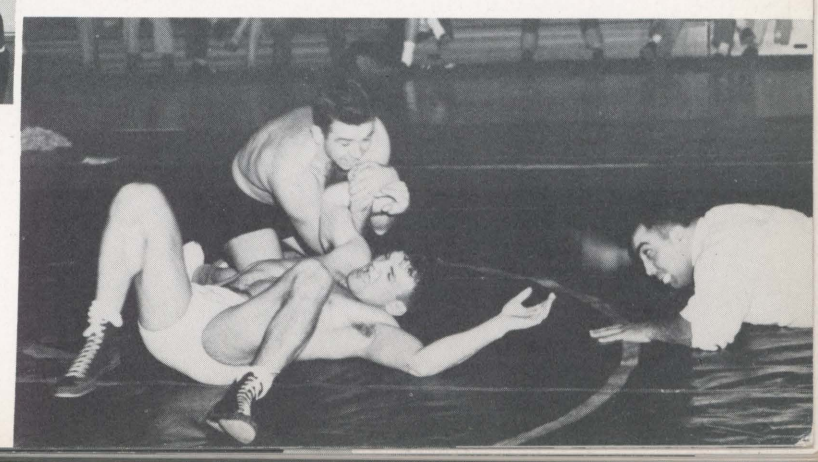
Billy Lee keeping a close watch.



George Ralston presenting trophy for Outstanding Wrestler to Ed Rooney of Syracuse.

First place winners in each weight division.

University of Pitt coach accepts team award from Ralston.



Cornell Coach Miller and F. Bettucci engage in a little horse-play.

Davis covering the hot corner.

Jim Ferris scores for Wilkes.

Bloomsburg Huskie takes third.

Coach Partridge and Captain Kropiewnicki.

Baseball

The Colonel diamond crew, coached by Bob Partridge, battled its way to its best season since 1950, completing a rain-shortened schedule with a seven won and seven lost slate. In view of the many injuries which hit the team, the mark signified a moral victory. Marsh Karesky, slugging first baseman, Jim Moss, veteran outfielder, Eddie Davis, star second baseman, and Dick Kachinosky, a promising outfielder were out practically all season.

The big man on the club in '53 was Pitcher John Milliman, who right-handed his way to five victories, while losing three. Outstanding games saw him twirl 13 and 15 innings in the same week over two of the East's top collegiate nine, Cortland STC and Rider respectively. The big one, for the Wilkes-Scranton University trophy, was also a Milliman victory with a 3-0 shut out.

Freshman Pitcher Mel McNew of Baltimore led the team in batting with a .387 mark. Mel worked in the outfield when he wasn't pitching. Wilkes captain and star catcher Joe Kropiewnicke was runner-up with a healthy .302 mark. Joe, the only member of the team to be lost by graduation, will be sorely missed next year. He holds the distinction of having been elected team leader two years straight.

If the team can brush off the old injury jinx, prospects for the 1954 season look good.

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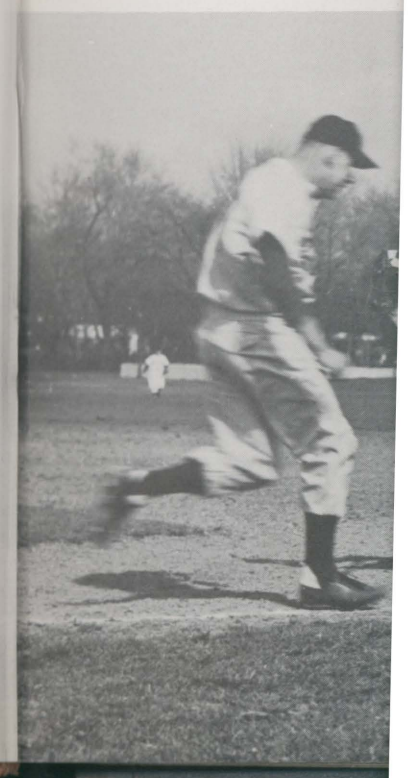

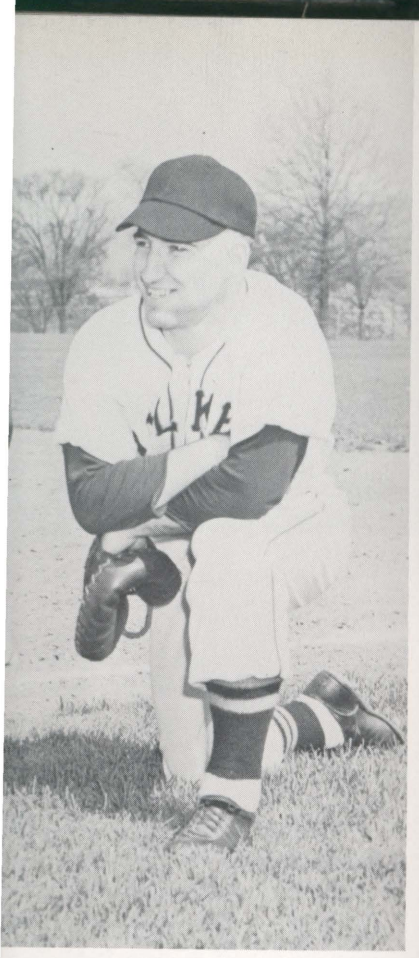

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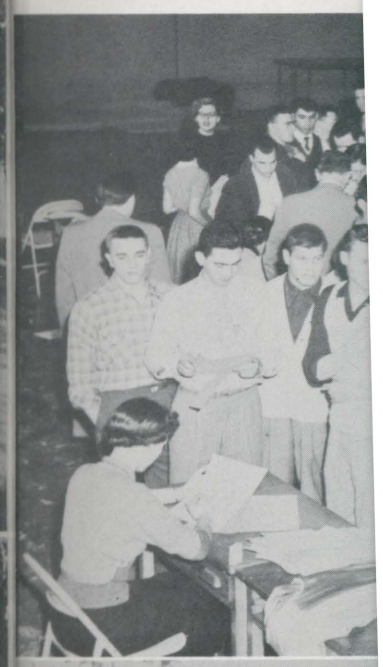
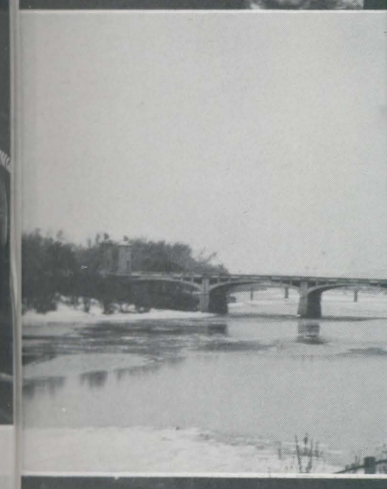
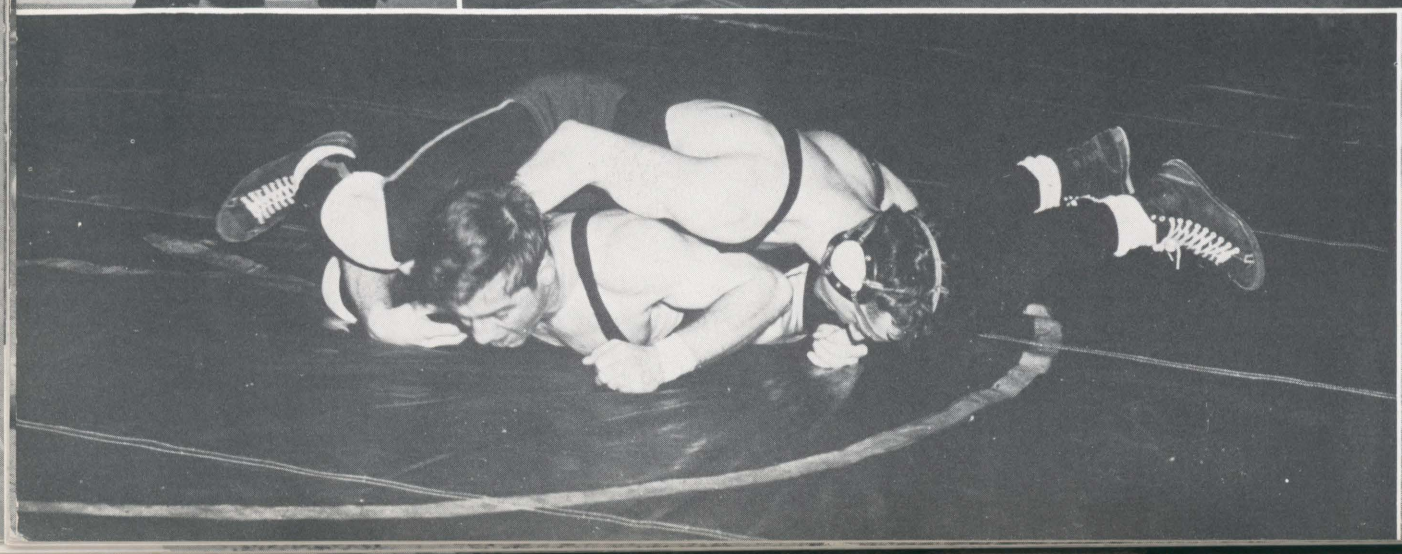
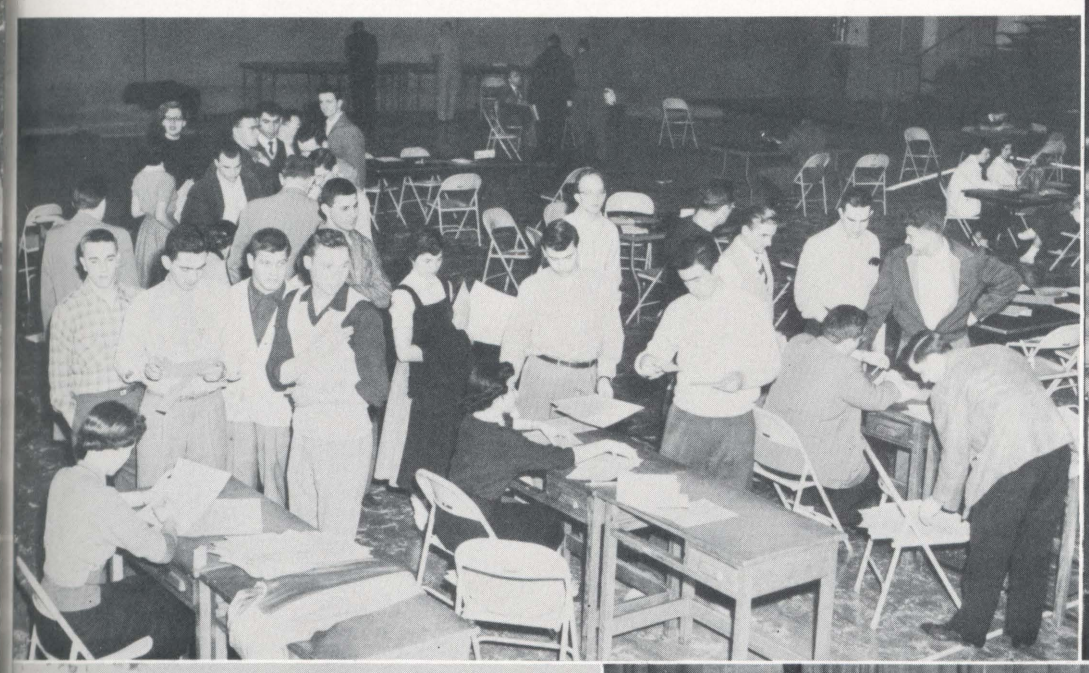
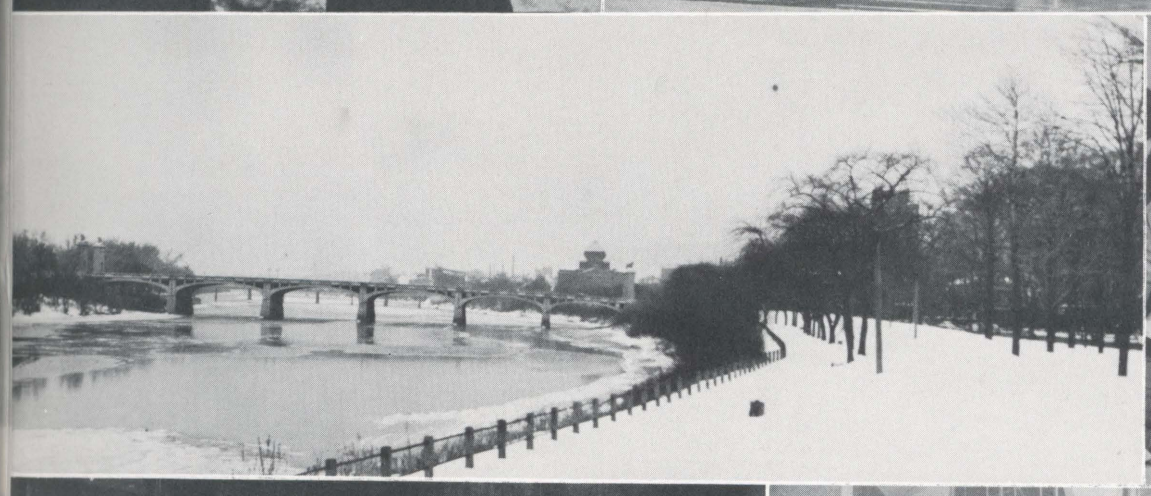
Stretch by Kareski nips runner at first.

