

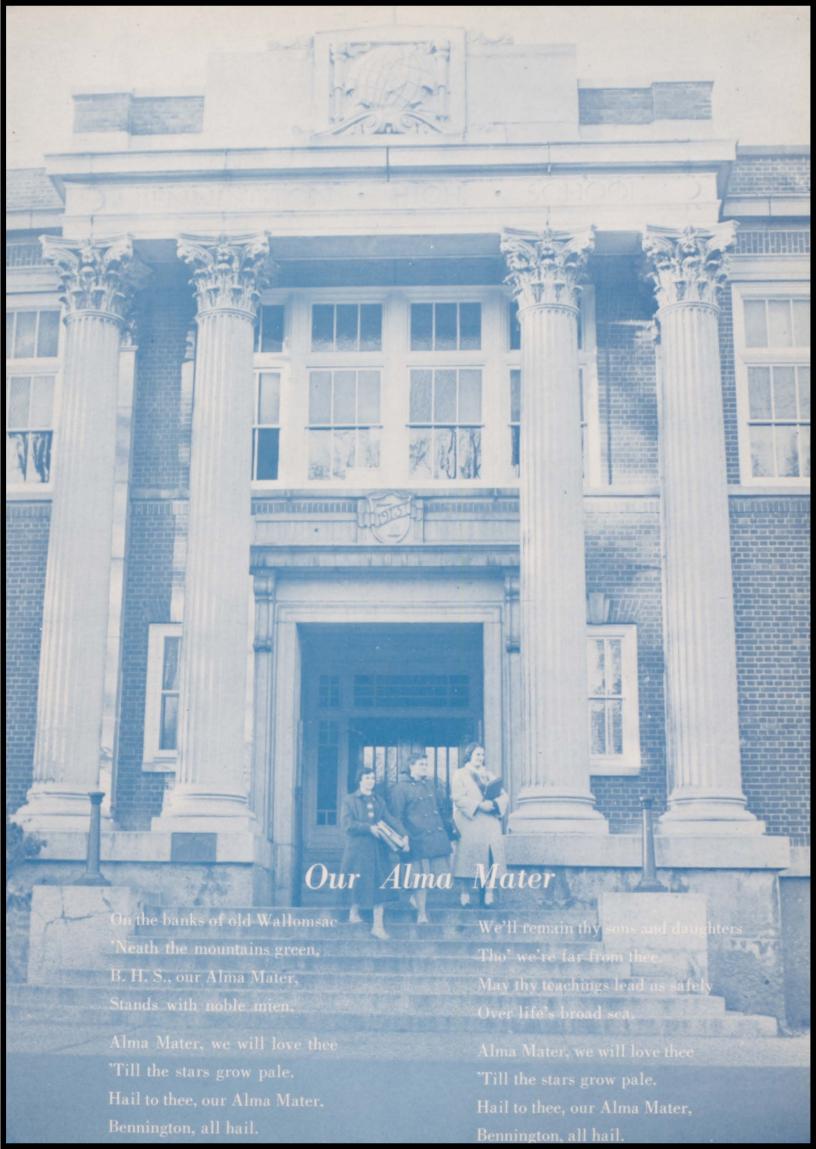
THE BENNINGTON HIGH SCHOOL



1955 Catamount

Bennington, Vermont

Foreword We, of the Senior Class, after all our trials and tribulations, leave this, Our class yearbook, as a memento of all the fun and the darker moments too_that we have shared. We sincerely extend our apprecia. tion to Mr. Page, our our approva Mr. Caswell, our yearbook advisor; and Mr. William Andrick, our photogra. Time plays an important part in everyone's life. We of the Senior class feel, especially, that it has played an important part in our four prayou and full se the Benhi. These years have been full to the utmost and we feel that they have been very successful. In the years to come as we look back over the peace to come as we took back we will be able to call back memories of our good times. We look back with fond rec. ollections. THE 1955 YEARBOOK STAFF







In Appreciation

Of Mr. Alan Page, our class advisor, who, for three years gave so much of his invaluable time to help us with our problems and to advise us as a father would, so that we might become a self-dependent class and in later years, prosper.

Of Mr. Richard Caswell, who, through encouragement, advise, and criticism, helped make this the successful yearbook it is, in which the many outstanding events of our youth are collected.



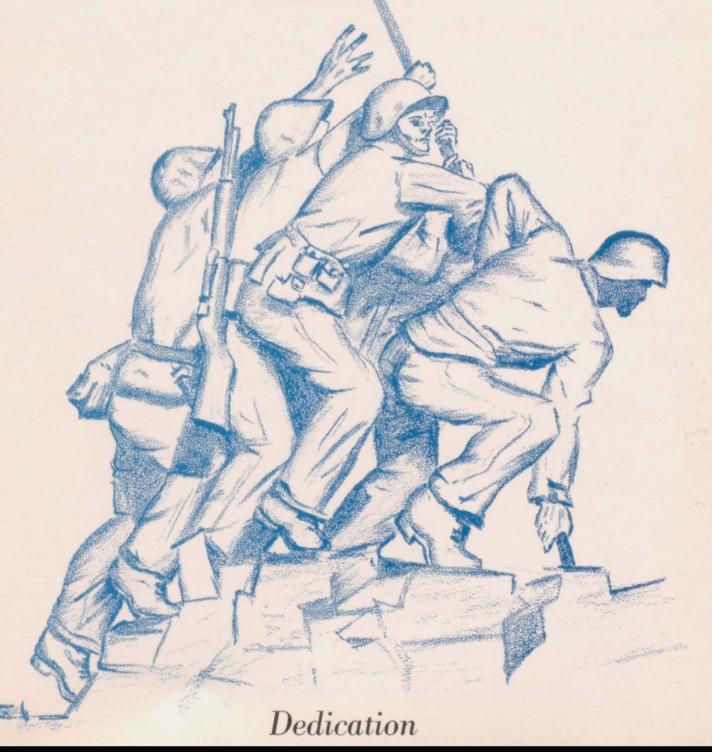
In Memory

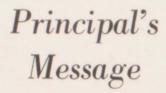
Of Mr. Elliott Gilman, who was such a grateful friend and wonderful teacher. Even during his long illness he kept his interest in us by returning to teach us at Benhi. His kindness and thoughtfulness will always be remembered by all who knew and worked with him.

TO SERVICEMEN

We, the class of 1955, wish to deducate this, our yearbook, to the servicemen of America, living and dead, who have helped to keep our country free. In a sense, we are closer to these men than we have been in other years for many of our friends are joining the various branches of the Armed Forces. In deducating this book to these and other boys, we wish to show in our own small way, our heartfelt appreciation which is impossible to express sufficiently in words. In the near future, many of the boys in this graduating class will join the ranks of those who are engaged in the occupation of defending our great country.

MAY WE NEVER CEASE TO BE PROUD OF OUR BOYS IN THE ARMED SERVICES.







The principal's message is something akin to the foreword of a book in that it not only occupies that position, but probably is not read until one has had ample time to reflect on the other more pertinent contents. If this is true, then the message should be so timed as to be of value at the time read.

Assuming then, that you are now out of school and starting to practice some of what you learned here, I would like you to think about the obligation you have to repay society for the rearing you have received to date

One of the best ways of being sure that you are going to carry your share is by participating in those institutions which have made our country great. To fail to do this means failing to carry out one of your most basic obligations and almost guarantees that your children will be reared in a less fortunate environment.

In order that you may pass on the richest possible heritage, you must, through your participation attempt to hold the line and improve our way of life wherever possible. You cannot do it by observing, for you must make yourself a part of these institutions, whether it be church, local or national government or schools, you must make an investment of yourself.

Do not fear taking part for your contribution is needed. See to it that you play a part in shaping the present and the future.

Harold S. Pising





MRS. BUSHEE

Left to right: Carl B. Williams, Assistant Principal; Allan J. Heath, Superintendent; Harold S. Rising, Principal.

Administration



MRS. McKENNA

EVERETT C. DIMICK, Guidance Director





HOME ECONOMICS, INDUSTRIAL ARTS, AND BUSINESS—Seated: Miss Wasyluk, Miss Pillsbury, Miss White, Mr. Zync, Mr. Mosman. Standing: Mr. Adams, Miss Drew, and Mr. Howe. These are the members of the faculty who, despite our occasional childish ways,

SCIENCE AND MATH-Seated: Mr. Maxfield, Mrs. Miller, Mrs. Lane, Mr. Page. Standing: Mr. Wood, Mr. Cramer, and Mr. Roy.









HEALTH AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION—Seated: Dr. Humphreys, Mrs. Gibney, Mrs. Caswell, Mr. Williams. Standing: Mr. Farynairz, Mr. Caswell, Mr. Sawyer.

in a most patient and understanding manner.

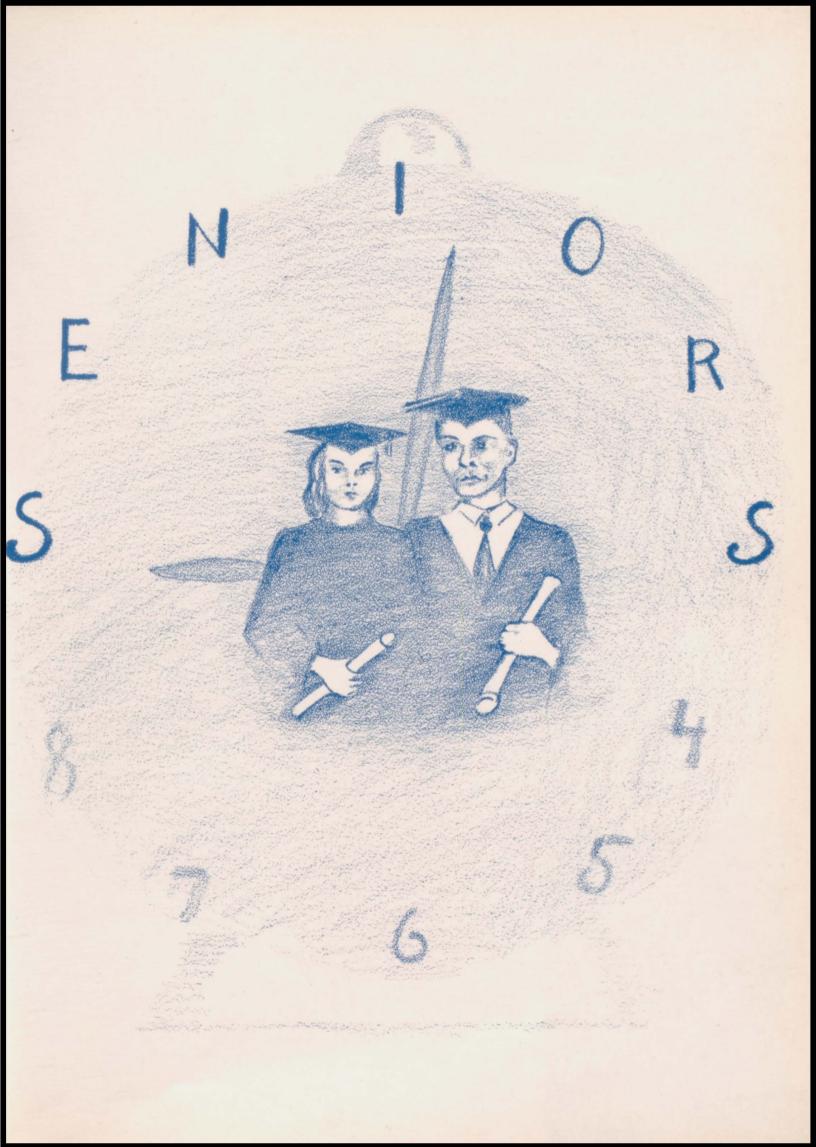
MUSIC DIRECTORS: Mr. Boodakian and Mr. Davis.





Art Director MRS. DUCHARME



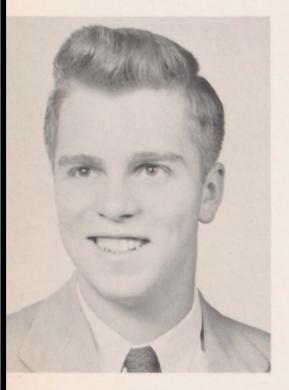


Ambition: Dentist

"Get thee behind me, Satan."

Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3; Boys' Chorus 1, 2, 3; Drama 1, 4; "Why the Chimes Rang" 4; JV Football 2; Varsity Football 3, 4; JV Basketball 2, 3; JV Baseball 2, 3; Student Council 3, 4; Senior Cabinet 4; Junior Cabinet 3; Class President 3, 4; Homeroom President 1, 2; Monitor 4; Boys' State 3; Junior Marshal 3; Hatchet League 2, 3, 4; Homeroom Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Senior Ball Committee 3; Cotillion 4; Homeroom Volleyball 1, 2, 3, 4; Junior Prom King 3.

Six feet two and all man . . . cheerful ways . . . devilish looks . . . "Hajji Baba" . . . swell class president . . . submariner . . . party, party!!



GORDON FRANCIS LACROIX, VICE PRESIDENT

GORDIE

Ambition: Executive

"Women? I never heard of them before. What are women like?"

Class Vice President 4; Yearbook Business Manager 4; Student Council 4; Social Chairman 4, Senior Cabinet 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Drum Major 2, 3, 4; Drum Corps 4; Tri-State 1, 2, 3, 4; Southern Vermont Music Festival 2, 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Boys' Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Boys' Double Quartet 2, 3; Drama 1; "Why The Chimes Rang" 3, 4; Homeroom Sports 3, 4; Gym Exhibit 1, 2, 3, 4; Cotillion Chairman 4; Taconic Tournament Concession Chairman 4; Senior Ball Committee 3; FTA 3; Junior Prize Speaking 3; Monitor 4; Catamount Cub Reporter 2; 30, 40, 50-Word Typing Awards 4.

The great lover . . . never a dull moment . . . always there with a joke and oh, the jokes! . . . Dennis the Menace has nothing on him . . . anything for a good time . . . all around

good sport . . . he's our man!

ROBERTA MAE REED, SECRETARY

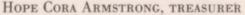
BERTIE

Ambition: Home Ec Teacher "Ambition has no rest."

Class Secretary 1, 4; Mixed Chorus 2, 3; JV Basketball 4; Homeroom Sports 1, 2, 3, 4; Gym Exhibit 2; JV Hockey 3; Assistant Hockey Manager 3; Varsity Hockey 4; Girls' Bowling Team 1, 2, 3, 4; Softball 2, 3, 4; Hatchet League Cheerleader 3; Yearbook Feature Editor 4; Senior Cabinet 4; Homeroom Officer 1, 2, 3; Library Assistant 1; Office Assistant 2, 3, 4; French Club 2; GAA 1, 2, 3, 4; GAA Business Manager 3; Football Concession Chairman 3; Tri-State 3; South Vermont Music Festival 2, 3; Senior Ball Committee 3; Junior Prize Speaking Committee 3; Monitor 4.

Square dance fan . . . clever . . . "Oh, you dirty bird!" . . . flashy brown eyes . . . long ride in the morning . . . always ready for fun.





HOPIE

Ambition: Teacher

"So sweet, so coy, for shame, so fond of boy!!"

Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Girls' Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; JV Basketball 2; Varsity Hockey 2, 3, 4; Co-Captain 4; Girls' Bowling Team 1, 2, 3, 4; Varsity Softball 3, 4; Catamount Business Staff 3, 4; Cub Reporter 2; Yearbook Assistant Business Manager 4; Junior Cabinet 3; Senior Cabinet 4; Class Treasurer 2, 3, 4; Homeroom Treasurer 2; Homeroom Vice President 3; Office Assistant 4; GAA 1, 2, 3, 4; Junior Marshal 3; Girls' State Alternate 3; Freshman Reception Decoration Committee 4; Monitor 4; Homeroom Sports 1, 2, 3, 4; Junior Prom Queen 3.

Oh! that figure . . . always giggling . . . likes gray coupes . . . weakness, dancing and dangling earrings . . . blue flash . . . dairy bar special . . . "Mickey, park close to that curb."





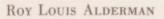
JOSEPH VICTOR AGRESTA

Ambition: Civil Engineer "A born outdoorsman."

Homeroom President 2; Homeroom Volleyball 2, 3, 4; Homeroom Basketball 2, 3, 4; Monitor 4.

Hunter . . . fisher . . . "Union, here I come." . . . black Chevie . . . taxi-driver . . . "Mambo Italiano" . . . loves fishing in Shaftsbury.

ROY



Roy Louis Alderman married Ambition: Air Force

"No work, with lots of pay, that's my idea of a perfect day."

Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Tri-State 1, 2, 3, 4; Southern Vermont Music Festival 2, 3, 4; Burlington Music Festival 1.

Smiley . . . hot rodder . . . innocence personified . . . favorite color, green . . . girls? ... Fred Astaire, Jr. ... Esso !!



BETTE ELAINE BAKER

Ambition: Business Field "Her eyes the glow-worm lend thee."

Mixed Chorus 2, 3; Girls' Glee Club 4; Drama 1; Varsity Basketball 3, 4; Homeroom Sports 1, 2, 3, 4; Gym Exhibit 1, 2, 3, 4; Varsity Hockey 1, 2, 3, 4; Girls' Bowling Team 2, 3, 4; Captain 3; Varsity Softball 1, 2, 3, 4; J.V. Cheerleader 2, 3; Captain 3; Varsity Cheerleader 4; Catamount Staff 2, 3, 4; Catamount Editor 4; Stylites 3; CSPA Delegate 3; Yearbook Typist 4; Class Vice President 1; Homeroom Secretary 1; Homeroom Vice President 3, 4; Office Assistant 2; GAA 1, 2, 3, 4; Secretary 2; Vice President 3; President 4; Beth Baker Award 2; Girls' State 3; Junior Marshal 3; DAR Award 4; Monitor.

Twinkling eyes . . . disposition that leaves nothing wanted . . "Love that red." . . . sportsman, socialite, and above all, an example . . . Benhi newspaper editor.



WILLIAM ELMER BAKER

Ambition: Air Force

"He knew the most effective time for speaking."

Homeroom Volleyball 3, 4; Homeroom Basketball 2, 3, 4.

The little man with the big grin . . . loves his basketball and hunting . . . twin . . . carefree . . . quiet . . . one swell guy.



BET

JOE

BILL

GAIL PATRICIA BEECHER

Ambition: Teacher

"Tranquility! thou better name than all the family of fame."

FTA 3, 4; Spanish Club 2; GAA 3, 4; Monitor 4; Homeroom Volleyball 1, 3, 4.

Has an incurable yearning for fast cars and West Pointers . . . knows her history . . . U.V.M.?





WARREN PIERCE BELLROSE

WARREN

Ambition: Machinist

GAIL

"Men of few words are the best men."

Stagehand 4; Monitor 4.

Quiet, but friendly . . . always ready to help . . . famous for taxi service . . . Mr. Shaughnessy's right hand man . . . a swell guy.

MARILYN LOUISE BESHARA

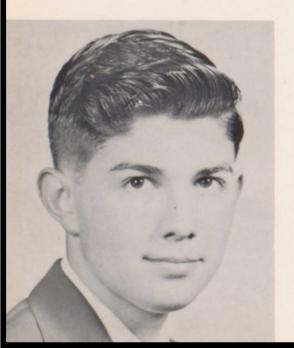
MICKEY

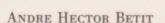
Ambition: Child Nurse

"Her cares are few and her thoughts many"

Girls' Bowling Team 1, 2, 3, 4; Captain 1; Softball 2, 3, 4; Ski Club 4; J.V. Cheerleader 2; Varsity Cheerleader 3, 4; Catamount Typist 4; Homeroom Treasurer 4; GAA 1, 2, 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Chordettes 4; Girls' Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Band 2; Drama 1; J.V. Basketball 1, 2; Varsity Basketball 3, 4; Homeroom Sports 1, 2, 3, 4; Gym Exhibit 1, 2, 3, 4; J.V. Hockey 2; Varsity Hockey 3, 4; Co-captain 4; Monitor 4.

Out-of-town boys . . . hula dancer . . . hot rodder . . . Chevies . . . weakness, writing letters . . . loves Arabian music . . . "Let's go, Hope" . . . live wire . . . oh, those eyes!





ANDY

Ambition: Mechanical Engineer "After all, we're only mortal"

Drama 1, 2, 3, 4; Ski Club 4; Yearbook class editor 4; Class President 2; French Club 2, 3; Monitor 4.

"Parlez-vous Français?" . . . drama . . . out-of-town gals . . . flashing eyes . . . be-wildered expression . . . friendly . . . nice guy.





WILLIAM ROBERT BILLERT

Ambition: Air Force

"He was ever precise in promise."

Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Tri-State 2, 3, 4; Southern Vermont Music Festival 2, 3, 4; Drum Corps 2, 4; Gym Exhibit 1, 2, 3, 4; Spanish Club 2; Homeroom Sports 1, 2, 3, 4.

Hot rodder . . . always hungry . . . never idle . . . Benhi's most valuable drummer . . . girls???



CECE

Ambition: Housewife

"I regret often that I have spoken; never that I was silent."

Catamount Typist 4; Catamount Ass't. business manager 4; French Club 2, 3, 4; GAA 3, 4; Monitor 4; Homeroom Sports 2, 3, 4.

Always smiling . . . a studious worker and a very good typist . . . first to get a diamond . . . Chapel Road.





GERARD WILLIAM BOUTIN

JERRY

BILL

Ambition: Air Force

"Life is short and so am I, therefore let's enjoy things while we may."

Hatchet League 1, 2, 3, 4; Homeroom Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Baseball 4; French Club 2;

Homeroom Volleyball 4; Monitor 4.

Volleyball player . . . quiet type . . . Frenchie!! . . . all around guy!



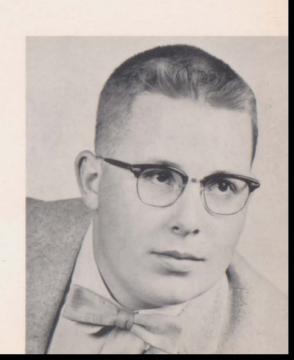
BUGS

Ambition: Air Force

"Thought is deeper than all speech."

Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; All-State 3; Boys' Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Boys' Double Quartet 2, 3; Drama 1, 2, 3, 4; President 3; Ski Club 4; Monitor 4.

He has a habit of snoring in his classes . . . senior class gum supplier . . . Economy Store's big man.



Ambition: Nurse

"It is easy to be good when that which prevents it is far off."

Mixed Chorus 4; GAA 1, 2, 3, 4; Homeroom Volleyball 1, 2, 3, 4; Homeroom Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Varsity Hockey 3, 4; J.V. Basketball 3; Magazine Salesman 4; Monitor 4; Junior Prize Speaking Winner 3; Senior Ball Ticket Committee Chairman 3; Yearbook Feature Editor 4; Girls' Bowling Team 4; Basketball Concession 4; Office Assistant 4. "Ah, let's stay at home today." . . . smart girl . . . always ready to help . . . she aims to do her best . . . a natural born nurse.





EARL FRANCIS CALLANAN

KELLY

Ambition: Businessman "Just give me a star to steer by."

Drama 4; Football 2, 3; J.V. Basketball 2; Homeroom Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Baseball 1, 3, 4; Hatchet League 1, 2, 3, 4; Yearbook Class Editor 4; Homeroom Treasurer 3; Homeroom Volleyball 4; Junior Marshal 3; Boys' State 3; Monitor 4.

Business brain . . . hard worker . . . future husband . . . Hazel . . . oh, that wave!

ROBERT CHARLES CARROLL

... rather quiet.

FRITZ

Ambition: Pilot

"Young man! Why do you talk and talk and talk?"

Boys' Chorus 1; Drama 1, 4; Track 3, 4; Yearbook Class Editor 4; Hatchet League 1, 2, 3, 4; Homeroom Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Monitor 4.

Bleached blonde . . . ability to get along with people . . . nice to know . . . neat dresser



DIANE ELIZABETH CARVER

CRASH

Ambition: Nurse

"Why, then the world's mine oyster."

Mixed Chorus 2, 3, 4; Girls' Glee Club 2, 3, 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Drum Corps 4; All State 4; Tri-State 1, 2, 3, 4; Burlington Music Festival 1; Southern Vermont Music Festival 2, 3, 4; All-State 4; Homeroom Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Ski Club 3, 4; Office Assistant 2; French Club 3, 4; GAA 1, 2, 3; Drama 1, 2, 3, 4; Monitor 4.

Oh, those parties . . . likes tall boys . . . "I'll see if I can get Pop's wagon" . . . lots of school spirit . . . out-of-town games.



LORRAINE AGNES COUTU

LORRY

Ambition: Secretary

"For a better friend you need not look."

French Club 2, 3, 4; French 1 Representative 2; GAA 3, 4; Homeroom Volleyball 4.

Likes pink shirts . . . crazy (about Joe) . . . baby blue eyes . . . dig that crazy wave! "Let's go to camp."



KIP

Ambition: Coach

"His strength was that of a thousand men."

Varsity Football 2, 3, 4; J.V. Basketball 2; Varsity Basketball 3, 4; Co-captain 4; Hatchet League 2, 3, 4; Gym Exhibit 1, 2, 4; Track 2, 3, 4.

One of Benhi's star athletes . . . sport shirts galore . . . dig that physique! . . . nice dresser . . . "Curly" . . . loves to dance





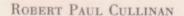
ROBERT WILLIAM CROSS

ROBBIE

Ambition: Machinist "He carries anger as a flint bears fire."

Homeroom Sports 1.

Lives in a world of his own . . . square dance fiend . . . shy except among close friends . . . well liked by all.



FRITZ

Ambition: Cabbage Merchant "His ways were ways of easiness."

Mixed Chorus 4; Boys' Chorus 4; Drama 1, 4; J.V. Basketball 1, 2; Special Shop 2; Homeroom Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Hatchet League 1, 2, 3, 4; Monitor 4.

Double dates . . . strawberry blonde . . . curly? hair . . . Derm's partner in crime . . . likes noisy study halls.



BARBARA ANN CUMMINGS

BARB

Ambition: Housewife

"Her character seems most to stress sincerity and friendliness."

Mixed Chorus 3; Homeroom Volleyball 4; Homeroom Basketball 4.

Girl with the curly blonde hair . . . sports a diamond . . . love those Pownal boys . . . always smiling.





EADIE BARBARA CUSHMAN

EADIE

Ambition: Secretary

"Thy modesty is a candle to thy merit."

Mixed Chorus 1; Gym Exhibit 1; Softball 1, 2, 3, 4; Yearbook Typist 4; GAA 1, 2, 3; Homeroom Volleyball 1, 2.

Joan's companion . . . swell business student . . . tries hard . . . a smile for everyone and asks nothing but a smile in return.

JOSEPH MICHAEL DAILEY

JOE

Ambition: Coach

"Let not woman's weapons stain my manly cheek."

Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Boys' Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Varsity Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Co-captain 4; J.V. Basketball 1, 2, 3; Captain 3; Varsity Basketball 4; Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4; Gym Exhibit 1, 2, 3, 4; Track 3, 4; Ski Club 3, 4; Vice President 4; Student Council 1, 2, 3, 4; Treasurer 2; Student Council Convention 1, 2, 3; Yearbook Sports Editor 4; Boys' State 3; Junior Marshal 3; Hatchet League 1, 2, 3, 4; Monitor 4; Homeroom Sports 1, 2, 3, 4; Junior Chamber of Commerce 4.

"Woke up," sleepy . . . hardworking athlete . . . "Ungawa" . . . good looking . . . Toni home permanent . . . "Dragnet" glance.





RONALD BYRON DANFORTH

RON

Ambition: Industrial Designer "There's a man of quality for you."

Drama Stagehand 4; Homeroom Sports 1, 2, 3, 4; Monitor 4.

Friendly ways . . . one of Mr. Shaughnessy's right hand men . . . earnest worker!! . . . dig those crazy curls . . . Benhi's milkman.



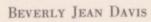
EDWARD FRANCIS DANIELS

EDDIE

Ambition: Mechanic "It is hard to be good"

Hatchet League 1, 2; JV Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Captain 4; JV Baseball 1; Gym Exhibit 1, 2; Homeroom Basketball 1, 2, 4.

Hot rod enthusiast . . . everybody's buddy . . . A&P Special . . . "anybody want a ride?" . . . always willing to lend his sleeping bag to the girls for p.j. parties.



Ambition: Artist or Night Club Singer "A quiet manner hid the mischief in her eyes."

Homeroom Volleyball 1, 2, 3, 4; Homeroom Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Gym Exhibit 1, 3; Varsity Basketball 3, 4, Co-Captain 4; JV Softball 3; Cotillion Publicity Chairman 4; Yearbook Artist 4; French Club 3; GAA 1, 2, 3, 4; Girls' Bowling Team 1, 2.

Loves to dance and sing . . . one of Benhi's hula-ha dancers!!! . . . always seen with Judy . . . terrific basketball guard . . . her artistic ability is always in great demand!!



NOLA



NOLA MARIE DAVIS

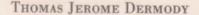
Ambition: Teacher

BEV

"Practice is everything."

Mixed Chorus 2, 3, 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; President 4; Drum Corps 2, 3, 4; Varsity Basketball 4; Homeroom Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Catamount Cub Reporter 2; Yearbook Class Editor 4; Senior Cabinet 4; Junior Cabinet 3; FTA 3, 4; Spanish Club 3, 4; GAA 1, 2, 3, 4; Girls' State 3; Homeroom President 4.

A better friend can't be found . . . camera fiend and oh the pictures! . . . Oh, those crazy mixed-up double dates . . . loves to toot her horn . . . long ride home . . . often seen at



DERM

Ambition: Air Force

"Only a wise man knows how to love."

Mixed Chorus 1, 3, 4; Boys' Chorus 2; Drama 1; JV Football 2, 3, 4; JV Basketball 1, 2; Gym Exhibit 1, 2, 3; Baseball 1; Ski Club 1; Homeroom Volleyball 1, 2, 3, 4; Homeroom Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Homeroom Secretary 1.

Hot Rod . . . Hollywood mufflers . . . party boy . . . the lover . . . Bronx accent . . . a wonderful guy . . . that's our Derm.



HARRIET THERESA DESLAURIER

HARRIET

Ambition: Anesthetist

"True to her word, her work, and her friends."

Mixed Chorus 4; Majorettes 1, 2, 3, 4; Girls' Bowling Team 2; Catamount Typist 4; Guidance Office Assistant 4; GAA 1, 2, 3; Homeroom Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Homeroom Volleyball 1, 2, 3; 30 Word Typing Certificate 3; Hatchet League Cheerleader 2; Monitor

Loves to giggle and talk to boys in homeroom . . . one of Benhi's able majorettes . . . 315 State Road . . . love that speedboat . . . hard worker in class projects . . . sweet personality.





