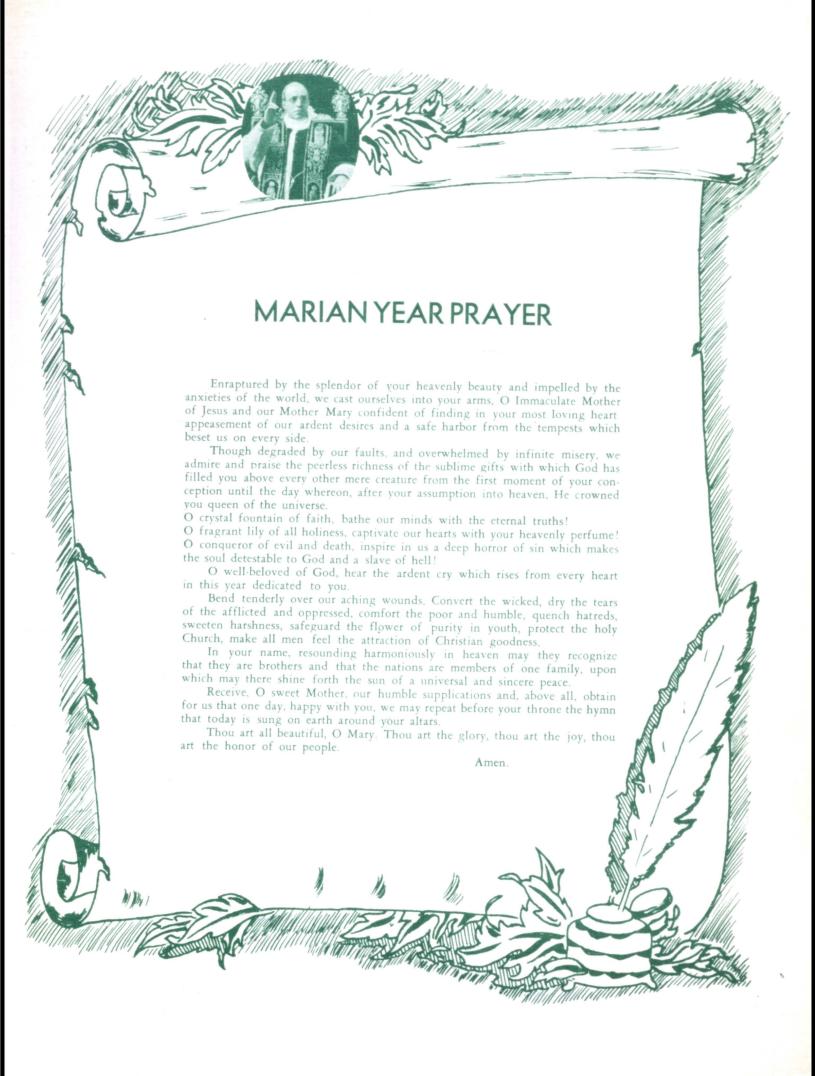




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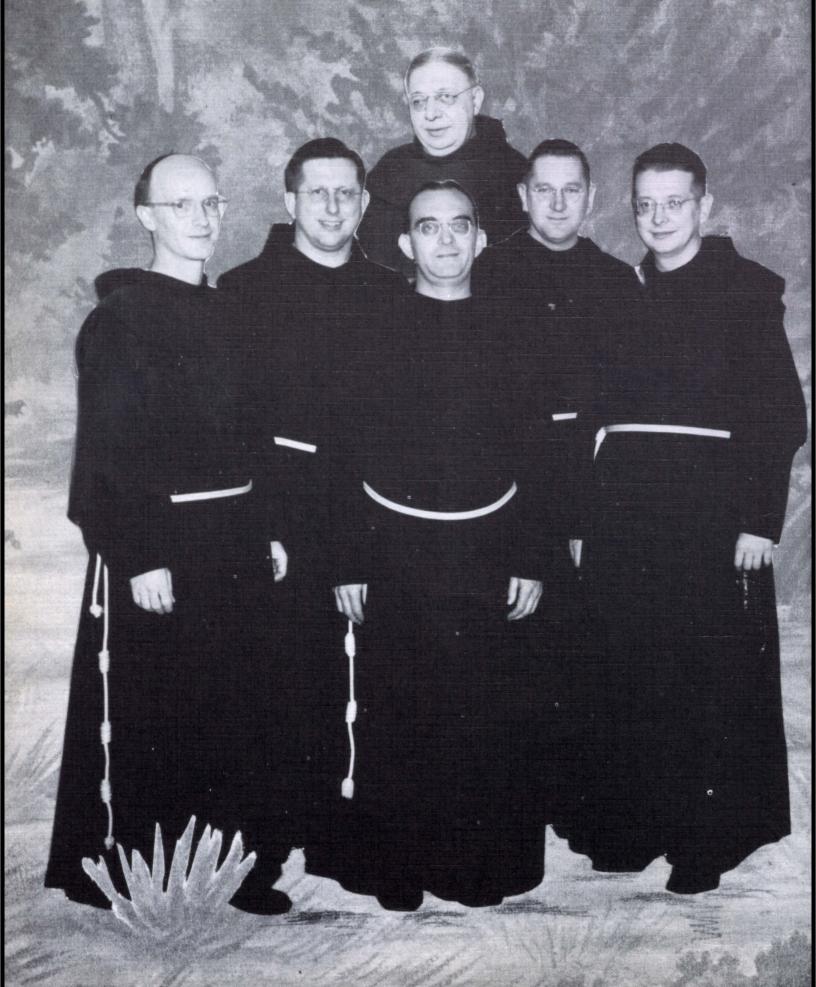




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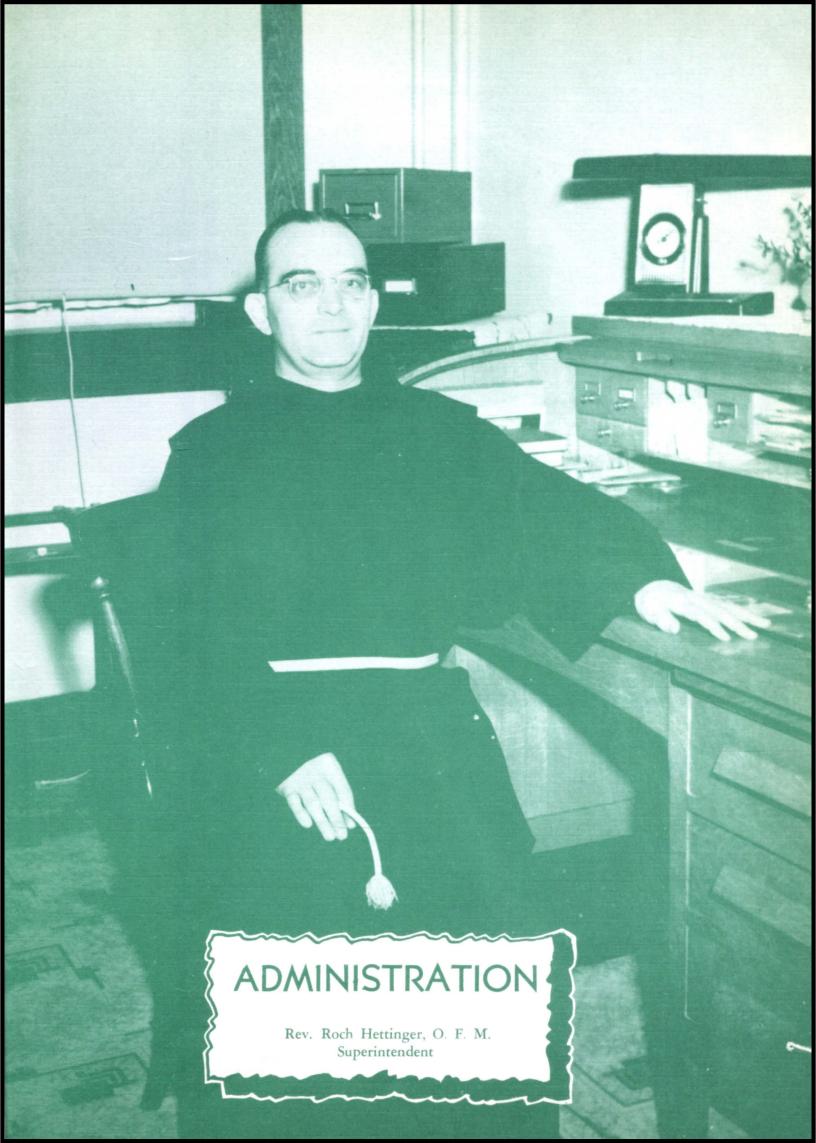
Our Alma Mater's golden name shall ring forever more.

Her praises 'til eternity from loyal hearts shall pour.

Her standards high and symbols clear

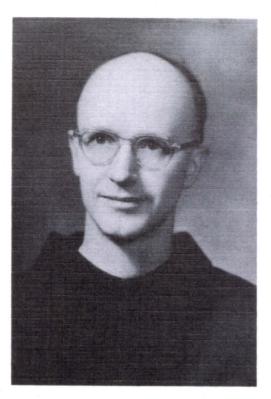
well ever keep in sight.

She'll be our torch and shine forever and be our guiding light.