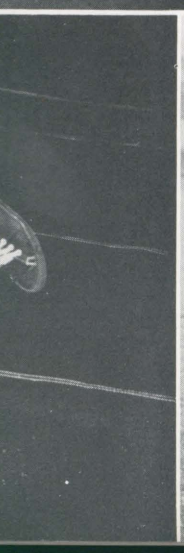












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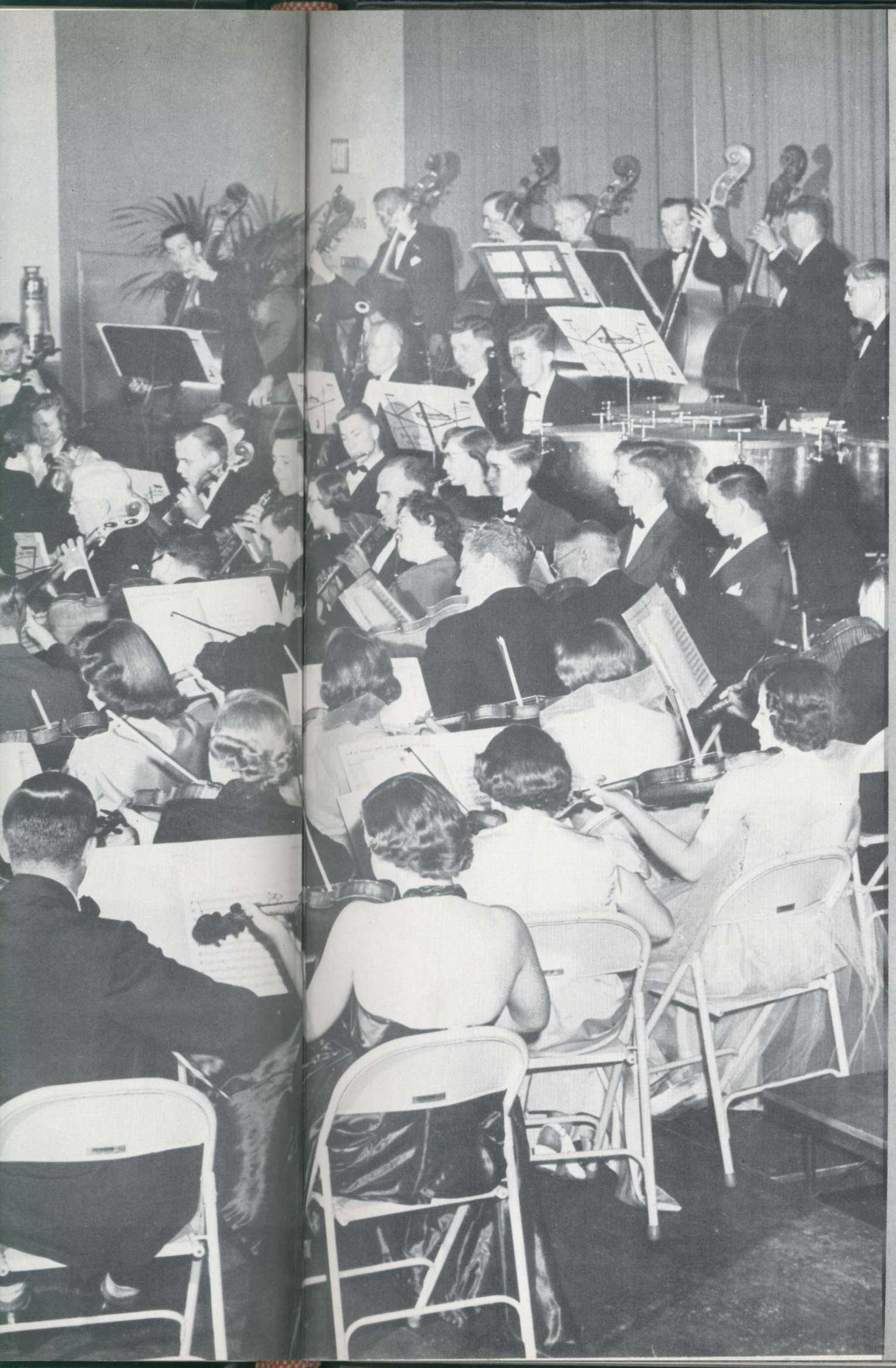

The College and The Community

This is but one of the many diversified groups which proudly exhibited their national heritage.

The program was varied with Jewish, Syrian, Russian, Greek, Polish, Swedish, Negro, Welsh, Italian and Lithuanian groups represented.

THE NATIONALITIES PAGEANT: Over 3,000 people packed the College gym to enjoy sketches from the lives of various national heroes as well as lively folk dancing and singing. The theme of the pageant was courage, freedom and integrity.

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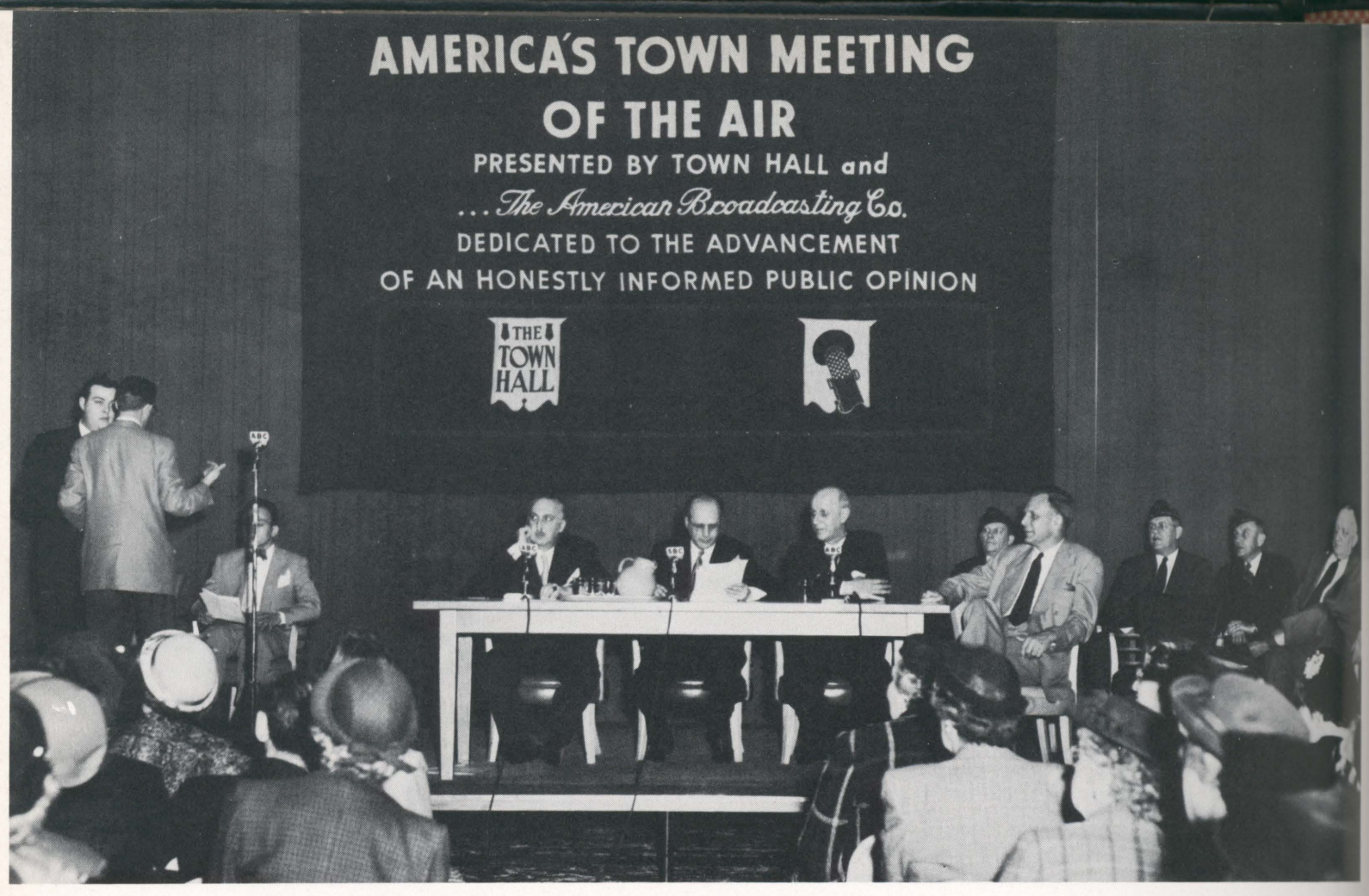
The pageant featured picturesque costumes, folk songs and dances. It is one of the most inspiring and colorful events which take place in the Valley.

Wyoming Valley has been known for its friendliness, and the desire of its people to work together and to share with one another their achievements. The pageant represents an expression of this unity, in which diverse groups translate their experiences into the meaning of America.

The pageant was directed by Mr. Partridge, and Mr. Groh prepared new verse scripts which pointed up the impact of various national groups on American life, showing how each group has adjusted to a new culture without losing its identity.



The Wilkes College Gymnasium was the scene of the famed **Town Meeting of the Air** for the second consecutive year on Tuesday, May 5, 1953. The program was carried locally by radio station WILK and the coast-to-coast ABC network. It familiarized radio listeners tuned to any one of the more than 300 ABC stations with Wilkes and Wyoming Valley.

Debating the question, "Can we afford a trade, not aid, policy for the world?" were Senator George W. Malone, Republican from Nevada, and Congressman Hale Boggs, Democrat from Louisiana.

Emanating from the College gym, the brisk and frequently heated debate put both Wyoming Valley and the "trade or aid" principle in the national spotlight.