JOAN MARIE DURANT

JOANIE

Ambition: Secretary "She lives to laugh."

Catamount Typist 4; Catamount Assistant Business Manager 4; Yearbook typist 4; Homeroom Treasurer 2; GAA 2, 3, 4; Homeroom Volleyball 3, 4; Monitor.

Giggles, loves to talk in homeroom, witty . . . loves short hair? . . . "Somebody goofed" . . . shy around boys.

BERNARD MICHAEL DWYER

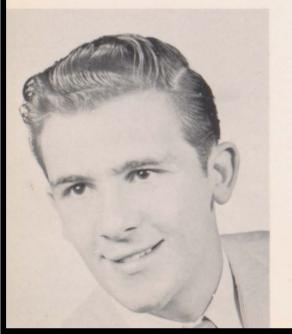
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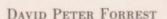
Ambition: Air Force

"I am sure care is an enemy to life."

Varsity Baseball 3, 4; Homeroom Vice President 1; Homeroom Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Homeroom Volleyball 1, 2, 3; Monitor.

Jean . . . lots of fun . . . always good for a swell time . . . a regular character . . . favorite subject, power mechanics . . . oh! those glazed doughnuts . . . likes to gab with homeroom gals.





JACQUES

Ambition: Forest Ranger

"The world may go on without me, but I doubt it."

Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 1, 2; Gym Exhibit 1, 2, 3, 4; Hatchet League 1, 2, 3, 4; Track 1, 2, 4; Hatchet League 1, 2, 3, 4; Christmas Cotillion Attendant 4; Homeroom Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Homeroom Volleyball 4.

When anything is boring or dull, he is always good for a laugh . . . happy go lucky . . . Mr. Sawyer's "Problem Child" . . . famed Psychology teacher . . . Ah! to be a Frenchman!

SALLY

DIANE MARY FOUCHER

Ambition: Nurse

"I am wealthy in my friends."

Mixed Chorus 2, 3, 4; Girls' Glee Club 2, 3, 4; Homeroom Volleyball 1, 2, 3, 4; Homeroom Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; J.V. Hockey 2; Girls' Bowling Team 1, 2, 3, 4; Monitor 4; Yearbook Photography Co-Editor 4; Homeroom Secretary 3, 4; Guidance Assistant 2, 3; GAA 1, 2, 3, 4; Junior Prize Speaking 3; Magazine Salesman 4; Tri-State 2.

Saratoga galavanter . . . that Marlon Brando hair cut . . . always in trouble . . . a great thinker of ways to be pesty . . . popular with all . . . always good for a laugh, more often for hysterics . . . "I'll say that was real large of him."



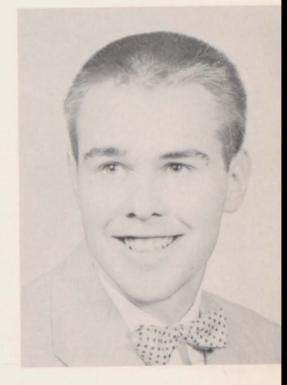
ARTHUR NEWELL GAGE

ART

Ambition: Pro Football Player "Athletes are made, not born."

Class President 1; Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Boys' Chorus 3, 4; Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Co-Captain 3, 4; J.V. Basketball 1; Varsity Basketball 2, 3, 4; Captain 4; Gym Exhibit 1, 2, 4; Track 1, 2, 3, 4; Student Council 1; Yearbook Sports Editor 4; Homeroom Officer 1, 2, 3, 4; FTA 3; Treasurer 3; Spanish Club 2, 3; Boys' State 3; Junior Marshal 3; Hatchet League 1, 2, 3, 4; Monitor 4; Magazine Salesman 4; Tri-State 1, 2, 3, 4.

Crew cut . . . our ALL STATE man . . . Ida . . . crazy man with a Nash Rambler . . . Teacher's "PEST" . . . devilish grin.



SARAH BERRICK GODFREY

Ambition: Career Girl

"A daughter of the gods, divinely tall and most divinely fair."

St. Andrew's Priory, Honolulu, 1, 2; Mixed Chorus 4; Girls' Glee Club 4; Girls' Bowling Team 4; Ski Club 4; Secretary-Treasurer 4; Yearbook Photography Co-Editor 4; Homeroom Vice President 4; Office Assistant 4; FTA 3, 4; President 4; GAA 4; Girls' State 3; Model U.N. General Assembly 3; 30-40 Word Typing Awards 4; Basketball Concession, Co-Chairman; Junior Prom Attendant 3; Monitor 4.

Little "Miss Coquette" . . . a ready and able worker . . . our little Hawaiian girl . . . beautiful profile . . . everyone's her friend . . . always late . . . boy! can she drive!



ANN MARIE GOEWEY

ANN

Ambition: Undecided
"Good and true and jolly too."

North Bennington 1, 2, 3; Band 4; Drum Corps 4.

Quiet ways . . . one of Benhi's drummers . . . always grinning . . . North Bennington transfer.



HELEN AGNES GRIFFIN

Ambition: Nurse

"Queen rose of the rosebud garden of girls."

Yearbook Editor 4; "Why The Chimes Rang" 4; Gym Exhibit 2, 4; Girls' Bowling Team 1, 2, 4; Homeroom President; Homeroom Vice President 2; Homeroom Treasurer 3; FTA 3, 4; Secretary 3; Spanish Club 3, 4; GAA 1, 2, 3, 4; Girls' State Alternate 3; Homeroom Sports 1, 2, 3, 4; Junior Marshal 3; Junior Prize Speaking 3; Mixed Chorus 4; Girls' Glee Club 4; 30, 40 Word Typing Certificate 4; Monitor 4.

Great giggler . . . John . . . long walk up town hill . . . leader . . . "and did you know" . . . meets some of the strangest people . . . looks like an angel, but oh the devil in her eyes . . . Mr. Mossman's hot rodder . . . able editor.





BERNICE MARIE GRISWOLD

BERNIE

Ambition: Nurse

"A well bred silence always at command."

Mixed Chorus 3, 4; Homeroom Volleyball 3, 4; Magazine Sales; Captain 4; Monitor 4. Small, but full of life . . . ambition and friendliness that will make her a good nurse . . . looks are her favorite companion . . . easily turns a becoming shade of red.

GERALYN LOUISE GROS

GERRY

Ambition: Secretary "Chatter, chatter as she goes."

Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Girls' Glee Club 1, 2, 3; Band 2, 3; Majorettes 3, 4; Gym Exhibit 1; Girls' Bowling Team 2; Ski Club 3; Hatchet League Cheerleader 1, 2, 3, 4; Student Council 2; Catamount Typist 4; Guidance Office Assistant 2; GAA 1, 2; Homeroom Volleyball 1, 2, 4; Homeroom Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4.

Snappy majorette . . . real pal . . . "want to hear a good joke?" . . . when Gerry laughs, the room rocks . . . likes "newsy" men.



FREDERICK CLARK HARRINGTON

FRED

Ambition: Air Force

"A proper man, as one shall see in a summer's day."

Baseball 1, 4; Homeroom Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Track 4; Monitor 4.

Loves to hunt . . . doesn't say much, but never misses a trick . . . a true friend.



GEORGE NICHOLAS HARRINGTON

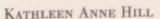
NICKY

Ambition: Army

"Men of few words are the best men."

Boys' Chorus 1; Drama 1; Homeroom Basketball 1, 2, 3; Gym Exhibit.

Cute curls . . . millions of relatives . . . "Got a pen I can borrow?" . . . the mighty hunter.



KATHY

Ambition: Nurse

"Angels are painted fair to look like her."

Gym Exhibit 2; Yearbook Feature Editor 4; Monitor 4; Homeroom Volleyball 1, 2, 3, 4;

Homeroom Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4.

Little, but oh, my! That's our Kathy . . . the sweetest smile ever . . . check that blush ... those Pownal boys ... "Bone Crusher (?)"



JOHN JOSEPH HOGAN

PORKY

Ambition: Air Force

"Good nature, like a sunny day, sheds brightness over everything."

Mixed Chorus 4; Boys' Chorus 4; Football 4; Yearbook Assistant Business Manager 4;

FTA 3; Monitor 4; Track 4.

That impish grin . . . freckles . . . smokes a pipe . . . Mr. Mosman's star pest.



SHIRLEY MILDRED HOWE

HOWDY

Ambition: Bookkeeper

"Bashful, but you'd be surprised."

Girls' Bowling Team 3, 4; Hatchet League Cheerleader 3, 4; GAA 3, 4; Homeroom Volleyball 1, 2, 3, 4; Homeroom Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; BHS Activity Fund Bookkeeper 4; Football Concession 3.

Shy . . . square dance fan . . . friendly, but quiet . . . "Oh how I hate to get up in the morning!" . . . Oldsmobiles.



Ambition: Housewife

"Conversation is a game of circles."

Mixed Chorus 4; Girls' Glee Club 4; Gym Exhibit 1, 2; Girls' Bowling Team 1, 2, 3, 4; Hatchet League Cheerleader 3; Catamount Typist 4; Homeroom Vice President 1; GAA 1, 2, 3, 4; Homeroom Volleyball 1, 2, 3, 4; Homeroom Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Senior Ball Committee 3.

Quietest (??) girl in chorus . . . enjoys riding in Plymouths . . . What a driver? . . . likes Beech Street . . . Woolworth's faithful servant . . . smile.





JANET VIRGINIA JEPSON

JAN

Ambition: Undecided "Good temper is like a sunny day."

Mixed Chorus 1, 2; Girls' Bowling Team 2; GAA 1, 2; Homeroom Volleyball 1, 2, 3. Very quiet . . . shy ways . . . long ride to school every day . . . great gum chewer ... quiet study halls.

JOHN BRUCE KENNEDY

BRUCIE

Ambition: Businessman

"I am always merry when I hear sweet music.

Lafayette Junior High 1; Uniontown Senior High, Pennsylvania 2; Band 3, 4; Vice President 4; All State 3, 4; Tri State 3, 4; Dance Band 3; Ski Club 3; Drum Corps 4; Homeroom Basketball 3; Homeroom Volleyball 3; 30 Word Typing Award; Magazine Salesman 4; Monitor 4.

Big man with the trombone . . . Dig that crazy hat . . . curly hair . . . "Hi ya kids!" ... does anything for his friends ... Has Emily on his mind!





Ambition: Businessman

"I'm not lazy-I'm just dreamin'!"

Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3; Junior J.V. Basketball 2; Hatchet League 2, 3; Homeroom Volleyball 1, 2, 3, 4; Homeroom Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4.

Woolworth's floorwalker . . . cute curls . . . flirtatious eyes . . . ladies' man only.

HERB

ANDY



Ambition: Secretary

"Between laughing and talking, her day is full."

100 Word Shorthand Award 4; Mixed Chorus 2, 3, 4; Girls' Glee Club 3, 4; Drama 1, 2, 3, 4; Library Assistant 3, 4; Guidance Office Assistant 2, 3, 4; FTA 3, 4; GAA 2, 3; Homeroom Sports 1, 2, 3, 4; Senior Ball Committee 3; Food Sale Committee 3.

Our tall redhead . . . real nice kid . . . "I'll never get my shorthand done" . . . ideal secretary.

FRANCIS NEIL LACROSS

Ambition: Pilot

"Pleasant are his ways and bright is his hair."

Boys' Chorus 4; Varsity 3, 4; Baseball 4; Track 3; Homeroom Vice President 4; Junior Marshal 3; Hatchet League 1, 2, 3, 4; Homeroom Volleyball 1, 2, 3, 4; Homeroom Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Monitor 4.

Wow! that red hair! . . . Football star . . . man with the green Chevy . . . ladies' man . . . easy to get along with, he's O.K.



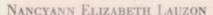
ANDRE FRANCIS LAROCHE

Ambition: Undecided

"I could do better if I would; but it's mighty lonesome being good."

Homeroom Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Homeroom Volleyball 1, 2, 3, 4.

"Andre, where have you been?" . . . always late for classes . . . driver training pest . . . likes to eat lunches . . . A&P floorwalker.



BEASTIE

Ambition: Commercial Teacher "Too much rest itself becomes a pain."

Mixed Chorus 2, 3, 4; Girls' Glee Club 2, 3; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Tri-State 1, 2, 3, 4; South Vermont Music Festival 1, 2, 3, 4; Drama 1; Catamount Business Manager 3, 4; Yearbook Typist 4; Senior Cabinet 4; Homeroom President 4; FTA 3, 4; Spanish Club 4; GAA 2, 3, 4; Girls' Dance Band Vice President 3; Senior Ball Publicity Chairman 3; Cotillion Refreshment Co-Chairman 4; Freshman Reception Refreshment Chairman; Football Program Chairman; Magazine Salesman 4; Monitor 4; Great Barrington 4.

"Don't get me laughing or I'll die" . . . a finger in every pie . . . those parties! . . . always ready and willing.



Ambition: Women

"If glory comes after death I am in no hurry."

Gym Exhibit 1, 2; Homeroom Volleyball 3, 4; Homeroom Basketball 3, 4. Loves girls . . . hotrod . . . A&P worker . . . pet peeve, women drivers . . . weakness for

big cars . . . likes to pick apples . . . doc??





JANE ANN LETOURNEAU

Ambition: Secretary

"Her voice was ever soft, gentle and low, an excellent thing in a woman." Middlebury High School 1, 2; Catamount Typist 4; Senior Ball Coat Committee 3 Homeroom Volleyball 4; 30, 40-Word Typing Award 3.

"Dazzling Jane" . . . a swell pal . . . always ready with a smile . . . pretty eye ... Kenny!

JOAN PATRICIA MACNEIL

JOANIE

Ambition: X-Ray Technician

"She was ever fair and never proud, had tongue at will and yet was never loud."

Mixed Chorus 2, 3, 4; Girls' Glee Club 2, 3, 4; J.V. Hockey 2; Girls' Bowling Team 1, 2, 3; Hatchet League Cheerleader 1, 2, 3; Catamount Cub Reporter 2; Yearbook Class Editor 4; GAA 1, 2, 3, 4; Homeroom Volleyball 1, 2, 3, 4; Homeroom Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; South Vermont Music Festival 2, 3; Tri-State 2, 3; Senior Ball Decoration Committee 3; Cotillion Decoration Committee 4; Monitor 4.

Likes boys named Dick . . . loves a good time . . . Oh, that frat pin . . . neat dresser ... lost weekends.



IDA ELIZABETH MAIN

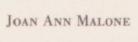
Ambition: Physical Education Teacher

"With smiling eyes and winning ways she won our hearts."

Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Chordettes 2, 3, 4; Girls' Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; J.V. Basketba 2, Varsity Basketball 3, 4; Gym Exhibit 1, 2, 3, 4; Varsity Hockey 1, 2, 3, 4; Girls' Bow ing Team 1, 2, 3, 4; Captain 3; Softball 1, 2, 3, 4; Homeroom Sports 1, 2, 3, 4; J.V. Chee leader 2; Varsity Cheerleader 3, 4; Captain 4; Taconic League Queen 2; Hatchet League Cheerleader 2, 3, 4; Student Council 1, 3; Catamount Typist 4; Yearbook Typist 4; Ju ior Cabinet 3; Class Vice President 2, 3; Homeroom Vice President 3; GAA 1, 2, 3, Treasurer 4; Senior Ball Chairman 3; Girls' State 3; Junior Marshal 3; Model Congre 3; Monitor 4; Junior Prize Speaking 3; Tri-State 1, 2, 3, 4; South Vermont Festival 2, 4; Christmas Cotillion Queen.

