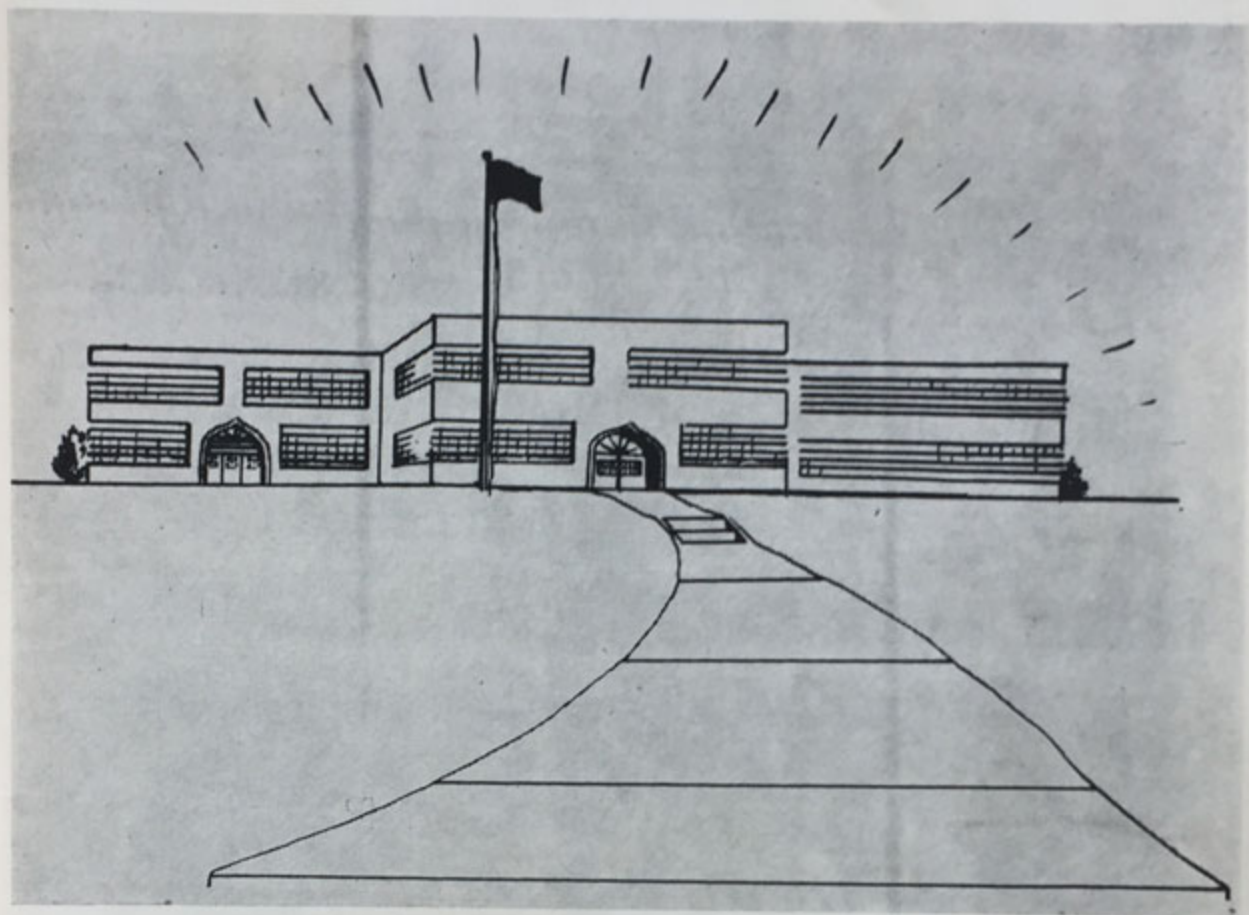




THE TORCH

1953



DEDICATION

This book is proudly dedicated by the Senior Class
of 1953 to the success of this new jointure. . . . May it
prosper and grow in the years to come.