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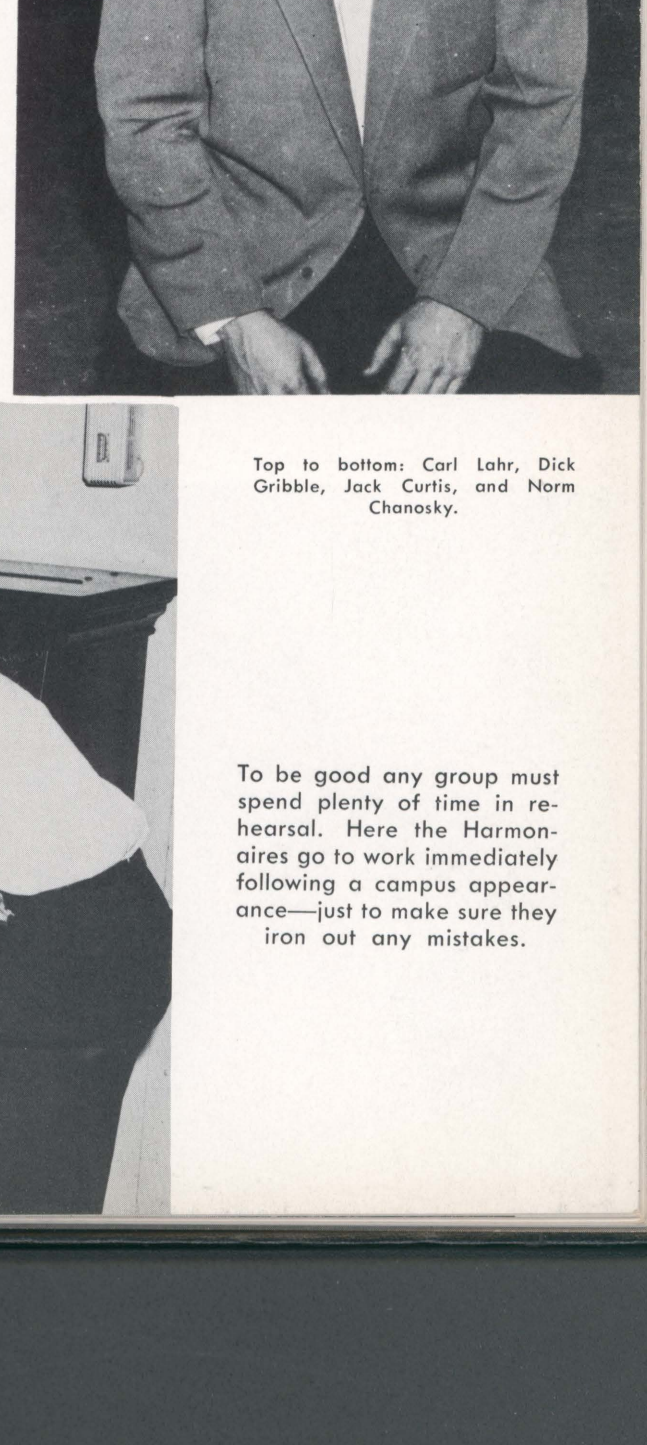
Harmonaires

One of the most popular up and coming groups on campus is the Harmonaires, male quartet, which entertained on numerous occasions during the school year. The group, which changed its name this year after it found that another group of male singers had already laid claim to the spelling "Harmoneers," is composed of Norm Chanosky, tenor; Jack Curtis, lead; Dick Gribble, baritone; and Carl Lahr, bass.

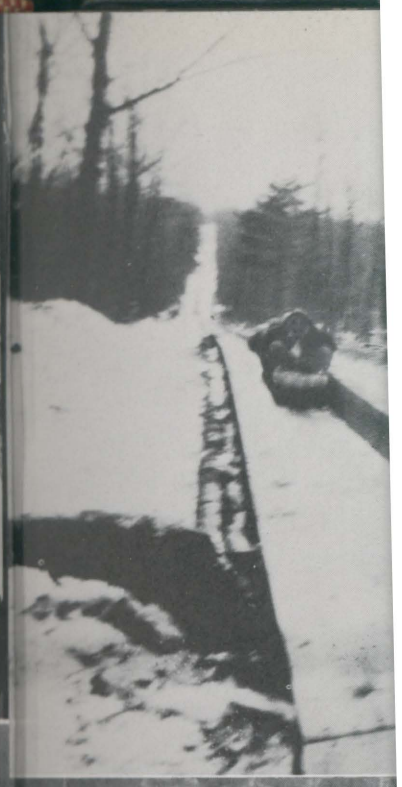
Chanosky joined the group to fill the tenor vacancy left by the graduation of Jake Kovalchek last year. According to the group's local following, the old blend still remains.

This year more than ever before, the Harmonaires drifted away from the old-time songs—or at least gave them a new twist—and delved into the realm of the popular and standard musical works to the delight of audiences in the area.



Top to bottom: Carl Lahr, Dick Gribble, Jack Curtis, and Norm Chanosky.

To be good any group must spend plenty of time in rehearsal. Here the Harmonaires go to work immediately following a campus appearance—just to make sure they iron out any mistakes.



Above: What could be more romantic than a sleigh ride in the Poconos? Right: The snowball battle over, these students meet a mental challenge.

The Ice Follies of **Split Rock Lodge**, as presented by Wilkes College.

Below: Sculptors at work. Right: A day off from classes and the students do the bunny hop.

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Left: Gangway! Above: Anyone for table tennis?

Tired after a day in the snow, these students relate some tall tales.

Left: A beautifully - engineered job. Below: What I wouldn't give to spend another day like this!

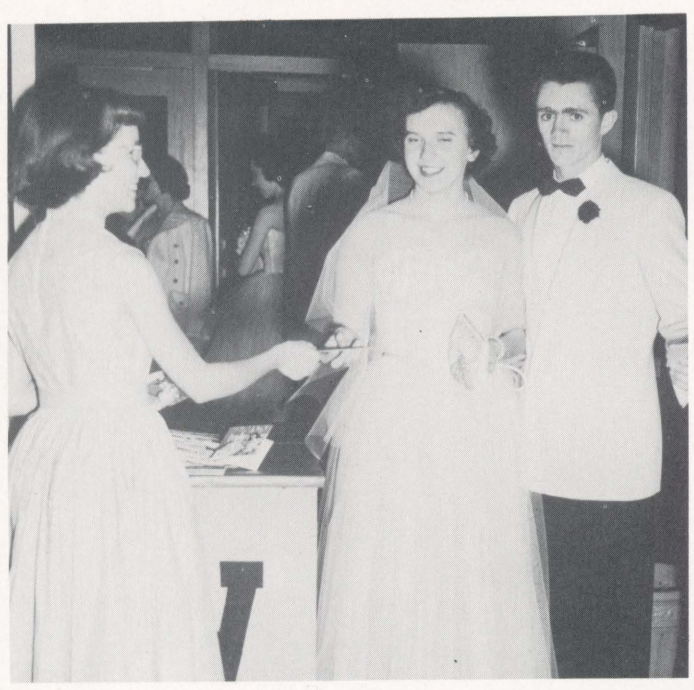
Cinderella Ball

The seventh annual Cinderella Ball once again climaxed the year's social events. A crowd of two hundred couples arrived at the dance in holiday spirits. The interior of the gym had been miraculously transformed into a bejeweled fairyland by Johnny Moore and his decorating team. The false ceiling of white crepe paper supported by glowing columns of light was accented by a myriad of tiny varicolored lights reflected from a revolving, mirrored chandelier.

Another feature of the decorations was a walled medieval castle to the rear of the bandstand. As the Cinderella candidates passed before the footlights, they took their places near the towers of the castle so that the king of the land could choose the fairest.

In keeping with the traditional tale, at the stroke of midnight Cinderella of 1953 was revealed. As the drawbridge was lowered Miss Ann Azat of Kingston was acclaimed by all. She was presented with the traditional bouquet of roses and the Cinderella glass slipper.

Miss Ann Azat, Cinderella of 1953. This is truly one of the happiest moments of her life.



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Cinderella candidates await the announcement of the winner.

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Dancing to the smooth music of Gabe Garland and his orchestra.

The bunny hop appears to be quite popular.

Everyone enjoyed the Mexican hat dance.

Valentine Dance

Presenting the Queen and King of Hearts.

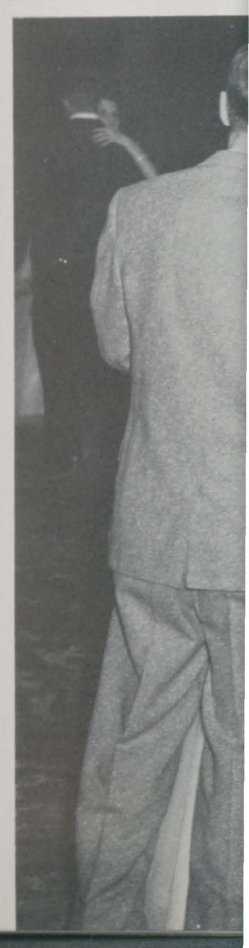
Well, I had a good time.

The Valentine Dance, sponsored by Theta Delta Rho, was a huge success once again. An annual project for T.D.R., the Valentine semi-formal occupies a special place on the social calendar. Held during the romantic Valentine season, the dance is considered one of the biggest social events of the school year. This year, as in previous years, the girls in the sorority did a fine job in offering an affair that will long be remembered by all who attended.

Ably assisted by the Lettermen, the women of the College transformed the gymnasium into a magnificent ballroom echoing a hearts and flowers theme. The dance was well attended and everyone enjoyed dancing in the semi-darkness to the dreamy music of Al Anderson and his orchestra.

The climax of the affair was reached at intermission when Miss Mary Tosline and Eugene Snee were crowned Queen and King of Hearts. Nancy Batcheler, last year's queen, did the honors.

The traditional receiving line at the Valentine Dance.



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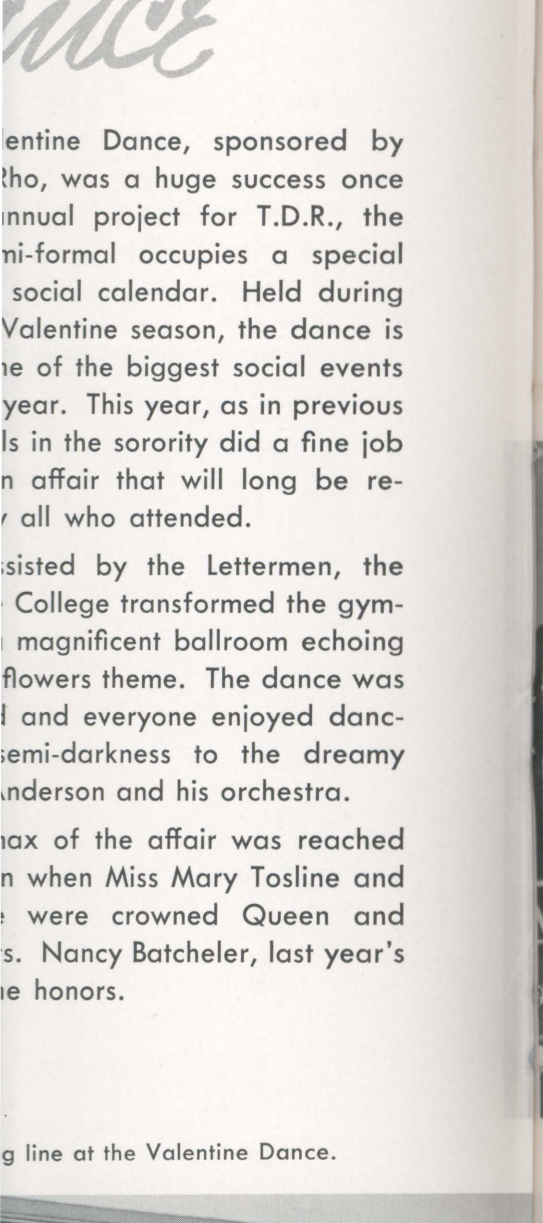

A break between numbers.