Art's better half . . . weakness, bright red Nash Rambler . . . problem, megaphone . curly hair . . . those eyes . . . loves to eat . . . often heard saying "any seconds"





JOAN BABY

BUD

Ambition: Bookkeeper

"She is very quiet, but what is there to be noisy about."

Gym Exhibit 1; Softball 1, 2, 3, 4; Yearbook Typist 4; GAA 1, 2, 3, 4; Homeroom Volleyball 1, 2, 3, 4; Homeroom Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; 60 Word Shorthand Award; 30 Word Typing Award; Magazine Salesman 4; Monitor 4.

"Oh gee, look at the time" . . . likes those green Fords . . . personality plus . . . neat as a pin . . . graceful in her ways.

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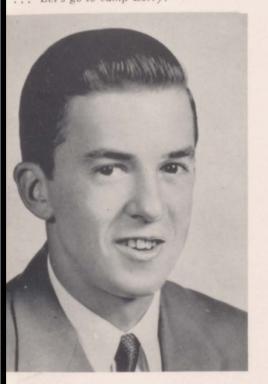


NANCY ANN MARCOUX

Ambition: Bookkeeper
"She is as sociable as a basket of kittens."

J.V. Basketball 3; Captain 3; Varsity Basketball 4; Gym Exhibit 1; J.V. Cheerleader 3; Varsity Cheerleader 4; Student Council 3; Catamount Assistant Business Manager 4; Yearbook Sports Editor 4; Homeroom Treasurer 4; French Club 2, 3; GAA 1, 2, 3, 4; Hatchet League Cheerleader 2, 3, 4; Homeroom Sports 1, 2, 3, 4; Magazine Sales Business Manager 4; 60 Word Shorthand Award; 30 Word Typing Award; J.V. Hockey 3; Varsity Hockey 4; Manager 3; Girls' Bowling Team 3, 4; Christmas Cotillion Attendant 4; Monitor 4.

"Short, but can she cheer! . . . And that giggle . . . favorite pastime, telling jokes to Gordy . . . curly hair? . . . Bonnie's companion . . . has terrific spaghetti suppers . . "Let's go to camp Lorry!"



GILBERT ROBERT MATTISON

Ambition: Machinist or Marines

"He is not as quiet as he seems."

J.V. Football 4; Student Council 1; Homeroom Basketball 2, 3; Senior Ball Committee 3. Quiet type (around girls) . . . nice looking . . . fond of shirts and dancing . . . especially square . . . often seen in Peru . . . favorite saying "Hey Rabbit" . . . wonder why??



NANCY MARIE MAYNARD

NAN

Ambition: Private Secretary "I shall laugh myself to death."

Mixed Chorus 4; Girls' Glee Club 4; Majorettes 1, 2, 3, 4; J.V. Basketball 3; Varsity Basketball 4; Gym Exhibit 1, 3, 4; Girls' Bowling Team 3, 4; Varsity Softball 3, 4; Hatchet League Cheerleader 2, 3, 4; Yearbook Class Editor 4; Homeroom President 1; French Club 2, 3, 4; GAA 1, 2, 3, 4; Magazine Sales Business Manager 4; Homeroom Volleyball 1, 2, 3, 4; Homeroom Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Monitor 4; 60 Word Shorthand Award; 40 Word Typing Award; Monitor 4.

One of Benhi's best majorettes . . . you can always find her by her giggle . . . quite the talker . . . basketball whiz . . . everyone's friend.



PATRICK JOHN MURPHY

MURPH

Ambition: Store Manager

"Never put off til tomorrow the fun you can have today."

Homeroom Volleyball 1, 2, 3, 4; Homeroom Basketball 4; Senior Ball Committee 3; Chorus 1; Special Shop 3; Monitor 4.

The old Irishman . . . farmer? . . . Party boy . . . ticklish feet . . . dry humor.



GORDON JAMES OATMAN

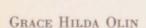
GORDY

Ambition: Animal Doctor

"He has that merry glance that seldom a lady's heart resists."

Mixed Chorus 3, 4; Tri-State 3, 4; Southern Vermont Festival 3, 4; Boys' Chorus 3, 4; Drama 1; Varsity Football 4; J.V. Basketball 1, 2, 3; Varsity Basketball 4; Varsity Baseball 3, 4; Gym Exhibit 1, 2; Track 3, 4; Ski Club 3, 4; President 4; Student Council 4; President 4; Yearbook Sports Editor 4; Homeroom Vice President 1; Homeroom Secretary-Treasurer 2; Homeroom President 3; Junior Cabinet 3; Boys' State 3; Monitor 4; Hatchet League 2, 3, 4; Homeroom Sports; Cotillion Committee 4; Senior Ball Committee 3; Junior Chamber of Commerce 4.

A great big grin . . . always happy . . . likes to use big words . . . little red devil . . . Miss Bonham's star reader.



GRACE

Ambition: Housewife

"I must laugh and dance and sing, youth is such a lovely thing."

Band 3, 4; J.V. Basketball 3; Girls' Bowling Team 1, 2, 3; Softball 1, 2, 3; Office Assistant 1, 2, 3, 4; GAA 2, 3, 4; Guest Book for Junior Prom 3; Monitor.

Benhi's best office worker . . . personality can't be beat . . . a smile for all . . . never a dull moment . . . diamond!! . . . square dance fan.



RAYMOND ALFRED PAQUIN

Ambition: Butcher

"Life's a jest and all things show it, I thought so once and now I know it."

Mixed Chorus 4; Boys' Chorus 4; Varsity Basketball 4; J.V. Basketball 1, 3; Varsity Football 4; Gym Exhibit 3; Track 3; Hatchet League 1, 2, 3, 4; Homeroom Basketball 2; Homeroom Volleyball 1, 2, 3, 4; Monitor 4; Senior Ball Committee 3.

Tall guy . . . great meat chopper . . . "Hey Ray, what happened to your finger, did you miss?" . . . likes tall girls . . . what a wit! . . . fresh air fiend . . . outdoor man . . . Miss Bonham's best monitor!!



RAY



HELEN

Ambition: Secretary

"Like some fair flower that early spring supplies."

GAA 1, 2, 3; Chorus 1, 2; Varsity Basketball 1, 2, 3; Girls' Bowling Team 1, 2, 3; Varsity Softball 2, 3; Hockey 1, 2; Homeroom Volleyball 1, 2, 3; Homeroom Basketball 1, 2, 3; 30 Word Typing Award.

Soft, golden hair . . . peaches and cream complexion . . . likes sports . . . enthusiastic

BOY



ROGER HENRY RANCOURT

Ambition: To Graduate "All he asks is to be left alone."

Homeroom Sports 1, 2, 3, 4. "The quiet man" . . . doesn't waste time saying useless things . . . very independent . . . earnest . . . keeps thoughts to himself.



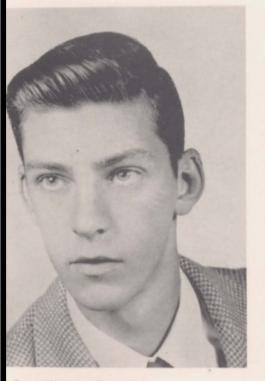
ROGER EUGENE RAYMOND

Ambition: Dog Catcher "A good heart's worth gold."

Football Manager 3, 4; Junior J.V. Basketball 1; J.V. Basketball 3; Varsity Basketball 4; Homeroom Basketball 1, 2, 3; Track Manager 2, 3, 4; Hatchet League 3, 4.

Treetop tall . . . basketball man . . . keeps us laughing . . . idol of all little men ... loves O'Henry candy bars ... abundance of nicknames.

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JOAN ALICE RILEY

Ambition: Teacher

"What you do, still betters what is done."

Mixed Chorus 2, 3, 4; Girls' Glee Club 2, 3, 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Treasurer 3; Secretary 4; Girls' State Alternate 3; Majorettes 1, 2, 3, 4; Captain 4; Homeroom Sports 1, 2, 3, 4; Student Council 3, 4; Secretary 3; Treasurer 4; Catamount Typist 4; Yearbook Typist 4; Guidance Office Assistant 4; FTA 4; French Club 2, 3, 4; Secretary 3; GAA 1, 2, 3, 4; Freshman Representative 1; Assistant Business Manager 2; "Why the Chimes Rang" 4; Tri-State Music Festival 1, 2, 3, 4; Great Barrington 4; Southern Vermont Music Festival 1, 2, 3, 4; Monitor 4; 30, 40, 50 Word Typing Certificate 3; Junior Prize Speaking 3; Top Magazine Salesman Campaign 4; Senior Ball Menu Chairman 3; Christmas Cotillion Decoration Committee 4; "I Speak For Democracy" Contest 4.

Silly? I guess! . . . a devil in angel's disguise . . . the best of Benhi's ever-popular



BONEDOG

Ambition: Nurse

"There was a star danced, and under that was she born."

Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3; Drama 2; Homeroom Sports 1, 2, 3, 4; Gym Exhibit 1, 2; Student Council 1; Catamount Typist 4; Yearbook Typist 4; Class Treasurer 1; Homeroom Treasurer 4; Office Assistant 4; French Club 2, 3, 4; GAA 1, 2; Attendant, Junior Prom 3; Tri-State 1; Hatchet League Cheerleader 2, 3; Monitor 4.

Loves a good time . . . crazy about dancing . . . Queenie . . . red heads and green Chevies are her specialty.





JUDITH MARY RUDD

JUDY

Ambition: Child's Nurse

"Her step is music and her voice is song."

Mixed Chorus 2, 4; J.V. Basketball 2; Varsity Basketball 3, 4; Captain 4; Girls' Bowling Team 2, 3; Hatchet League Cheerleader 2, 3; GAA 1, 2, 3, 4.

Wonderful voice . . . loves blue eyes . . . always giggling . . . Oh! Those out of town boys . . . likes dancing . . . Bev's better half . . . basketball Ace.

MARTHA ELLEN RYAN

MARTY

Ambition: X-Ray Technician

"Better three hours too soon than a minute too late."

Band 3, 4; Homeroom Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; J.V. Hockey 2; Girls' Bowling Team 3, 4; Yearbook Feature Editor 4; Library Assistant 2; GAA 1, 2, 3, 4; Homeroom Volleyball 1, 2, 3, 4; Tri-State 3, 4; Southern Vermont Music Festival 3, 4; Magazine Salesman 4; Shorthand 60 Word Award; Typing Award 30, 40 Word.

Shy?!! . . . usually found in the band room . . . noted for being on time . . . blue eyes and a sunny disposition . . . but when she gets mad!



PATRICIA ANN SAUER

Ambition: Teacher

"Whatever place she gains, she will be worthy of it."

Softball 1; Student Council 2; FTA 4; Spanish Club 2, 3, 4; GAA 2, 4; Monitor 4. Future teacher . . . always up on history . . . enjoys TV and reading . . . home dutie . . . Oh, those quiet study halls.



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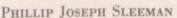


Ambition: Business Career

"A modest girl in words and ways; she justly earns her classmates' praise."

Mixed Chorus 2, 3; Girls' Glee Club 2, 3; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Drum Corps 2, 4; Drama 1, 2, 3; Secretary 3; Varsity Basketball 3, 4; Gym Exhibit 1; Varsity Hockey 1, 2, 3, 4; Girls' Bowling Team 1, 3, 4; J.V. Cheerleader 4; Catamount Associate Editor 4; Locker Room Chatter 3; Assistant Yearbook Editor 4; Senior Cabinet 4; Junior Cabinet 3; Class Secretary 2, 3; Homeroom Officer 4; Office Assistant 4; GAA 1, 2, 3, 4; Junior Marshal 3; Monitor 4; Junior Prize Speaking 3; CSPA Delegate 2, 3; Homeroom Sports 1, 2, 3, 4; Hatchet League Cheerleader 2, 3; Tri-State 1, 2, 3, 4; Southern Vermont 2, 3, 4; Burlington Music Festival 1; Magazine Salesman 4; Magazine Sales Captain 4.

Weakness for blouses . . . loves nice clothes . . . those eyes!! . . . one of Benhi's top trumpet players . . . real gone on plaid corduroy . . . likes blond haired boys . . . often heard saying, "Now where's Nancy gone."



GREASER

Ambition: Industrial Arts Teacher "Activity is contagious."

Band 2; Drum Corps 2; Tri-State 2; All State 2; J.V. Basketball 1, 2, 3; Gym Exhibit 1, 2; Ski Club 3, 4; Student Council 1; Catamount Cub Reporter 2; Homeroom Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Homeroom Volleyball 1, 2, 3, 4; Hatchet League 1, 2, 3, 4; Shop Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Secretary 2; Vice President 3; President 4; Boys' State 3; Drama 1; Senior Ball Committee 3; Monitor 4.

Hotrod . . . romeo . . . flash . . . flashy shirt . . . truck driver and good kid . . . slick black hair.





JOSEPH BURTON SQUIRES

JOEY

Ambition: Automobile Mechanic
"A modest man never talks of himself."

Homeroom Volleyball 1, 2, 3, 4; Homeroom Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4.

Activities' period is lunch time . . . mountain climber . . . Iva . . . likes to blow the horn . . . shy type, supposedly.



SMITTY

Ambition: Machinist "Few words suffice."

Homeroom Basketball 2, 3, 4; Hatchet League 1, 2, 3, 4.

He is happy as long as he's at the wheel of a car . . . dig that blonde hair!! . . . East Road runner.



NEIL WILLIAM TREMBLAY

Ambition: Machinist

"My days pass pleasantly away."

Band 1, 2; J.V. Football 1.

Machine shop's best . . . curly hair . . . quiet, but girls, watch out . . . hot rodder.



VIRGINIA MAY VAN ORMAN

Ambition: Undecided

MITZ

Mixed Chorus 4; Band 4; Tri-State Festival 4; Southern Vermont Music Festival 4; Student Council 2; GAA 2; Homeroom Volleyball 2, 4; Homeroom Basketball 4; Magazine Salesman 4.

Giggles . . . always ready for fun . . . "Keep this for me, Mr. Farynairz?" . . . French horn honker.

BIRUTA VERA VITENBERGS

BUBBLES

Ambition: Undecided

"Her air had a meaning, her movements a grace."

Drama 1, 3; Homeroom Basketball 3, 4; Catamount Cub Reporter 4; Yearbook Artist 4; French Club 2, 3; GAA 1, 3; Homeroom Volleyball 3, 4; Chorus 3.

The talented one . . . long wavy hair . . . friendly smile . . . cute accent . . . soft voice laughs easily.



NANCY JEAN WARNER

Ambition: X-Ray Technician

"What man dare, I dare!"

Mixed Chorus 2, 3, 4; Tri-State 2, 3; Southern Vermont Music Festival 2, 3; Girls' Glee Club 3, 4; Drama 1, 2; J.V. Basketball 2; Varsity Basketball 3, 4; Gym Exhibit 1, 2, 3, 4; Varsity Hockey 2, 3, 4; Girls' Bowling Team 1, 2, 3, 4; J.V. Softball 1, 2, 3; Co-Captain 3; J.V. Cheerleader Captain 4; Hatchet League Cheerleader 2, 3, 4; Catamount Cub Reporter 2; Yearbook Sports Editor 4; Homeroom Secretary 4; Homeroom President 2; GAA 1, 2, 3, 4; Homeroom Sports 1, 2, 3, 4; Football Concession 3; Senior Ball Decoration Committee 3; Cotillion Ticket Committee 4; Monitor 4.