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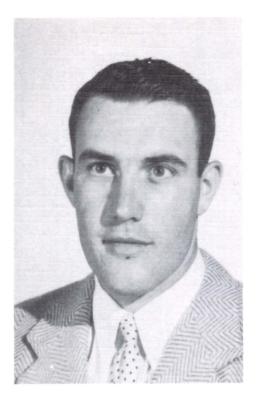
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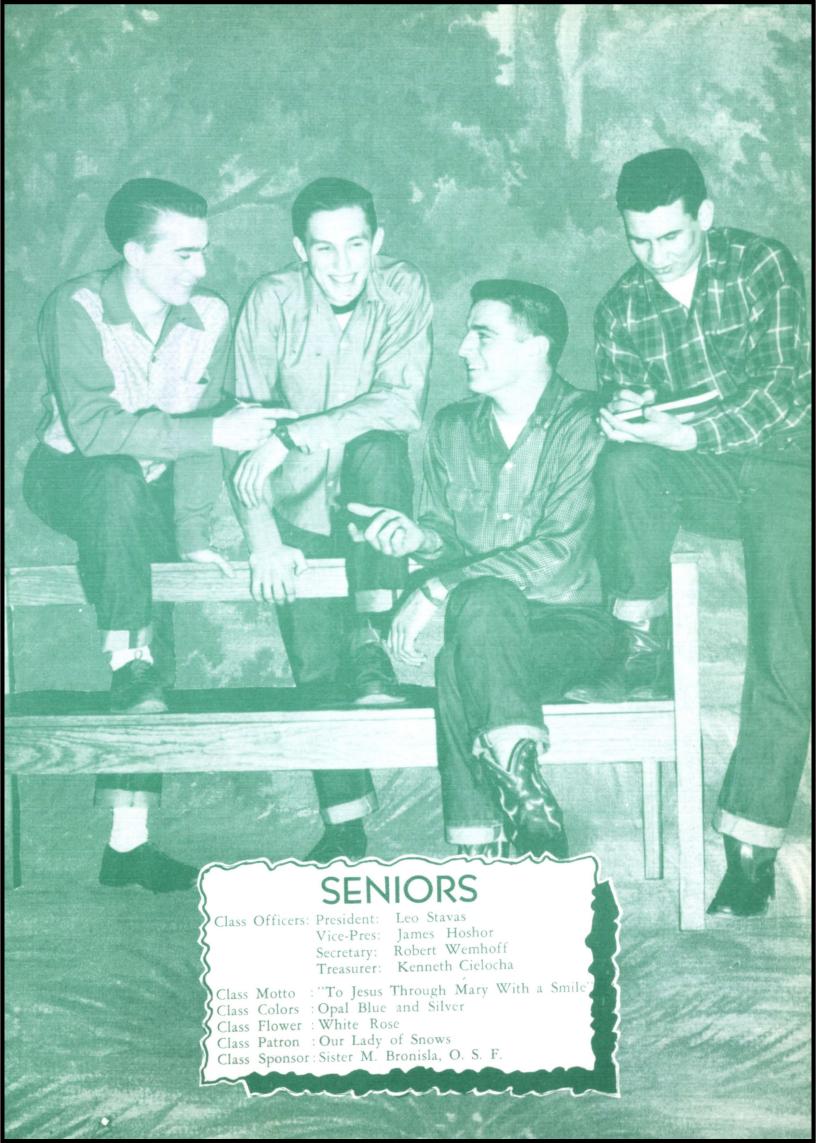
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Rose Blahak "Now gay, now grave, but never dull."



Stacia Bolin "Leadership, truth and grace,\* - a rare combination."



Thomas Bonk
"It's not that you won or lost, but
how you played the game."



Marilyn Borowiak "Without God, all our labors are in vain."



Joyce Bures
"A person known by the company she keeps."



Rosalie Burzynski
"It is better to have tried and failed than not to have tried at all."



Frances Burzynski
"A quiet person is richer than the crown."



JoAnn Cielocha "Neat and nice in every way."



Kenneth Cielocha "Skilled he is in sports; and a fine sport is he."



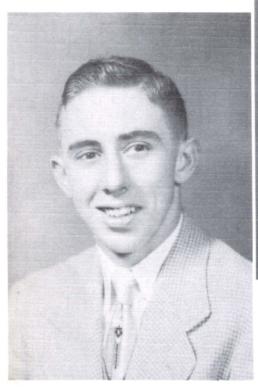
Joan DeLarme "A merry heart goes all the day."



Mary Anne Feik
"A thing of beauty is a joy forever."



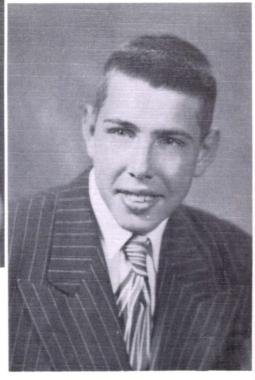
Janette Fyfe
"It is a rough road that leads to
the height of greatness."



Robert Fyfe
"He who is to lead men must first be a man himself."



Helen Gahan "God helps those who help themselves."



Vincent Galley "Speech shows what a man is."



Dorothy Gladfelter "The kind of girl it does you good to meet."



Joan Gregorius
"We like her for what she is -- a gay person."



Lorraine Herink
"Nothing is impossible to a willing heart."



Phyllis Higgins
"The more we know her, the better
we like her."



James Hoshor
"He aims for the goal, but not the prize."



Donna Jarecki "One goal I have achieved, the other is ahead."



Dorothy Jarecki "A true friend is a treasure."



Michael Tooley "The cheery lad who attains what he pursues."



Shirley Jiranek "All that glitters is not gold."



Patricia Johnson
"Let us strive unto perfection."



Elaine Kneifel
"A friend to all who know her."



Jane Luetkenhaus
"Quiet people are welcome everywhere."



Sheila McGowan "Strong and content I travel the open road."



Joyce Melcher
"Sweet, cute, and a prim
majorette."



Mary Micek "Perseverance is her virtue."



Patrick Michaelsen
"Sometimes I sit and think--other times I just sit."



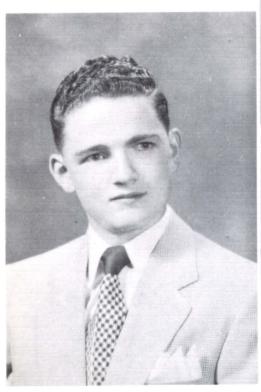
Lillian Miller
"Never say you can't do anything until you have tried."



Virginia Miller "Words are few, but smiles are plentiful."



William Murphy
"A lad holding many traits, will be missed by his classmates."



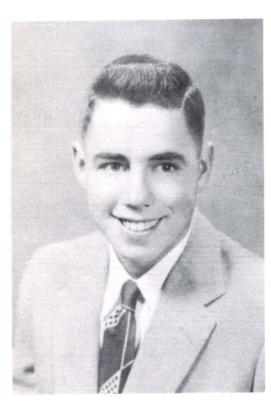
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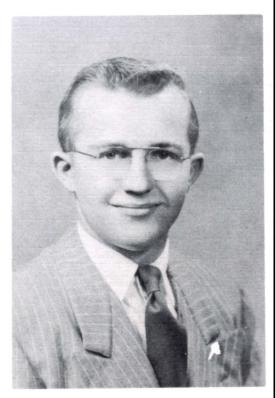
Eugene Nosal
"Always sees the sunnyside of life."



Rose Paprocki "Once a friend, always a friend."



Clarence Pensick
"As merry as the day is long."



Bernard Petermann
"If silence is golden, I'll
never be rich."



Janet Placzek "Unassuming but assuming real responsibility."



Mary Ann Placzek "Our Sports Queen, a friend we like to meet."



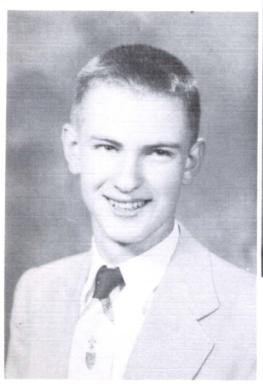
Davianne Powell "Her own special charm attracts everyone."



Sally Ragatz "Good things come in small packages."



Shirley Ramaekers "She has ability and talent in many things."



Kenneth Roddy "I give the best that is in me."



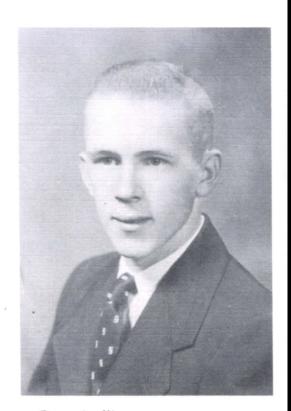
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"A good scholar is second to none before God and man."



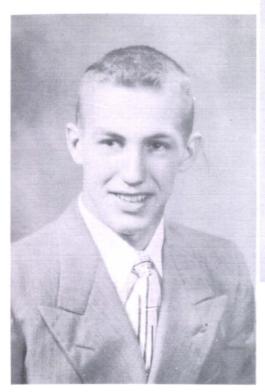
Raphael Schilz "Geniuses live quiet lives."



Elizabeth Sleddens "Thought is deeper than words."



Dean Soulliere
"An athlete with a winning personality."



Leo Stavas "With malice toward none; with charity toward all."



Donald Sullivan "Full of fun and always ready for a good time."



Shirley Sullivan "Contentment furnishes constant joy."



Joan Syslo
"A genial disposition never lacks friends."



John Tooley
"A prince of chaps; small but mighty."



Patricia Vruble
"You can't judge a book by its cover."



Ronald Warholoski
"A strong character is the first step toward success."



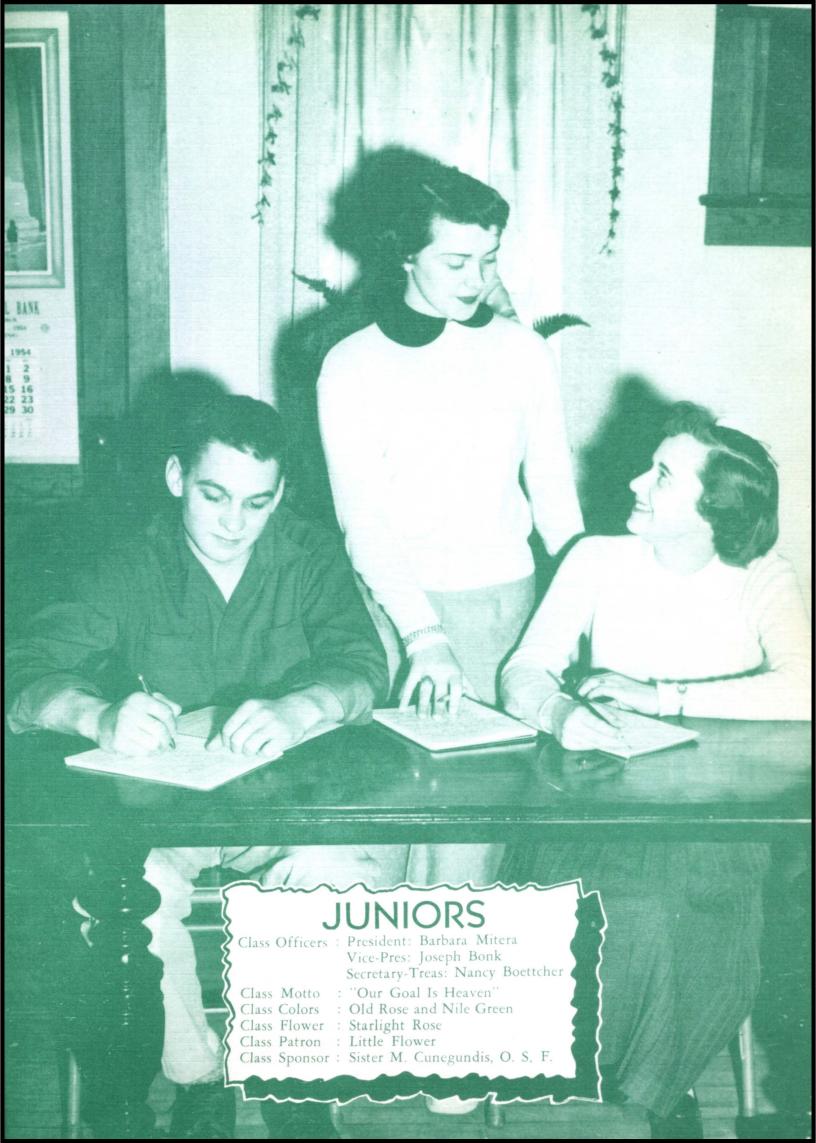
Robert Wemhoff
"A friend is never known till a man has need."