A glimpse of Al Anderson, his orchestra and the beautiful backdrop. It's quite a romantic setting.

Miss Patricia Fitzgerald, Colonel's Queen.

April Showers Ball

In true April showers tradition, the rains came in the afternoon, but the Lettermen's annual April Showers Ball attracted a record crowd.

The festive dancers whirled to the sweet strains of Lee Vincent's orchestra. A rippling ceiling of blue and gold streamers resembling raindrops covered the dance floor, and a shower-spattered backdrop completed the decorations. Tiny umbrellas strewn on the candle-lit tables were to become tangible reminders of a shimmering evening.

The selection of Pat Fitzgerald, a petite and smiling sophomore, as the Colonel's Queen was the high spot of the evening. Mr. George Ralston, adviser of the Lettermen's Club, introduced Miss Fitzgerald and presented her with a lovely wristwatch—the traditional gift to the Colonel's Queen.

Dancing and dreaming.

Showers Ball

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All concentrate on the last dance of the evening.

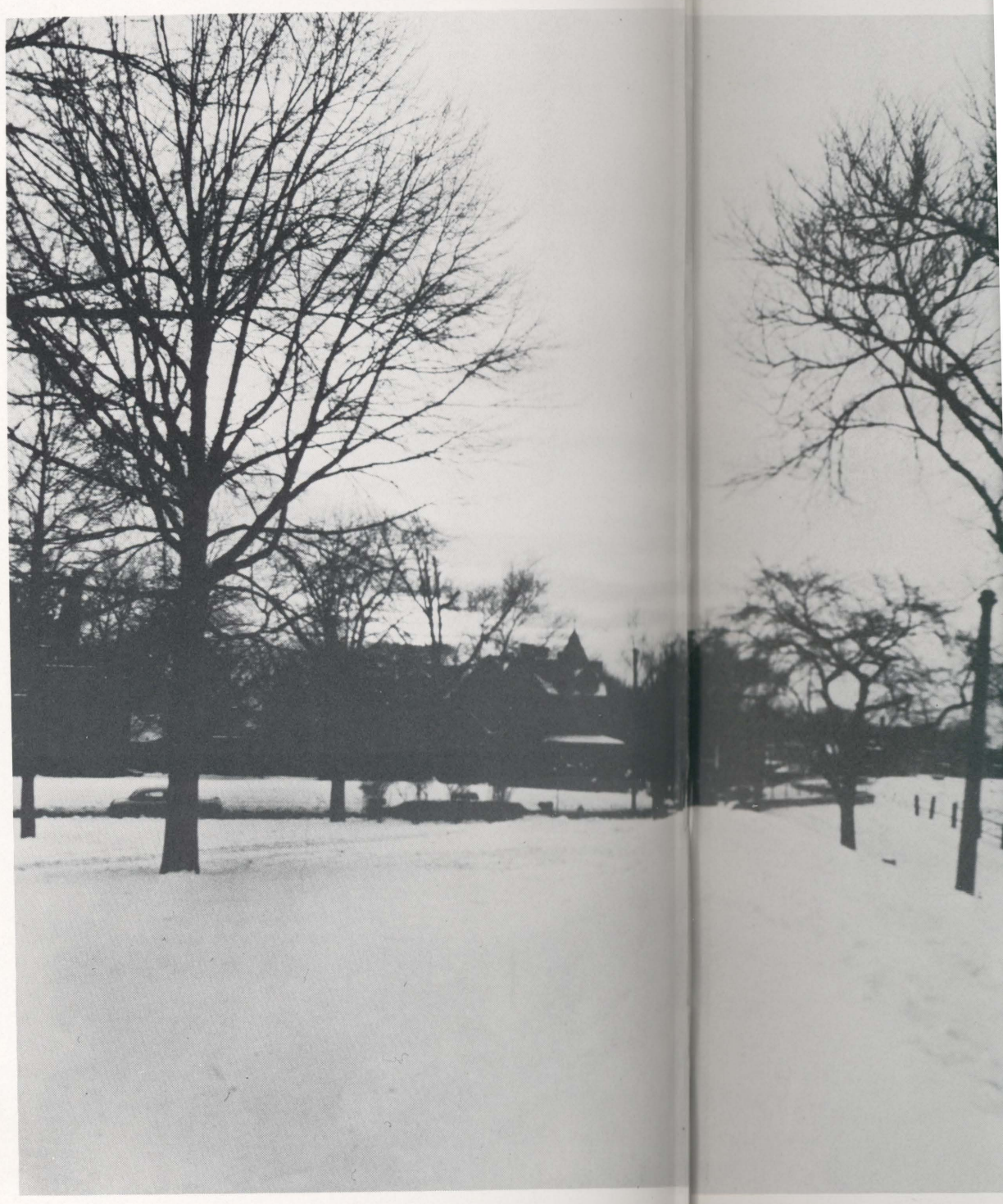
Some of the faculty that attended.

In the lane snow is glistening.

It sure is cold outside.

Don't you just love the winter?

You mean you ex



SNOW AND SLEET—Old man winter had his day on the

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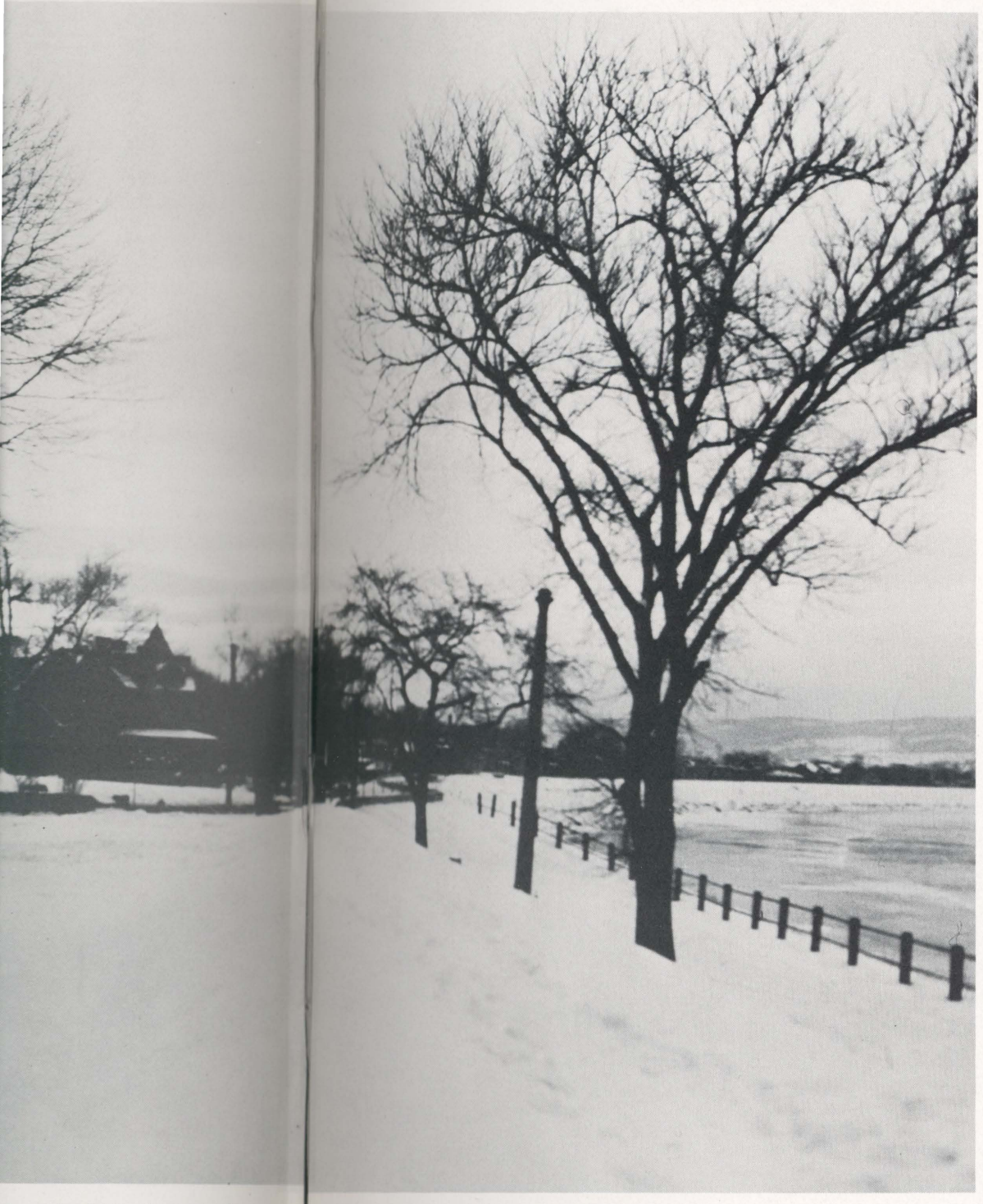
You mean you expect it to rain in January?



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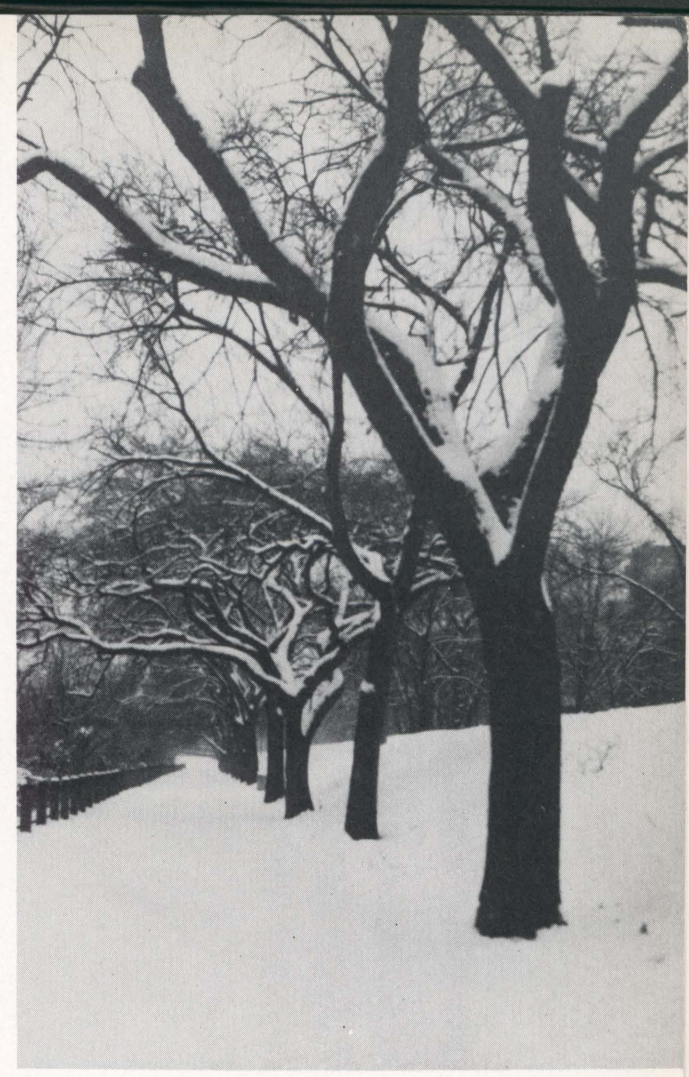
campus. This is a view of the river bank opposite the College.



Strangely enough, there's no one on the river bank.