Big blue eyes . . . class wit . . . corduroy, flannel, and terrycloth crazy . . . likes lots of clothes . . . jewelry . . . rides in cars . . . Air Force . . . "Art" . . . "I hope I get a



NANC

GINNY







ALBERT WILLIAM WATSON

Ambition: Air Force
"What care I? Live and let live."

Homeroom Volleyball 2, 3, 4; Homeroom Basketball 2, 3, 4; Monitor 4.

Hot Rod . . . woodworker brain . . . foreman . . . rural fire-fighter . . . curly hair . . . broad grin . . . shy around girls.

LAWRENCE OLIVER WATSON LARRY

Ambition: Machinist

"What's to be is bound to be, so nothing ever worries me."

Homeroom Volleyball 2, 3, 4; Homeroom Basketball 2, 3, 4; Monitor 4.

Curly hair . . . square dance enthusiast . . . silent guy . . . bashjul, oh my! . . . all around good kid.

MARY JANE WEEKS MARY JANE

Ambition: Undecided

"I love to dream, but do not wish to have a pinprick rouse me."

Homeroom Basketball, Volleyball; Girls' Bowling Team 1, 4; Library Assistant 1, 2; GAA 1, 2, 3, 4; Football Concession 3. Oh, those homeroom gab sessions . . . she seems quiet, but oh my! . . . cheerful smile . . . Arlington.

WILLIAM FRANCIS WHITMAN

Ambition: Navy
"From the crown of his head to the sole of his foot he is all mirth."

JV Football 2; Homeroom Basketball 2, 3, 4; Homeroom Volleyball 1, 2, 3, 4; Monitor 4.

A&P Special . . . Atlas has nothing on him . . . "Say now" . . . likes red heads . . . especially girls . . . "The Moose is dead, bury his feet."

George Harold Wolff ACE

Ambition: State Trooper "Worry kills men; why die?"

Homeroom Volleyball 4.

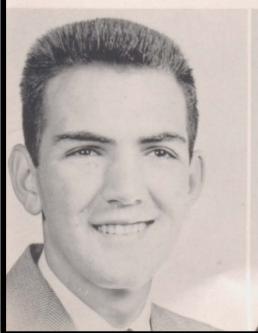
A hot-rodder . . . always thinking how to get more "go" out of a Buick . . . has a way with little girls . . . "Who ate my lunch?"

GREGORY GRADUATE

Ambition: To Succeed "Time will tell."

Sports 1, 2, 3, 4; Chorus 2, 3, 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Drama 2, 3, 4; Class Officer 1, 2, 4; Student Council 2, 3, 4; Monitor 4; Yearbook Mascot 4.

Always friendly ... good leader ... sport enthusiast ... everyone's pal ... "Man, dig that crazy mixed up kid." ... "Who hooked my book?" ... always hungry ... most popular person around the halls of good ol' Benhi.







Our History

Freshman Year

President	ART GAGE
Vice President	THE RESIDENCE OF A STREET
Secretary	DODEDEL DEED
Treasurer	BETTE DAVIS

Into Benhi's chambers we were initiated in '51. Since then, many things we have done. As advisor we elected the late Mr. Beach; Being Freshmen, for our rights we were too young to speak.

Sophomore Year

President	ANDRE BETIT
Vice President	IDA MAIN
Secretary	PATTY SAUSVILLE
Treasurer	HOPE ARMSTRONG

In our Sophomore year some profits we made,
We worked real hard and we also prayed.
Our biggest interest was in ordering rings.
Being active, we entered into more things.
We elected Mr. Page as advisor of our class,
Though we didn't know it then, he was with us 'til the last.

Junior Year

President	JAMES MURTHA
Vice President	IDA MAIN
Secretary	PATTY SAUSVILLE
Treasurer	

As Juniors, we had a million things to do; We received our rings and wore them, too. Proudly we showed them around the school. Making the underclassmen, with envy, drool. Our Junior Prize Speaker was Mabel Bull, Who, along with the rest, made an evening full. To the Junior Prom, we all did go, That is, if we caught our favorite beau. Gary Stevens and his men formed a real good band, While Jim and Hope as King and Queen sure looked grand. The Senior Ball was a big event Where the mighty Seniors their evening spent. Though many had thought us quite incapable, We Juniors showed that we were able To make such decorations as couldn't be topped; For none but the best, we hunted and shopped. The dance was great and we declared with brass, "It couldn't have been better by any other class." Next, our Junior Marshals, all dressed in white, Ushered in the Seniors on graduation night. Finally we sent four girls as delegates And six boys to their respective states; Boys' and Girls' State as they're commonly known, Where the political machinery to all was shown.









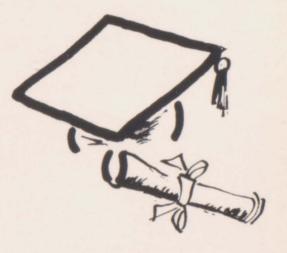
Senior Year

President	JAMES MURTHA
Vice President	GORDON LACROIX
Secretary	ROBERTA REED
Treasurer	HOPE ARMSTRONG

Our senior year was certainly the best, Always on the go and no time to rest. For our senior pictures we put on our best clothes And before Andrick's camera we prettily posed. To sell magazines we used our sales ability And after two weeks we left the town in tranquillity. Calling cards were quite a treat, We hand them out to all we meet. Before we knew it, Senior Week was here Bringing mixed feelings of sadness and cheer. The Senior Tea was a social event The afternoon together was well-spent. Our banquet was good and the speech was, too, Everyone enjoyed themselves and the time just flew. We arrived at the Senior Ball in a trance For it was hard to believe this was our last high school dance. The music was grand and the Juniors were swell In presenting our final dance so ably and well. Baccalaureate portraved the spiritual side of the week When all the clergy arrived in order to speak To us, the graduating class, who soon would be Fighting for rights both inland and at sea. The big finale came one night when dressed in cap and gown, We marched right up the aisle and later marched back down. But in between times, we received that goal for which we yearned; It was quite difficult to obtain but, none-the-less, well-earned. Our vearbook was helped to its success By Griff and Gordy and, of course, all the rest. Our favorite memories in it will last For us to recall when our youth is past.

These years so fast have flown by, It is impossible to even try To think of all the things we've done And remember all the fun. But this is just a brief summary Of all the things we did see, Of all the places we did go, Of all the wisdom we now know. Of course it took us four years: First as humble little Freshmen, We still did not know all at hand. Then as Sophomores and Juniors and We still did not know all at hand. As Seniors we thought we did know all, We felt so big-and then so small When we realized that in later years, we'd be Depended on to keep our country free. Then we turned to Him alone And asked Him to help us hold our own. For we are His and only He Can help us, save us, and keep us free. For this we DO know—that He above Is for us to know, to serve and love.



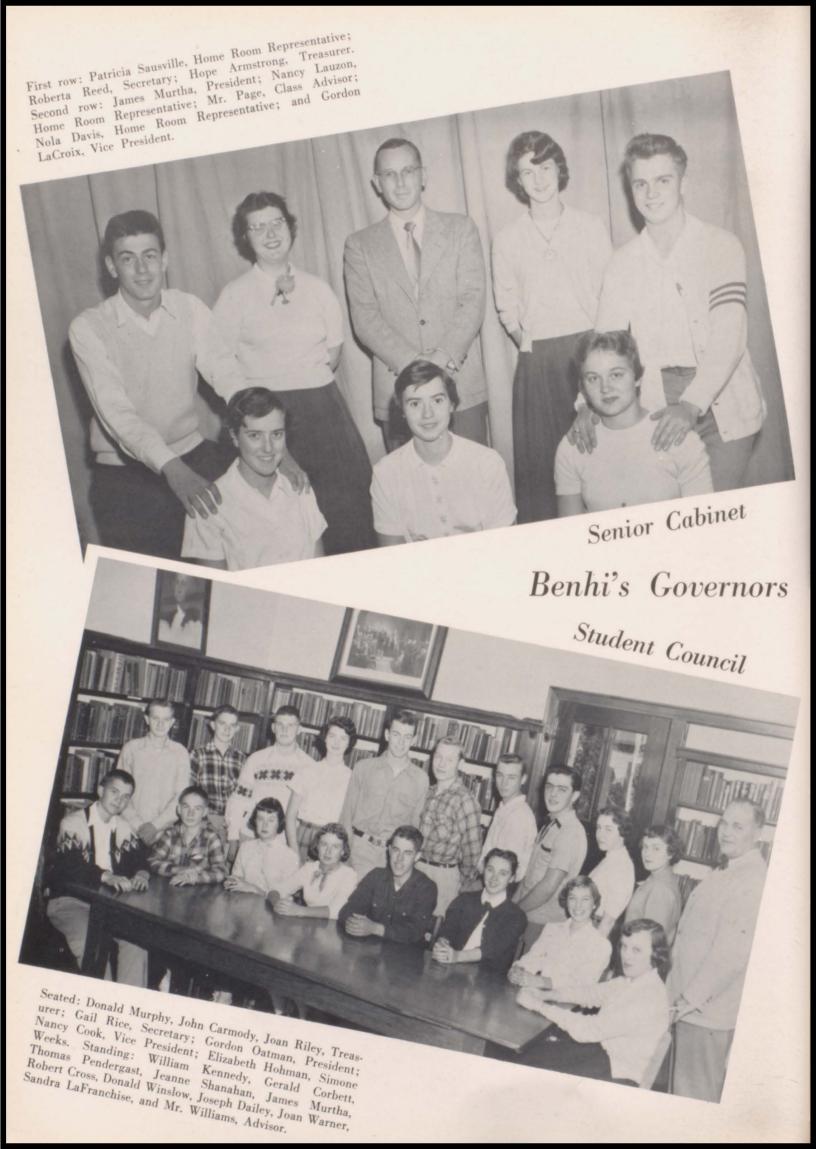












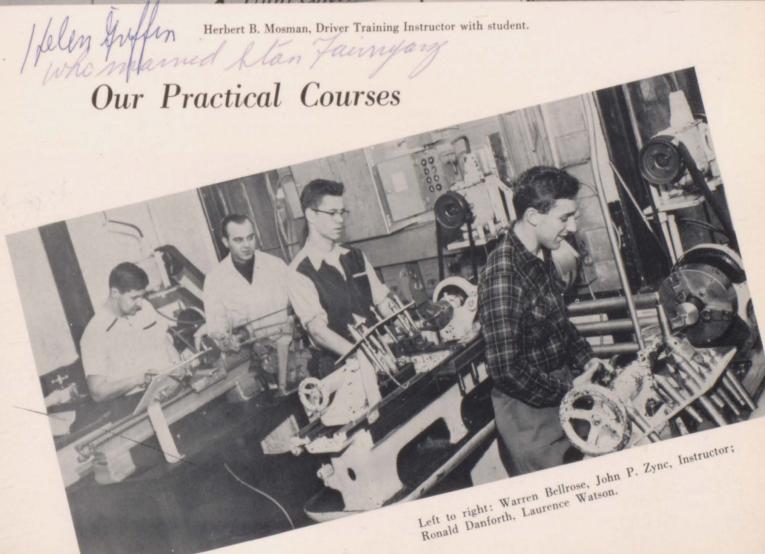














Band officers this year are Nola Davis, President; John Kennedy, Vice President; Joan Riley, Secretary. First row, left to right: M. Ryan, R. Alderman, G. Caslin, P. Damour, D. Taylor, N. Lauzon. Second row: J. LaBarge, M. MacNeil, J. Litster, S. Kupiec, E. Hohman, A. Robare, B. Shea, B. Ayer. Third row: E. Gallette, H. Hart, F. Harrington, J. Bump, N. Elwell, J. Wright, V. Van-Orman, H. Warner, J. Knights, C. Bushee, W. Hollister. Fourth row, excluding Colorguard which is listed on following page: Mr. Davis, A. Goewey, B. Ayers, P. Dillen, A. Moulen, W. Minougue, L. Gallipo, William Billert, William Keen.

Director DARCY B. DAVIS, JR.

Joanie's High Steppers

Our

Left to right: Patricia Cook, Anita Jolly, Nancy Maynard, Virginia Farnum, Mary Wolff, Geralyn Gros, Margo Surdam, Harriet DesLaurier, and Joan Riley, Captain.





First row, left to right: T. Tully, J. LaDue, P. Sausville, Thomas Mertrude, R. Tetreault, N. Davis. Second row: J. Hurley, J. Vail, H. Galvin, S. Shoemaker, J. Pilling, J. Koziol, P. Bruso, M. Surdam, T. Winslow. Third row: W. Jones, G. LaCroix, K. Doyle, Kenneth Bahan, D. Carver, J. Carver, J. Kennedy, C. Napolitano, N. Paquin. Fourth row: A. Forman, V. Lillie, P. Hall, J. Winslow, S. Pollitt, J. Moran, J. LaCroix, J. Harrington. Missing from photo: E. Russell, E. Pellerin, F. Eaton, J. Blanchard, Lois Morey, P. Schiemenz, H. Moses, W. Houren.

Melody - Makers

DRUM AND BUGLE CORPS—First row, left to right: W. Minogue, C. Napolitano, W. Billert, P. Damour, J. LaBarge, G. Caslin, M. MacNeil, S. Pollitt, J. Wright. Second row: P. Sausville, K. Doyle, V. Lillie, T. Mertrude, R. Tetreault, N. Davis, A. Goewey, B. Ayers, J. Vail, N. Paquin. Third row: Mr. Davis, D. Carver, J. Carver, J. Kennedy, M. Surdam, H. Galvin, F. Harrington, E. Gallette, W. Jones. COLOR GUARD—Fourth row: Georgene Krieg, Captain; P. Streeter, B. Daigneault, P. Purcell, M. Purcell, J. VanOrman, J. Horst, E. Senecal, missing from photo.





MIXED CHORUS—First row, left to right: P. Johnson, J. Cornell, V. Bentley, H. Armstrong, B. Hickock, P. Hall, M. LaCroix, N. Elwell, A. Forman, L. Gallipo, S. Shoemaker, C. White, J. Moran, N. Paquin, V. Russell, L. VanOrman, Judy Kearns. Second row: G. Gros, H. DesLaurier, N. Maynard, B. Gilbert, J. Miller, B. Bailey, M. Buck, A. Buck, P. Damour, M. MacNeil, M. Wolff, A. Jolly, P. Cook. Third row: Mr. Boodakian, N. Lauzon, S. Godfrey, M. Beshara, J. Knights, D. Wright, P. Purcell, S. Maynard, E. Russell, R. Tetreault. Fourth row: D. Collins, J. Shanahan, S. Cardinal, M. Frost, G. Landry, S. Smith, I. Main, G. Krieg, H. Burgess, N. Davis, D. Carver, J. Wright, J. Roy, S. Webster, S. Pollitt. Fifth row: G. Lane, N. Wagner, J. MacNeil, H. Snow, G. Levine, G. LaCroix, J. Dailey, G. Oatman, A. Gage, R. Cross, M. Mattoon, B. Cullinan, T. Dormody, R. Bugbee, C. Napolitano, J. Cleary, W. Barber, M. Bull, A. Morey, J. Riley, M. Purcell.



Happy

CHORDETTES—First row, left to right: Hazel Burgess, Phyllis Johnson, Diane Collins, Gertrude Landry, Joan Wright. Second row: Patricia Cook, Shirley Smith, Georgene Krieg, Elizabeth Russell. Third row: Ida Main, Margery Frost, Marilyn Beshara. Fourth row: Nola Davis, Mary Purcell, Jeanne Shanahan, standing in rear.