Patricia Wozny "No sooner said than done."



Dominic Zarek
"Men of few words are the best men."





Mary Catherine Bothe





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Duane Clark



Janet Czuba



Tom Dischner



Mary Ellen Egger



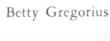
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Leo Moschenross



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Evelyn Pensick



Joan Pensick





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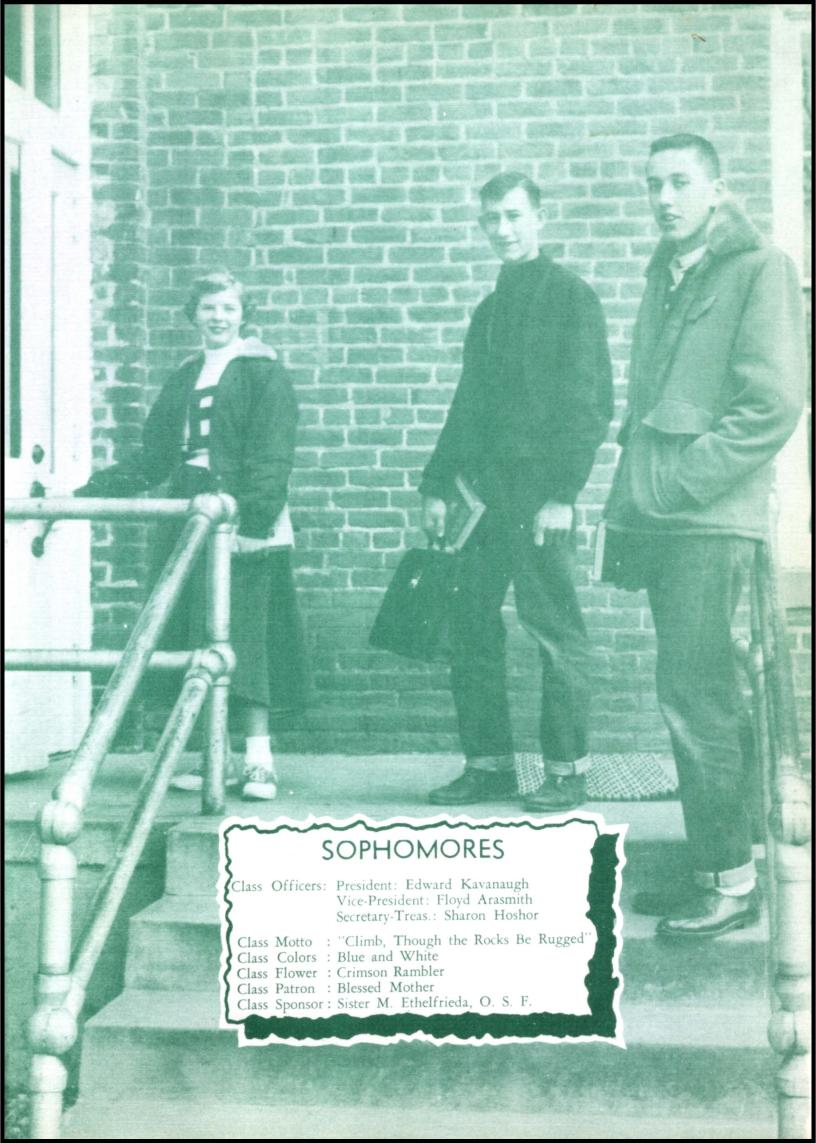


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Leonard Nosal





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Jerry Micek

Joan Minette

Allen Pensick

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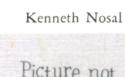
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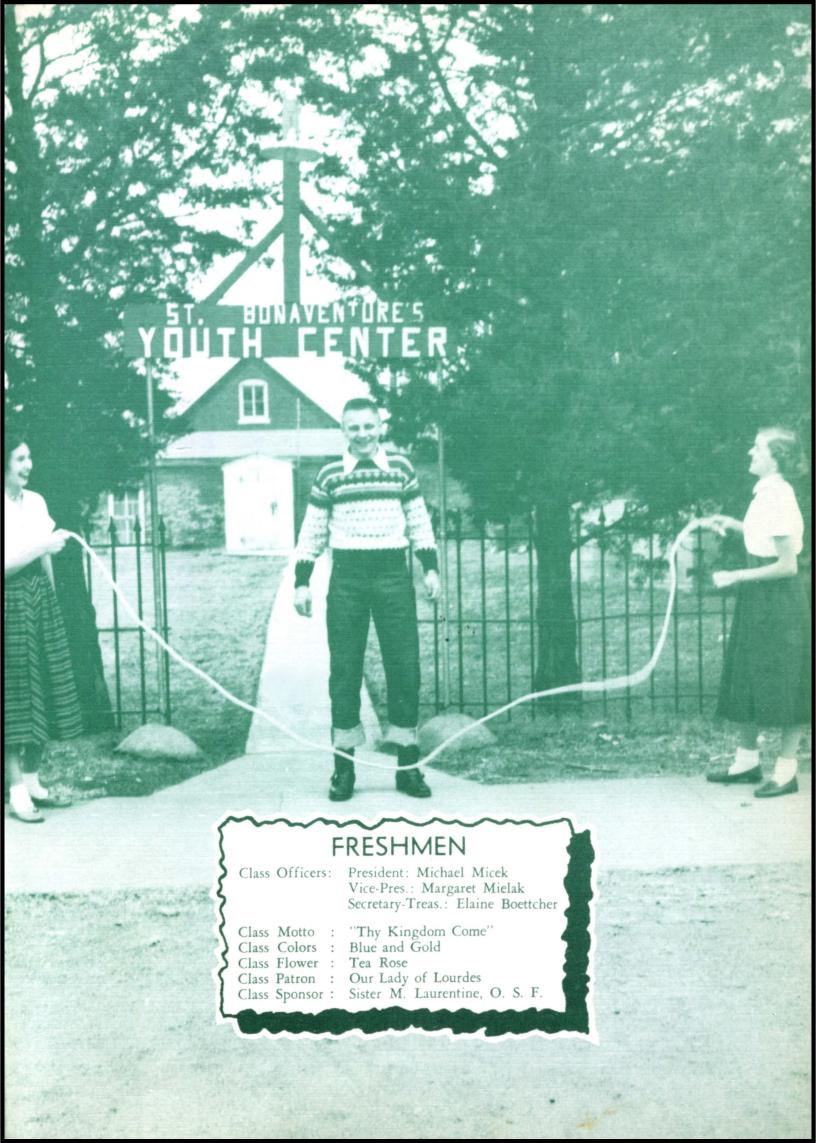
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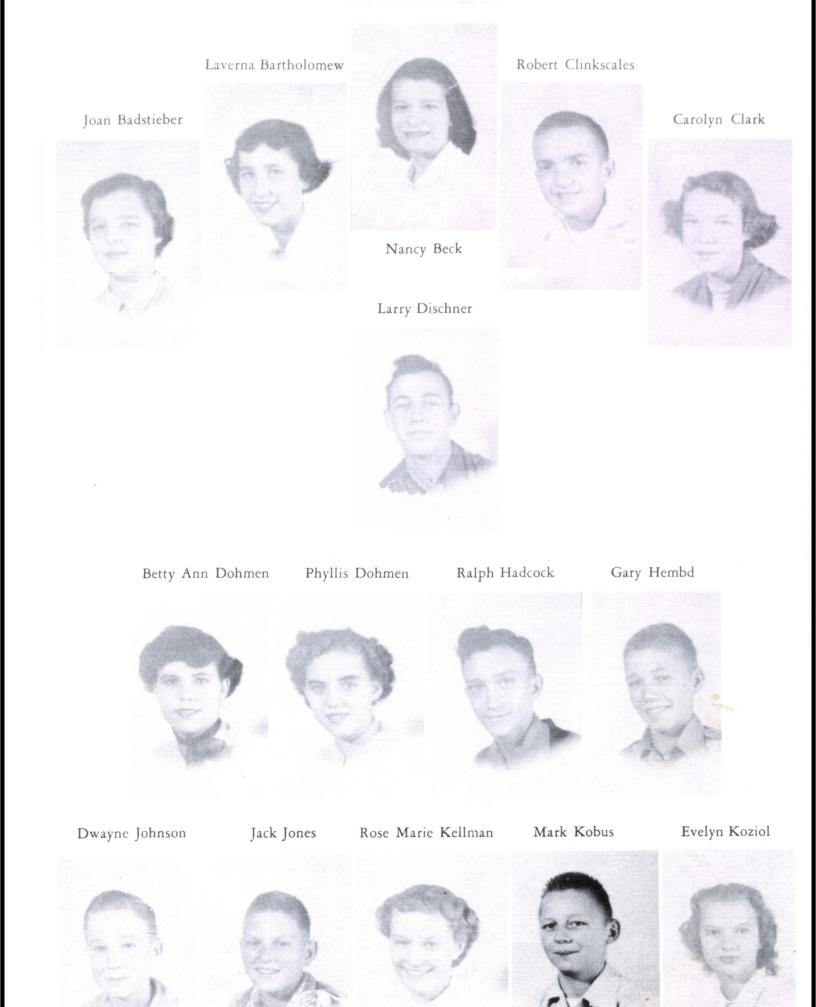