Ah, warmth at last.

George Ralston and some of the Seniors he will have to do without.

Getting practical experience in testing methods.

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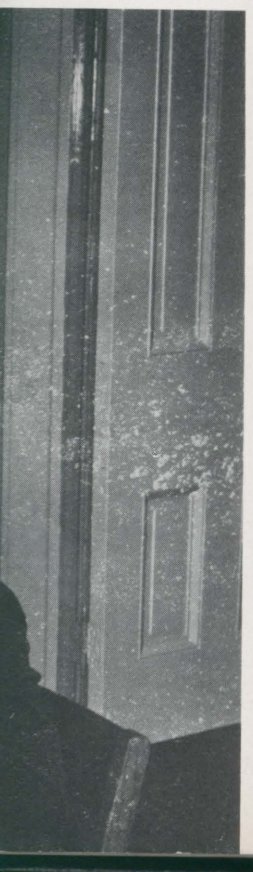


Seniors

Four years ago we, a group of individuals, gathered at Wilkes College to form what was to become the Class of 1954. All had a common interest in mind; that of gaining an education. Now, eight memorable semesters later we feel this goal has been achieved, but we also feel that much more has been accomplished.

No longer are we a group of individuals, but rather a close-knit class that has learned through cooperation to solve our own problems, share our thoughts, and to look with interest to the future. Cohesiveness could be seen developing early in our college life. It was the Class of '54 which staged the famous Freshmen Revolt against hazing regulations. This feeling of "oneness" continued to grow throughout our sophomore and junior years until in our senior year it reached its climax.

Our final year at Wilkes has been marked with many unforgettable events. In December 1953, "Operation Good Time," our first social event of the year was met with enthusiastic support by the student body and well earned its title.

In March came the "Senior Spectacle," an evening of entertainment by the seniors and members of the faculty. The affair filled the gym with laughter and was deemed a huge success.

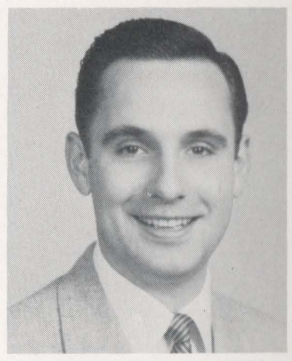
In May the Senior Class was honored by the Class of 1955 with the annual Junior-Senior Dinner-Dance. This affair showed that our last year was coming to a close.

The Senior Dinner-Dance, attended by faculty members and seniors, was the affair that will probably be best remembered by all of us. It was a gala evening touched with occasional thoughts of the farewell that must come.

With our college days behind us, we are now faced with the problems of the future. For some this will mean graduate study, for others it will mean finding a suitable occupation, and for some of the men it will mean a few months with Uncle Sam.

Whatever road we may travel, we feel sure that our success will be the result of the teaching and guidance we received at Wilkes College. As we turn to take our farewell glimpse of college life one thought is prominent in our minds, "Thank you Wilkes, for everything . . ."

Richard Hawk, *President*.



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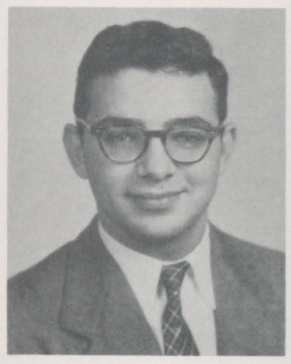

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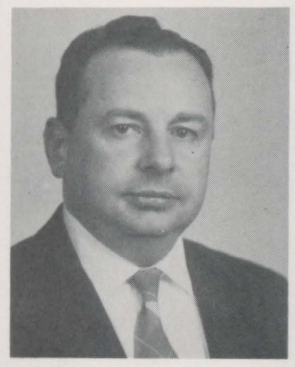

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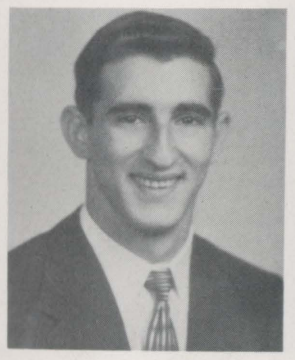

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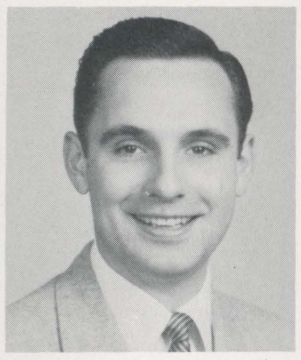

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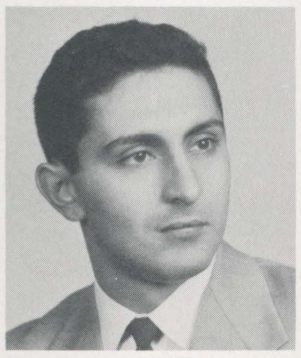

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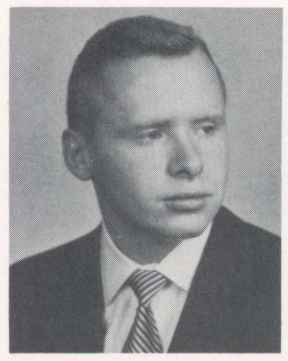

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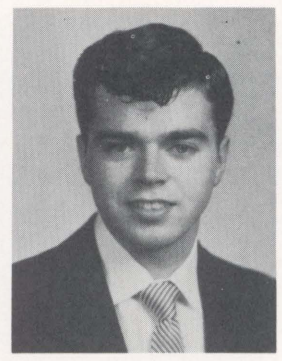

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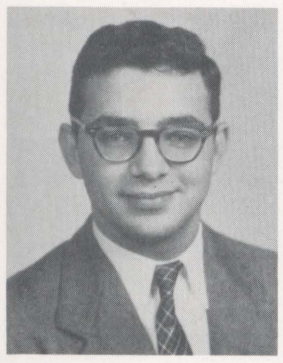

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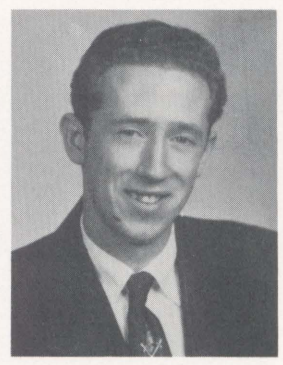

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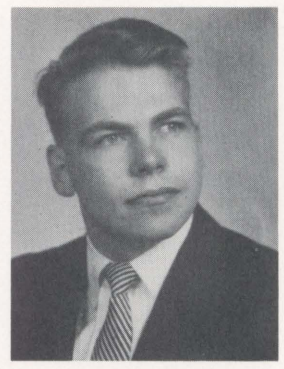

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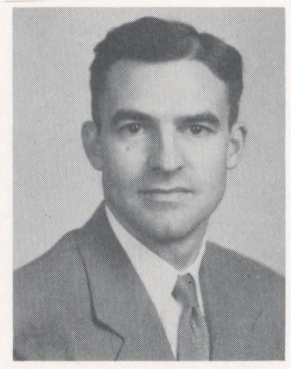

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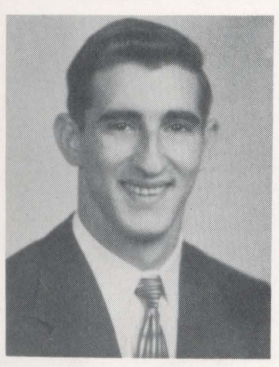

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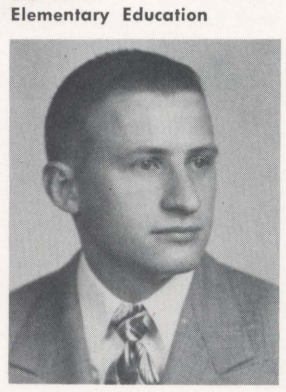

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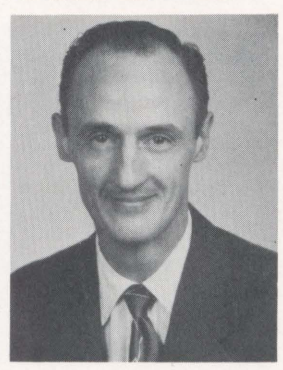

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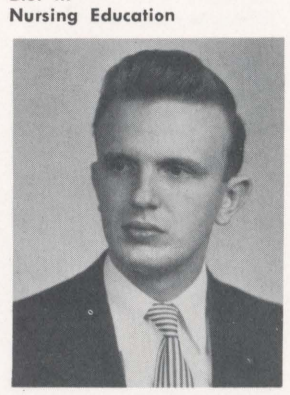

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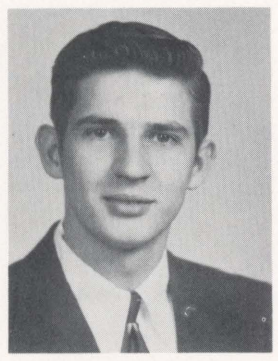

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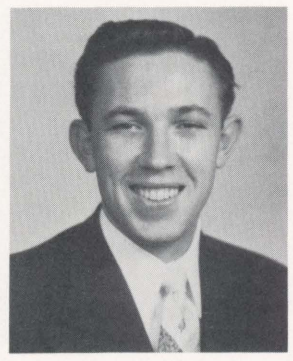

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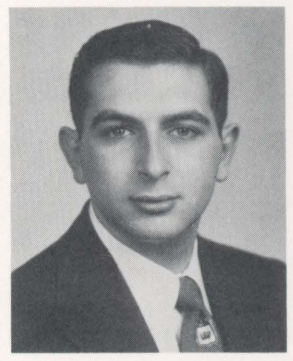

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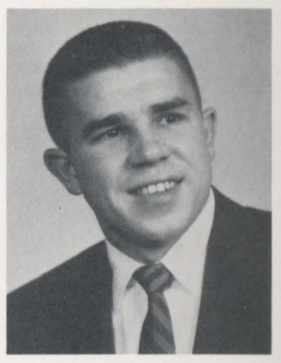

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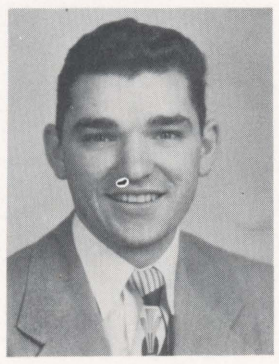

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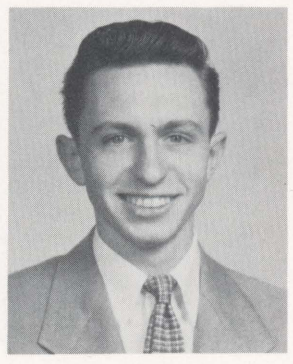

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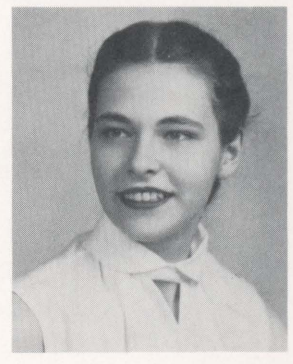

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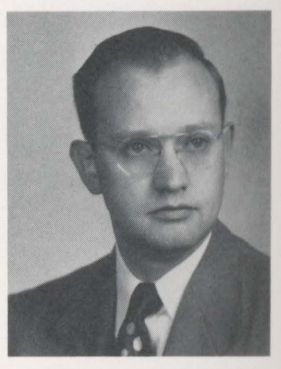

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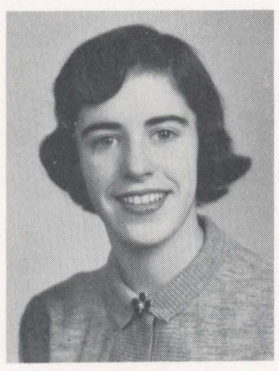

