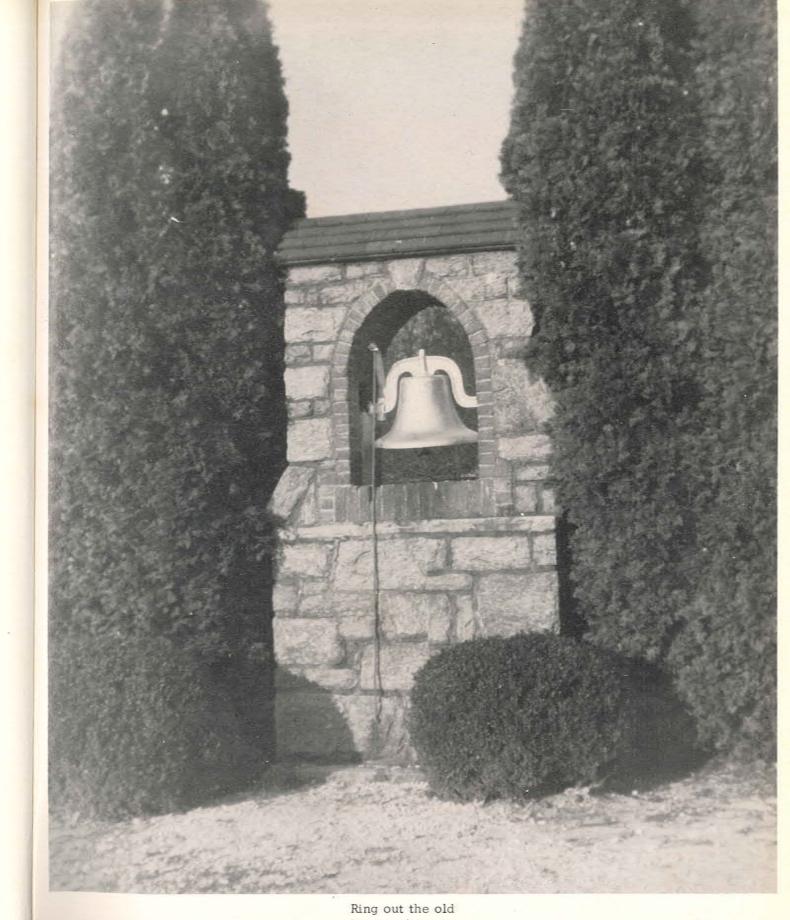
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WHISPERING HILLS



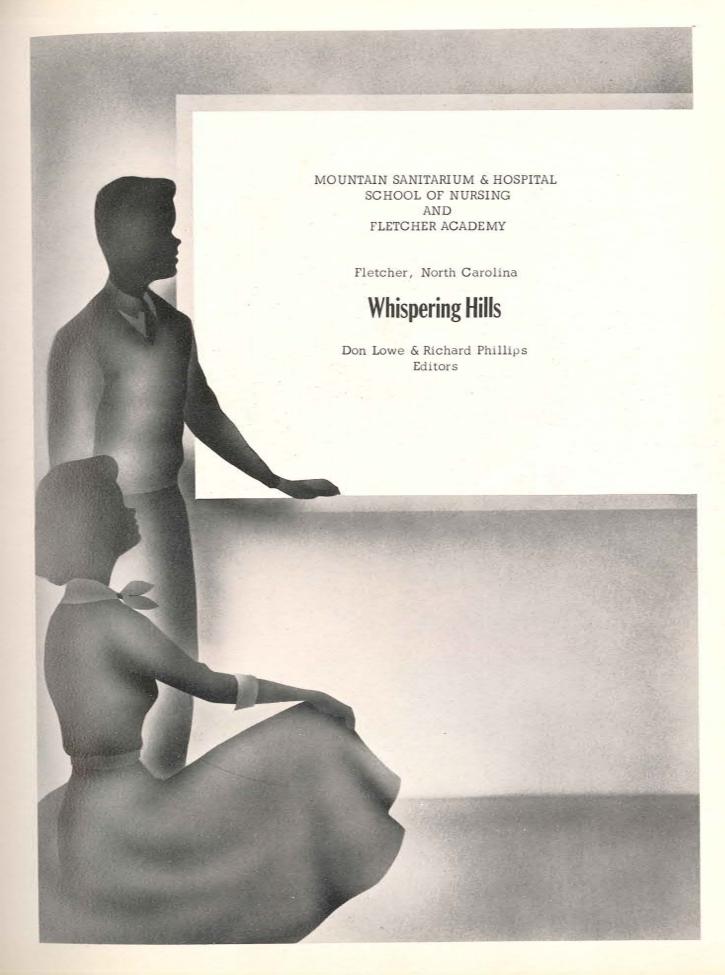
Ring out the old Ring in the new, Ring out the false Ring in the true.



Forward

The bell in the spruce tree-lined tower rings out in definite tones over the hills and valley, reminding all of the approach of Sabbath, the noon day meal, or daily chapel services. Faithfully it has been tolling down through many years. Our days spent at Fletcher are like a bell that will always be echoing forth the memories of lessons learned, tasks well done, and activities enjoyed with friends long to be remembered. It is through these pages that we wish to keep ringing the memories of the Fletcher we love. Listen to the tolling bell of memories it seems to say,

"Ring out the false, ring in the true."



Halden

This year the Mountain Sanitarium and Fletcher Academy will be celebrating their Golden Anniversary. Like most other things, this institution had a small and humble beginning. Fifty years ago takes us back to 1909 and 1910. Just prior to the purchase of the property there was living in Asheville a Mrs. Martha Rumbough. The Rumbough family was quite-a prominent family in Asheville and Western North Carolina. Her son is still living and two or three years ago he donated to the school library a number of his mother's books. Mrs. Rumbough was a dedicated church worker who was anxious that a share of her income be used for some project that would be helpful to the people in this part of the country as well as a memorial to her family. Mrs. E. G. White personally advised and encouraged Mrs. Rumbough in this project. In making her selection Mrs. Rumbough worked through her local church and the final result was the purchase of the original property on which the school now stands. The original tract of land was known as the Byers place and was purchased for \$5,000. Professor Arthur Spaulding, pioneer, author and educator in the SDA Church located the property and approved the final selection. Another pioneer educator helping in the establishment of the institution was Professor Sidney Brownsberger, first president of Battle Creek College. Dr. John Brownsberger, son of Prof. Brownsberger, had much to do with the establishment of the medical work in later years. The few pictures taken dating back to the time the property was purchased indicate an old run-down, worn out plantation. The last of the original buildings, the old "Big House," used for so many years for a girls' home and dining hall, burned several years ago. The first class rooms were also located in the "Big House" when the school was first started. Later they were moved to a little two room building directly across the road and still later to their present location - in the chapel building. At the time the institution was incorporated, it was dedicated as a health

The "Big House"

Whitford Hall





Anniversary

The medical work began in a little four room building, part of the present patients' parlor. Here health treatments were given and sound principles of health taught. About the same time a small school for elementary children was started. From that small beginning it has developed into what it is today. For many years the institution operated the Good Health Place in Asheville. Connected with the work at the Good Health Place and operated for a number of years was the first cafeteria in the City of Asheville. About 1920 high school work was offered for the first time for the community and boarding students. Pioneering the way in this work of education on the higher level was Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Jasperson. Mrs. Jasperson retired as principal of the academy and he as president of the institution in 1952. Mrs. Jasperson was succeeded by one of her faithful teachers, Prof. Lewis E. Nestell, our present principal. In 1929 the Nurses Training School was established and has been training registered nurses each year since that time. Miss Lelia Patterson, who is still with us today, helped to pioneer the medical work and also helped with the Nurses Training School. Mrs. John Brownsberger and Mrs. Gladys Lowder were also pioneers in the nursing education field. These ladies deserve much credit for their wonderful work in the training of Christian nurses. By 1931 there was a well-established medical and educational institution here. In this same year the 11th grade was added to the high school. In 1935 the high school became a full-fledged senior boarding academy. This work was accredited and approved by the State in 1938 or 1939. Since 1935 the Academy has graduated approximately 500 students, many of whom are now holding positions of trust and responsibility in various places throughout the world. In addition to the work that is being done today in caring for the sick there are three schools on the campus--the elementary school with approximately 80 children, the boarding academy of 140 students and the Nurses Training School with 40 students. In visiting our campus, our buildings, our farm or wherever you go you will find young people. The goal of our three schools is to educate the hand, the heart and the mind that our young people may be trained for Christian Service.

In the Beginning



Beginning to Grow





Our two room school



Original Barn



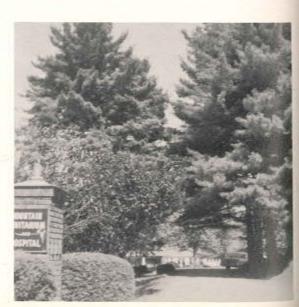
Sanitarium Entrance



Chapel



Present Day





PRESENT SANITARIUM & HOSPITAL

OUR HOPES FOR THE FUTURE





Nurses' Chorus

FRONT ROW: Left to Right: Fay Kemp, Angelia Darvill, Betty Morrell, Nancy Bean, Susan Keppler, Winona Williams, Nancy Stevens, Vernie Williams, Annette Perkins. BACK ROW: Virginia Turner, Yvonne Henderson, Margaret Banner, Fay Conner, Lilburn Underhill, Gary Cobb, Don Lowe, Max Moffitt, Mary Jo Blankenship, Ellen Sweeney, Grethe Muderspach, Sara Tyner.