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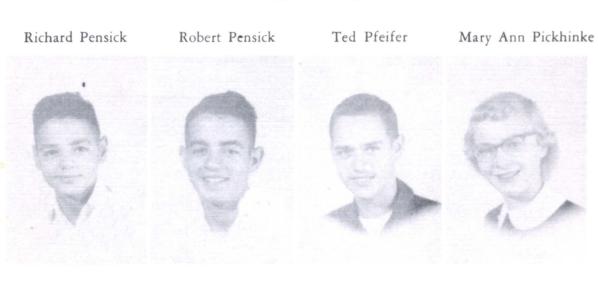


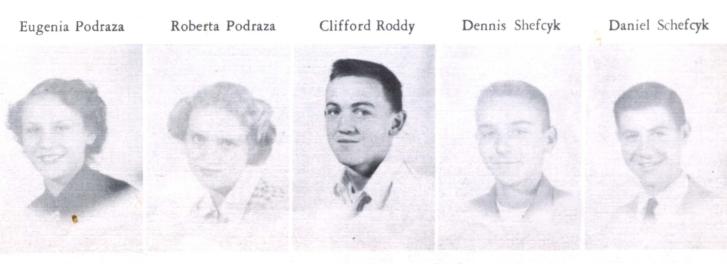






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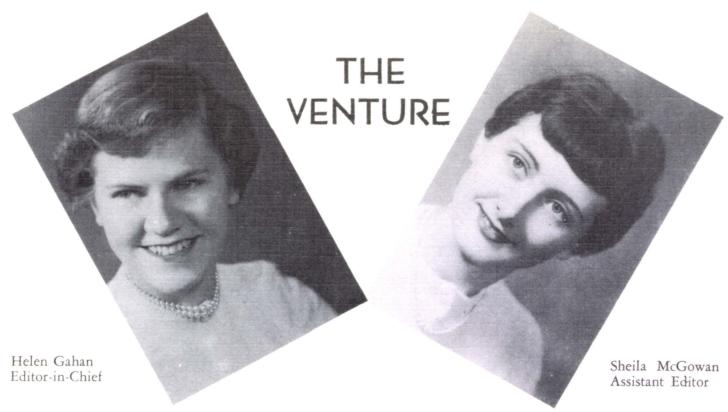
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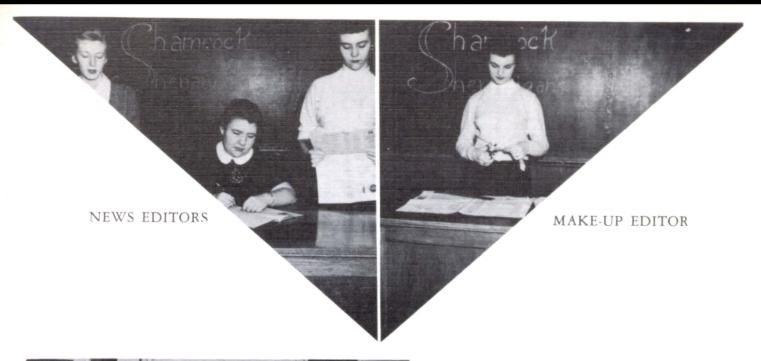




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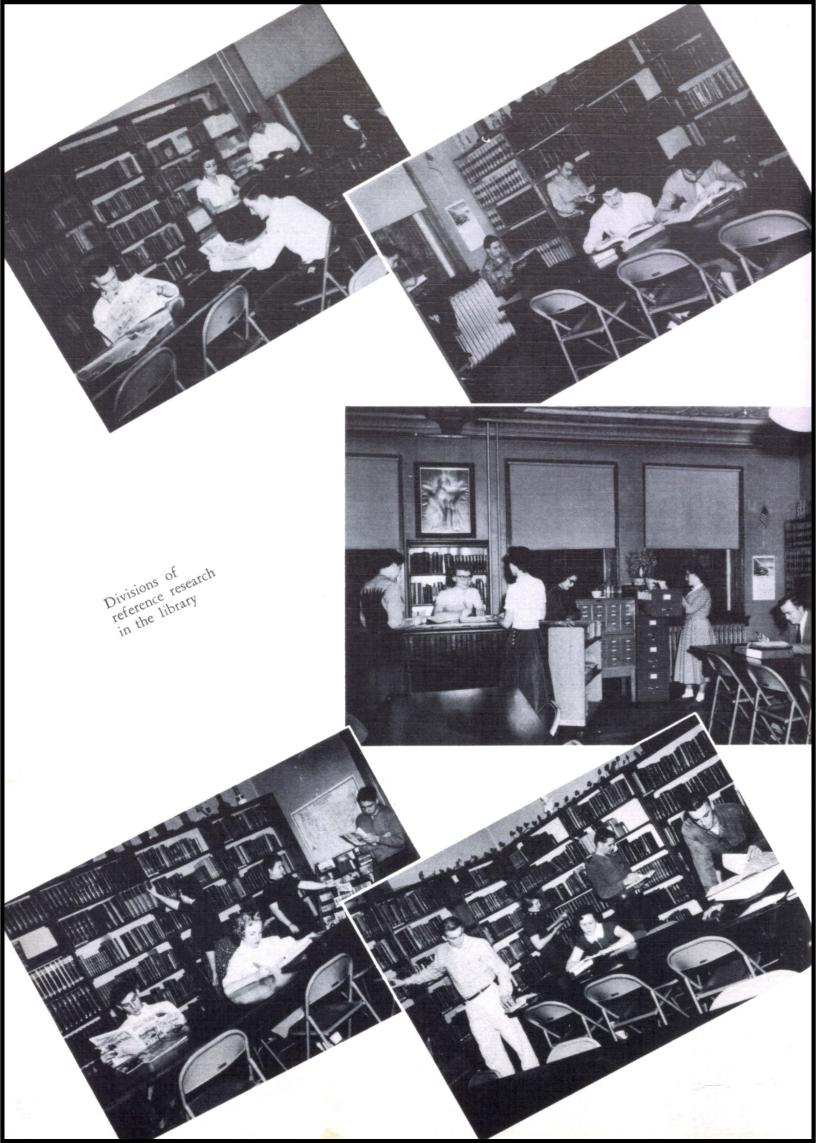
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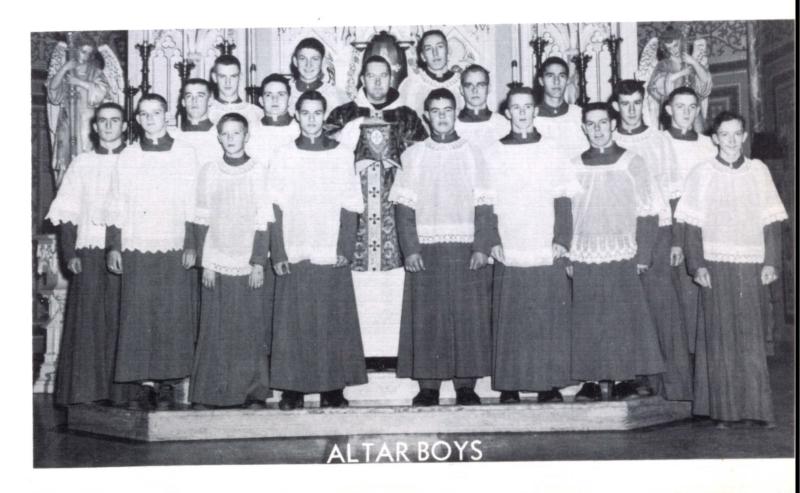
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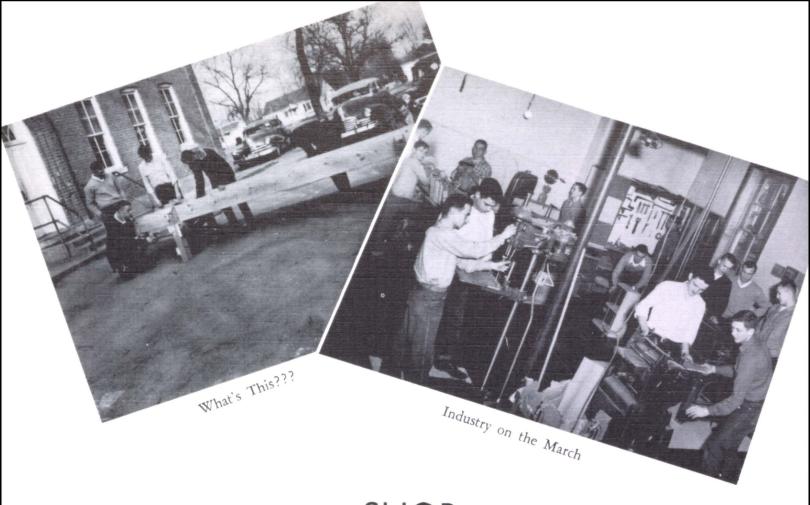
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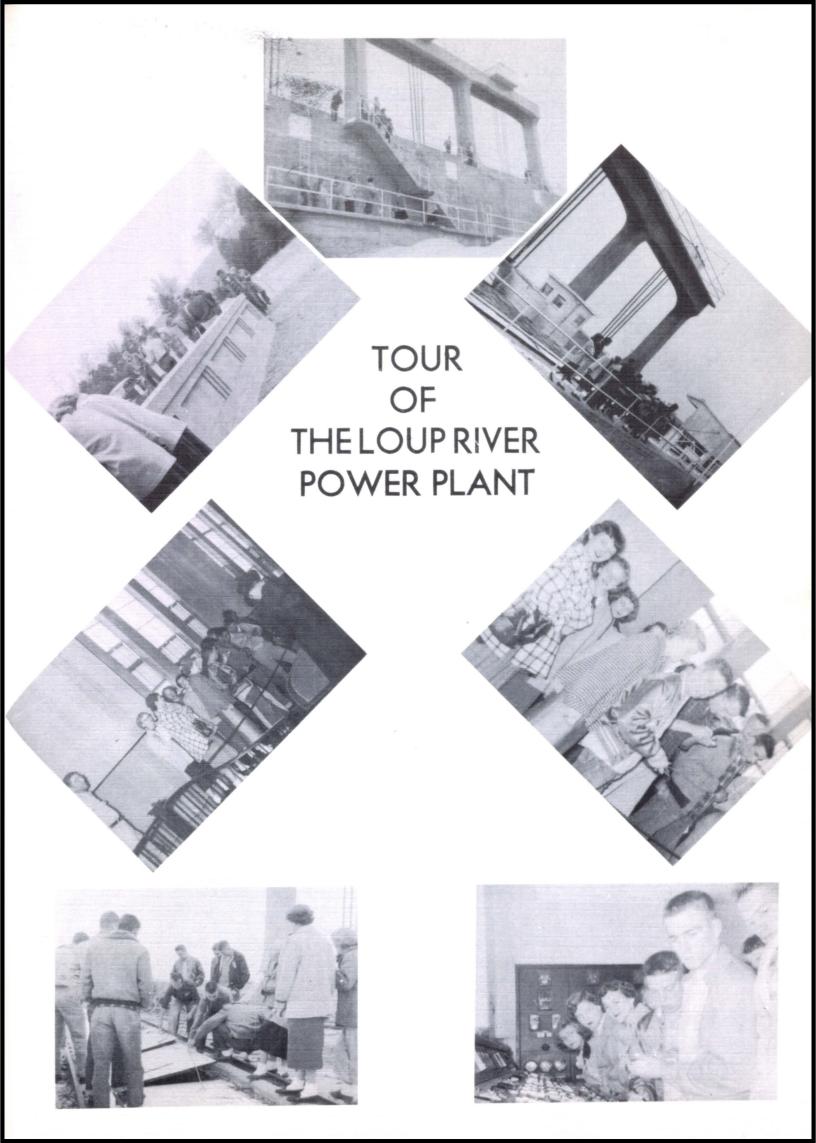