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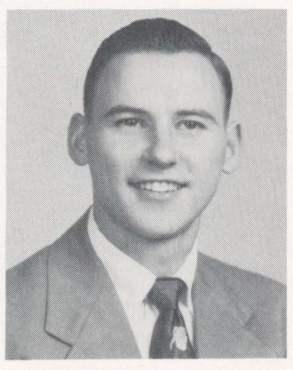

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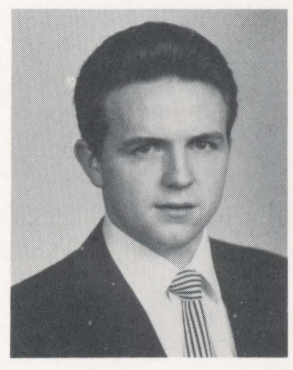

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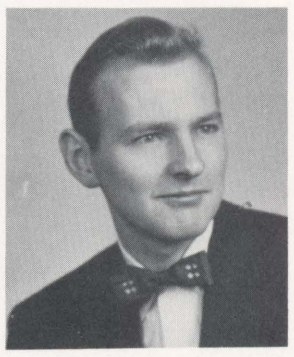

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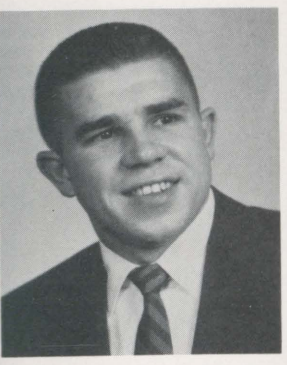

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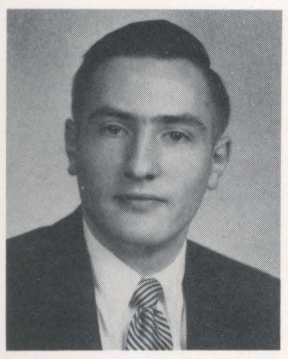

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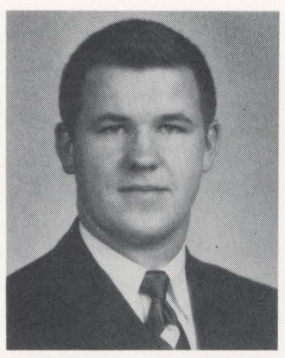

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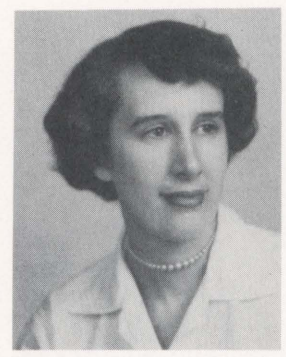

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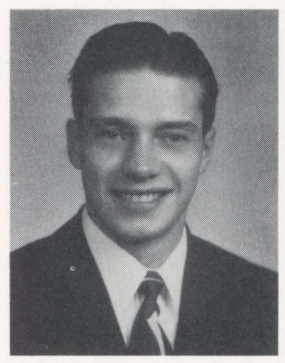

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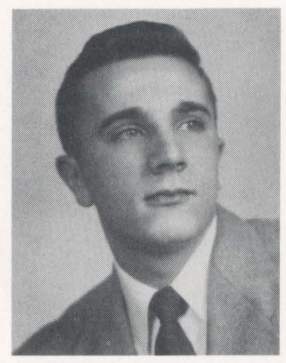

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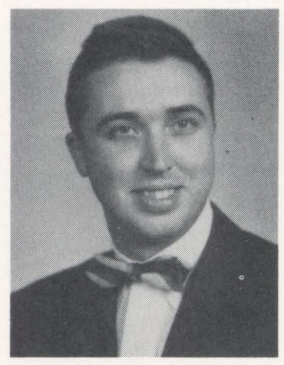

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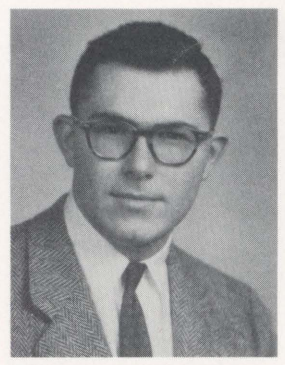

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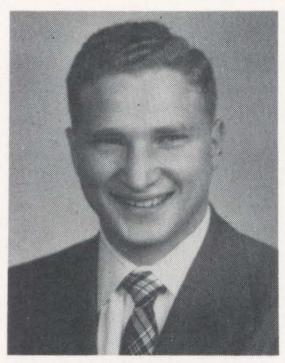

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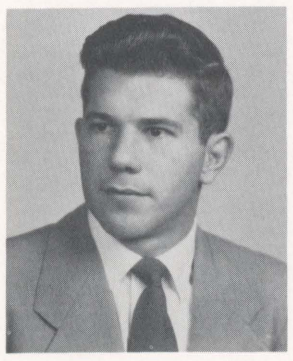

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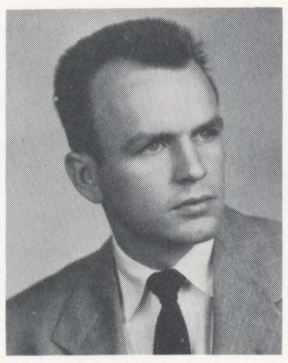

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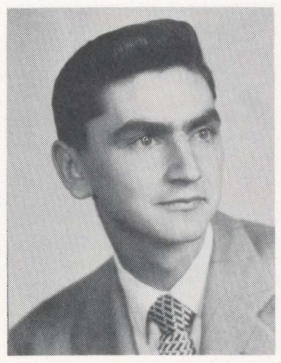

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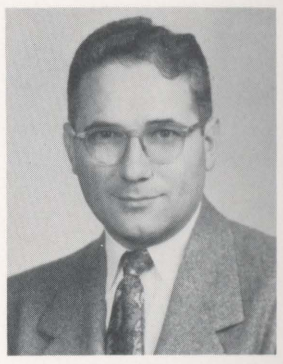

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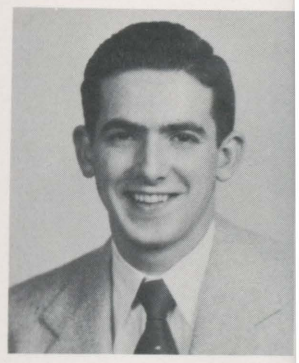

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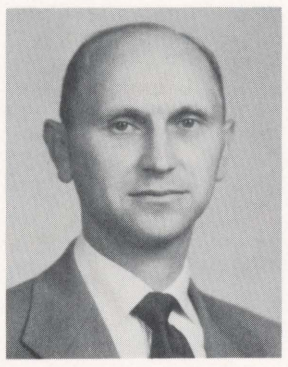

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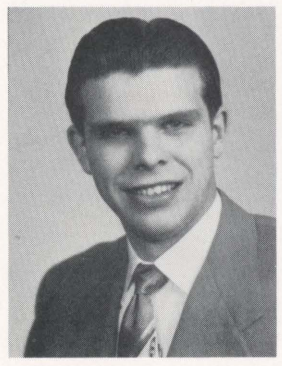

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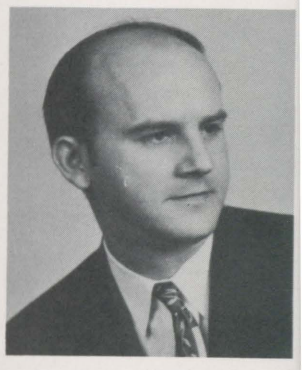

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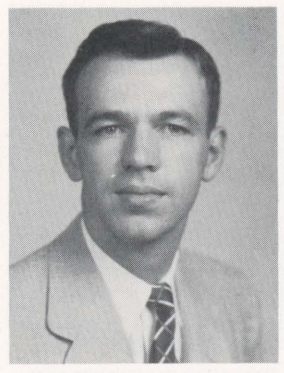

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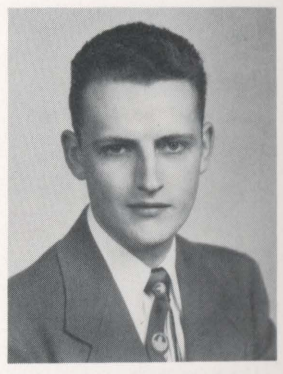

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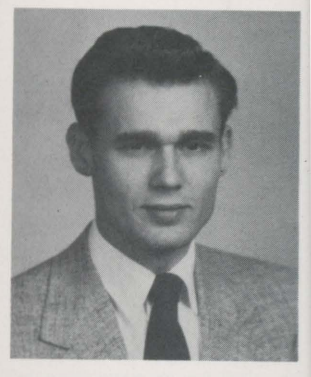

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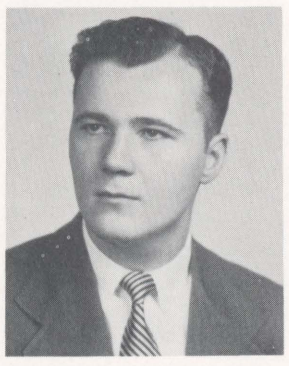

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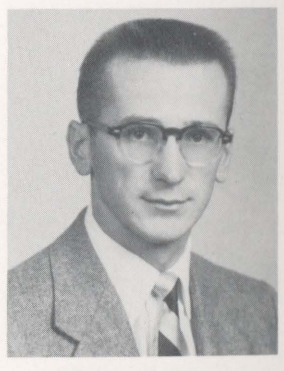

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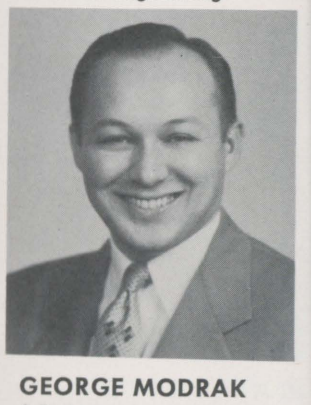

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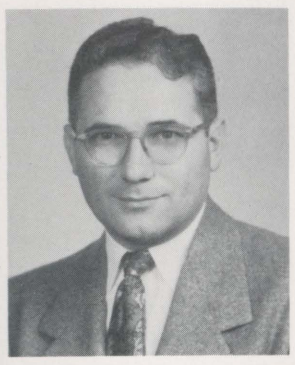

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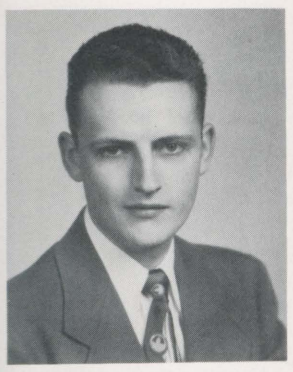

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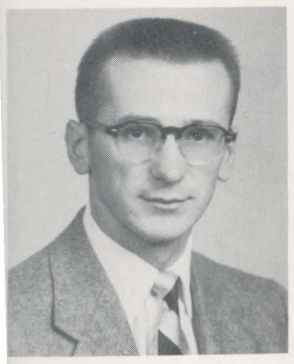

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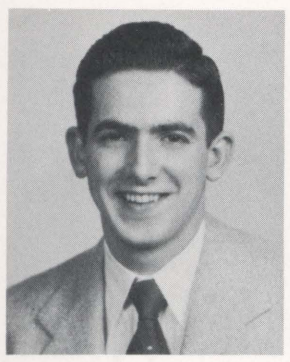