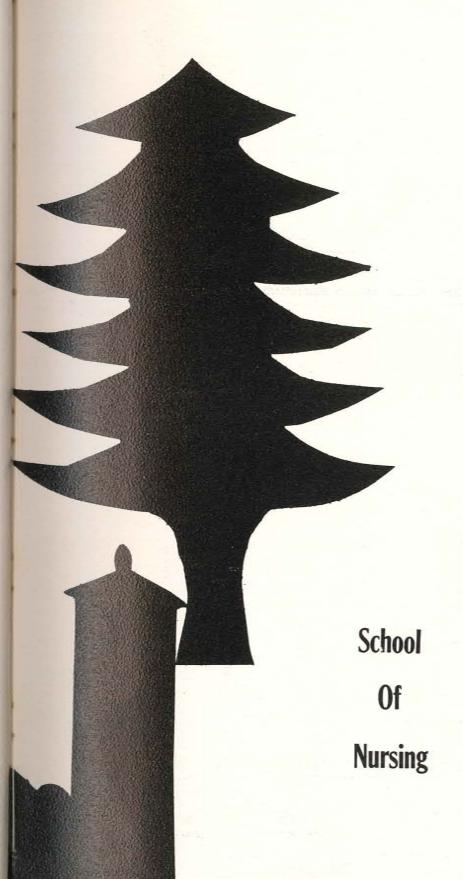


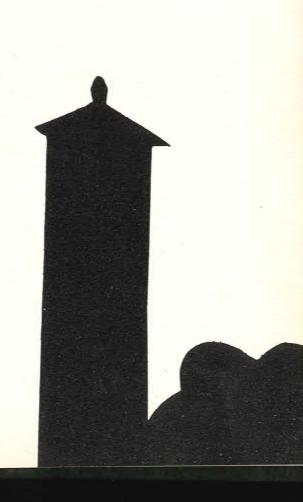
Nurses' Quartet

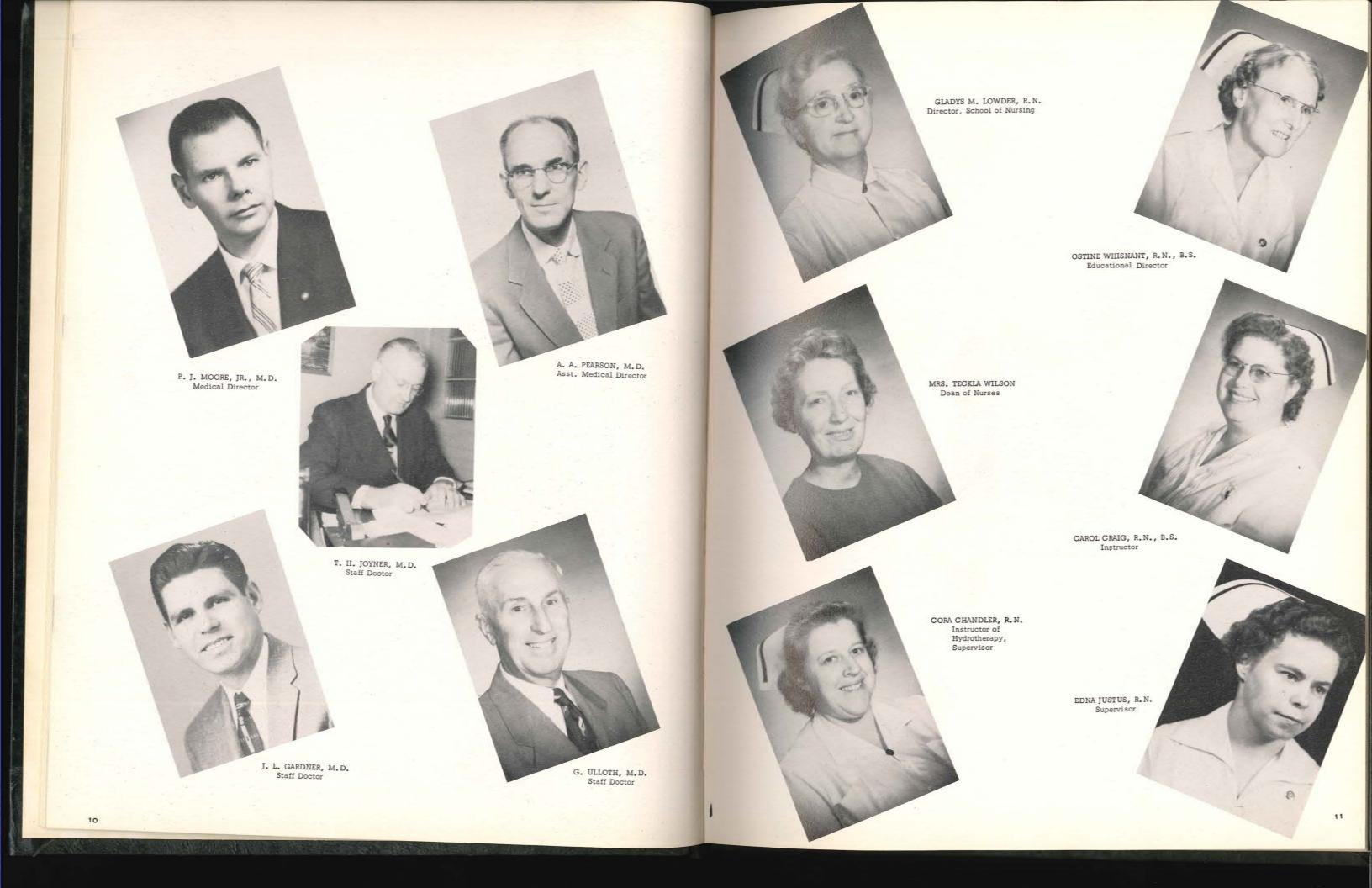
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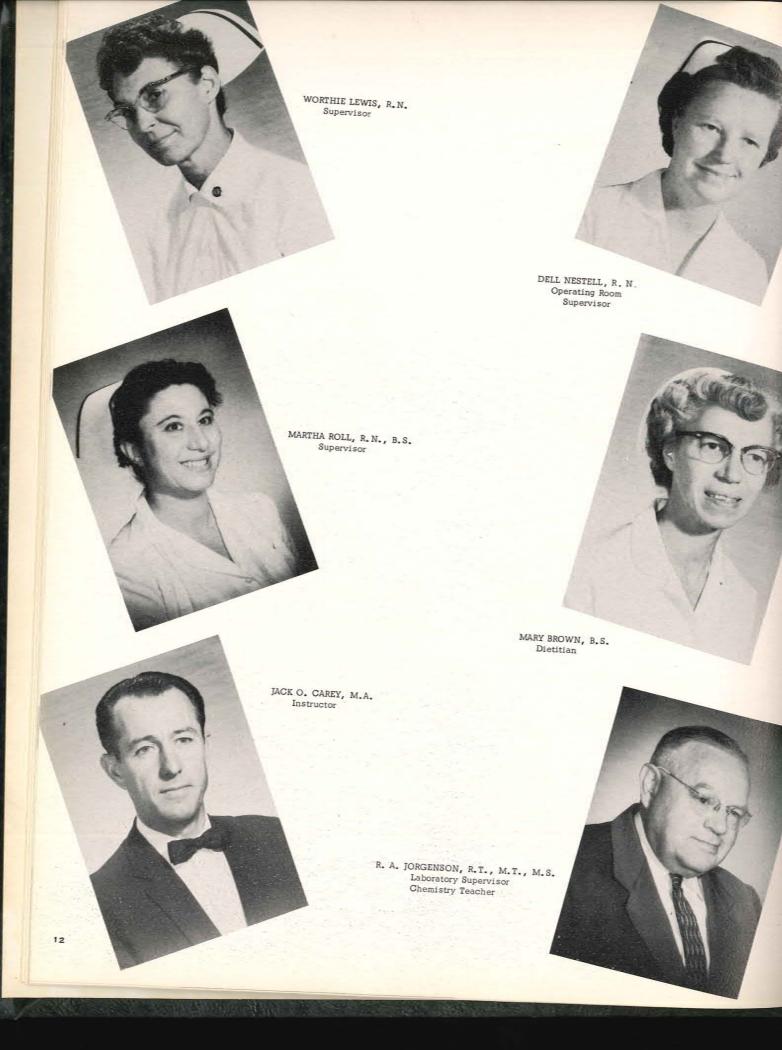
Nurses' Chorus at Candlelight Program



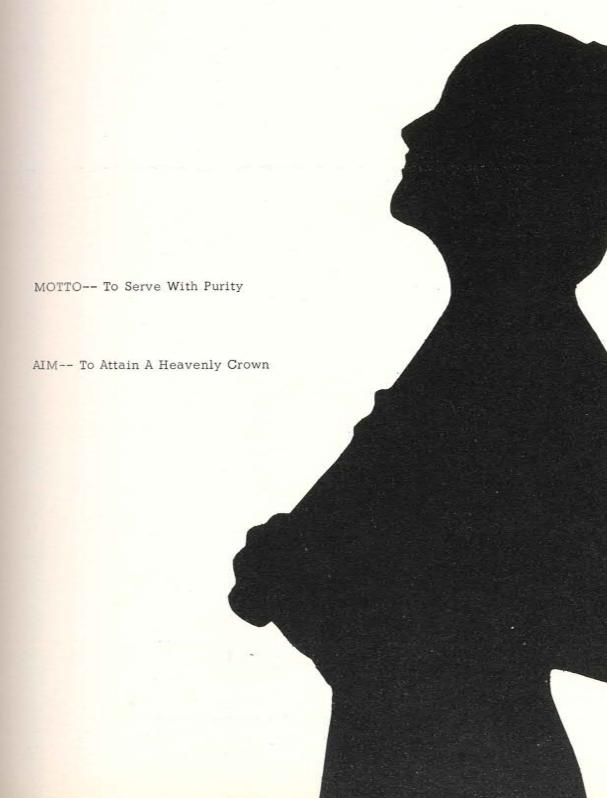




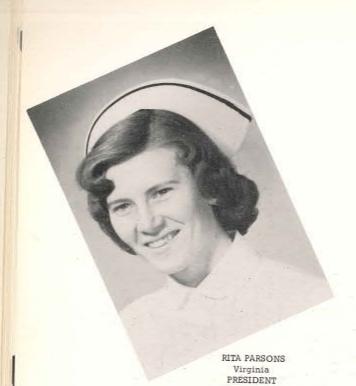




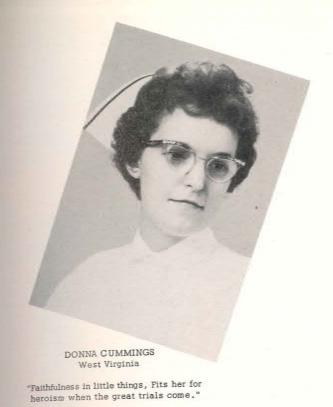
Graduates



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"Love sweetness, goodness, in her person shines."

COLORS -- Baby Blue and White



"A peace above all dignities, A still and quiet conscience."

MILDRED FIELDS Florida SECRETARY

"Calmness of mind is one of the beautiful jewels of wisdom."



PEGGY JUST North Carolina TREASURER

"A laugh is just like sunshine, It freshens all the day, It tips the peak of life with light, And drives the clouds away."





"The secret of being lovely is being unselfish."



"Grace was in all her steps, Heaven in her eye, in every gesture dignity and love."



i like knee pants







no privacy



we could go bicycling



teacher's pets

just posing



week-end leave

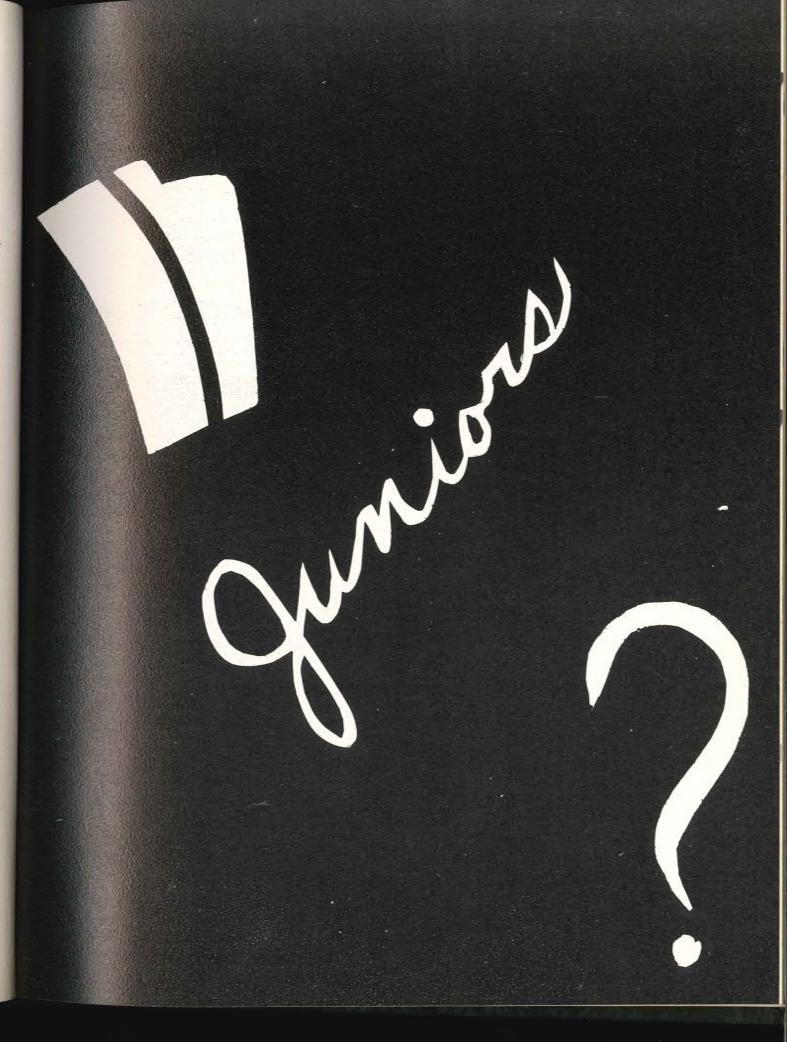
a twosome



congratulations mr. bones



an apple for the dean

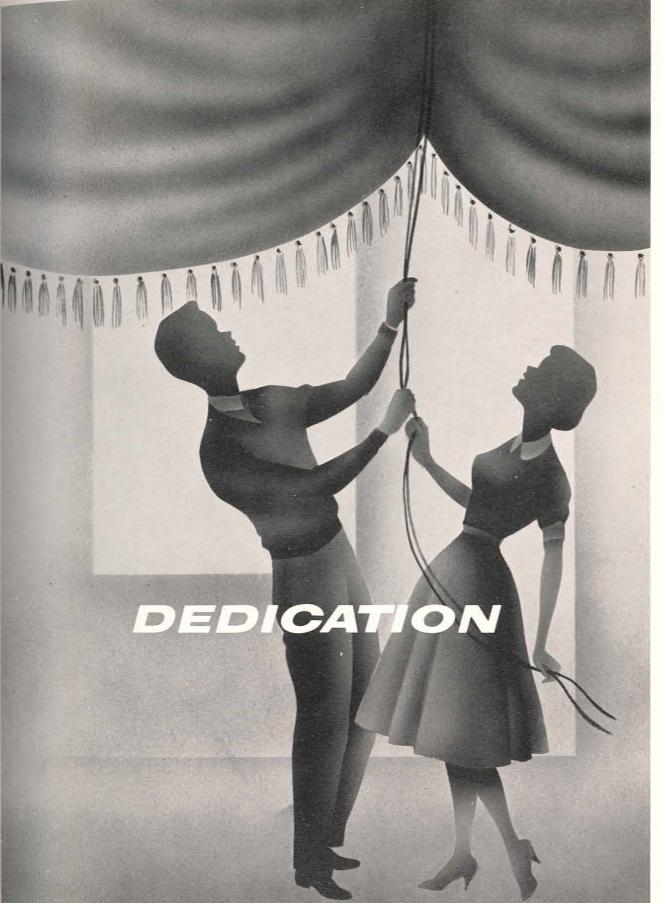


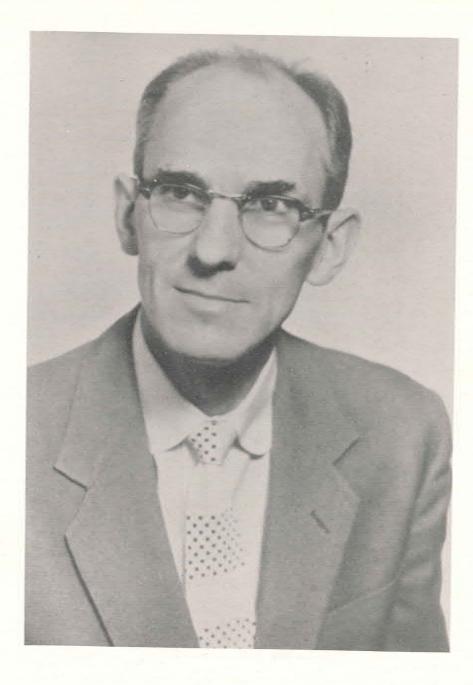










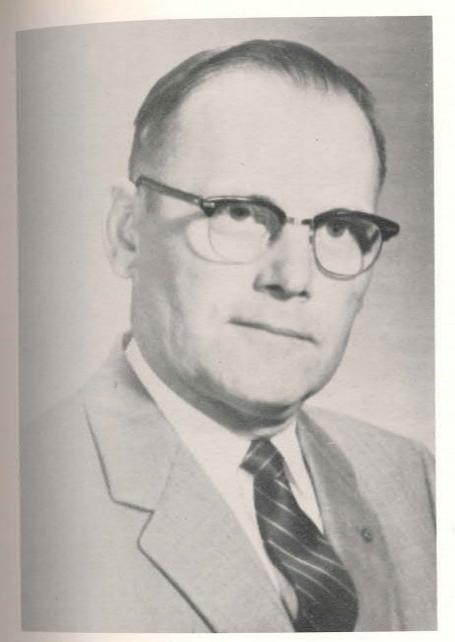


For your kind understanding and friendly manner.

For the devotion of your time and effort, both physically and financially, toward the betterment of our campus which makes our stay here more pleasant.

For the care you give us when we are ill physically and the counsel and encouragement when we are discouraged--

We, the Student Nurses, wish to dedicate our portion of the 1960 WHISPERING HILLS as a small token of our appreciation, to you-- Dr. Pearson.



To Professor L. E. Nestell

Whose association with us has made life at Fletcher more enjoyable,

Who has won our deepest admiration, not only as principal of Fletcher Academy, but as a friend to us all and as one who manifests interest in each student,

Who guides us through the hardships, disappointments, joys, and happiness of academy life, and life to come by personal experience and through illustrations of the life of the All Perfect One,

Who ministers to our every need, whether in class, in chapel, at recreation, or in advising us concerning our problems.