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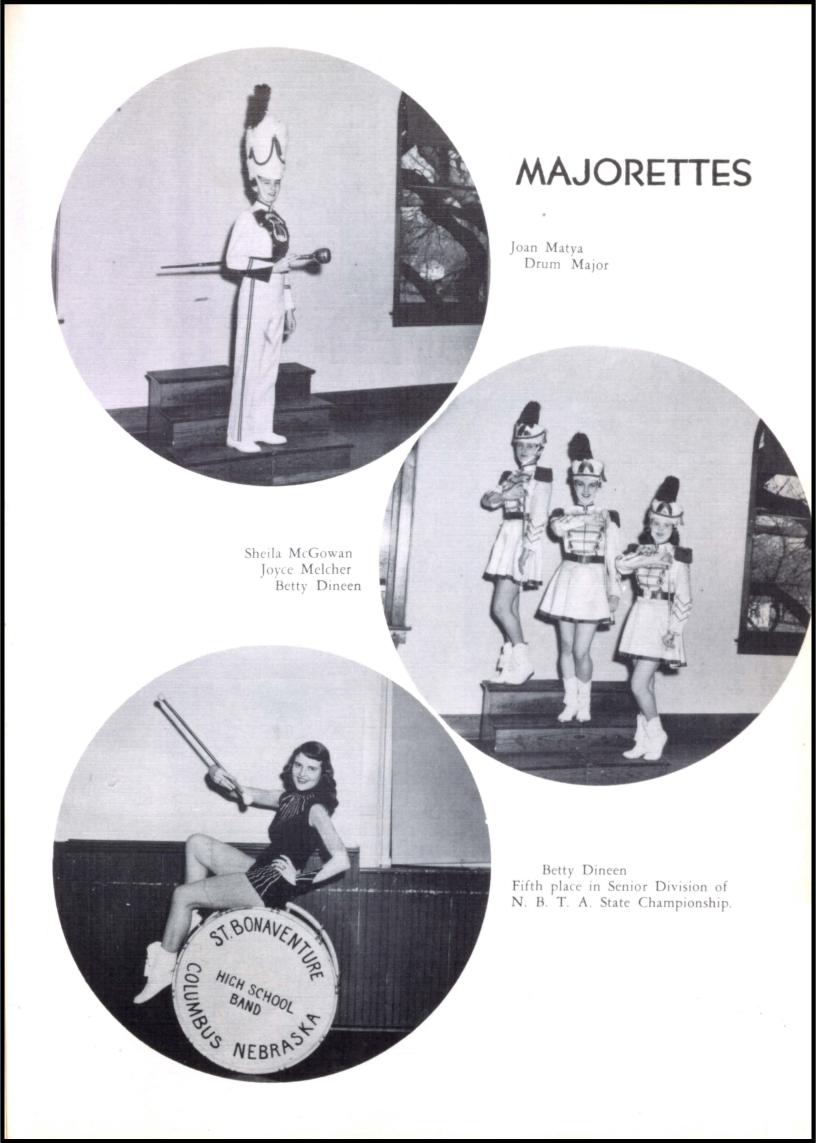


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What? 250 pounds!!!





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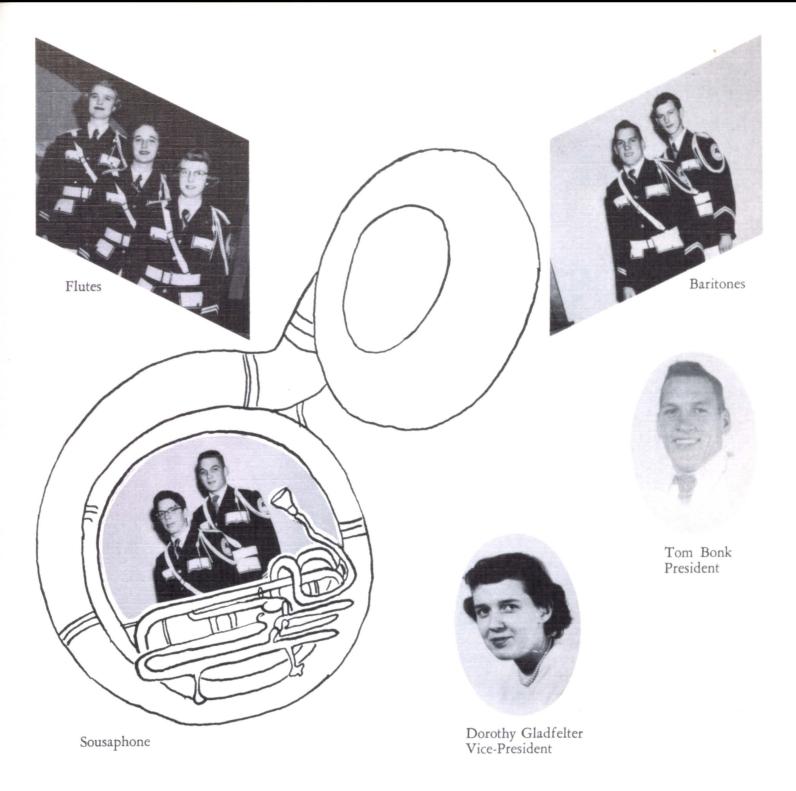
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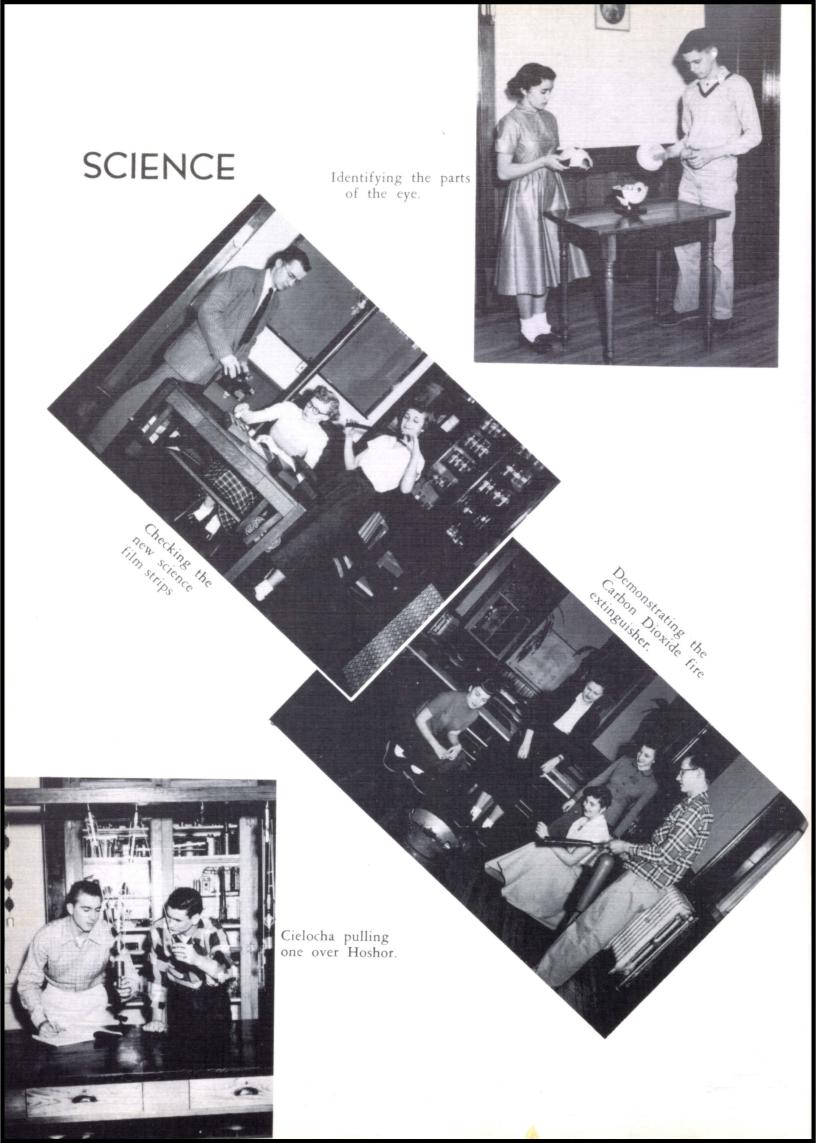