A Salute

We salute our classmates in the service of our country who, realizing that the condition under which God hath given liberty to mankind is eternal vigilance, are dedicating a portion of their lives that we may retain for ourselves and future generations the rights expressed in our Pledge of Freedom.

I am an American—a free American.

Free to speak—without fear,

Free to worship God in my own way,

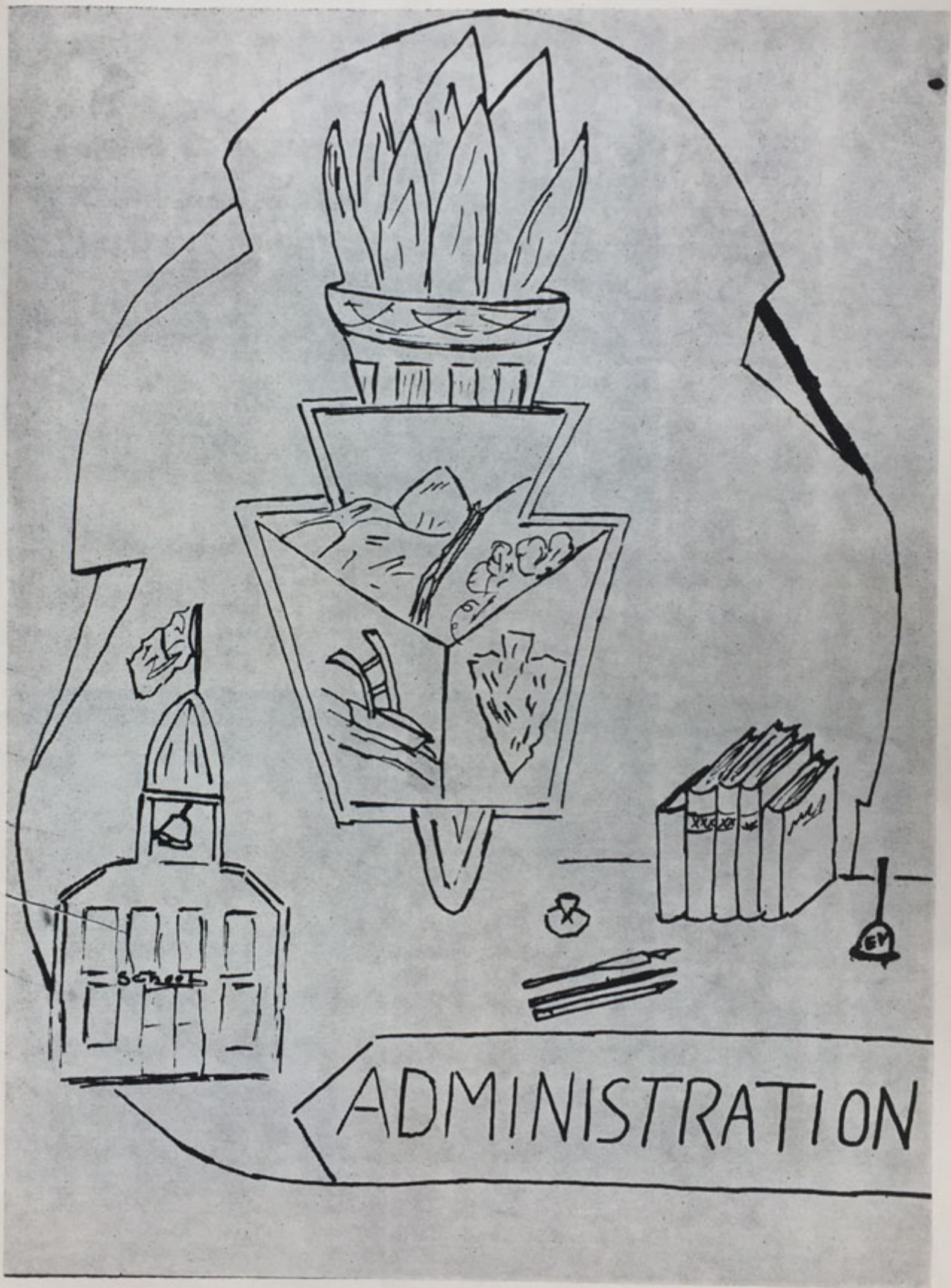
Free to stand for what I think right,

Free to oppose what I believe wrong,

Free to choose those who govern my country.