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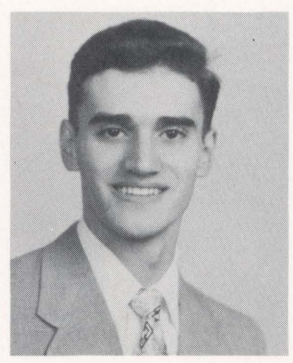

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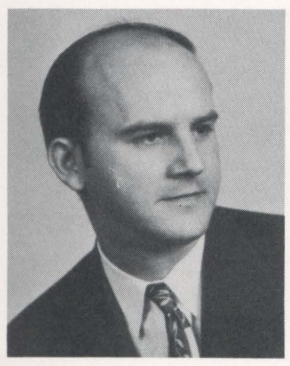

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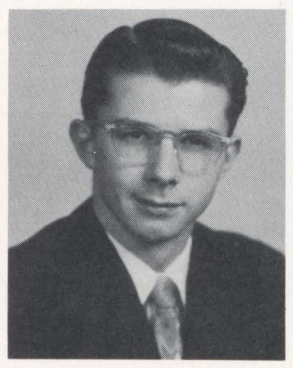

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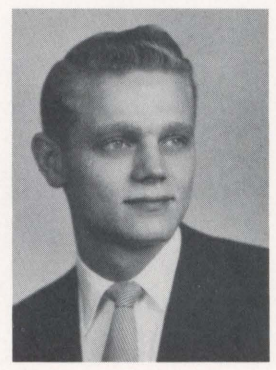

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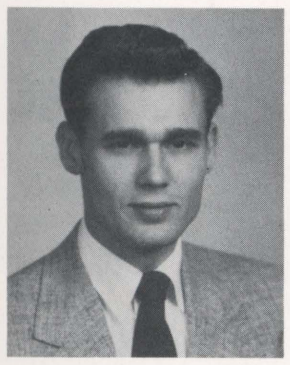

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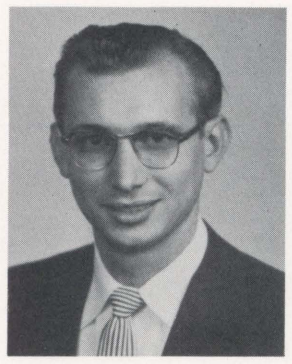

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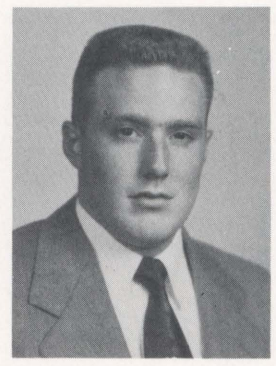

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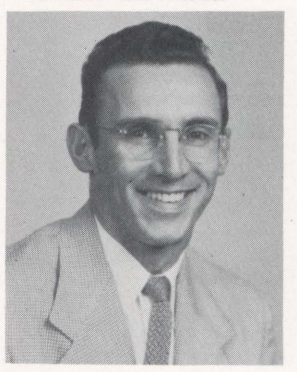

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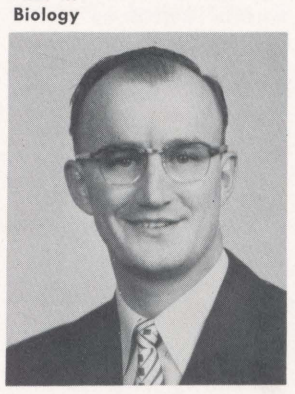

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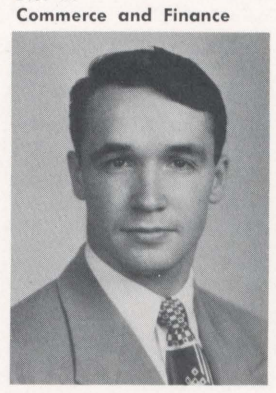

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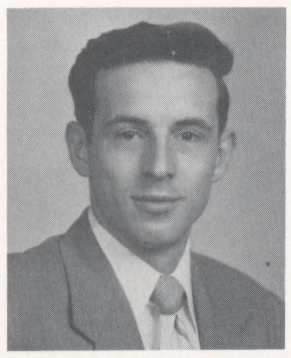

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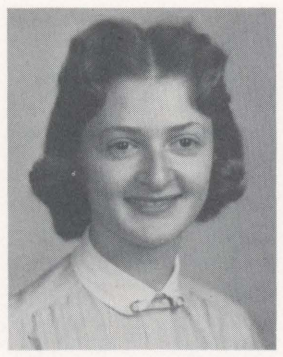

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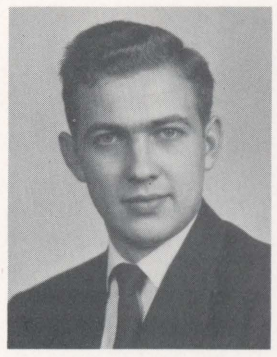

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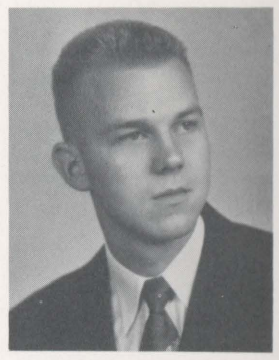

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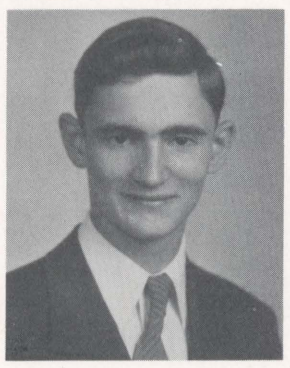

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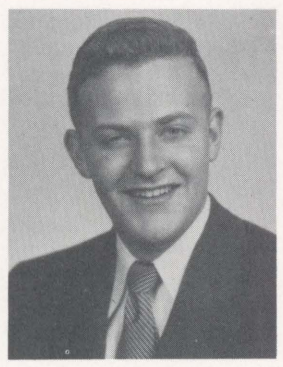

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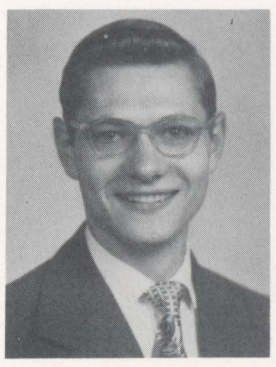

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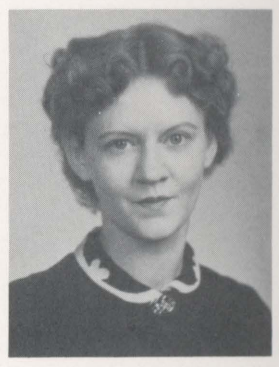

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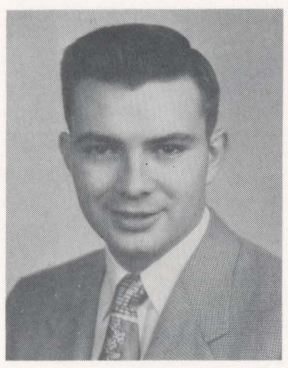

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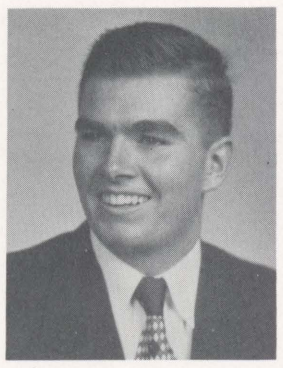

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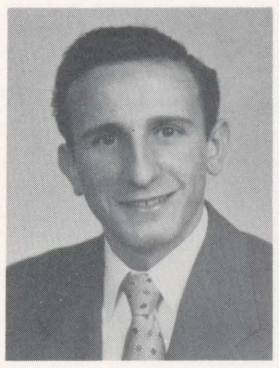

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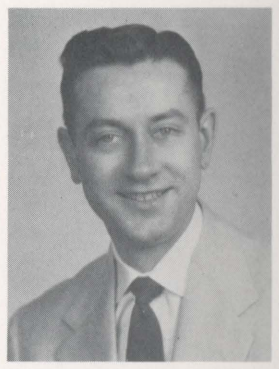

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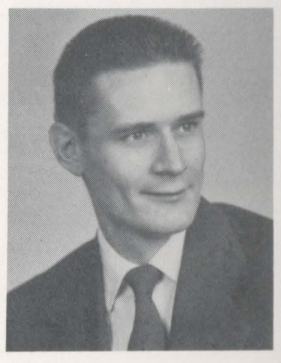

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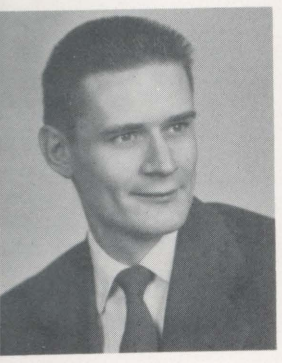

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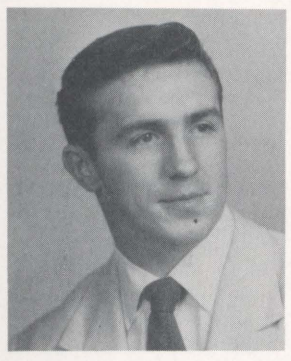

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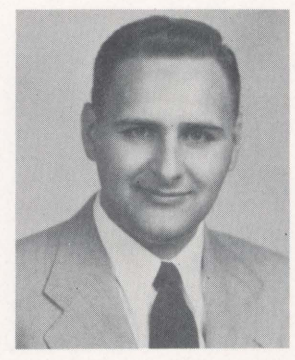

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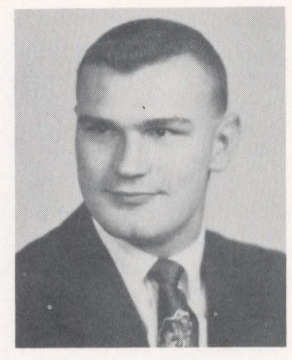

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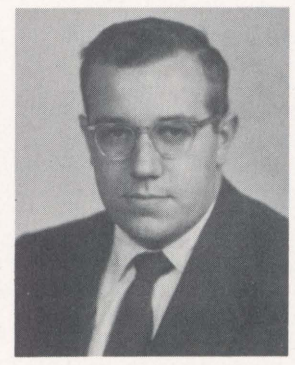

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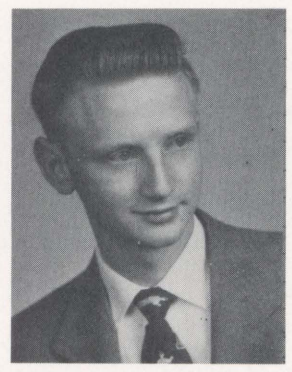

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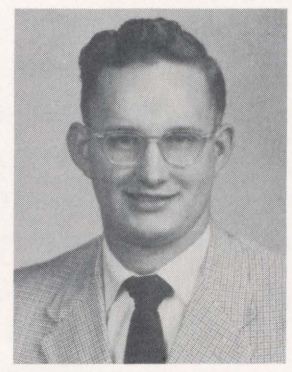

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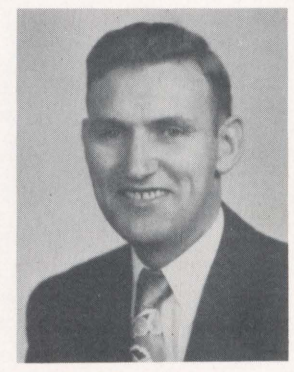

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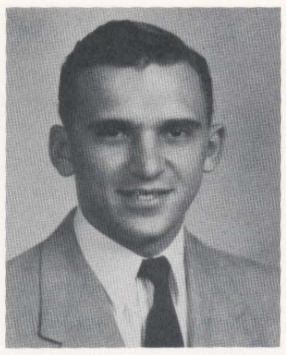