We, the student body, sincerely dedicate our section of the 1960

WHISPERING HILLS

Principal's Message

Dear Youth:

Every day you should thank God for being so fortunate. Try your best to think of any country on earth where youth are so free to make the most of their lives. In addition to the fundamental principles guaranteed to all by the Bill of Rights, you have freedom of opportunity. Other than the limitations caused by your own lack of application, you are largely free to decide for yourself on the three great basic decisions of life--religion, vocation, marriage. Success for you will largely depend upon your effort to make these decisions on the basis of an enlightened and discriminating mind. As you plan your future one of the best investments you could make would be to give serious thought to the ideals outlined in these quotations.

"Let the student take the Bible as his guide and stand like a rock for principle, and he may aspire to any height of attainment." Vol. VIII, p. 322.

"Balanced by religious principles, you may climb to any height you please." F. E., pp. 82,83.

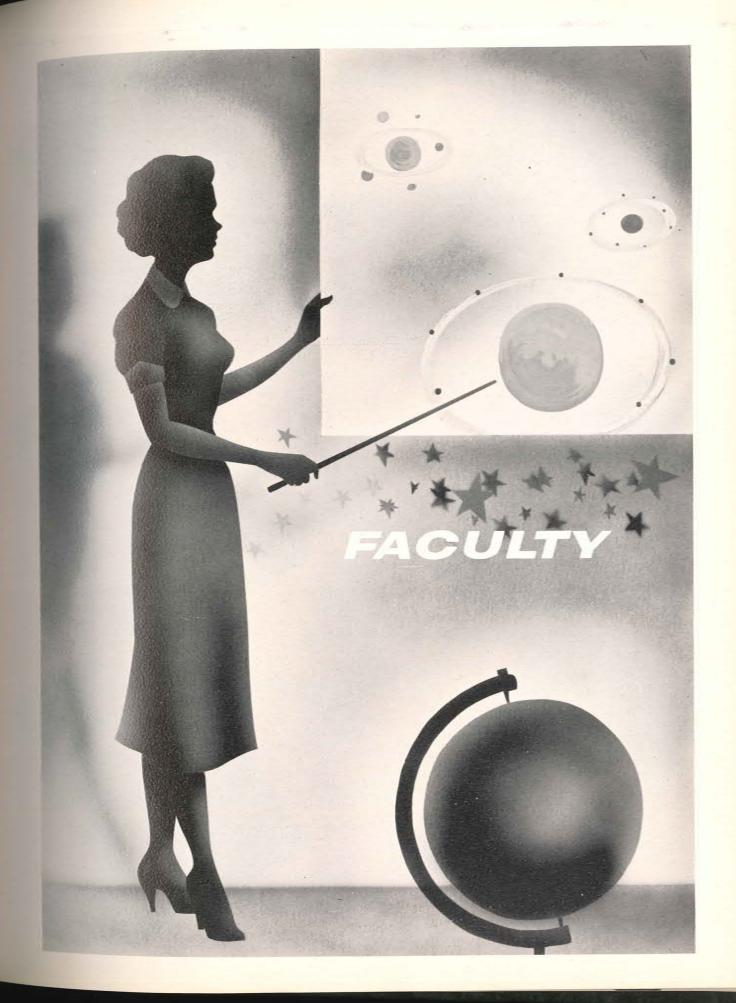


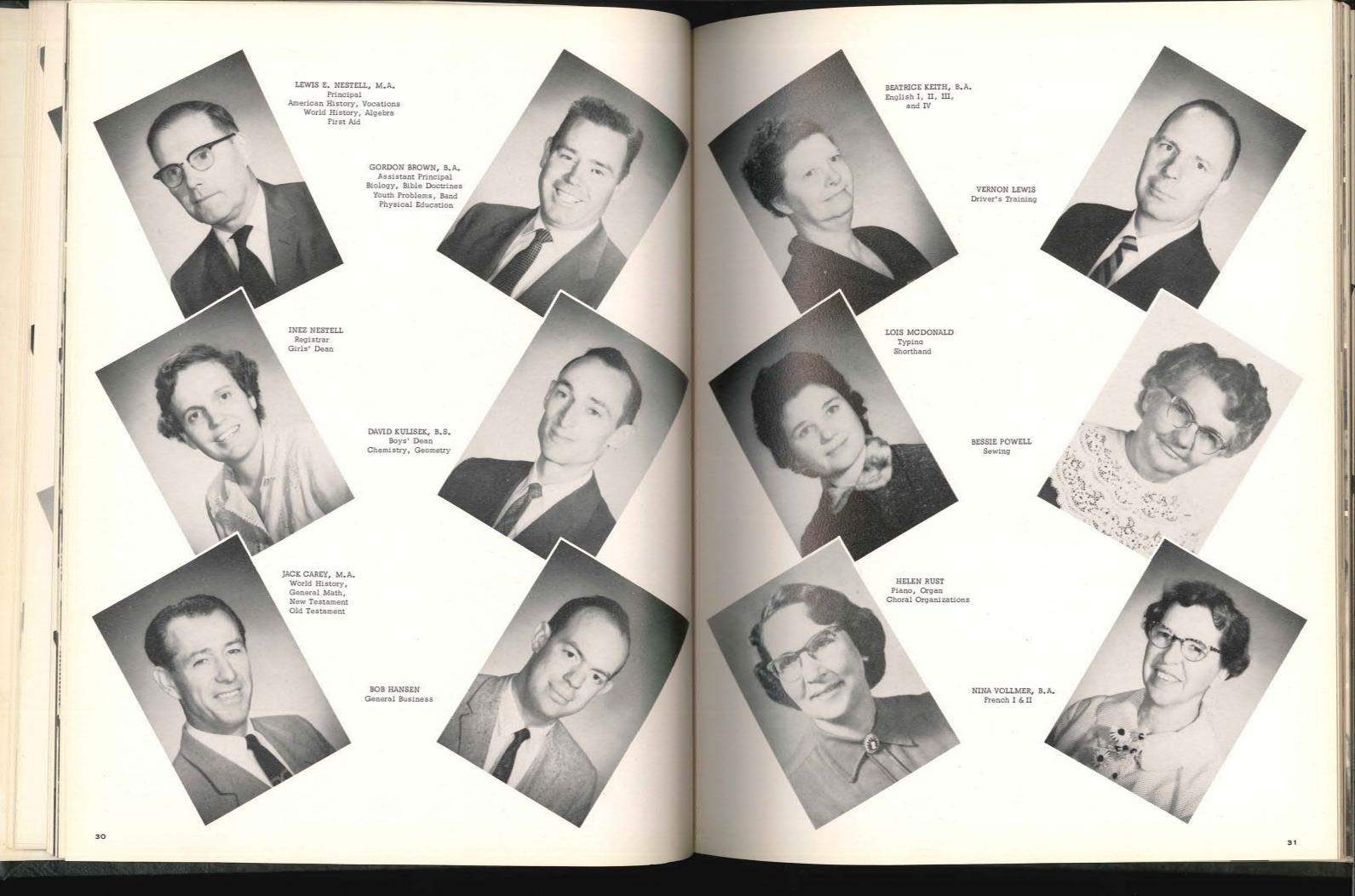
"There is no limit to the usefulness of one who, by putting self aside, makes room for the working of the Holy Spirit upon his heart, and lives a life wholly consecrated to God." D. A. p. 250.

"We need to follow more closely God's plan of life. To do our best in the work that lies nearest, to commit our ways to God, and to watch for the indications of His providence, -- these are rules that insure safe guidance in the choice of an occupation." Ed. p. 267.

Never before has an anxious and confused world so much needed youth who are guided by such great ideals. Tomorrow, as you look back through this book of memories, may yours be the realization that these ideals have guided your life.

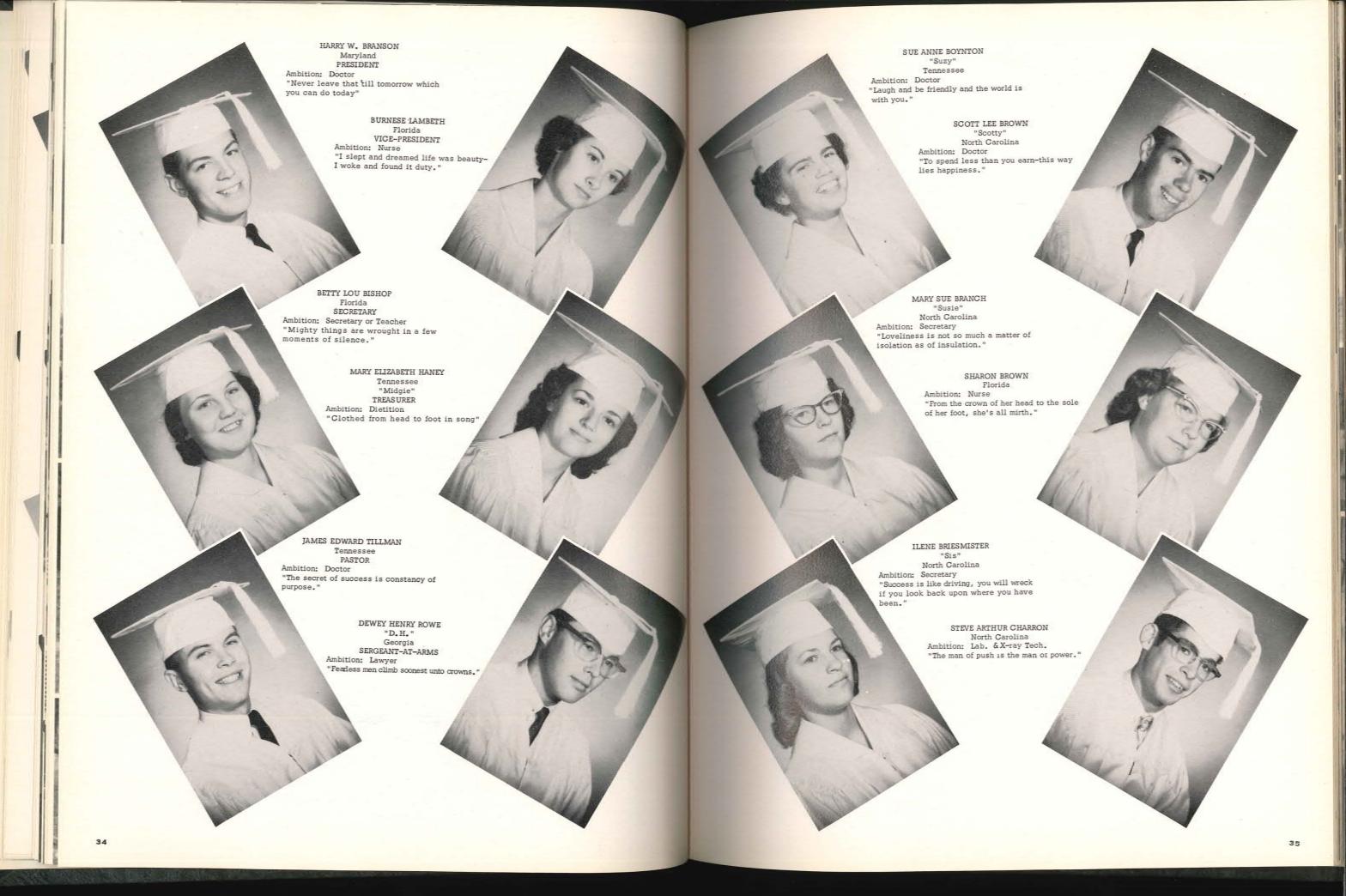
Very sincerely yours, Lewis E. Nestell, Principal

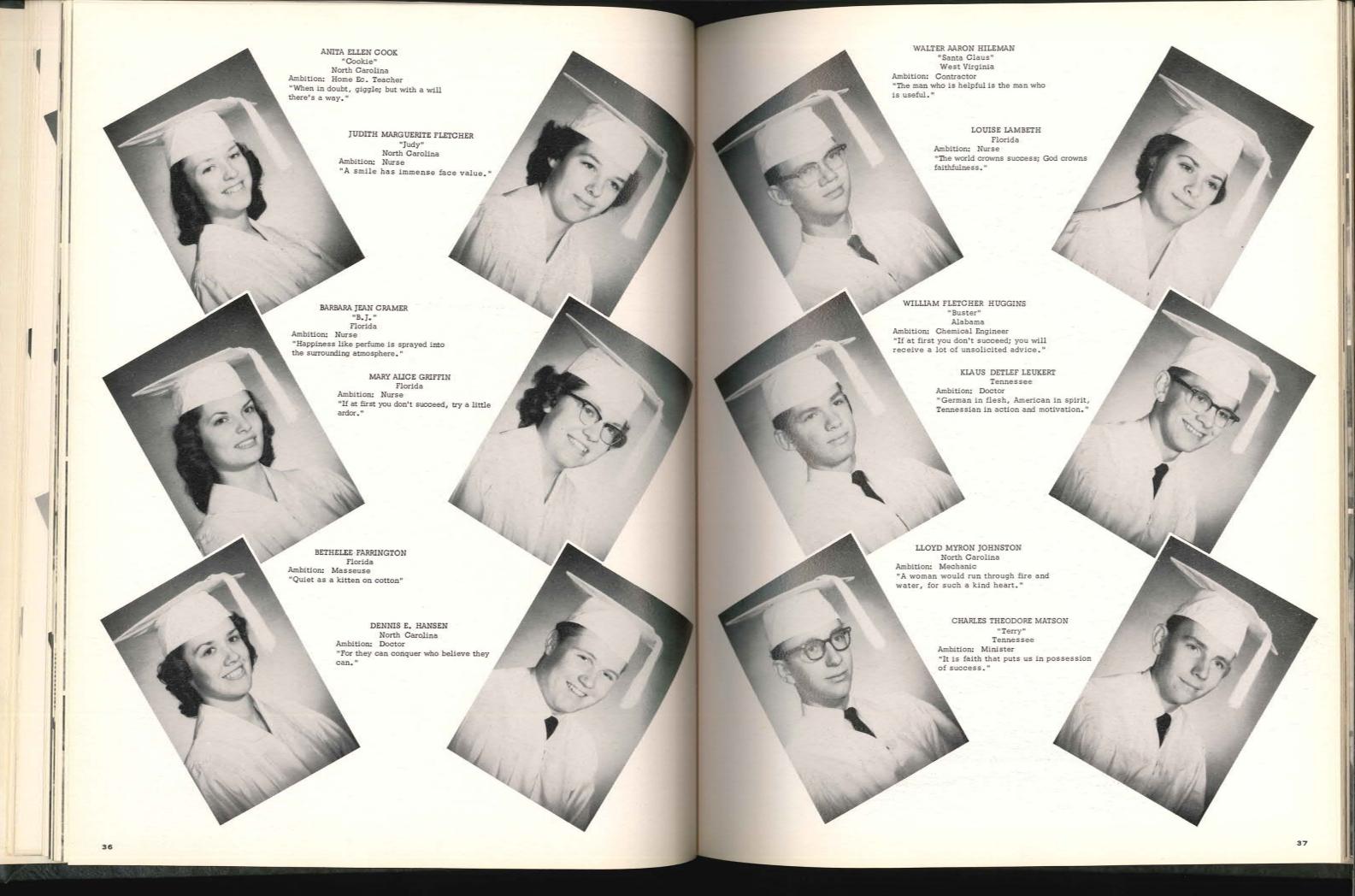
















MARTHA LORETTA YOUNG
"Marty"
North Carolina
Ambition: Doctor
"With a will and wisdom one finds a way"

PAUL JACKSON MITCHELL
North Carolina
Ambition: Secretary
"Don't explain, friends don't need it,
enemies won't believe it anyway."