This heritage of Freedom I pledge to uphold

For myself and all mankind.



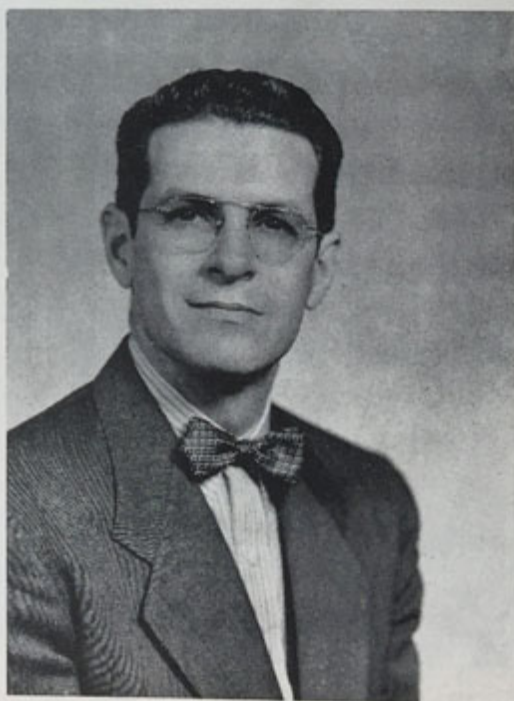
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High School Principal



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Elementary Principal

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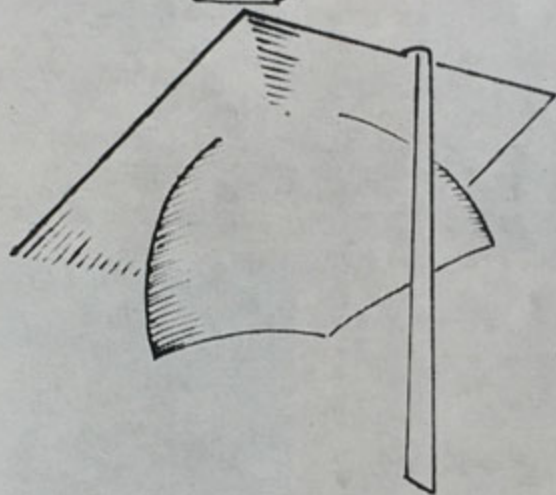
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BETTY JANE AUSTIN—Hallstead

"Boots"

F. H. A. 2, 3
Cheerleader 2, 3, 4
Class Play 4

"Let's Not Get Sickening"



STEPHEN ROY BAKER—Hallstead

"Speedy"

Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4
Photography Manager
Athletic Club 1, 2
Orchestra 1, 2, 3, 4
Photography 3, 4
County Band 1, 3
Baseball 4
Track 2, 3, 4
Band 1, 2, 3, 4

"I Ain't Got None"

MARJORIE ELSIE ARNOLD—Hallstead

"Marge"

Class Play 3, 4
F. H. A. 1, 2
Class Will Editor

"Oh My Gosh"



CAROLYN BAILEY—New Milford

"C. B."

Tri-Hi-Y 2
Science Club 3, 4
Track 1
Junior Play
Senior Play

"For Crying Out Loud"





RAY BARNARD—New Milford

"Barney"
Basketball 1, 2
Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4
Track 2, 3, 4
Hi-Y 2
Senior Play
Volleyball 1, 2, 3, 4
Chorus 2
Athletic Assoc. 3, 4
Class Treasurer 1
"I Dunno"

JANICE BENEDICT—New Milford

"Jane"

Chorus 1

"Oh! Come On!"