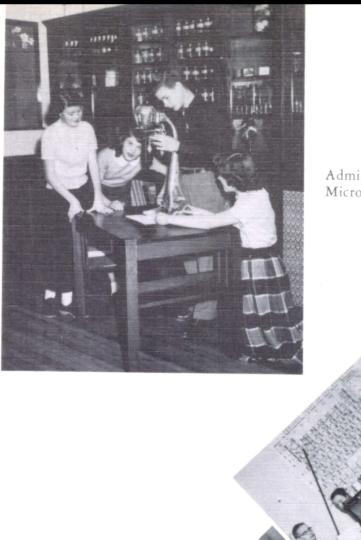
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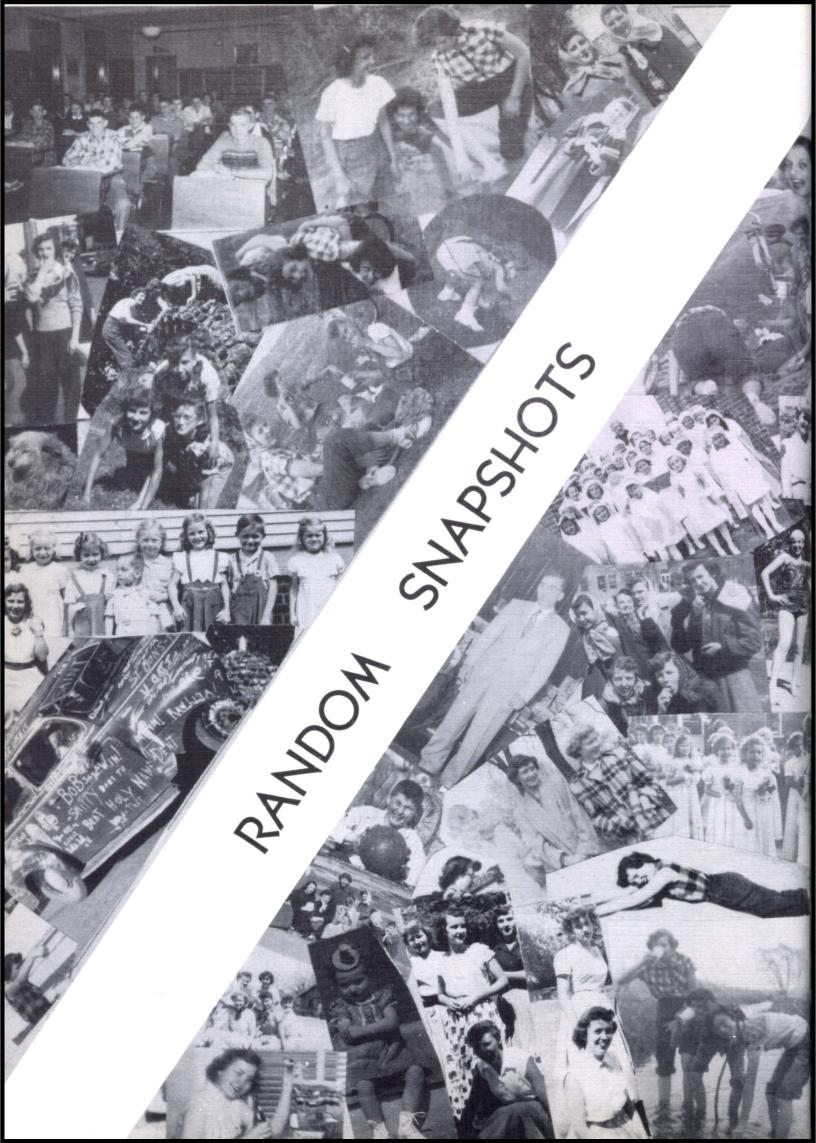
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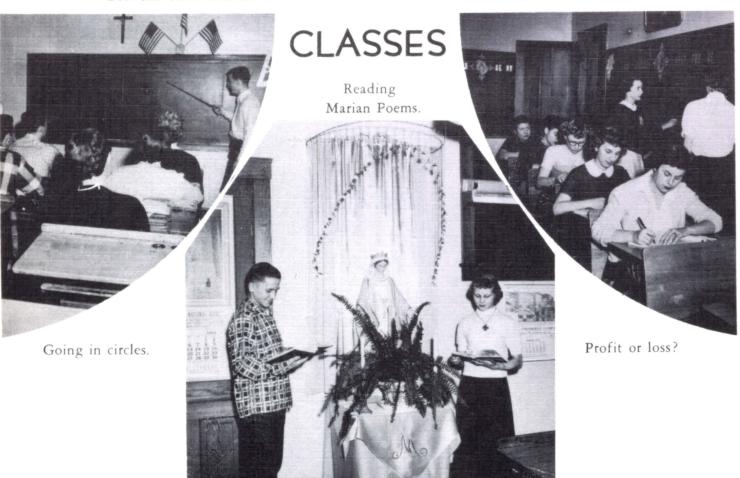






Between class sessions.

We know the answer.



The Hour of St. Francis.

Any questions in religion?

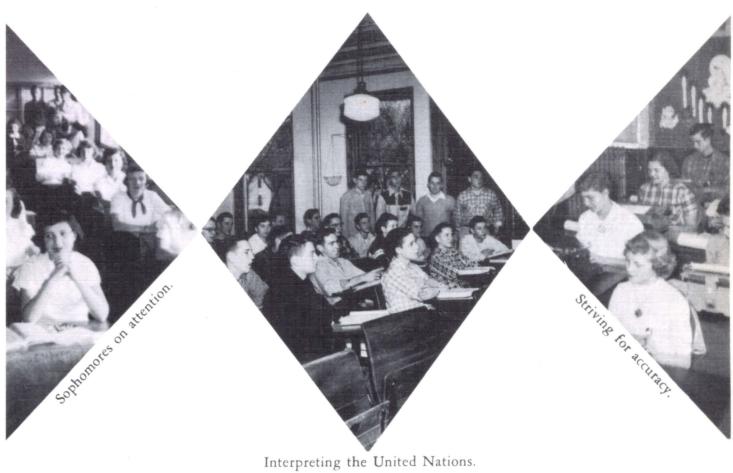




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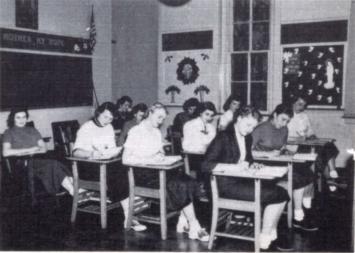
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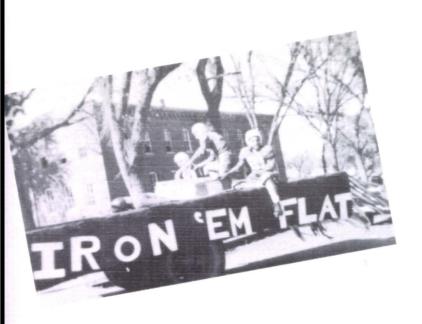
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Future Secretaries.











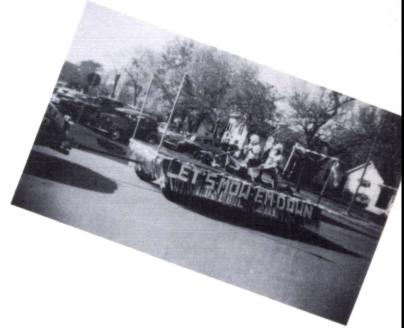
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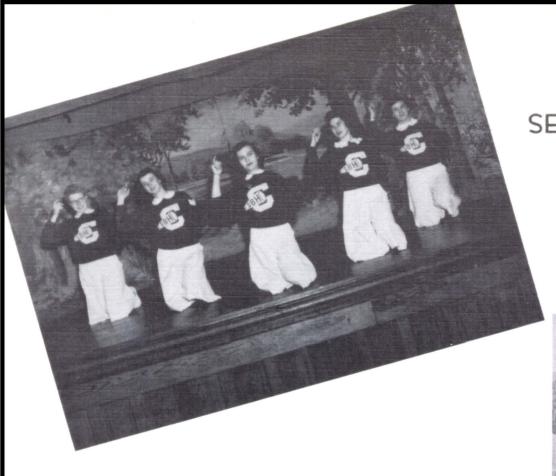




**SCENES** 







#### SENIOR VARSITY

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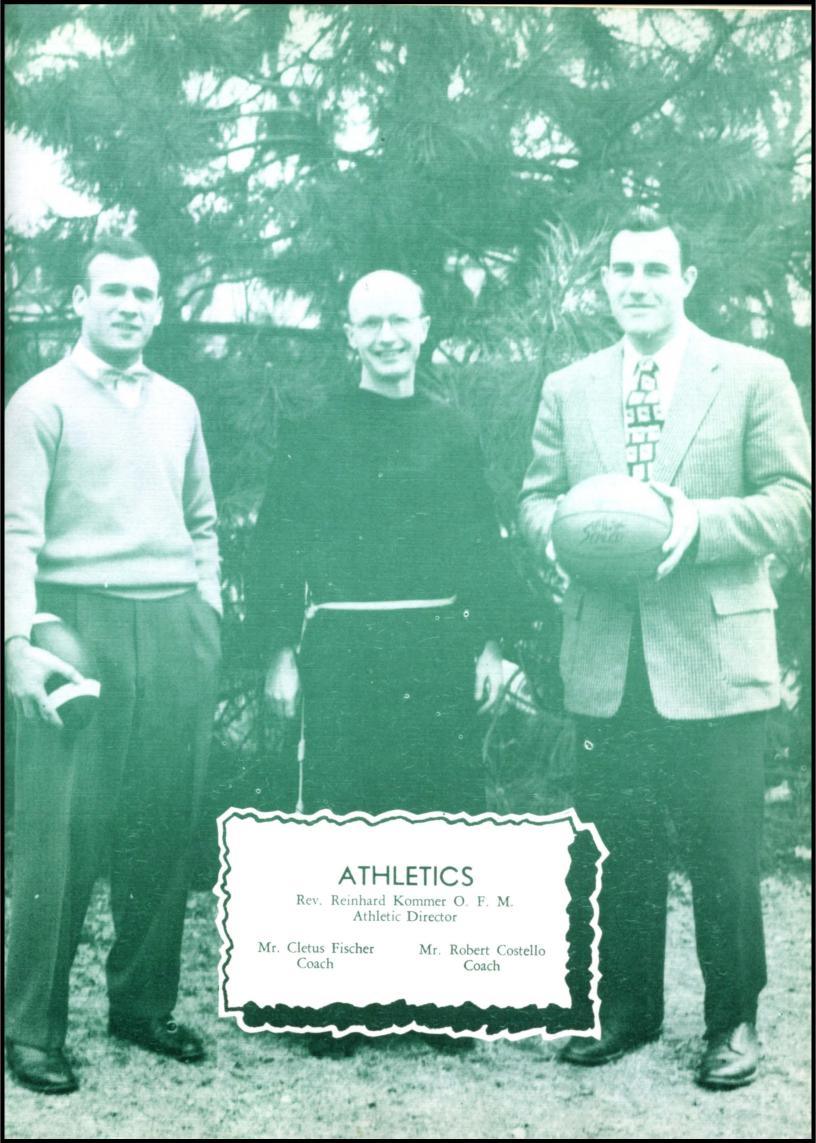