JOHN GABRIEL PORT
North Carolina
Ambition: Dentist
"Doesn't chase girls, neither is taken
by their curls"

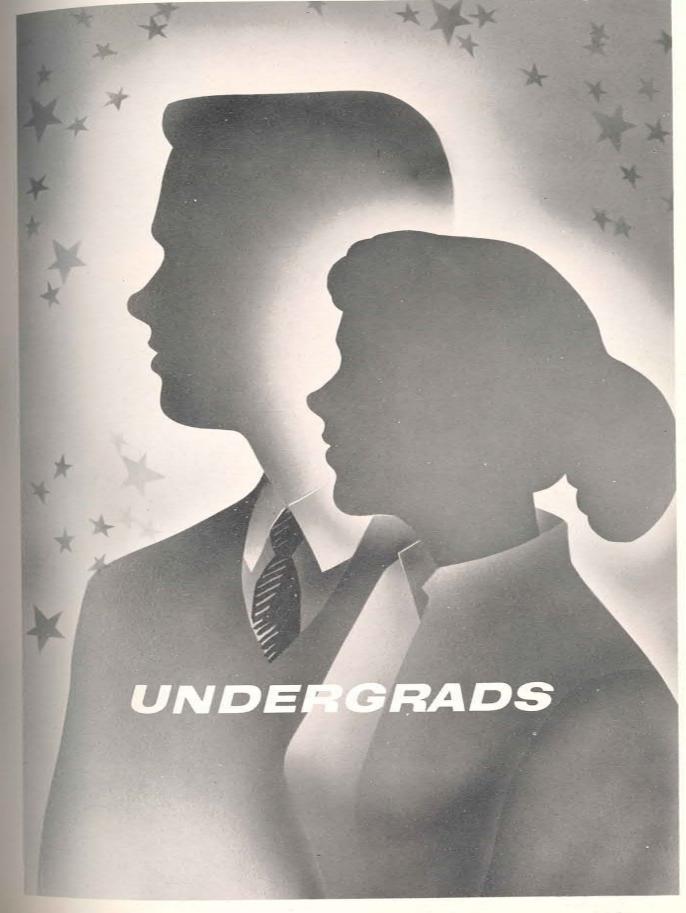
ANNA MARGUERITE NESTELL
Georgia
Ambition: Nurse
"Getting up early is simply a question
of mind over mattress."

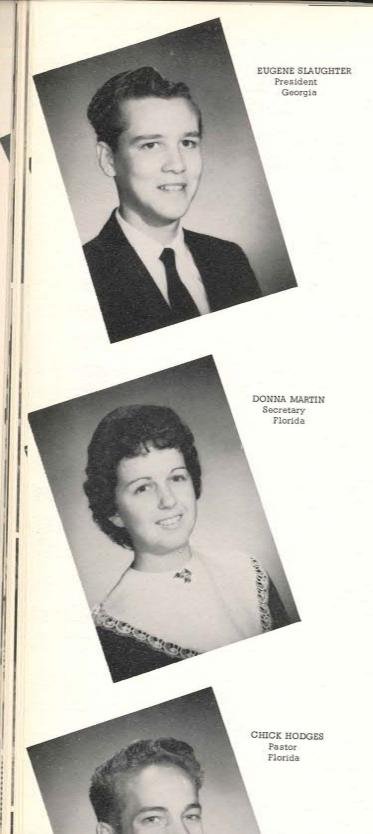
JO-ANN RUBY RICKS
Virginia
Ambition: Nurse
"The big shots are only the little shots who keep shooting."

RICHARD PAUL PHILLIPS
Tennessee
Ambition: Doctor
"Content with peanuts, a tennis racket, or proving points by powers of deduction,"

WANDA MARIE ROBERTSON
North Carolina
Ambition: Secretary
"I am always ready to learn, although I
do not always like being taught."



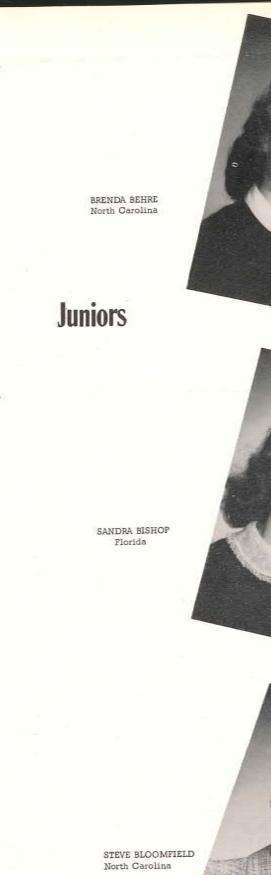


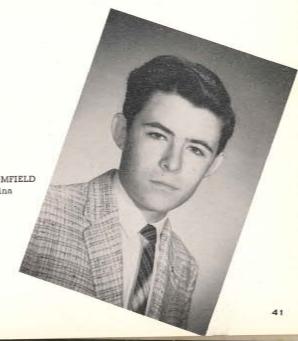


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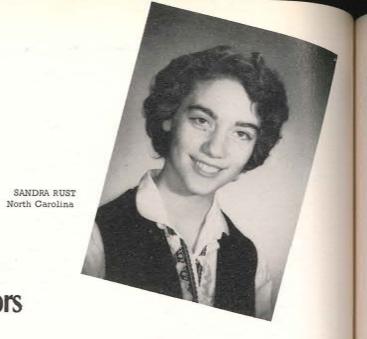




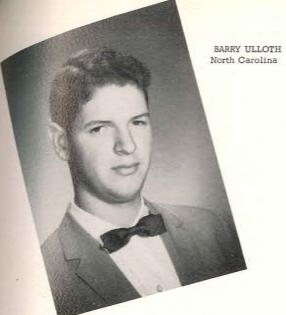




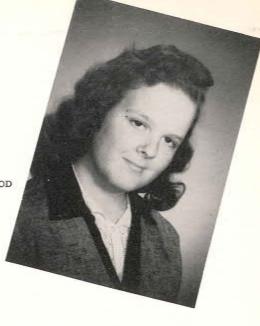




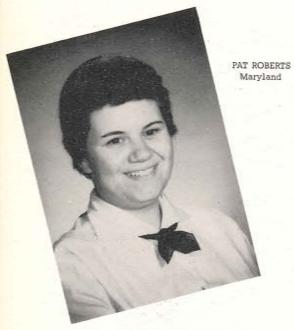
North Carolina



SHARON UNDERWOOD Alabama



Juniors



SHIRLEY SWAIN Tennessee



Juniors



CONNIE ZANES Florida



BETTY ROWE North Carolina



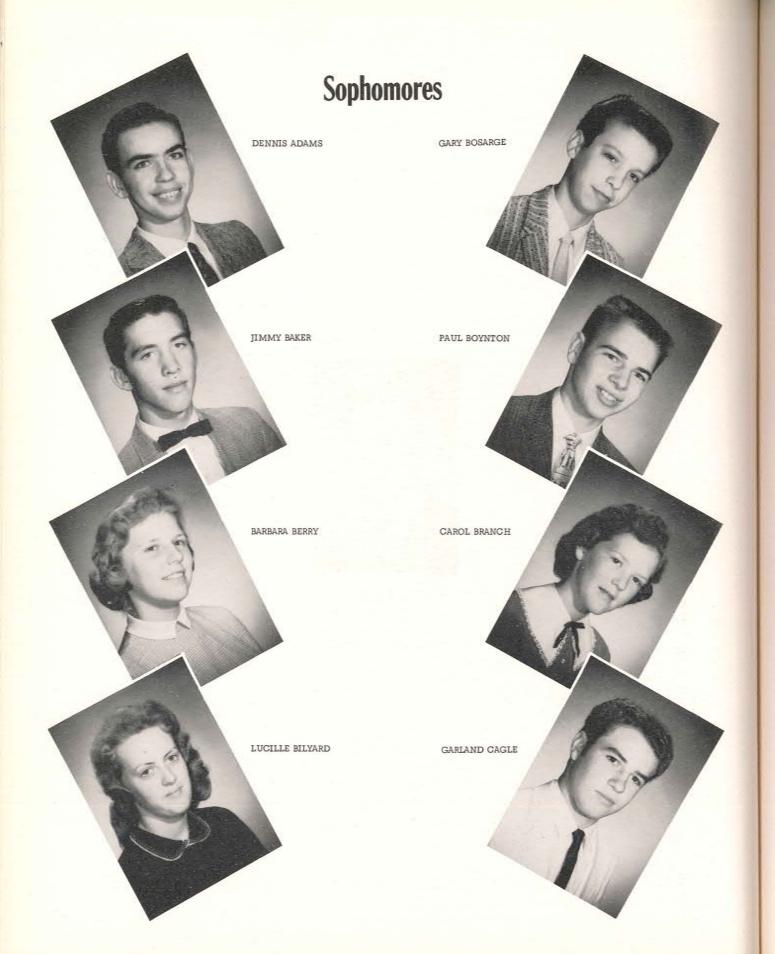
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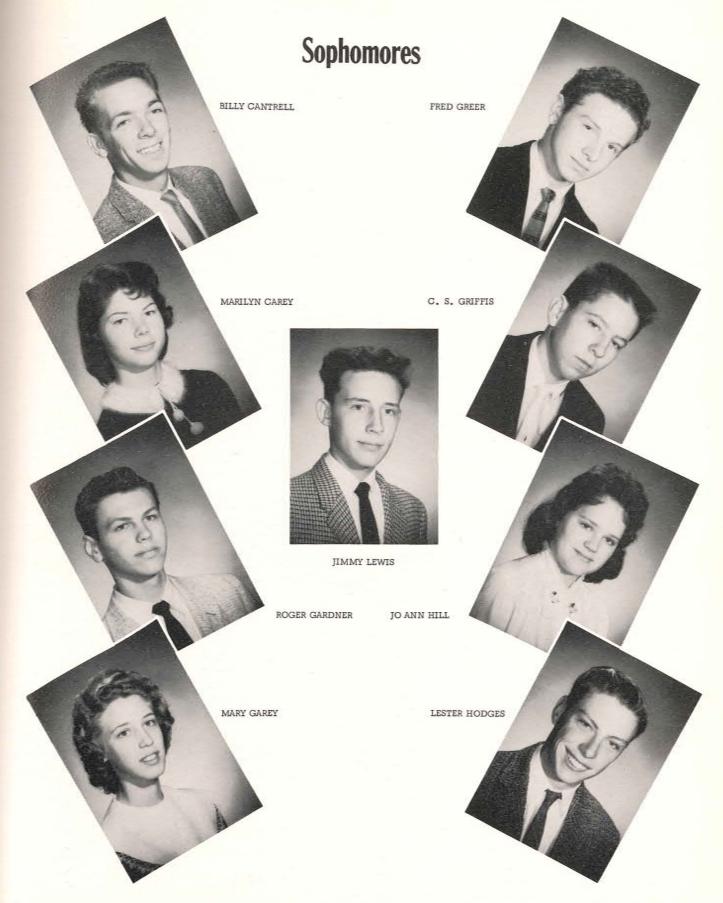