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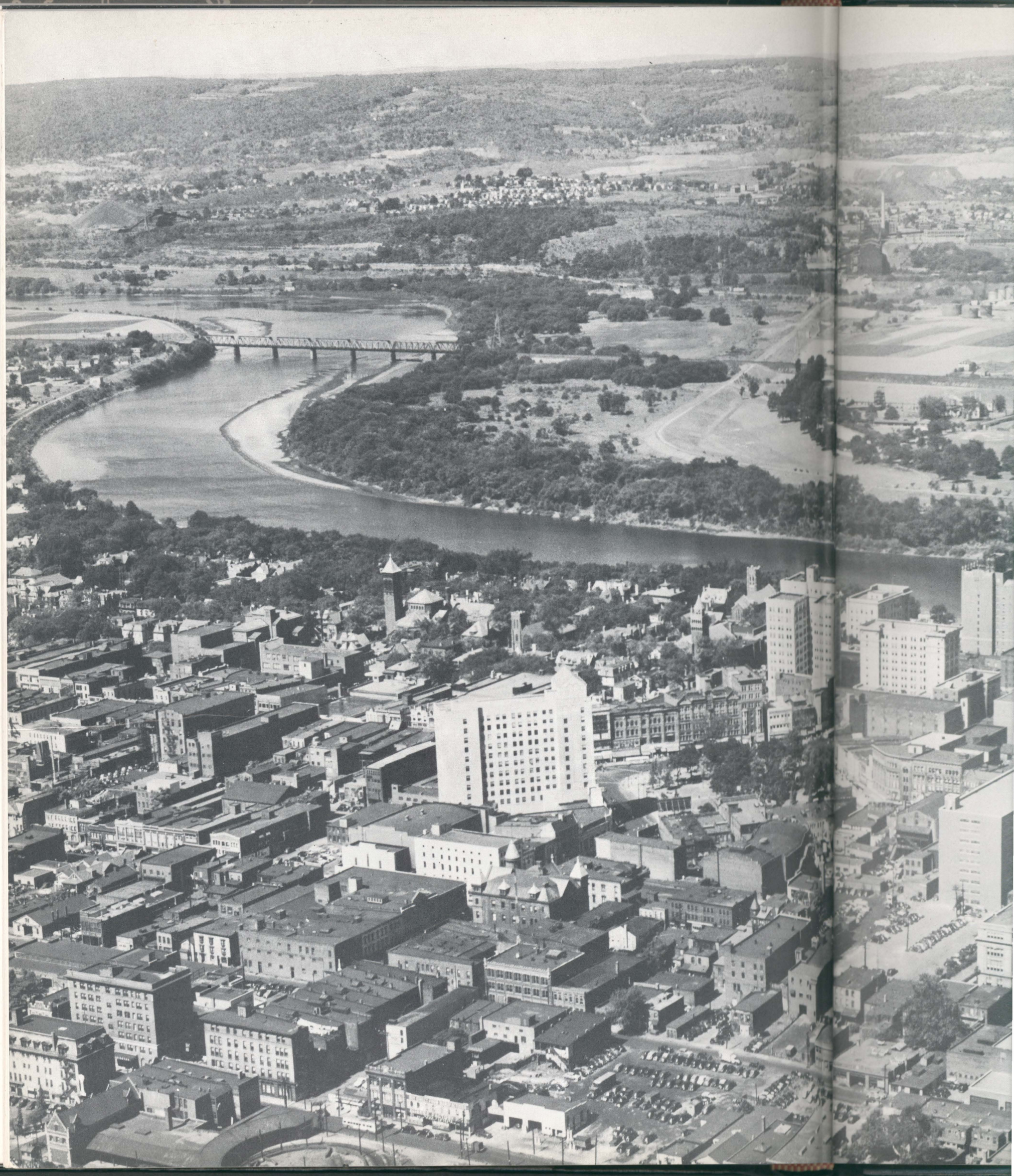

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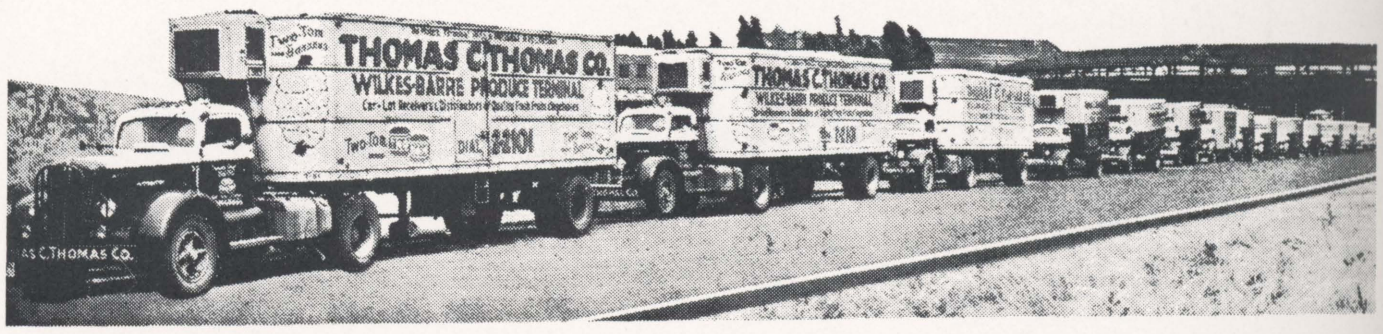

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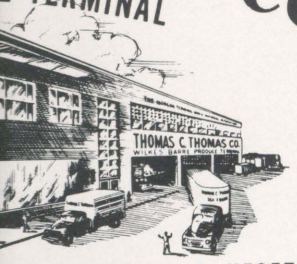

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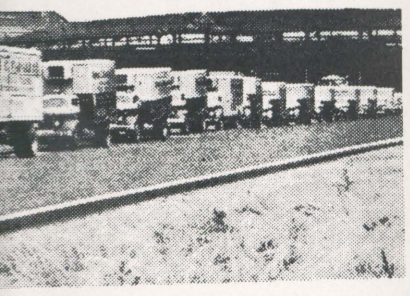

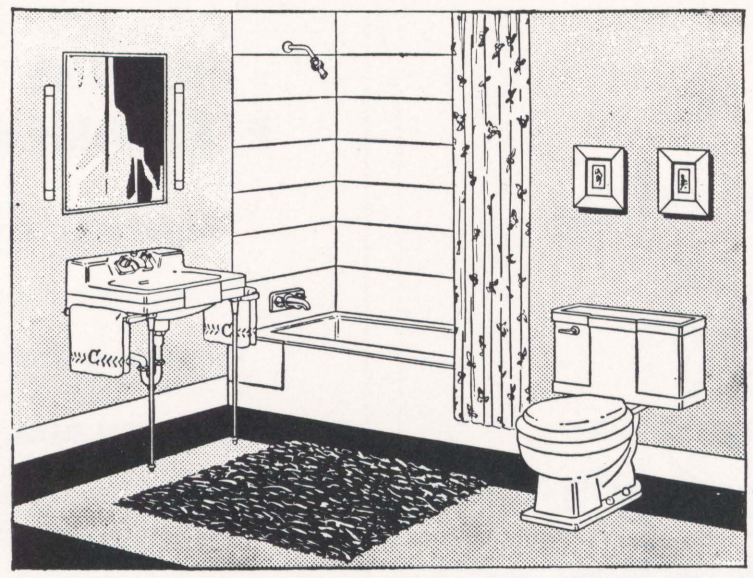

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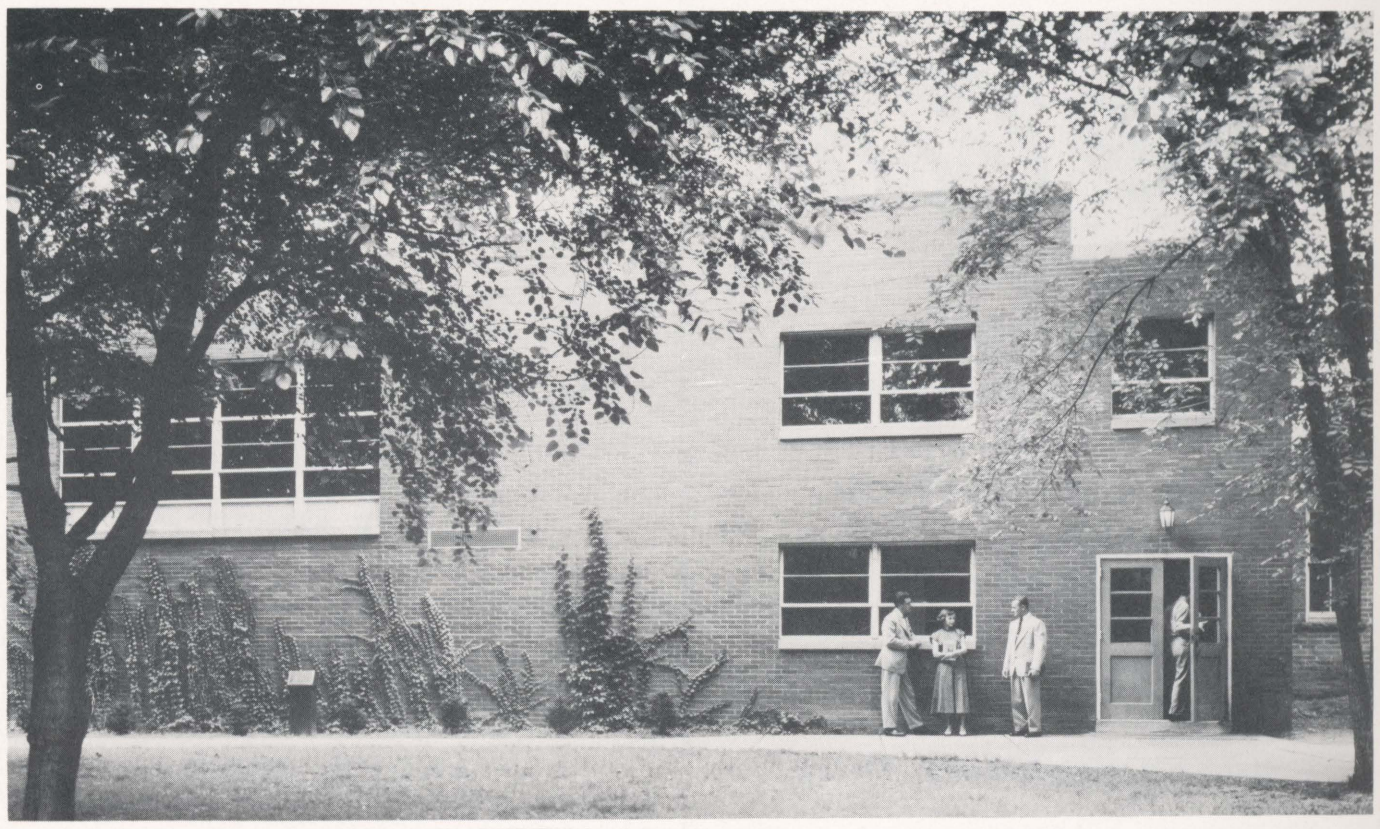

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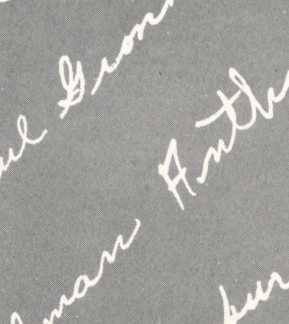

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