## **CHEERLEADERS**



#### JUNIOR VARSITY

Sharon Hoshor Esther Liss Barbara Cielocha Janet Melcher Marian Skorupa





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r, senior halfback see Lincoln Journal and "B" All State team ssed a World Herald eld position.

r scoring leader added was to the Bonnies to-being the other half

Bob Wemhoff schdown Twins. s also an excellent decoy Center fine running mates. As a er of the defensive backfield and later climaxed arch has not been scored on via with a score from the air in three years, Jim showed fierce tackling ability. An all ob Wemhoff was the around athlete, Jim participates in

ensive standout, and basketball, track and baseball. He iral standout was Stawas also a member of the "52" re-

Kenneth Cielocha Backfield Grid Po

> Ken Cielocha, outstan halfback was named it B All-State selections.

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Cielocha is the secc aventure gridster to 4 on the World-Herald Blahak, a 1952 gradua first since St. Bon's eleven man football.

As one of the "Toucha Right Halfback Twins," Ken racked up twelve touchdowns, a total of seventy-two points. With his swift start-ing ability, Ken was an excellent popper. Many an opponent was dismantled by his explosive tack-

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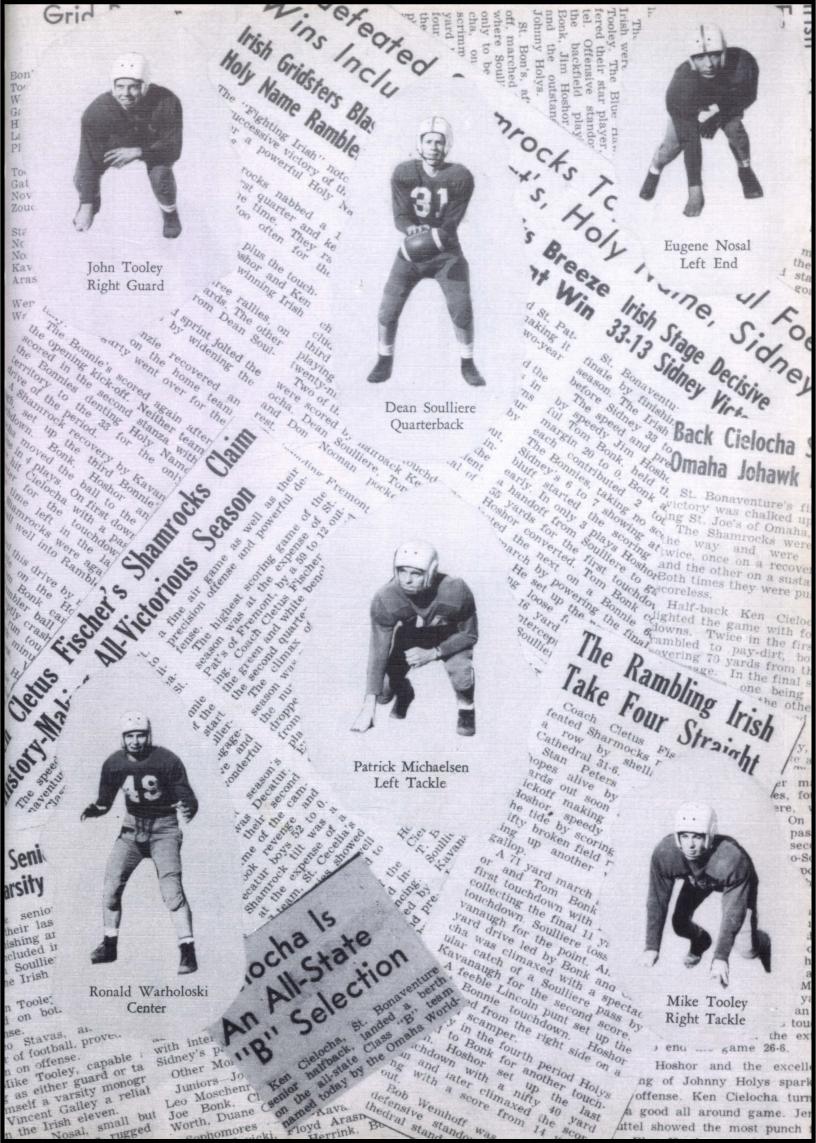
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a center linebacker, he an excellent pass interceptor w quenched many a foe uprising two-year monogram winner at center post, Bob was a 60 mi man the last two seasons. As as athletic ability, Bob is all

Ken Cielocha



#### THE UNDEFEATED IRISH



#### THE UNDEFEATED IRISH SQUAD

Back Row: Left to Right:

Line Coach, Bob Costello, Noonan, Barthlomew, Novicki, Placzek, Schefcyk, Mickaelson, Herink, Arasmith, Woerth, Novicki, Lakers, Cletus Fischer, Head Coach. Second Row: Snell, Micek, Joe Tooley, T. Bonk, Cielocha, Soulliere, Hoshor, Holys, Moschenross, Stevens. Front Row: C. Nosal, M. Tooley, Stavas, J. Bonk, John Tooley, Wemhoff, Warholoski, Galley, Kavanaugh, Zoucha, Clark.

The best football season in the history of St. Bon's was witnessed in the 1953 football classic. The light but speedy Irish went through eight games undefeated.

St. Bon's opened their 1953 season with a 13-0 victory over Fullerton. The Irish showed a fast offensive team, but were ragged in spots on defense.

Opening the home season the Irish gained revenge by spanking Decatur 52-0.

Traveling to St. Cecilia the Shamrocks showed a fast and speedy offense to down St. Cecilia 26-6, rated high in Class C.

In the next game the Irish met a strong Lincoln team. The home team came through with a 31 to 6 victory.

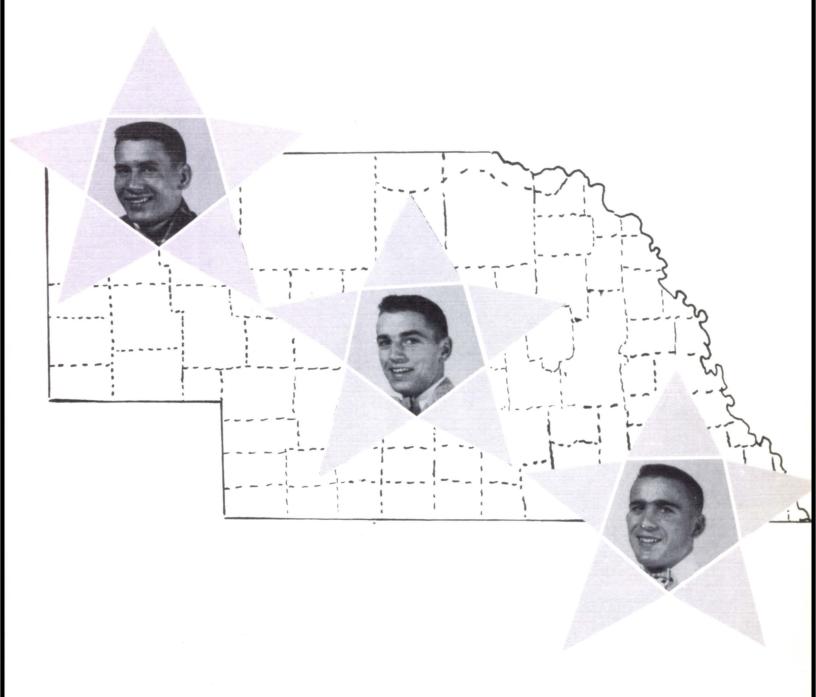
The Irish traveling to St. Joe's racked up victory number five by defeating them 38 to 0.

Highly rated Holy Name was surprised by the small Irish defense and offense by taking a set-back, 27 to 6.

St. Bon's then rolled over St. Pat's, 59 to 12.

The Irish climaxed their undefeated season by traveling to Sidney. The Shamrocks living up to their No. 2 rating, breezed past Sidney, 33 to 13.