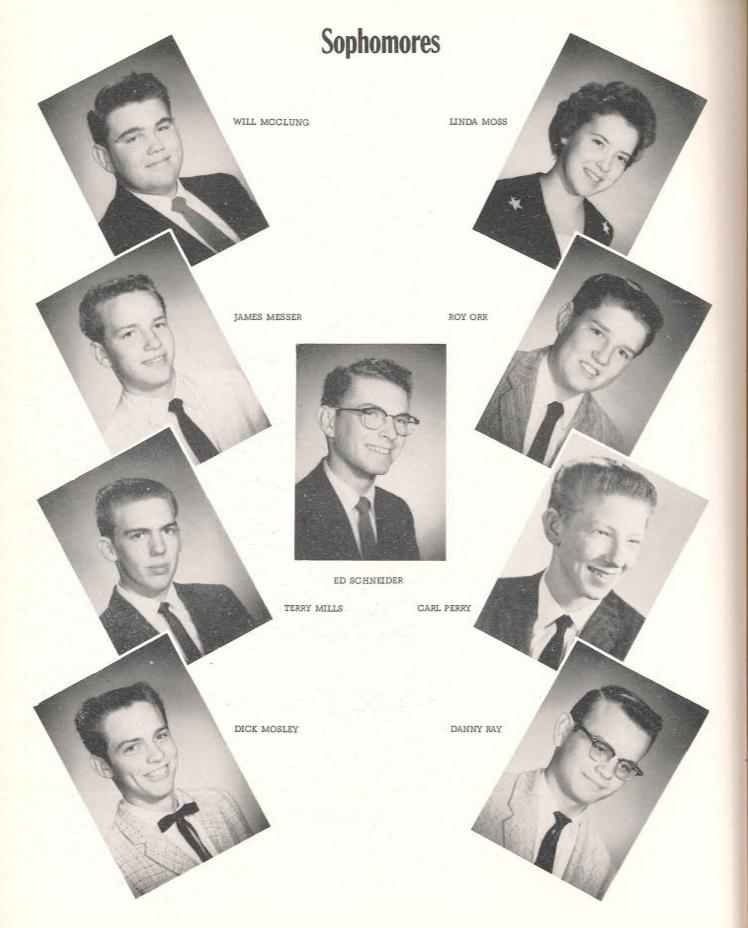
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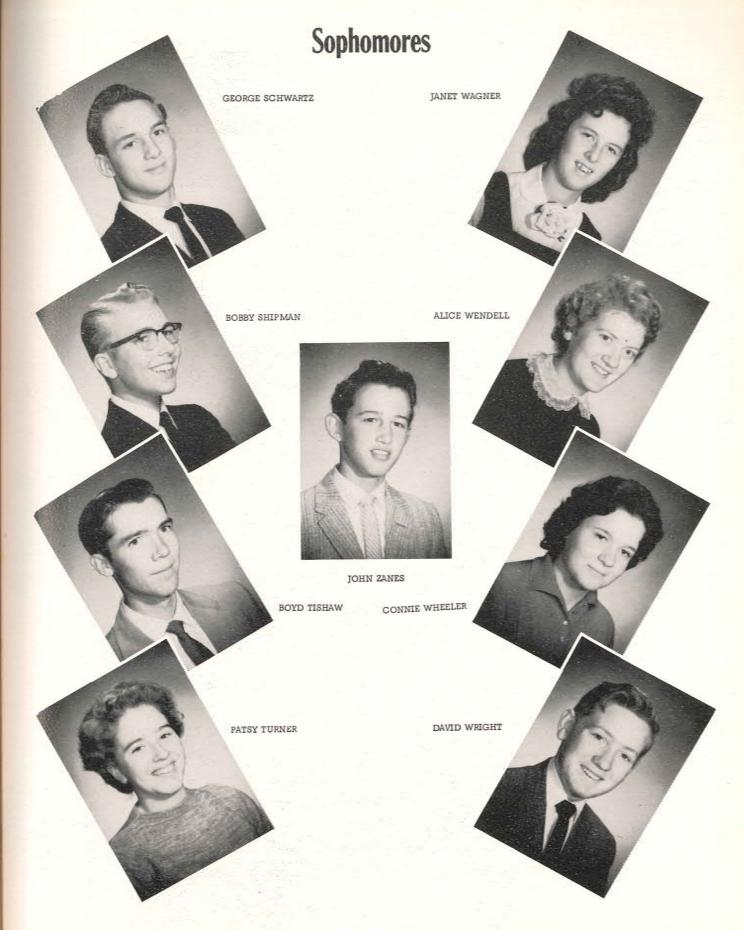


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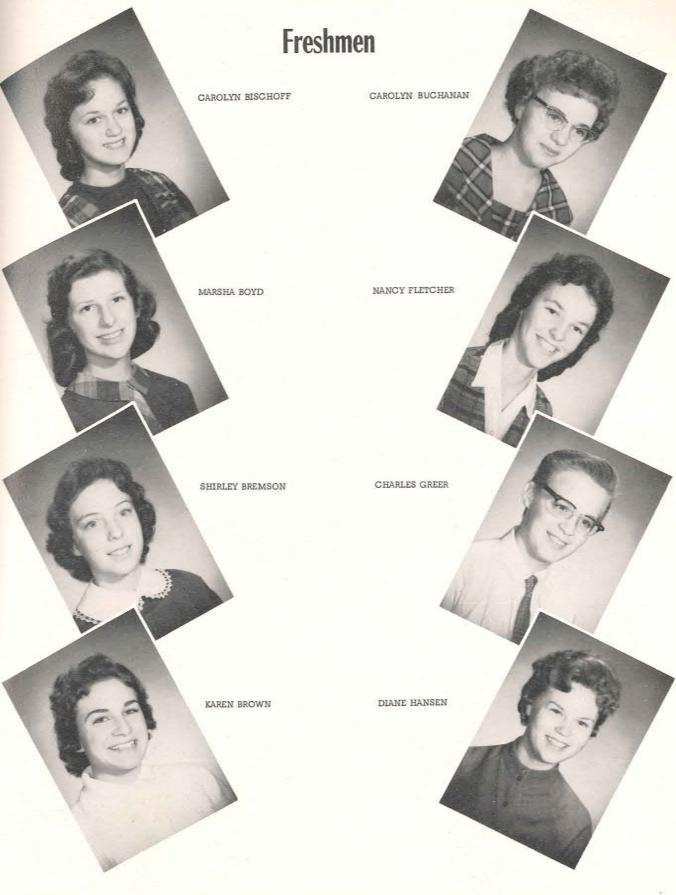


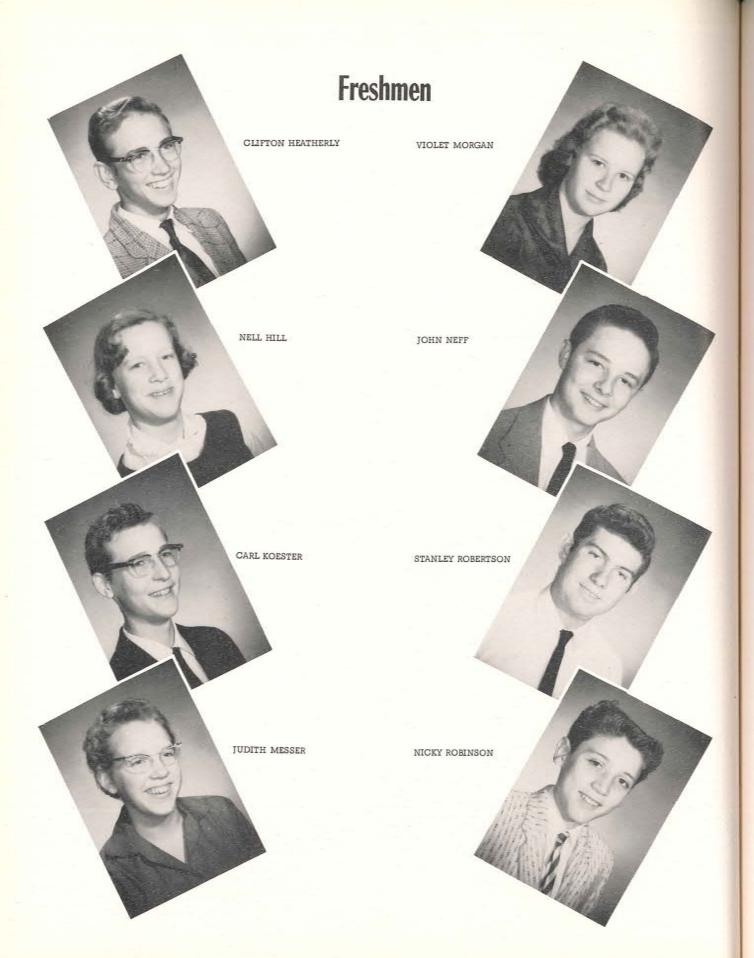












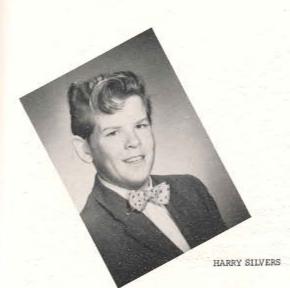
Freshmen







GENE WAGNER







Richard Beay Harry







Luzy



Buster



Dennis



Mary Alice



Terry



Walter



D.N.



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Lloyd



Ilene



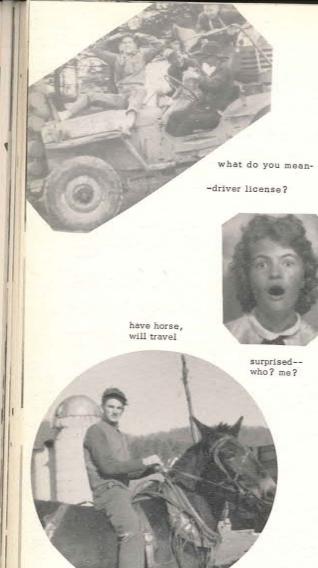
Burnese Louise







Marty



see how i've grown!



practice makes perfect

now, where are those

peanuts?

you really mean it?

who's excited?

that wife of mine!



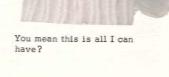


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do it yourself haircut

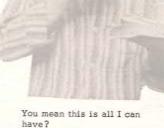
been a good girl?



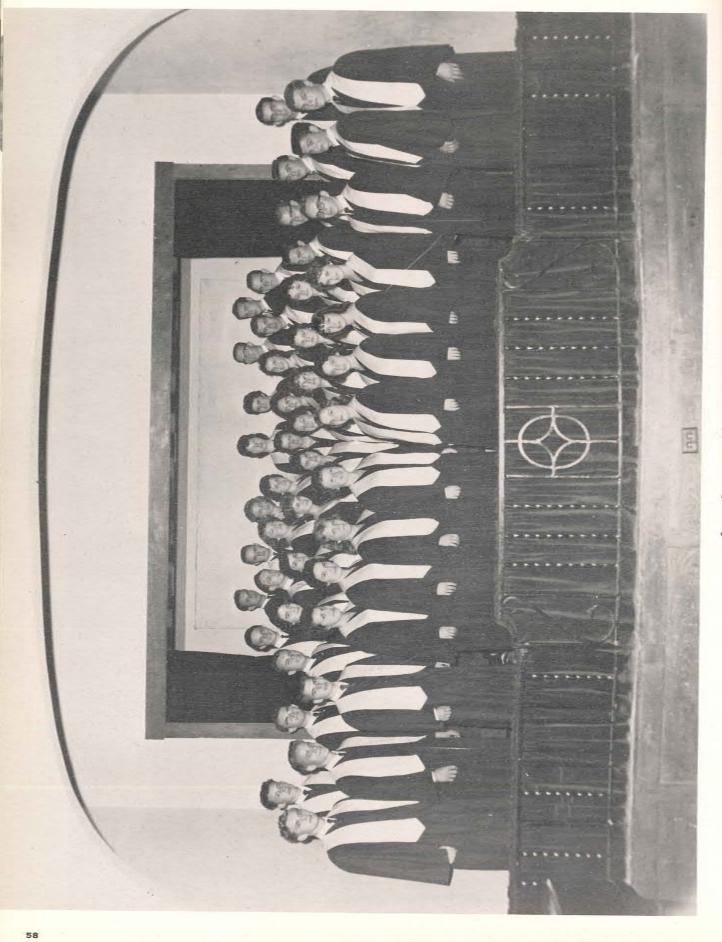












Academy Choir



Academy Band



Girls' Chorus

FRONT ROW: Left to Right: Judy Fletcher, Cathy Brooks, Frances Hagen, JoAnn Ricks, Anna Nestell, Connie Baker, Shirley Brimson, Anita Cook, Karen Coleman, Diane Hansen, Mary Alice Griffen, Rose Neff. BACK ROW: Mary Garrey, Sandra Rust, Mary Haney, Sharon Brown, Dona Martin, Martha Young, Loraine Johnson, June Schroder, Betty Bishop, Nancy Fletcher, Pat Roberts, Marilyn Carey.



Triple Trio

Marilyn Carey, Rose Neff, Anita Cook, Mary Haney, Connie Baker, Sandra Rust, Shirley Brimson, Mary A. Griffen, Martha Young.



Dennis Schwartz, Richard Phillips, Klause Leukert, Chick Hodges, Lloyd Johnston, Buster Huggins, Paul Mitchell.





Boys' Chorus

FRONT ROW: Left to Right: Dennis Schwartz, John Neff, John Port, Chick Hodges, Lloyd Johnston, Buster Huggins, Harry Branson, Lester Clark, Eugene Slaughter. BACK ROW: Klaus Leukert, George Schwartz, Jimmy Lewis, James Tillman, Edward Schneider, Paul Boynton, Dick Mosley, Paul Mitchell, D. H. Rowe, Richard Phillips, Scotty Brown, Terry Matson.



Girls' Trio

Mary Haney, Shirley Brimson, Sandra Rust.

Boys' Quartet

Dennis Schwartz, Klaus Leukert, Buster Huggins, Scotty Brown.





Sewing Class





An honored leader of the Fletcher Pathfinders. Bessie Powell



Typing Class



Fletcher Pathfinders on Parade



Master Guide Club



Teachers Of Tomorrow Club



Temperance Orators

FRONT ROW: Left to Right: Sue Anne Boynton, Martha Young, Betty Bishop, Louise Lambeth, Mary Alice Griffin, 1st place. BACK ROW: D. H. Rowe, Klaus Leukert, Beatrice Keith, teacher; Scotty Brown, 3rd place; Dennis Hansen, 2nd place.



Two little boys from Korea, Neil Robin and Keith, find a new home with James and Lois McDonald.



Ensemble

LEFT TO RIGHT: Sharon Pearson, David Kulisek, Nancy Walterhouse, Paul Boynton, Gordon Brown, Scotty Brown, Sue Anne Boynton, Sandra



Christmas Candlelight Program





ALBERT STEWART
"Indian Lore"



ANIMAL CIRCUS



Eighth Grade Graduation



Combined Choirs with the JUVITONES



HIGH SCHOOL SEATED: Left to Right: Klaus Leukert, snapshots; Anna Nestell, snapshots; Ann Miller, art editor; Sue Anne Boynton, co-editor of annual; Scotty Brown, circulation mgr.; STANDING: Richard Phillips, annual editor; Mrs. A. A. Pearson, sponsor.



NURSES SEATED: Don Lowe, editor; Nancy Bean, coeditor; STANDING: Left to Right: Sarah Tyner, art editor; Annette Perkins, snapshots; Ellen Sweeney, snapshots.