FRENCH CLUB—First row, left to right: Barbara Gilbert, Grace Lane, Jo Ann Ratelle, Margaret McCarthy, Elizabeth Hohman, Patricia Damour, Marilyn MacNeil, Martha LaCroix, Pauline LaBrie, Sally Shoemaker. Second row: Eva Harrington, Alice Roy, Joan Riley, Martha Buck, Miss Hutton, Diane Carver, Phyllis Hall. Third row: Juliette Roy, Janet Litster, Judith Kearns, Ann Buck, Susan Webster, Suzanne Cardinal, Shirley Smith, Ruth Smith.



FRENCH OFFICERS—Miss Hutton, Advisor; Marilyn MacNeil, Treasurer; John Harvey, President; Gertrude Landry, Vice President; Judith Kearns, Secretary.

Romance

SPANISH OFFICERS—Gregory Playotis, Secretary-Treasurer; Peter Murtha, Vice President; Walter Towslee, President; Dr. Hatch, Advisor.



SPANISH CLUB—First row, left to right: Virginia Lillie, Walter Towslee, Peter Murtha, Gregory Playotis, Peter Harvey, Helen Griffin. Second row: Adele Kahwajy, Afton Forman, Dawn Wright, Margery Frost, Nola Davis, Dr. Hatch, Joyce Harrington, Nancy Lauzon, Nancy Cook, Cynthia White. Third row: Georgene Krieg, Peter Miller, John Ryan, Thomas Beshara, Philip McKenna, Gerald Levine, Gary Daigneault, Rosalie Tetreault.

Linguists



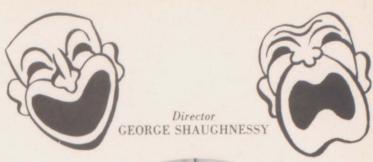
Benhi's Thesbians

The Drama Club, under the direction of George Shaughnessy, produced six one act plays this year.

Many new members were welcomed into the club and showed their ability in the field of acting.

In November three plays were presented. They were "First Dress Suit," "Goodnight Please," and "Where the Cross is Made." In December the club produced "Why the Chimes Rang." The next production, in February, included "Quiet Please," "When Shakespeare's Ladies Met," and a second presentation of "Goodnight Please." The play "Quiet Please," with Richard and Robert Cross, Carleton Allen, Sharla Bigart, Betty Cahill, Barbara Hickok and Mabel Bull was sent to the district play contest. This contest, held March 21, included plays from Arlington, Burr and Burton, and Bennington.

The closing event of the year was a banquet. Thus, the work of the Drama Club was successfully ended once again.





Front row: Billy Barber, Bill Cleary, Nancy Holden, Joyce Knights, Diane Carver, Sharla Bigart, Mabel Bull, Peggy Hemenway, Betty Cahill, Charlie Bodine. Second row: Doug Guerard, Charlton Allen, Jerry Levine, Tom Harvey, David Mercier, Warren Bellrose, Jay Harvey, Ronnie Danforth.



The Cat Storywriters



CATAMOUNT STAFF—Left to right: Bette Baker, Editor; Carlton Allen, Patricia Sausville, Assistant Editor; Betty Hohman, Nancy Cook, Frank Howe II, Editor of Banner and former Catamount Sports Editor; Patricia Cook, Richard Ralph, and Dorothy Taylor.



BUSINESS STAFF—Standing: Marcoux, Lauzon, Boutin, Godfrey, Armstrong, Advisor; Vera Drew, LeTourneau, Durant, Roy, Beshara, Riley.

CUB REPORTERS—Sitting: Paquin, Pollitt, Elwell, Roy. Standing: Miss Bonham, La-Croix, Caslin, Hohman, Vitenbergs.

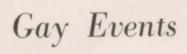


CHRISTMAS COTILLION, 1954—King, Arthur Gage; Queen, Ida Main; James Murtha and Peggy Hemenway, Host and Hostess; Attendants, Bette Baker, Joe Dailey, Nancy Marcoux, Dave Forrest.

JUNIOR PROM, 1954—King, James Murtha; Queen, Hope Armstrong; Theodore Petrelis, Ed Bruso, Host and Hostess; Attendants, Sarah Godfrey, Kay Searles, Alice Roy, Bette Baker, Ida Main, Emily Stone; Charles Augustus and Mary Ellen Harvey, Crown-Bearers.



SENIOR BALL, 1954—Diane Foucher, Arthur Gage, Ida Main, and Hope Armstrong decorating throne for Ball.







Our Eventful

James Murtha, President; Ida Main, Vice President; Patricia Sausville, Secretary; Hope Armstrong, Treasurer.

Junior Class Officers

Our Leading Orator



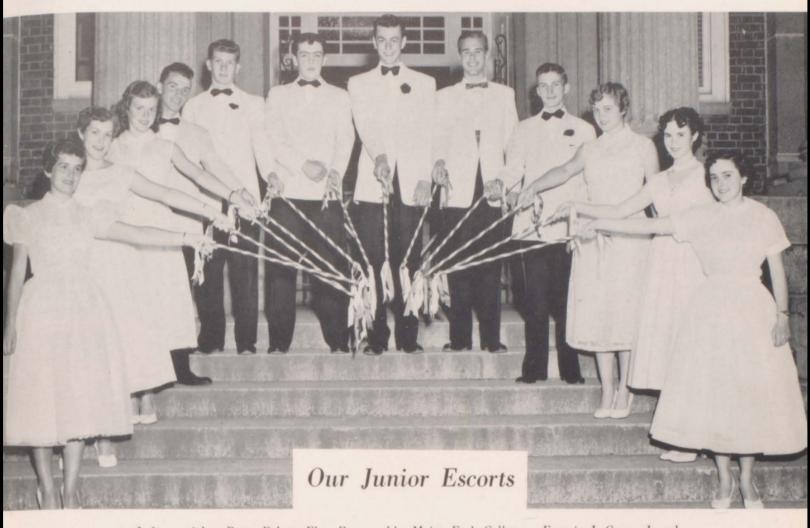
MABEL BULL



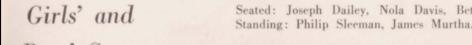
Diane Carver, Joan Riley, Patricia Sausville, Gordon LaCroix, Miss Johnson, Advisor; Mabel Bull, Ellen Reed, '53 Winner; Ida Main, Diane Foucher, and Helen Griffin.

Junior Prize Speakers

Junior Year



Left to right: Bette Baker, Elva Purves, Ida Main, Earl Callanan, Francis LaCross, Joseph Dailey, James Murtha, Arthur Gage, Thomas Dermody, Hope Armstrong, Helen Griffin, and Patricia Sausville.



Seated: Joseph Dailey, Nola Davis, Bette Baker, Sarah Godfrey, Ida Main, Arthur Gage. Standing: Philip Sleeman, James Murtha, and Gordon Oatman.



Back row: Coach Caswell

R. Fienberg C. Napolitano

G. Oatman

J. Levine

P. Sleeman

A. Betit

N. Paquin Second row:

S. Kunzelman

P. Hemenway

L. Savage

P. Honiker

H. Wassick

B. Cleary

B. Jones

D. Wilkinson

Front row: J. Cleary

J. Quackenbush

L. Weichert

C. Hutton

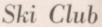
B. Rudd

S. Godfrey B. Barber

B. Clayton













Front row: N. Lauzon, A. Roy, N. Marcoux, N. Maynard, P. Sausville, N. Warner, B. Griswold. Second row: N. Davis, H. Armstrong, M. Beshara, H. DesLaurier, J. Knights, J. MacNeil, G. Beecher, Third row: D. Carver, H. Griffin, D. Foucher, J. Riley, L. Coutu, S. Godfrey, J. Malone, P. Sauer. Fourth row: I. Main, K. Hill, B. Baker. Standing: R. Bugbee, R. Rancourt, P. Sleeman, J. Dailey, P. Murphy, R. Cullinan, G. Boutin, G. Oatman, G. Harrington, G. LaCroix, J. Hogan, F. Harrington, A. Gage, R. Carroll, J. Murtha.

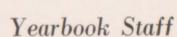


Seated: Marcoux, Foucher, Carver, Murtha, Ryan, Maynard.

Top Drummer JOAN RILEY

Editor-in-Chief

Back row: Caswell, Baker, Cushman, Roy. Durant, Malone, Main, Lauzon, Riley.



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Second row: Warner Marcoux MacNeil Bull Gage Oatman Carroll Davis Reed Ryan Hill Seated: Foucher Godfrey Sausville Griffin LaCroix

Hogan Armstrong



Future Teachers of America



First row: Judith Kearns, Betty Hohman, Jeanne Shanahan, Sally Wellington, Martha LaCroix, Joanne Ratella, Janet Litster, Gail Beecher, Nancy Lauzon, Joan Riley, Nola Davis. Second row: Mrs. Lane, Elaine Senecal, Joan Horst, Helen Griffin, Pat Cook, Sarah Godfrey, Josephine Hurley, Pat Sauer, Nancy Holden, Mr. Lane.

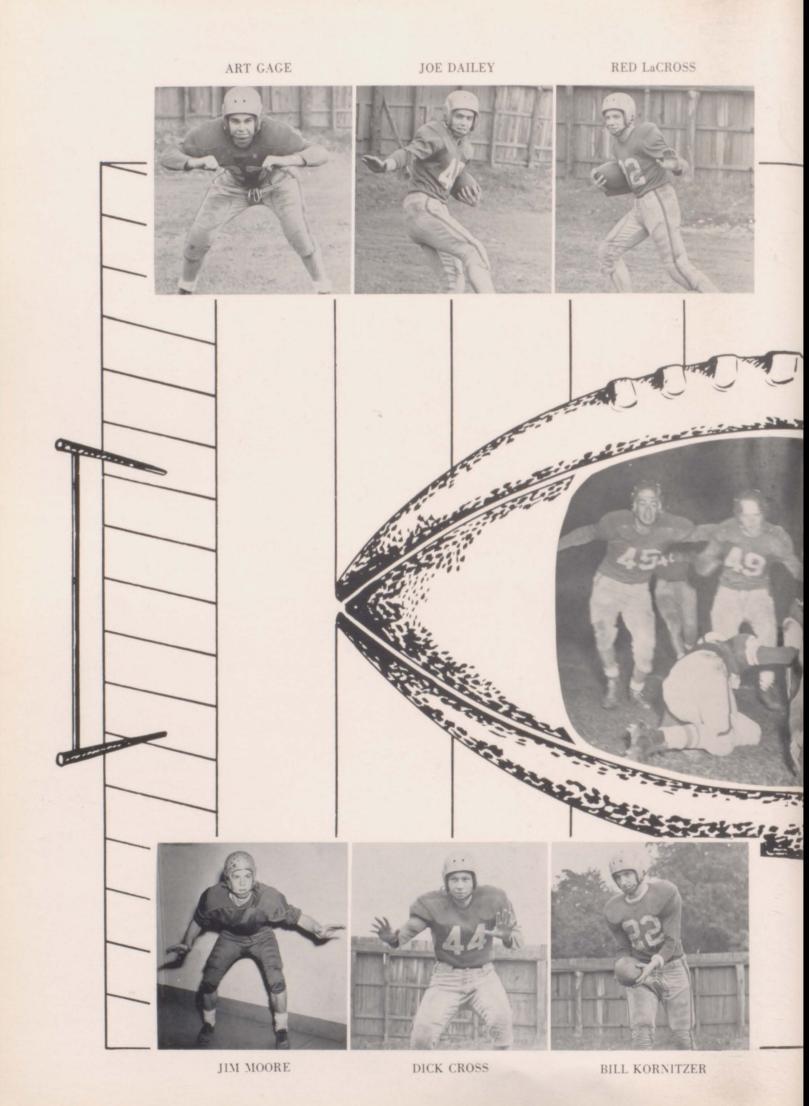


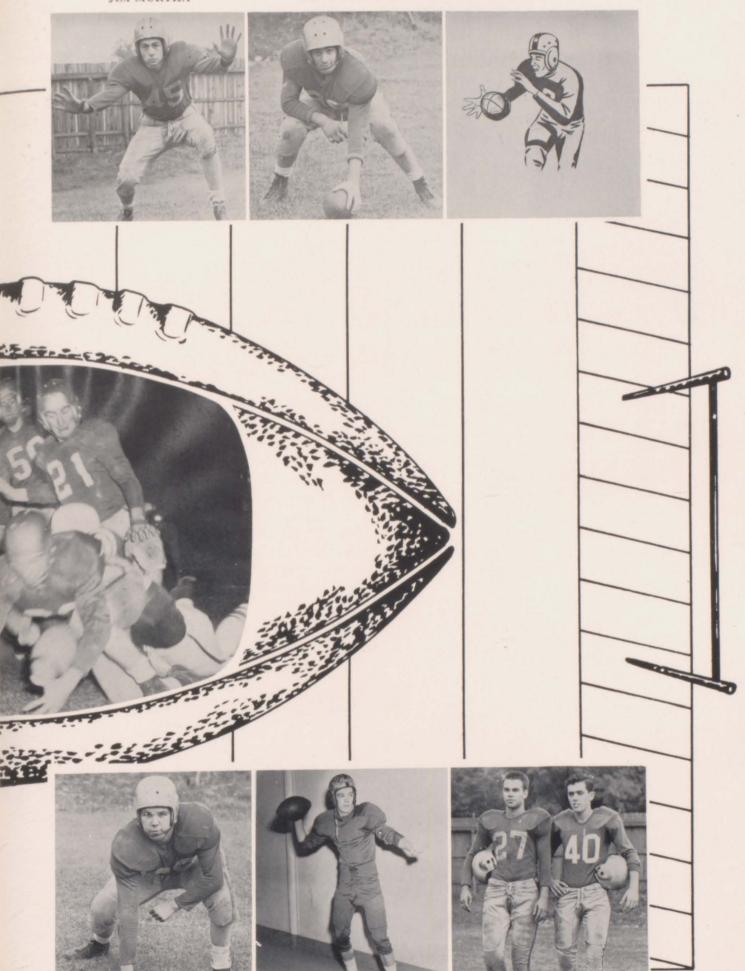
FTA DELEGATES: Martha LaCroix, Advisor; Sophia Lane, Sarah Godfrey, Gail Beecher, Pat Sauer, Nancy Lauzon, Helen Griffin, Janet Litster, Jeanne Shanahan, Nola Davis, Sammy Towslee, Pat Cook, Advisor; Charles Lane, Nancy Holden, Joan Riley.



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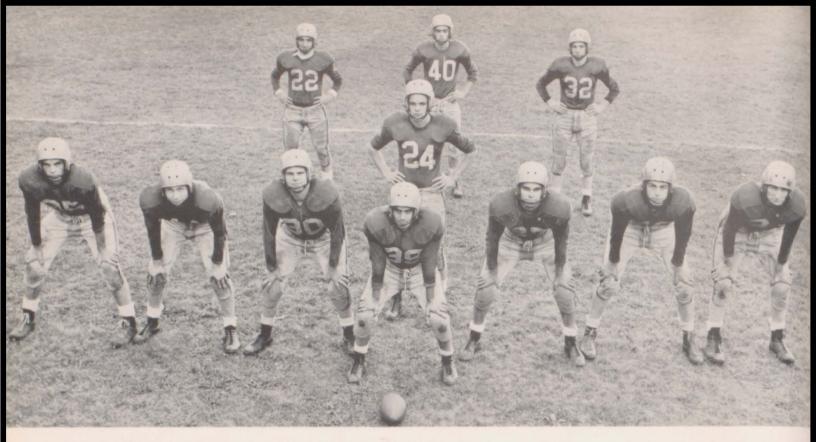




TOM PENDERGAST

J. P. RYAN

Co-Captains
GAGE-DAILEY



VARSITY LINEUP—Back to front, left to right: Bill Kornitzer, Joe Dailey, Red LaCross, J. P. Ryan, Jim Moore, Dick Cross, Tom Pendergast, Dave Forrest, Art Gage, Jim Murtha, and Dick Read.