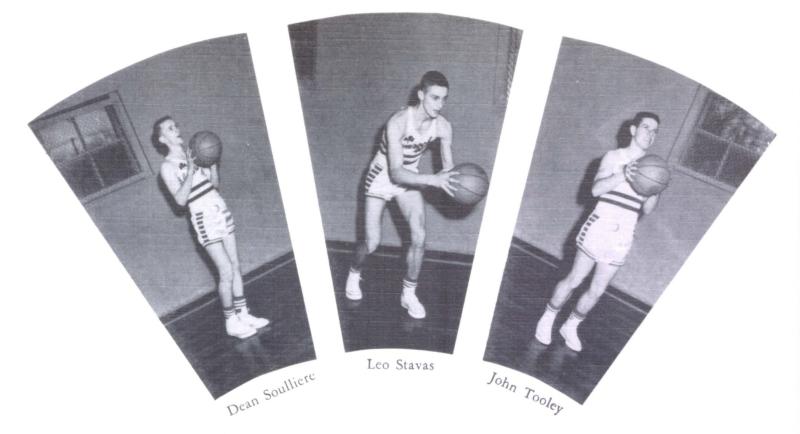
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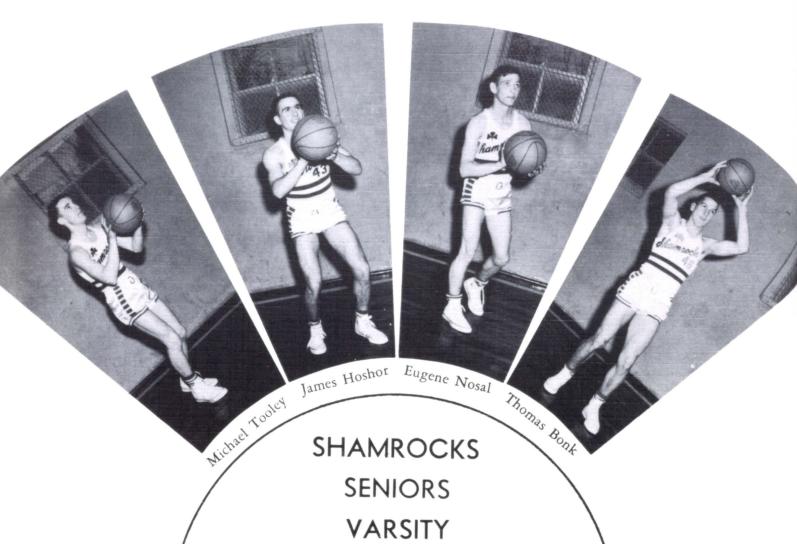


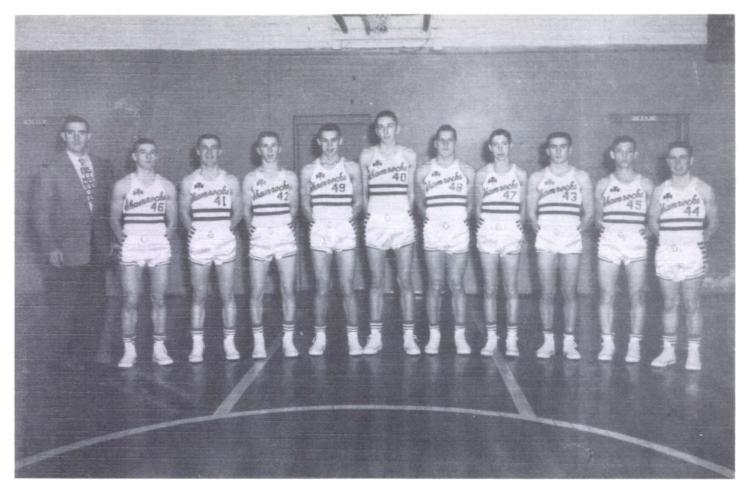
Kenneth Cielocha won All State honors in Class B from the Omaha World Herald.

Bob Wemhoff was awarded All State in Class B from the Lincoln Star for his exceptional playing as center.

Jim Hoshor, halfback, gained All State honors from the Lincoln Star for his running ability.







#### SHAMROCKS SENIOR VARSITY

Coach, Leo Moschenross, Michael Tooley, Dean Soulliere, Leo Stavas, Edward Kavanaugh, Thomas Bonk, Joseph Tooley, James Hoshor, Eugene Nosal, John Tooley.

### THE SHAMROCKS

The St. Bon's basketball quintet ended their season with a record. During the season the Irish managed to break two school records. The most points scored by the Shamrocks in a single game was 82. Dean Soulliere set the individual scoring record at 34.

The Irish won their first game 46 to 43 at Lincoln Cathedral. Soulliere had 17 points to be high man.

St. Bon's lost a heart break in their next game at Brainard 64-62.

In the M. B. N. Conference Tournament at Albion, St. Bon's first game was with St. Edward whom they beat 56 to 51. On the second night St. Bon's lost out to Albion 61 to 43. St. Bon's won the third place trophy beating Newman Grove 52 to 38.

The Shamrocks lost at St. Pat's of Fremont 64-56.

The tall Teachers' team out scored the small Irish 59-46.

St. Bon's playing on their home floor beat St. Edward for the second time 65 to 53.

The Shamrocks outlasted St. Francis in a thriller, 48 to 40.

The Irish traveling to Leigh racked up their third straight win 78 to 66. Meeting for the second time the Irish downed Newman Grove 59 to 43. The Bonnies fourth quarter rally defeated Schuyler, 45 to 44.

Entering the Stanton Invitational, St. Bon's eliminated Wayne in the opener, 61 to 53. The following night the Irish ran into some tough luck and were defeated 47 to 45. The final night, the tiring Irish met defeat at the hands of Wisner 67 to 49.

The red hot Irish rolled past Osceola, 82 to 42.

Seward Concordia's sizzling fourth quarter downed the Irish 60 to 56 in an overtime.

Traveling to Clarkson the Irish lost a nip and tuck battle as they dropped in the stretch before losing 57 to 49.

The curtain closer was a trip to St. Joseph's of Omaha. The Johawks out for revenge from football downed the Irish 65 to 56, ending a fairly good season with 10 wins and 9 losses.

## BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

Lincoln Cathedral Brainard	They 43 64	46 62	We
St. Edward	51	56	
Albion	61	43	
Newman Grove	38	52	
St. Patrick Lincoln Teacher St. Edward St. Francis Leigh .Newman Grove Schuyler	64 59 53 40 66 43 44	56 46 65 48 78 59 45	
Wayne	53	61	
Stanton	47	45	
Wisner	67	49	
Osceola	42	82	overtime
Seward Concordia	60	54	
Clarkson	57	49	
St. Joseph, Omaha	65	56	



M. B. N. TOURNAMENT THIRD PLACE WINNERS.



SHAMROCK JUNIOR VARSITY

Coach: Mr. Robert Costello, Gerald Micek, Donald Noonan, Michale Micek, Dennis Shefcyk, Floyd Arasmith, Ambrose Placzek, Thomas Lakers, Leonard Nosal, Thomas Stevens, Allen Pensick, Lloyd Bartholomew, Theodore Pfeifer, Kenneth Nosal.

## JUNIOR VARSITY BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

	They	We
Cathedral	40	43
Brainard	48	38
St. Pat's	20	27
Lincoln Teachers	39	40
St. Edward	26	36
St. Francis	42	51
Leigh	42	28
Newman Grove	23	46
Schuyler	54	57
Osceola	40	33
Seward Concordia	40	51
Clarkson	40	43
St. Joseph	48	33



## **TRACK**

Back row: Coach, Cletus Fischer, D. Shefcyk, M. Herink, J. Bonk, C. Gates, T. Dischner, T. Bonk, L. Stavas, F. Arasmith, B. Zoucha, L. Bartholomew, Fr. Reinhard.

Front row: G. Micek, J. Hoshor, J. Tooley, D. Soulliere, M. Tooley, P. Siemek.

Track, one of our highlights in sports here at St. Bon's will prove exciting again this year. The prospects for this year are not as good as past years. A

bright spot is the fact that we have seven returning lettermen.

The Irish team which lost only one man from last years undefeated team proves to be in top shape. Dean Soulliere mile-letterman, should have his best year, as he ran it last year in 5.08. Leo Moschenross is the only medal winner at the, District back this year. Jim Hoshor, Kenneth Cielocha, Thomas Bonk, our sprinters and relay team show signs of a good year. Michael Tooley is our half-miler who had a few good times last year and John Tooley shows eagerness to start his pole-vaulting. With these last year letter-men back the Irish should have another good year in track. Our meets for this year will be.

April	1	Albion, Schuyler, St. Bon's
		Ord Invitational
April	13	St. Bon's Invitational
April	30	Triangular

Columbus Invitational, Norfolk Invitational, Grand Island and possibly Beatrice.





Sharon Hoshor and Janet Melcher visit the Y-KNOT DRIVE INN for a pleasurable evening snack.



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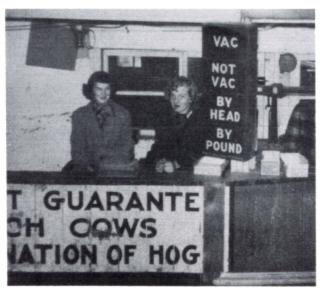
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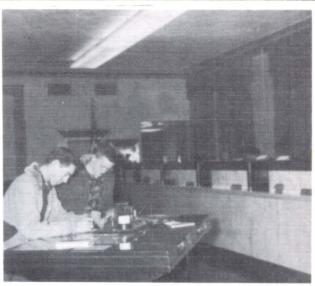
For "Bigger and Better Values" see MIESSLER'S DRUG STORE where James Hoshor and Ronald Warholoski shop.



Pat Johnson and Joan DeLarme find the best net sales returns at the COLUMBUS SALES PAVILION.



Barbara Cielocha, Pat Johnson, and Pat Tworek waiting for their orders at the new RANCH HOUSE DRIVE INN.



Jack Johnson and Cliff Roddy writing checks at the CENTRAL NATIONAL BANK.



A skilled workman demonstrates one of the drill presses at BELHEN'S MANUFACTURING CO.



Lorraine Pickhinke and Joan Matya find the best in smart styles at the IRENE SHOP.



M. C. Bothe, Sharon Robb, Yvonne and Barbara Mitera enjoying the "Pause that Refreshes" at COCA-COLA BOTTLING CO.



Joan Badstieber and Virginia Mimick seeking loans at the BECHER, HOCKENBERGER and CHAMBERS CO.



John Woerth, Joan Matya and David Vanek enjoying a refreshing bottle of Squirt at the SQUIRT AND DR. PEPPER BOTTLING CO.



Clyde Simpson and Fred Biggs of MID-STATE MOTORS showing the new "54" DeSoto to David Vanek and John Woerth.



K. Roddy says "Read 'The Voice of the Friendly City,' the DAILY TELEGRAM which is the first to bring world, as well as local news."



Bob Messersmith, and Carol Fix enjoy the beauty and comfort of the new Chevrolet at NIELSEN'S.



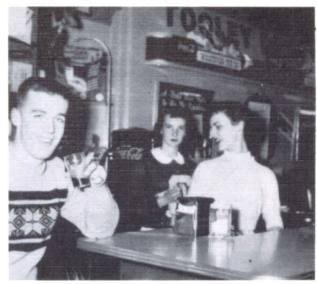
Patrick Michaelsen and Robert Wemhoff examine the new International Harvester separator at EWERT BROTHERS.



Dominic Zarek finds a wide selection of home appliances and electrical equipment at T & S APPLIANCE.



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Betty Gregorious and Sharon Bowe select their new spring coats at the MARJORIES SMART SHOP.



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