Annual Staff



GIRLS' CLUB SEATED: Left to Right: Lolita Townsend, President; Anita Cook, Vice President; Brenda Behre, Secretary; Shirley Swain, Treasurer; BACK ROW: Shirley Bremson, Pianist; Ilene Briesmister, Parliamentarian; Pat Roberts, Song Leader; Donna Martin, Social and Cultural Leader.



BOYS' CLUB SEATED: Left to Right: Klaus Leukert, Vice President; Lloyd Johnston, Recreation Committee Representative; Richard Phillips, President; BACK ROW: Eugene Slaughter, Treasurer; Garland Cagle, Sergeant at Arms; James Messer, Pastor.





Pearson Hall



Chapel



Captain Gilmer Elementary School



Nurses' Home



Music Studio



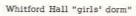
Dean Kulisek's Cottage

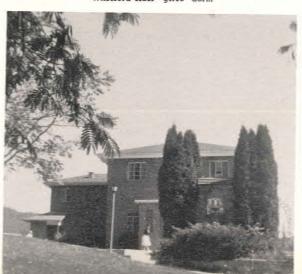


Westlawn



Welfare Center

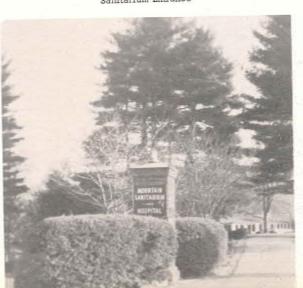




Boys' Dorm



Sanitarium Entrance



Mrs. Smith's Cottage





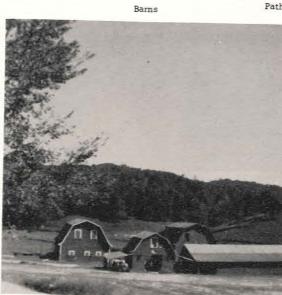
Winter Wonderland



Boys' Cabins



Pathfinder Lodge "in the making"





"Aunt" Bessie Powell's



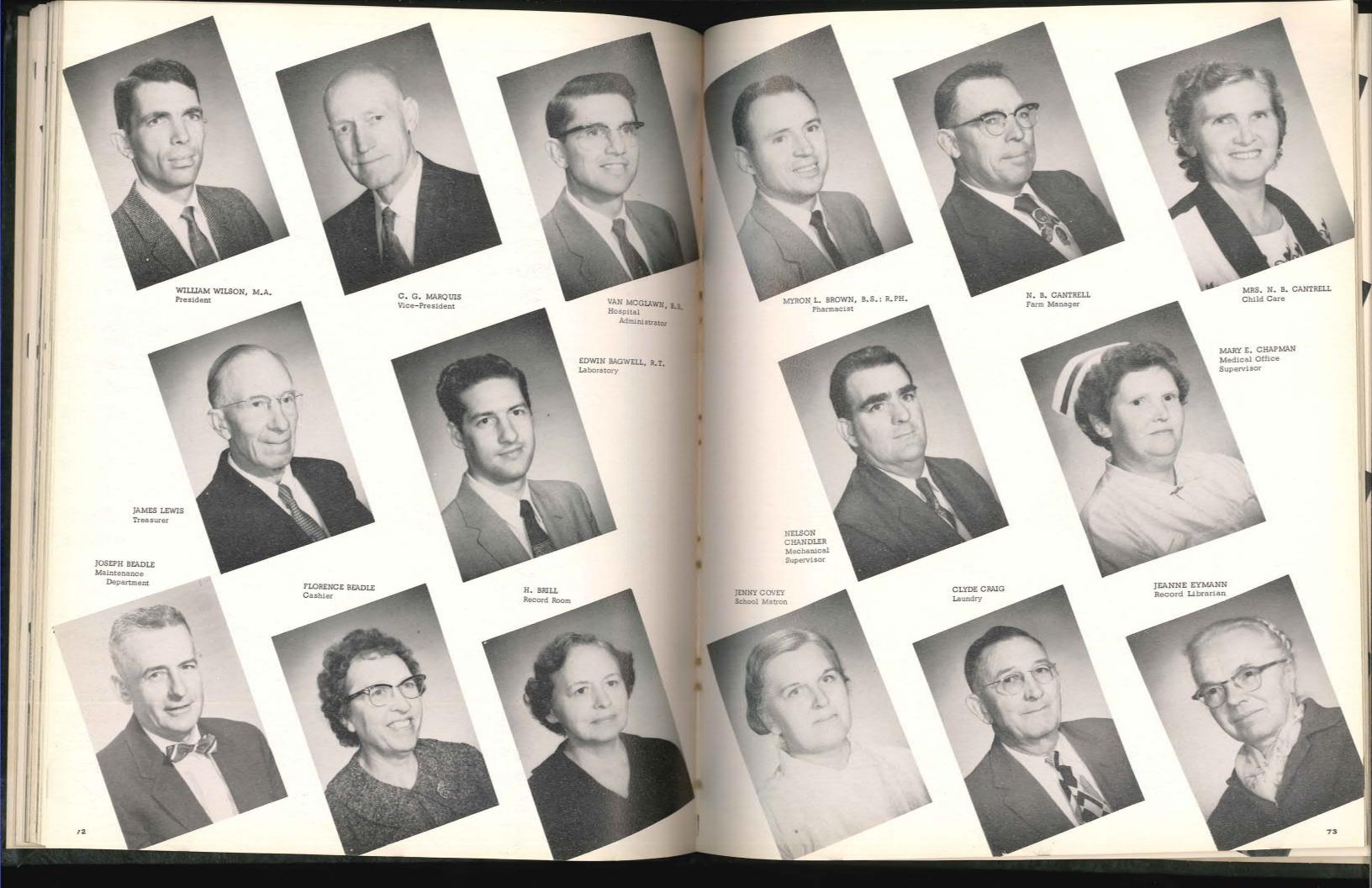
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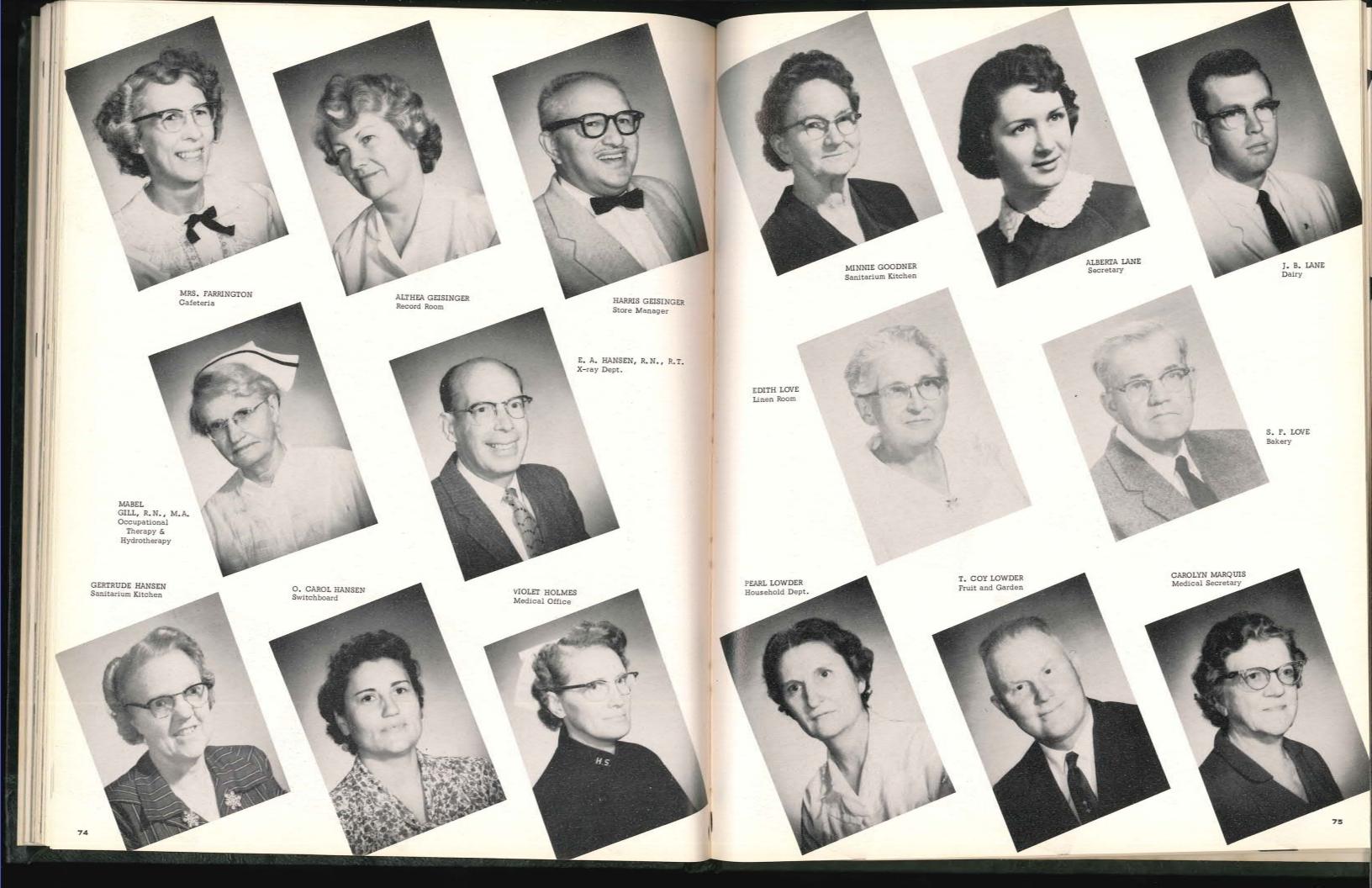


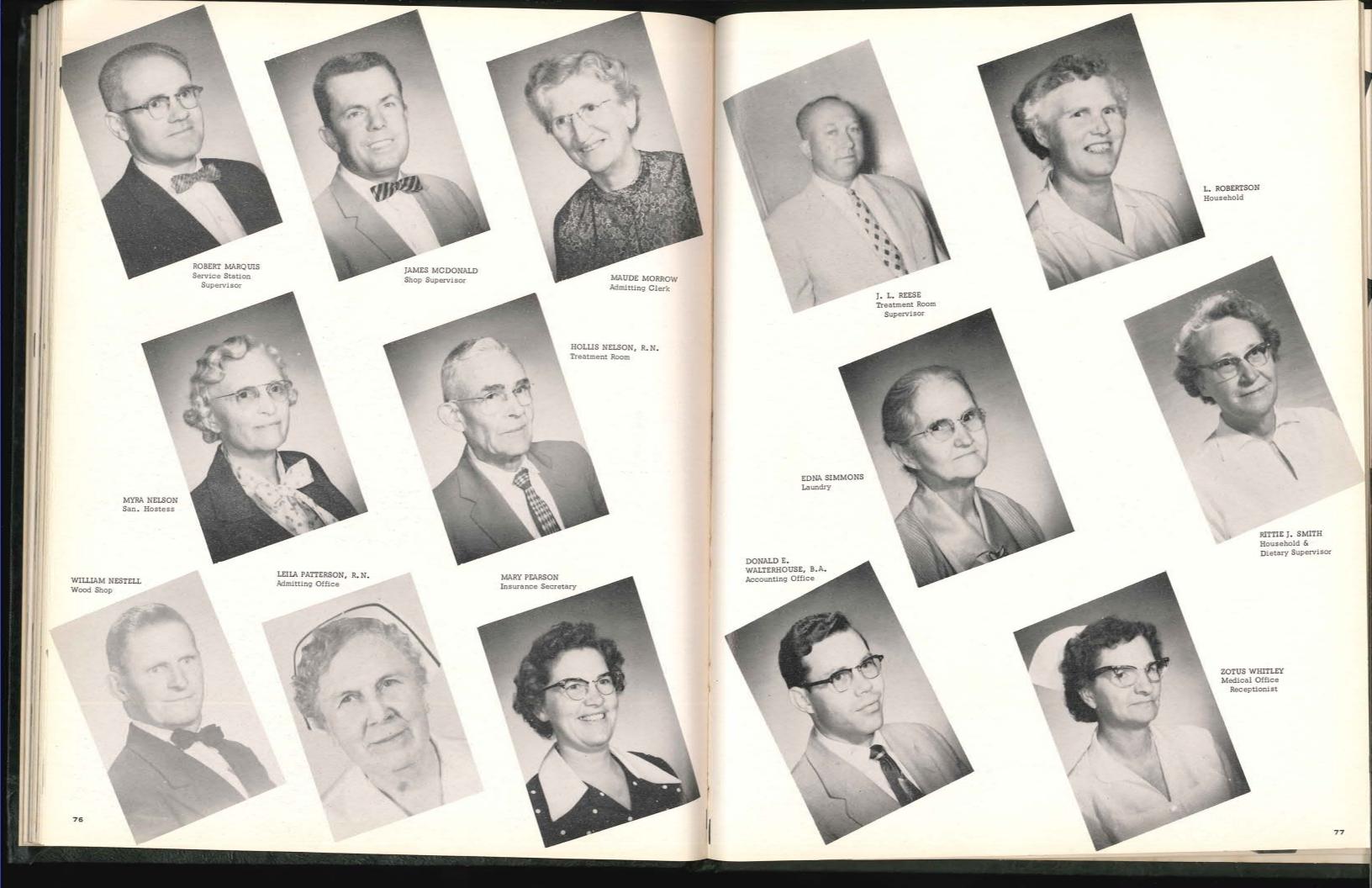
The Bell Tower



in the Rock Garden









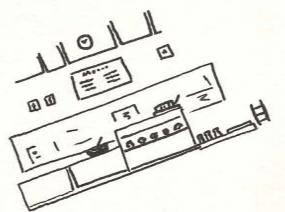


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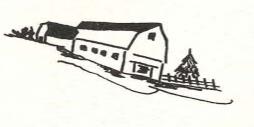