Despite injuries, Coach Darrell Sawyer and his assistant, Coach Stan Faryniarz, came up with the best team since 1946. The Cats made a good showing at every game and wound up the season with 5 wins and 3 losses.

The Cats opened the season against a much heavier Rutland squad and were defeated 25 to 6. J. P. Ryan tallied the only touchdown for the Cats. However, the team missed their first string fullback, Joe Dailey, because of an ankle injury.

The varsity squad traveled to Bellows Falls for their first victory, where Red LaCross scored all 20 points against the Terriers 12. This victory proved costly because of injuries to J. P. Ryan and Co-Captain, Art Gage, who were unable to play when the Cats traveled to Springfield the following week. Because of the weakened squad the Cosmos topped us 33 to 0. In this game, credit for a wonderful job as quarterback should be given to Bill Kornitzer.

The first home game was a night game played against M. S. J. of Rutland. The Cats made another victory, 20 to 0, and won a 24-inch gold trophy which was presented by the Alumni. Kornitzer, Dailey, and Gage scored the touchdowns with Red LaCross making the 2 extra points.

Our third win was obtained in the game played with Williamstown where the final score was 19 to 12. Art Gage gave the locals the winning margin when he again intercepted a pass and went into the end zone for the final score. Dick Cross and Jim Murtha were also outstanding with their defensive playing.

In the game with Windsor, LaCross again showed his ability by scoring two touchdowns, while Jim Moore played an outstanding game on both offense and defense. Ryan hit his receivers with accuracy all through the game and the final score was 25 to 6.

The Cats topped St. Joe's of Pittsfield, 12 to 0, but Bill Kornitzer, a great halfback, received a serious injury. Dick Read played spectacular ball on both offense and defense in this game.

We again met a much heavier team, Brattleboro, and were defeated, 26 to 14. Red LaCross was the offensive star and Art Gage starred on defense with his sensational tackling. Benhi is exceedingly proud of their team for the spirit and sportsmanship shown throughout the season.

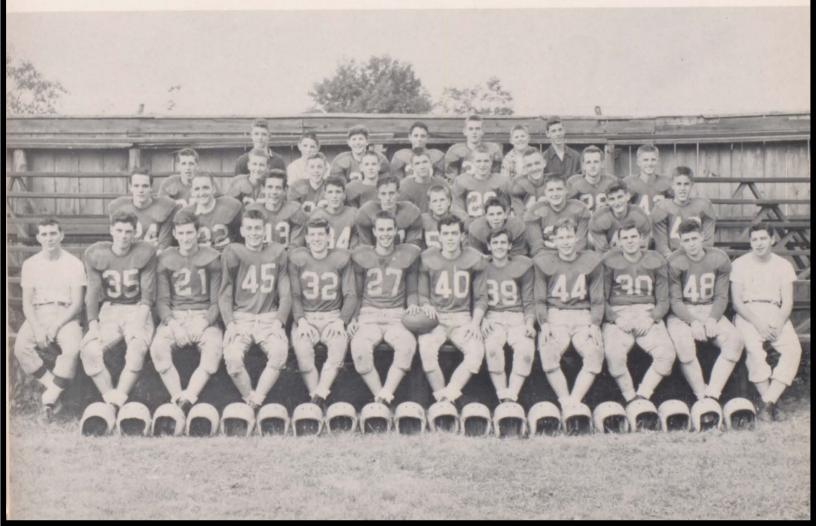
The team will miss the following nine players through graduation: Co-Captains, Joe Dailey, and Art Gage; Red LaCross, Dave Forrest, Jim Murtha, Gordon Oatman, Ray Paquin, John Hogan, and Ed Dainels.



Even though the kittens lost five of their six games, they showed amazing spirit throughout the season. The main reason as many games were lost was that the majority of the players on the team were Freshmen and inexperienced upperclassmen. Outstanding players were "Butch" Corbett with his tricky ball handling and Gary "Ding" Daigneault with his pass receiving and broken field running. The valuable experience gained in these games makes up for the losses and will be very useful in years to come.

Front row: Coach Sawyer, Jim Moore, Dick Read, Jim Murtha, Red LaCross, Art Gage, Joe Dailey, Co-Captains; Dave Forrest, Dick Cross, Tom Pendergast, Don Daigneault, Coach Faryniarz. Second row: J. P. Ryan, Bill Kornitzer, Dick Merrow, Tony Tomasi, Ray Paquin, Billy Barber, Dick Murray, John Hogan, Tom Dermody, Gordy Oatman. Third row: Ed Dainels, "Killer" Ralph, Pat Schiemenz, Jack Carmody, Don Murphy, Pete Miller, Gary Daigneault, Ken Johnson, Sammy Towslee. Back row: Bobby Chase, Paul Honiker, Managers; Ed Coyne, Arthur Muchmore, Duncan Turner, and Ed Pendergast, "Bones" Raymond, Managers.





BENHI CATS versus ALUMNI

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SOUTHERN VERMONT LEAGUE GAME



PRE-LEAGUE GAME

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TACONIC TOURNEY GAME

BENHI KITTENS versus ARLINGTON EAGLES







"JAY" HARVEY



CAPTAIN "ART" GAGE

"JIM" MOORE

"BUTCH" CORBETT

"RAY" PAQUIN











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"GENE" LACROIX

> "JOHNNY" KORNITZER Mascot



"JOE" DAILEY



"J. P." RYAN

"GORDY" OATMAN Even though the varsity ended up in a tie for the cellar with a 6 and 15 record counting the alumni and pre-season games, they acquired valuable experience for next year's players.

Before their regular season, the Cats played against some strong clubs from Massachusetts and New York. They lost to Cambridge 61-48, St. Joe's of Pittsfield 61-43, Dalton 62-51, Drury 61-45, and Adams 71-50. They won over St. Albans 48-32.

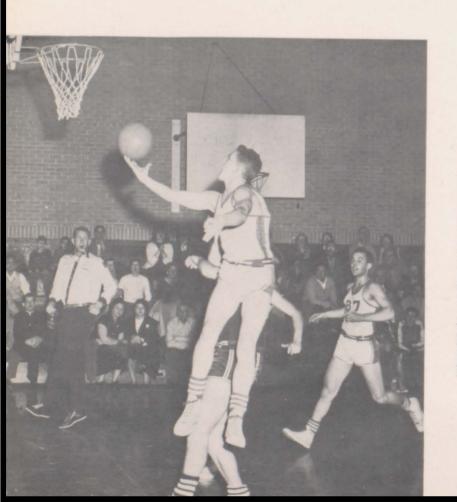
The Cats, following the trend of last year's team, were hampered by sickness. In the beginning of the season, the team lost the services of first-stringer, Joe Dailey, due to a sickness received during football. This dampened the chances of the Cats considerably because of his fine ball-handling and sharp shooting. Also, another starter, J. P. Ryan, came down with appendicitis and was out for most of the season. One thing in favor of the Cats was the arrival of Butch Corbett, who came up from the JV's. He led the team on offense and placed fifth in the top ten scorers of the SOUTHERN VERMONT LEAGUE with a total of 194 points.

This was the last season for Captain Art Gage who has played outstanding ball for the last two years. He was best at defense and his consistent scoring when the chips were down was an indispensible asset. Other players leaving via graduation are Joe Dailey, Ray Paquin, Gordy Oatman, and Roger "Bugs" Raymond.

The Cats may have played poorly this year but the outlook for next year is very promising. Returning are four of this year's five starters. They are Butch Corbett, J. P. Ryan, Jim Moore, and Eugene "Jabo" LaCroix, also Jay Harvey, who saw considerable action this year.

The total number of points scored by the Cats in fourteen games was 705, which gave them an average of 50.5 points per game.

The scores of the season games were as follows:



Benhi	49	Alumni	52
Benhi		Cambridge	61
Benhi	34	Mount St. Joe (Pi	
Benhi	51	Dalton	
Benhi	45	Drury	
Benhi		Adams	71
Benhi	48	St. Albans	
Benhi	50	Windsor	
Benhi		Bellows Falls	
Benhi	53	West Rutland	
Benhi	56	Rutland	
Benhi		Springfield	54
Benhi	36	Brattleboro	50
Benhi	48	Mount St. Joe	
Benhi		Bellows Falls	
Benhi	79	West Rutland	
Benhi	44	Rutland	
Benhi	53	Springfield	
Benhi	53	Windsor	
Benhi	49	Brattleboro	
Benhi	42	Mount St. Joe	

Varsity Basketball '54-'55

The Bennington Jayvees ended the season with a record of 13 wins and 9 losses counting the two Taconic Tourney games.

In the Taconic Tournament the Kittens won the first game over Wilmington 64-53 only to lose to Arlington in the Playoff by a score of 53-35. This was a very close game until the last quarter when Arlington began cutting the cords with amazing accuracy. Bennington's Don Daigneault, and Johnny Pello were named on the All-Tourney Team while Jim Spofford was picked for the second team.

Coach Sawyer stuck with Captain Don Daigneault, Tom Waite, John Pello, Jim Spofford and Walt Towslee as a starting lineup most of the season; Don's brilliant ball handling and scoring power from the pivot position and Tom Waite's rebounding ability helped the club considerably, while John, Jim and Walt drove the opposition crazy with pin-point bombing from the outside. Don took top scoring honors with a total of 188 points in 20 games.

All of these boys have either one or two more years to go, so they will undoubtedly be playing varsity ball next year.

SCORES

Benhi	35	North Bennington	51	Benhi	44	Rutland	39
Benhi	49	Wilmington	46	Benhi	31	Springfield	35
Benhi	41	North Bennington	39	Benhi	45	Brattleboro	62
Benhi	44	Wilmington	33	Benhi	39	Mount St. Joe	57
Benhi	47	Arlington	59	Benhi	44	Bellows Falls	26
Benhi	48	Drury	39	Benhi	56	West Rutland	22
Benhi	45	Arlington	50	Benhi	28	Springfield	39
Benhi	48	Bellows Falls	50	Benhi	40	Windsor	29
Benhi	52	Windsor	33	Benhi	29	Rutland	41
		West Rutland					

First Five: Tommy Waite Johnny Pello Donny Daigneault Captain Jim Spofford Sammy Towslee

Second row: Don Murphy Tony Tomasi Kenny Johnson Peter Roy.



Bobby Chase Fourth row:

Jimmy Young

Third row:

Alec Mahar

Fourth row: Lauriston Cone, Teddy Bird, Managers

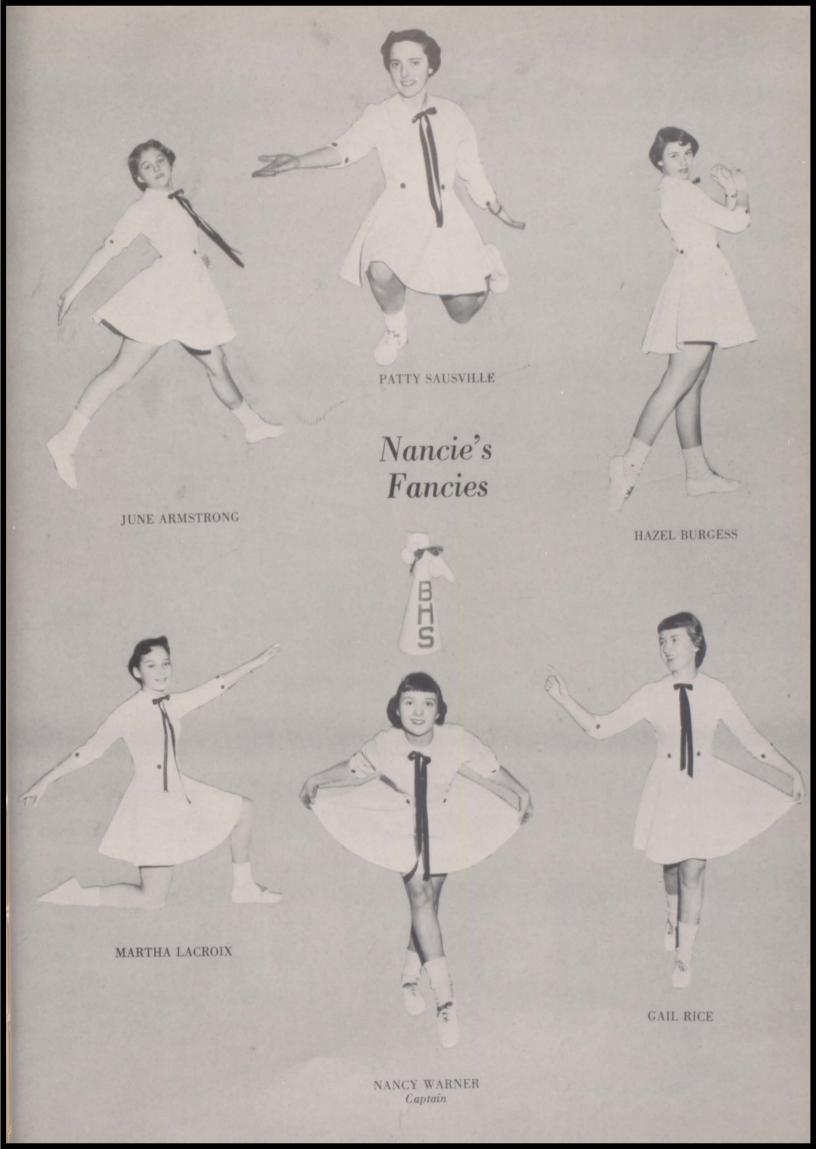
Coach Sawyer



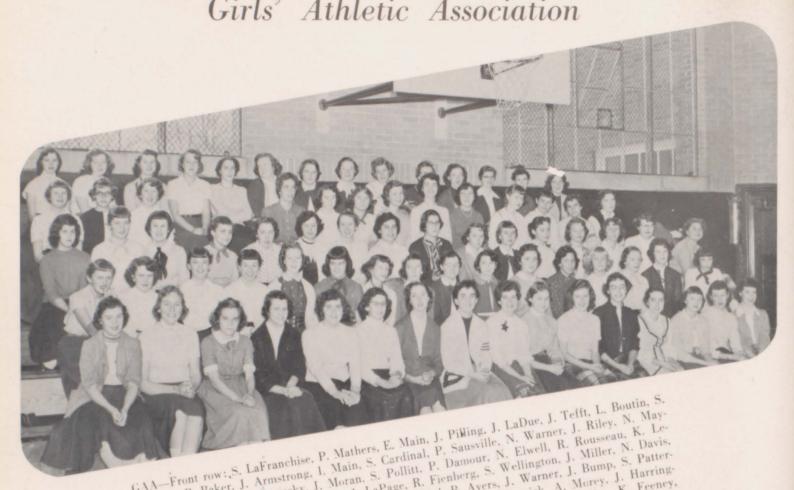


J. V. Kittens





Girls' Athletic Association



GAA—Front row:, S. LaFranchise, P. Mathers, E. Main, J. Pilling, J. LaDue, J. Tefft, L. Boutin, S. Washer, B. Baker, J. Armstrong, I. Main, S. Cardinal, P. Sausville, N. Warner, J. Riley, N. Davis, N. Elwell, R. Miller, N. Davis, N. Elwell, R. Miller, N. Davis, N. M. Comesky, J. Moran, S. Pollitt, P. Damour, Wellington, J. Miller, S. Patternard. Second vow: M. Comesky, J. LaPage, R. Fienberg, S. J. Warner, J. Bump, J. Harring, N. McCarthy, B. Shea, P. Kelly, J. LaPage, R. Allard, B. Ayers, J. Warner, J. Bump, J. Harring, J. Durant, Third row: N. Wager, M. MacNeil, A. Allard, B. Ayers, J. Putnam, M. Riley, K. Feeney, J. Durant, Third row: N. Paquin, G. Rice, M. LaCroix, H. Wassick, A. Milley, K. Feeney, J. Durant, J. Litster, N. Paquin, G. Rice, B. Wagner, D. Putnam, M. Riley, K. Feith, Son, A. Kahwajy, J. Litster, N. Paquin, S. Smith, J. Roy, N. Marcoux, D. Caswell, Fourth row: P. LaBrie, B. Wagner, D. N. Marcoux, D. Caswell, Fourth row: P. LaBrie, B. Wagner, M. Buck, A. Buck, N. Searles, J. Knights, M. Frost, J. Shanahan, N. Holden, S. Smith, J. Roy, M. Buck, A. Buck, N. Searles, J. Knights, M. Frost, J. Shanahan, P. Bruso, P. Hall, A. Forman, M. Buck, A. Buck, N. Searles, Tow: H. Haskell, M. Peters, L. Galipo, P. Bruso, P. Hall, A. Forman, M. Buck, A. Buck, A. G. Beecher, C. Boutin, L. Coutu, H. Griffin, J. Kearns.