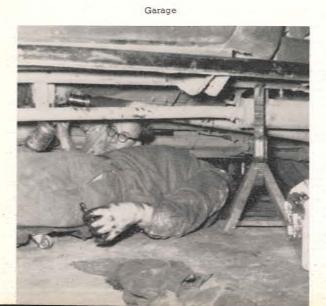


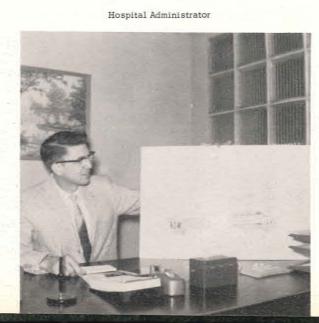


Registrar's Office



Switchboard







San. Call Boy



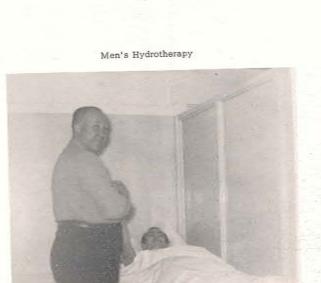
San, Cashier



Laboratory



Wood Shop Boys



Admitting Office



Saw Mill



Laundry



School Dining Room





Store





Sanitarium Kitchen

San. Kitchen Workers



San. Household Workers





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me? hiding something





thorn between two roses



our pa

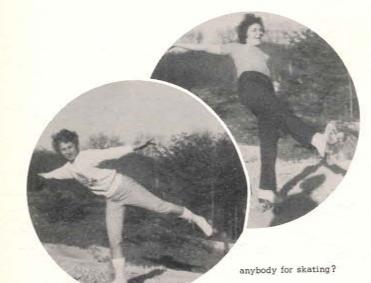


presenting Miss?





ready for dreaming

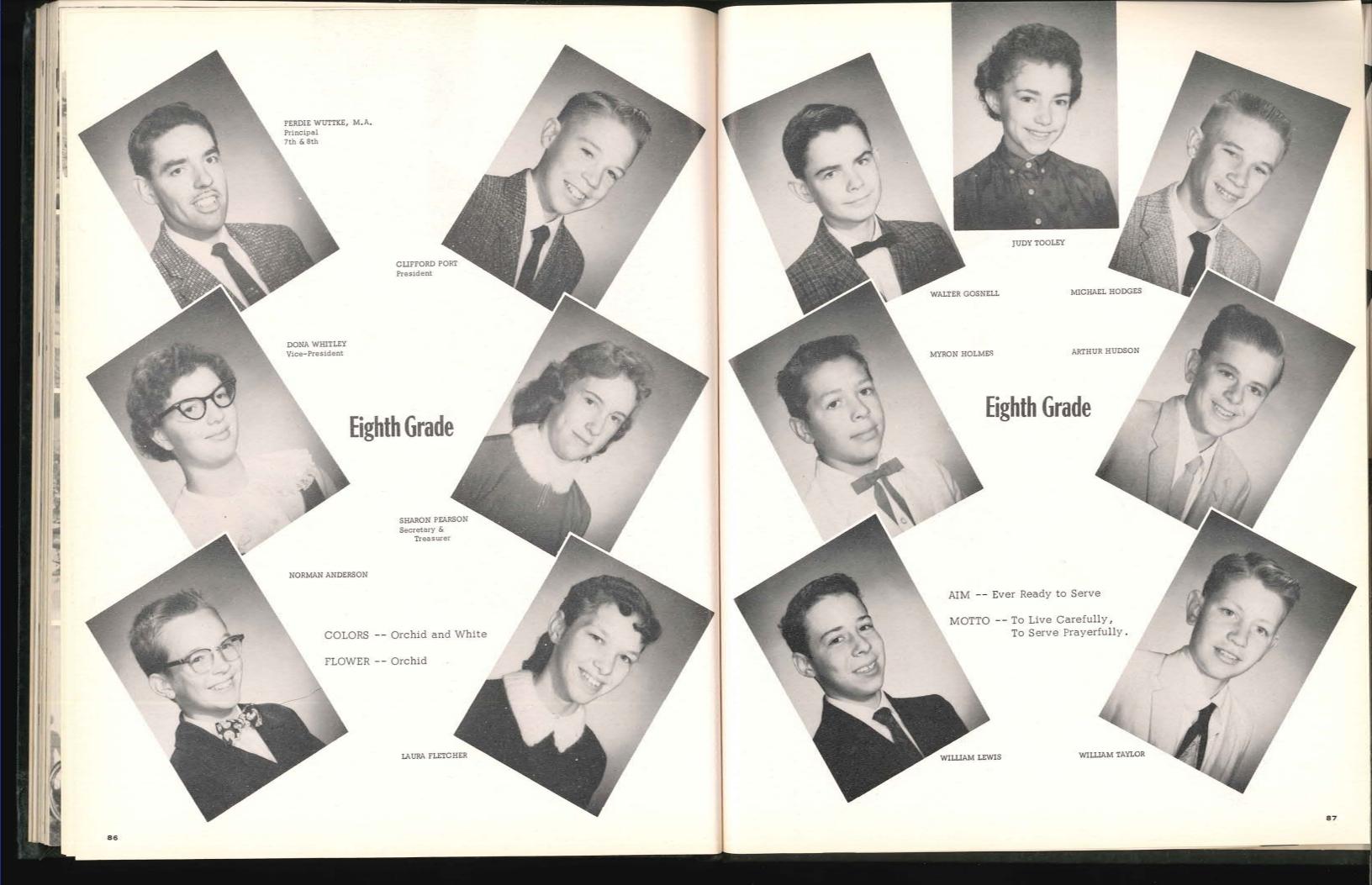


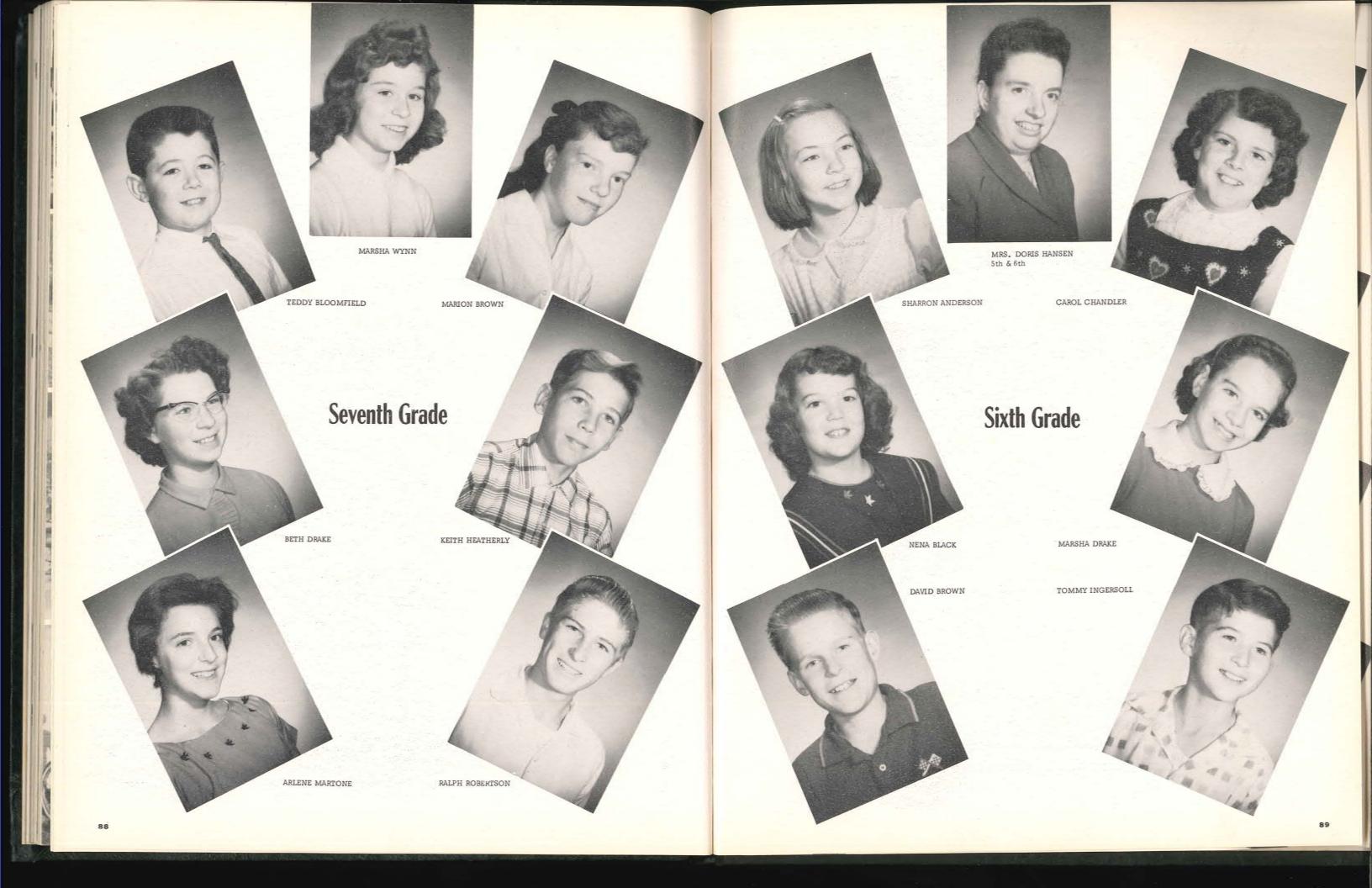
now what was that big word she used?

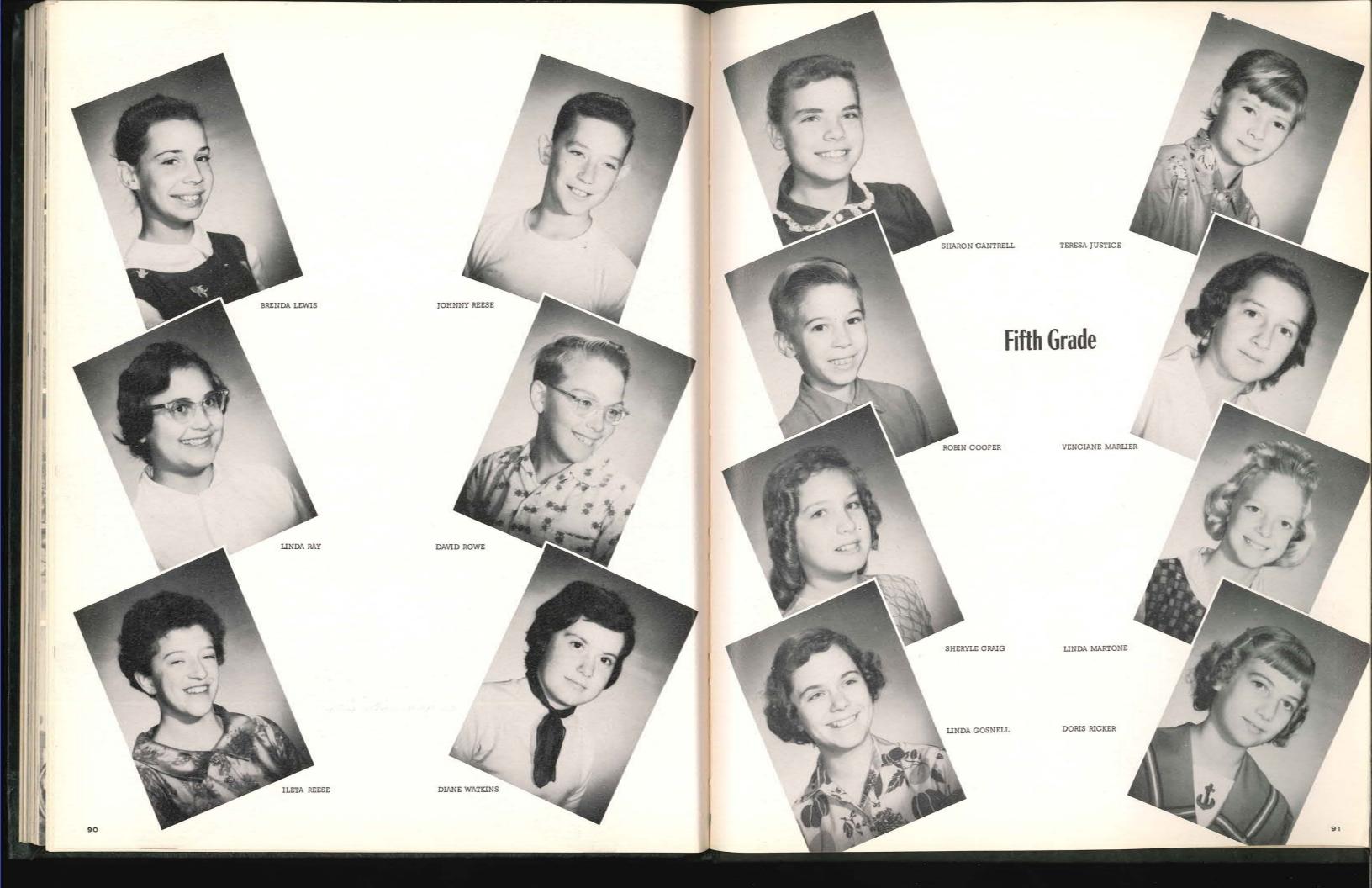


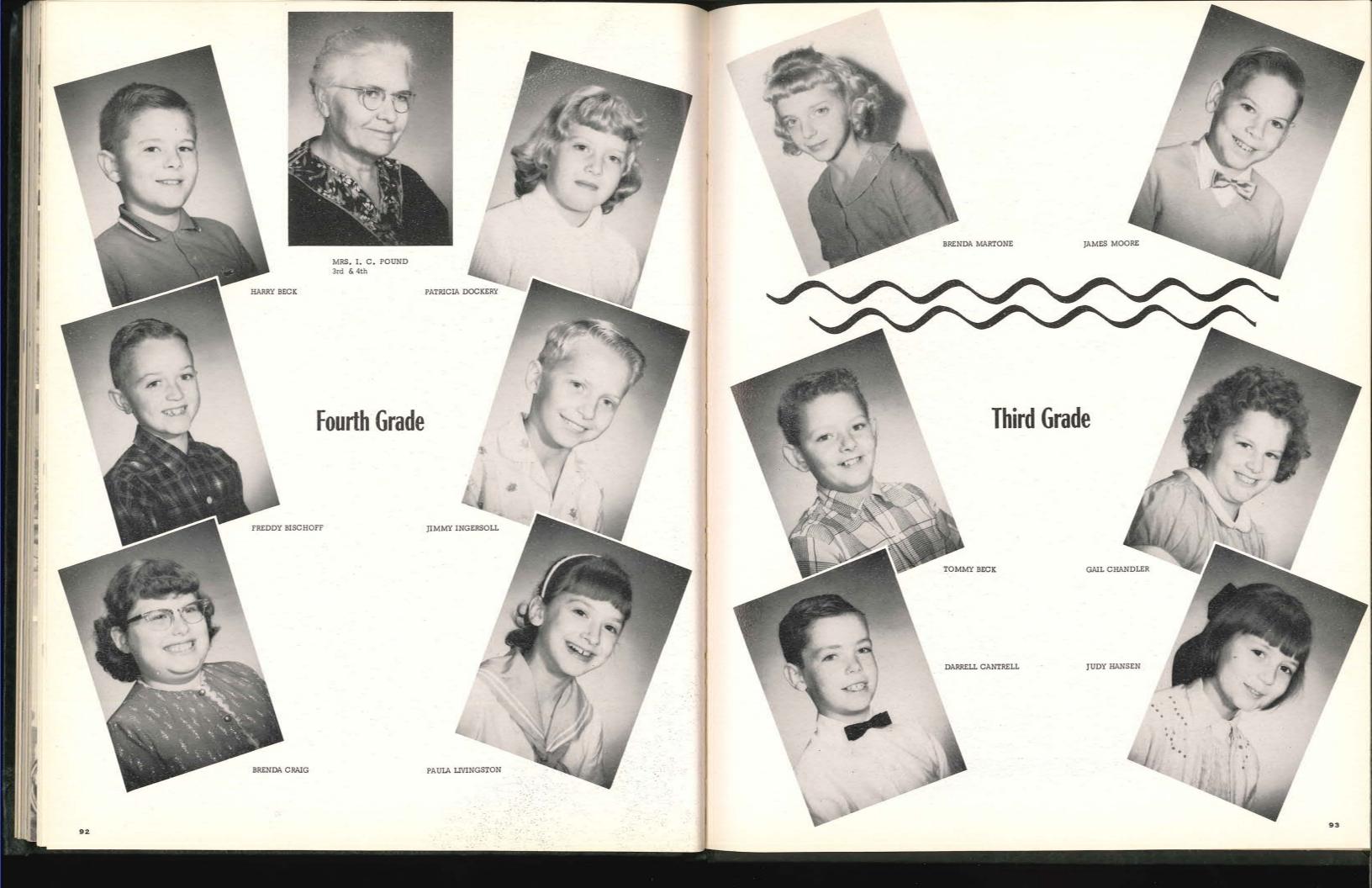


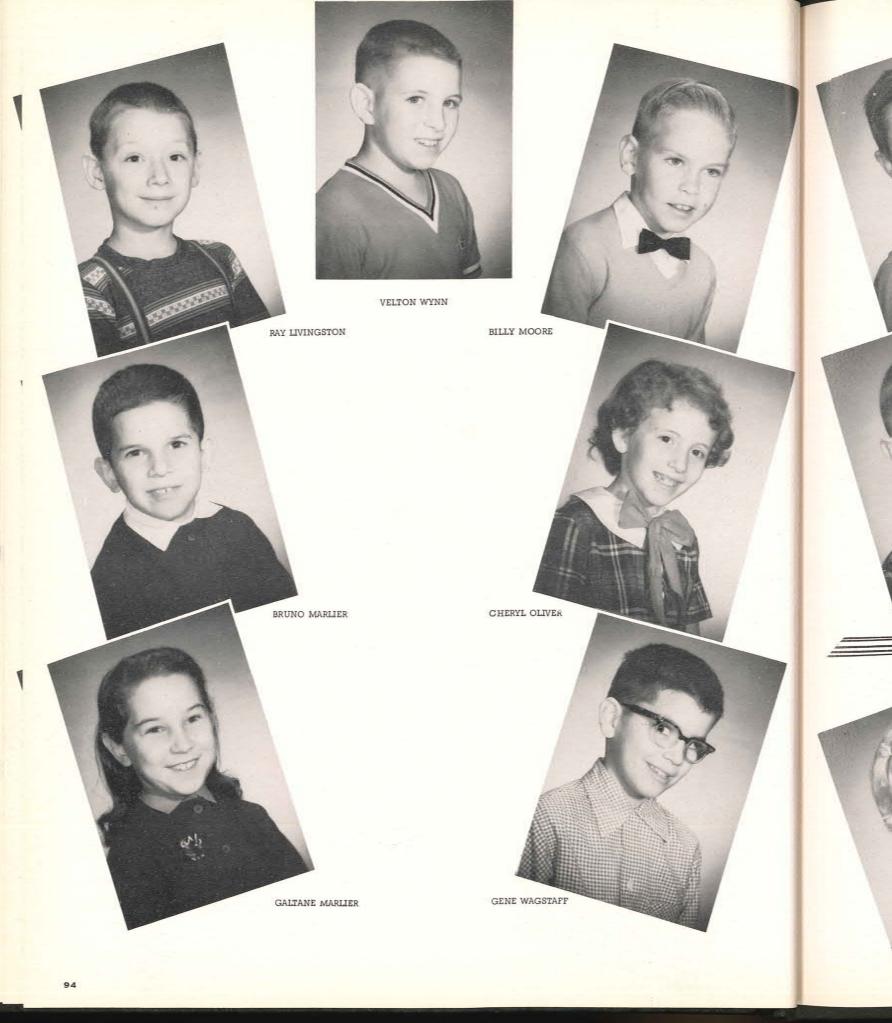
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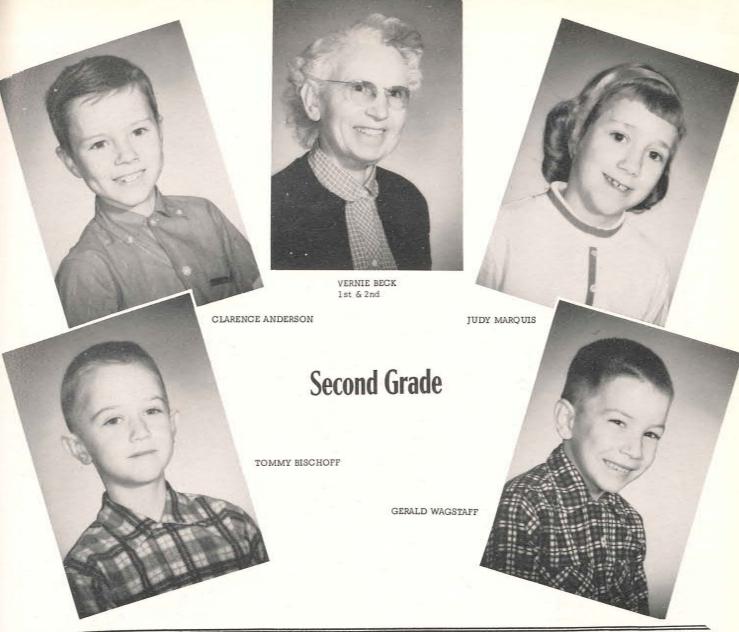


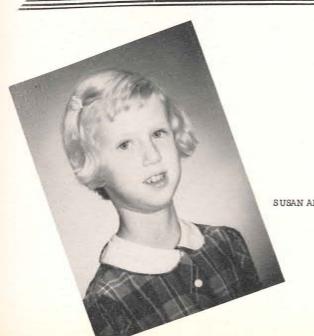










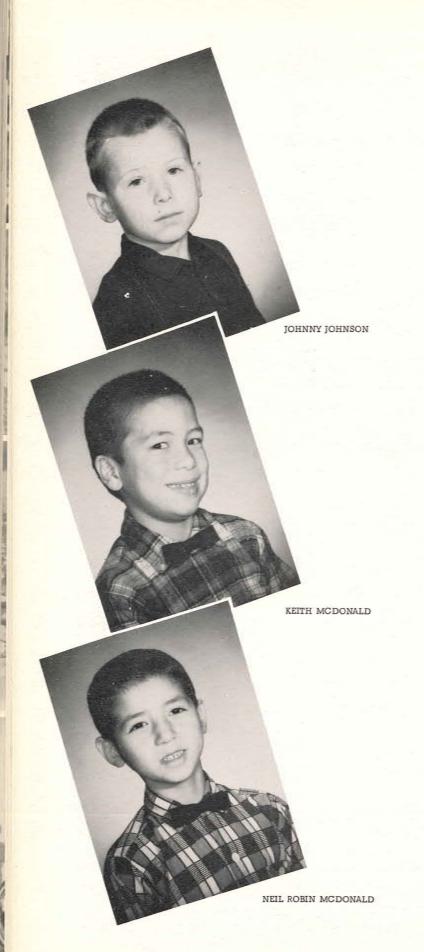


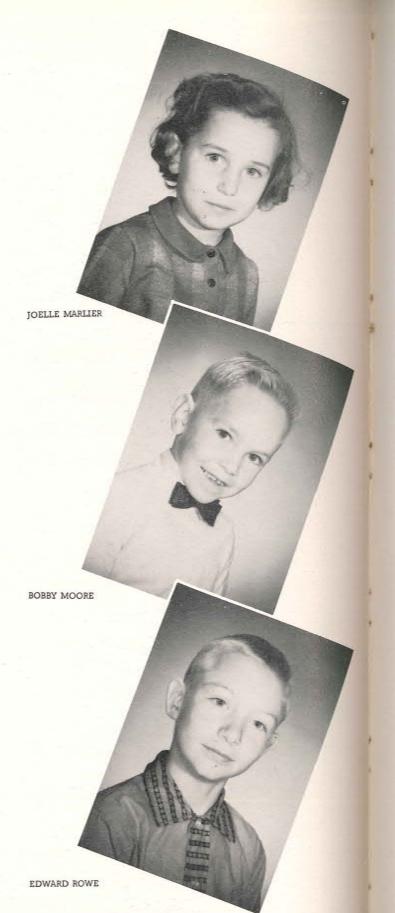
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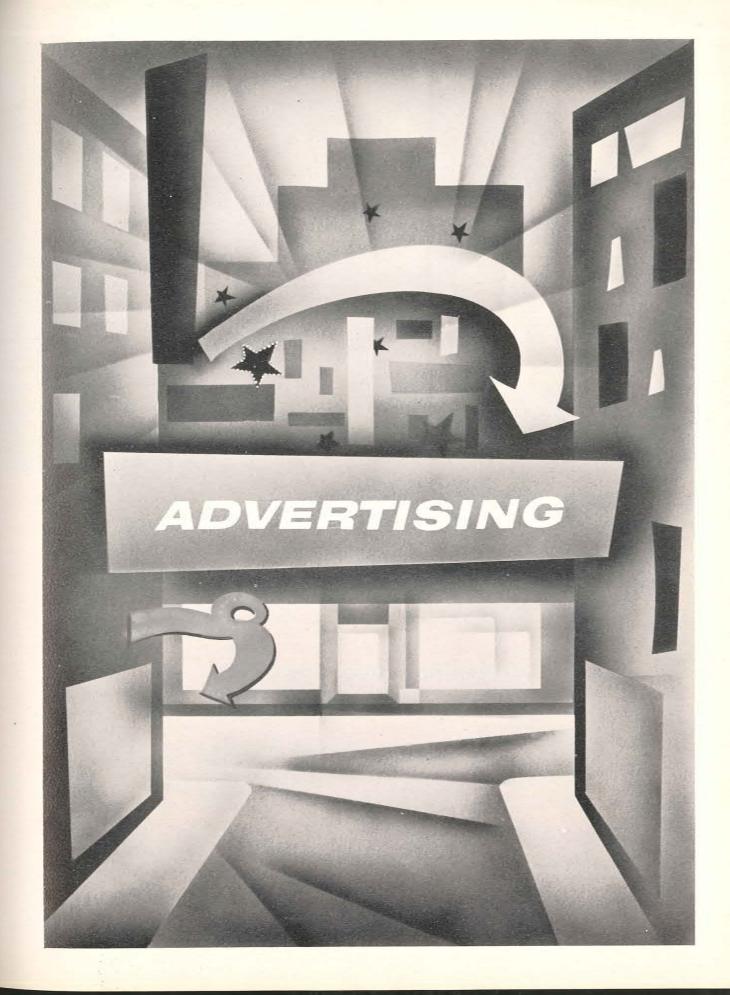
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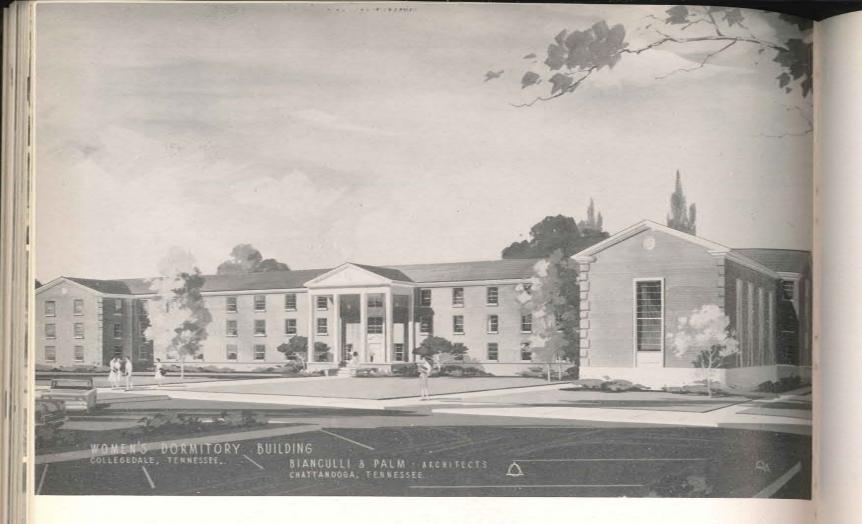
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