G. Beecher, C. Boutin, L. Coutu, H. Griffin, J. Kearns. GAA OFFICERS-Ida Main, June Armstrong, Judy Tefft, Suzanne Cardinal, Linda Boutin, Coach Anita Caswell; Bette Baker, Sue Webster.

GAA INITIATION-June Armstrong initiating new member.

Our Bermudians



GOALIE: Nancy Warner FULLBACKS: "Mickey" Beshara Mabel Bull





Below: Wing, Patty Sausville Inner, Nancy Marcoux Center, Bette Baker Inner, Ida Main Wing, Pauline LaBrie





Benhi's varsity hockey team, the newly christened Bermudians, came through for the second successive year undefeated.

The following are the scores: Burr Burton, 13-1, 8-0; Arlington, 6-0, 8-0; North Bennington, 9-0, 10-1; Delmar, 5-2; Wilmington, 5-1.

This year for the first time the varsity hockey team spent an eventful weekend at Mrs. Caswell's home town, Durham, New Hampshire where the Bermudians challenged the University of New Hampshire Freshman team and successfully defeated them by a score of 2-1.

The players who will be graduating this year are: Nancie Warner, "Mickey" Beshara, Mabel Bull, "Bertie" Reed, Hope Armstrong, Pattie Sausville, Nancy Marcoux, Ida Main, Bette Baker.

Substitutes: Roberta Reed, Nancy Paquin.

Managers and Coach: Mrs. Caswell, Pat Cook, Julie Roy.

J. V. Hockey



Left to right: Jackie LaDue, Harriet Wassick, Peggy Hemenway, Marilyn MacNeil, Joanne Pilling, Pat Mathers, Linda Boutin, Maggie Comesky, Margaret Peters, Sandra LaFranchise, Barbara Hickok, Eloise Main, Coach Caswell.

J. V. Basketball

Left to right: Eloise Main, Sandra LaFranchise, June Armstrong, Sue Webster, Marilyn Mac-Neil, Joanne Pilling, Pat Mathers, Roberta Reed, Linda Gallipo, Kaye Lemieux, Barbara Elwell, Jackie LaDue. Kneeling: Barbara Hickok, Coach Caswell, Sally Wellington.





Back row: "Julie" Roy, Coach Caswell, Nancy Paquin. Left to right: "Pattie" Sausville, Nancy Marcoux, Hope Armstrong, Ida Main, Mickey Beshara, Joyce Harrington, Bev Davis, Nola Davis, Nancy Maynard, Pat Bruso, Judy Rudd, Bette Baker, "Nancie" Warner.

Girls' Varsity

This year, Mrs. Caswell coached the girls' basketball team to a very successful season. They won the Taconic Tournament this year with a record of five wins and one loss. The loss of the one game was to Arlington by a very narrow margin. The games and scores are:

Benhi	28	Wilmington21
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Benhi	33	Arlington21
Benhi 3	38	North Bennington30
Benhi 2	26	Arlington29
Benhi	37	North Bennington27

The J.V. Team won two out of four games. They are a promising team for next year.

The Senior girls leaving this year are Ida Main, Mickey Beshara, Hope Armstrong, Nancy Marcoux, Nancy Maynard, Bette Baker, Beverly Davis, Judy Rudd, Nancy Warner, Nola Davis, Patty Sausville, and Roberta Reed. Judy Rudd and Beverly Davis were Co-captains this year.



TROPHY PRESENTATION Mr. Williams, Co-Captains, Judy Rudd and Bev Davis.





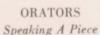
Cat Christmas Scene

CATAMOUNT STAFF—Left to right: Nancy Cook, Pat Cook, Bette Baker, Editor; Betty Hohman, Dorothy Taylor, Nancy Lauzon, Santa Claus, Miss Bonham; Pat Sausville, Reindeer; Richard Ralph, and Carlton Allen.



D.A.R. GIRL Benhi's Good Citizen BETTE BAKER

Bette was chosen by her own Senior classmates and the faculty. In achieving the highest number of votes, Bet was awarded for her sportsmanship which she has shown through her four years at Benhi.



Under the direction of Mr. Caswell, these speech enthusiasts entered the nationwide contest, "I Speak For Democracy." Striving here for the local title of winner, the contestants are Judy Kearns, Nancy Cook, Gerald Levine, and Joan Riley, pictured with Mr. Caswell. The local winner is Nancy Cook who then competed with several others for the state title.





TOOTERS
Playing A Tune

A small section of band playing at basketball game. First row: Pattie Sausville and Marty Ryan. Second row: Gloria Caslin, Pattie Damour, Jill LaBarge, and Nancy Paquin.

DAN CUPID AND MISS VALENTINE

Popularity Poll

A St. Valentine's Day King and Queen were chosen by their Senior and Junior Classmates. Sarah and Joe received the highest number of votes in a contest choosing the finest Valentine couple among the Senior boys and girls. Sarah's sweet smile and Joe's luring personality certainly make a sweet DAN CUPID and MISS VALENTINE.

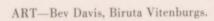






HOME EC-Miss Wasyluk, Barb Cummings, Kathy Hill, Dede Foucher.

Seniors









Power Mechanics — Toby Leonard, Ed Daniels, Andy Betit, Billy Baker.



In Action



CHEMISTRY — Joe Agresta, Bertie Reed, Nancie Warner, Joe Dailey, Joan Riley, Mr. Wood.







PSYCHOLOGY—Roger Rancourt, Dave Forrest, Mary Jane Weeks, Bernice Griswold, Gail Beecher, Billy Baker.

Mind and Hand at Work



TYPING—First row, left to right: Art Gage, Sarah Godfrey, Emily Pellerin, Lucille VanOrman. Second row: Simone Weeks, Mary Wolff, Earl Callanan, Joan Wright, Barbara Jones. Third row: Joyce Knights, Anna Morey, Grace Olin, Miss White.





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DRUM AND BUGLE CORPS



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POLITICAL CONVENTION

Donny Murphy, Gordon Oatman, Gail Rice, Mr. Williams, Dick Cross, Nancy Cook.







We the class of 1955 being of sound mind and memory do make, ordain, publish and declare this to be our Last Will And Testament.

- I, Joe Agresta, do leave my magnificent brain to Mr. Maxfield so he will not have to work out any more problems.
- I, Roy Alderman, do leave my parking place to Bill Herrmann.
- I, Hope Armstrong, do leave my flirtatious ways to my sister June.
- I, Bette Baker, do leave Benhi without a yodler and my "quiet" ways to anyone who wants them:
- I, Bill Baker, do leave my driving skill to Bob Cross.
- I, Gail Beecher, do leave to Marie Rowe my long walk from Brooklyn.
- I, Warren Bellrose, do leave my parking space to Max Mattoon.
- I, Mickey Beshara, do leave my ability to do the "hula ha" to Juliette Roy.
- I, Andre Betit, do leave my ability on the stage to Teddy Bird.
- I, William Billert, do leave to Jim Kirk, my muffler.
- I, Cecile Boutin, do leave Benhi for Chapel Road.
- I, Gerard Boutin, do leave to Coach Sawyer, my ability to bunt.
- I, Richard Bugbee, do leave to my cousin David, the load of carrying the name of Bugbee on in Benhi.
- I, Mabel Bull, do leave Mr. Farynairz's Modern History class in peace and quiet.
- I, Earl Callanan, do leave my Brooklyn abilities to Leonard Cross.
- I, Robert Carroll, do leave Benhi without a bleached blond.
- I, Diane Carver, do leave my French accent to Jay "Outlaw" Harvey.
- I, Lorrair e Coutu, do leave the teachers without the problem of pronouncing my name.
- I, Clifford Crosier, do leave my masculine ability to any Junior wishing to be a Charles Atlas.
- I, Robert Cross, do leave to William Potter, my seat in Miss Bonham's English class.
- I, Robert Cullinan, do leave Sonny Young without a ride to school.
- I, Barbara Cummings, do leave my quiet ways to Timmie Thompson.
- I, Eadie Cushman, do leave to Frances Hier, my ability to get to school on time.
- I, Joseph Dailey, do leave my sleepy ways to any wakeful junior.
- I, Ronald Danforth, do leave my artistic ability to anyone who can't draw.
- I, Edward Daniels, do leave Mr. Mosman's class in peace.
- I, Beverly Davis, do leave my shy ways to my hot-tempered brother.
- I, Nola Davis, do leave my music Masters, Mr. Davis and Mr. Boodakian, minus one musing musician.
- I, Thomas Dermody, do leave my quiet ways with the women to Pete Murtha.
- I, Harriet Des Laurier, do leave for Burlington, to further my social education-(at St. Mikes!)
- I, Joan Durant, do leave my seat in Mrs. Russell's car, in the morning, to Ritchie Ralph.
- I, Bernard Dwyer, do leave my fancy ways with the teachers to Gordie Waite.
- I, David Forrest, do leave Mrs. Russell in peace.
- I, Diane Foucher, do leave the good times at Benhi to the underclassmen.
- I, Arthur Gage, do leave my athletic ability to Duncan Turner.
- I, Ann Goewey, do leave the band with one less drummer.
- I, Sarah Godfrey, do leave my tardy slips to Gertrude Landry.
- I, Helen Griffin, do leave Mr. Mosman without a giggling gal.
- I, Bernice Griswold, do leave my quiet study hall to my brother.
- I, Geralyn Gros, do leave my problems to Shirley Smith and Judy Kearns so that they may solve
- I, Fred Harrington, do leave Shorty and Red without an assistant janitor.
- I, George Harrington, do leave my talent in hunting and fishing to Bob Bernhardt.
- I, Kathy Hill, do leave my pleasant smile to my brother Aldis, in the hope that it will have the same effect.
- I, John Hogan, do leave my age and experience to "Ducky" Winslow.
- I, Shirley Howe, do leave my school bookkeeping job to anyone who wants it.

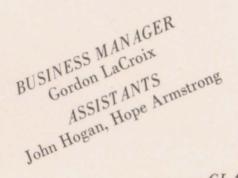
- I, Roberta Humphrey, do leave my quiet way in Mr. Farynairz's study hall, to Margaret Dermody.
- I, Janet Jepson, do leave, with the honor of being the only girl in Miss Bonham's second period English class.
- I, John B. Kennedy, do leave to Jimmy Carver, all my solos in band.
- I, Herbert Knapp, do leave my business mind to Joan Horst.
- I, Joyce Knights, do leave Mr. Page's third period study hall in peace.
- I, Gordon LaCroix, do leave my ability with the girls, to the Cross twins. (not that they need it!)
- I, Francis LaCross, do leave my cute French ways to some Irishman.
- I, Andre LaRoache, do leave my determination to graduate to any weakening junior.
- I, Nancy Lauzon, do leave my headaches as Catamount Business Manager to any strong-willed junior.
- I, "Toby" Leonard, do leave my record of never "speeding" (?) to some other careful driver.
- I, Jane LeTourneau, do leave Mr. Page with a peaceful homeroom.
- I, Joan MacNeil, do leave my ability to look perfectly serious (?) at the most hilarious moments to Suzzette Pollit.
- I, Ida Main, do leave my tin helmet to any daring girl who goes fishing with their boyfriend.
- I, Joan Malone, do leave to my cousin, Susan Mattison, my nervous system.
- I, Nancy Marcoux, do leave John Luther without a girlfriend (?).
- I, Gil Mattison, do leave Benhi in the hands of Bill Herrmann and Jim Bell.
- I, Nancy Maynard, do leave my title of "class talker" to any eligible junior.
- I, Pat Murphy, do leave my ability of going out with the fellows to my brother Leo.
- I, James Murtha, do leave Benhi to continue my gay, mad life.
- I, Gordon Oatman, do leave my advanced vocabulary to Mr. Faryniarz.
- I, Grace Olin, do leave my giggle to Mrs. McKenna.
- I, Raymond Paquin, do leave Benhi older and "wiser." (?)
- I, Helen Porter, do leave my merry ways to a sober Junior.
- I, Roger Rancourt, do leave my bench, No. 5 in Special Shop, to Malcolm Blodgett.
- I, Roger Raymond, do leave my position as manager of the football team, to Bobby Chase.
- I, Roberta Reed, do leave my parking place in front of school to Coach Sawyer.
- I, Joan Riley, do leave Sammy behind-with the Junior girls.
- I, Alice Roy, do leave my "Frenchie" ways and accent, to Dick Cross.
- We, Judy Rudd and Martha Ryan, do leave Miss Drew without any gabbers.
- I, Pat Sauer, do leave my ability to argue in history class, to anyone who wants to take my place.
- I, Pat Sausville, do leave my passion for blouses to Marjorie Frost.
- I, Philip Sleeman, do leave my driving habits to Bob Cross.
- I, Joe Squiers, do leave Iva without a Senior escort.
- I, Smith Stratton, do leave my hair to any brunette who wants to become a blond.
- I, Neil Tremblay, do leave my ability to get through high school without doing any homework to Johnny Butler.
- I, Virginia Van Orman, do leave my quiet ways and shyness to my sisters, June and Lucille.
- I, Biruta Vitenbergs, do leave my artistic ability to my sister, Andrea.
- I, Nancy Warner, do leave my bashful and quiet ways to Sue Webster.
- I, Albert Watson, do leave my gum papers to Mr. Faryniarz.
- I, Lawrence Watson, do leave Mr. Zync without an expert machinist.
- I, Mary Jane Weeks, do leave my talking ability to Ruth Smith.
- I, William Whitman, do leave my famous nickname, "Moose," to Bob Barnhardt, a lowly Junior.
- I, George Wolff, do leave Benhi, still living up to my last name.
- We, the class of '55, do leave our slow but sure ability in solving money problems to the lower classes.

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