MARILYN BENNING—New Milford

Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3
Girls' Chorus 4
Ensemble 4
Sextet 2, 3
Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4
Volleyball 1, 2, 3, 4
Science Club 3, 4
Athletic Assoc. 3, 4
"That's Pretty Good!"



STANLEY CASWELL—Great Bend

"Stan"

Basketball 3
Baseball 4
Volleyball 2
Track 1
Drama 2
Chorus 3

"Hi Kid"





SHIRLEY CONKLIN—New Milford

"Shirl"

Senior Play 4
F. H. A. Vice-President 4
Tri-Hi-Y 1, 2, 3, 4
Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3
Girls' Chorus 4

"Pardon Me For Laughing, But Ha! Ha!"

JOYCE COLWELL—Great Bend

"Jo Jo"

Vice President 1
Chorus 4
Drama 1
Track 4
F. H. A. 3
Volleyball 1

"For The Love Of Mike"



ETHEL MAE DECKER—Hallstead

"Ethel"

Band 1, 2, 3, 4
Ensemble 4
Senior Write-Ups Editor
County Band 2

"How Come?"



MARY ELLEN DECKER—Hallstead

"Melly"

Basketball 1, 2
F. H. A. 1, 2, 3, 4
Class Secretary

"All Righty"





LYLE EATON—Great Bend

"Red"

Baseball 4
Basketball 3
Volleyball 2
Track 1
Drama 1
Chorus 4

"Lost My Head"



GEORGE MICHEAL FITZGERALD—Hallstead

"Satch"

Basketball 2
Rifle Club 1
Class Play 3

"Judas Priest"

MORTON DIBBLE—Great Bend

"Mousie"

Treasurer 1
Baseball 1
Basketball 3
Volleyball 1
Chorus 4
Track 1
Drama 2

"Oh My Goodness!"



ELWIN EVERETT FISKE—Hallstead

"Senator"

Rifle Club 1, 2, 3, 4,
Orchestra 1, 2, 3, 4
Band 1, 2, 3, 4
County Orchestra 1
County Chorus 1, 2, 3
Art Editor

"It Seems To Me"





JANET GALLOWAY—Great Bend
"Jan"

Basketball 3
Chorus 4
County Chorus 1
F. H. A. 3
Volleyball 1
Track 1

"Jiminy Cricket"

DOLORES ANN FLORANCE—Hallstead
"Sissy"

Class Play 4
Basketball 2, 3

"Ain't That A Condition"



SALLY GATHANY—Great Bend

"Bozo"

Basketball 2
Chorus 4
F. H. A. 3

"What-cha-ma-call-it."



RONALD GAY—New Milford

"Ronnie"

F. F. A. 4
Senior Play

"Hey Screwball"





CATHERINE GILROY—Great Bend

"Katie"

Basketball 3
Chorus 4
County Chorus 2
Drama 2
F. H. A. 3
Volleyball 2
Track 1
Vice-President 1-10

"Where'd You Ever Learn That?"



DONNA RUTH GLOVER—Hallstead

"Donna"

F. H. A. 1, 2, 3, 4
Class Play 4

"You Bore Me"



MARJORIE HALL—New Milford

"Margie"

Mixed Chorus 1

"Oh, For Pete's Sake!"



RAYE GRIFFIN—New Milford

"Grif"

F. F. A. 1, 2, 3, 4
F. F. A. President 4

"What's The Matter?"



PHIL HAND—New Milford
"Patrick"

Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4
Volleyball 1, 2, 3, 4
Junior and Senior Play
Chorus 3
Athletic Assoc. 2, 3, 4
Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4
Track 1, 2, 3, 4
Hi-Y 2
Science Club 3
Class President 4

"He Don't Know From Nuttin"



LOIS MAY HINCHMAN—Hallstead
"Lo"

Chorus 1, 2, 3
F. H. A. 3, 4
Basketball 1

"My Foot"



RAYMOND EDWARD HOLTZMAN—Hallstead
"Ray"

Class President
Orchestra 1, 2, 3
Rifle Club 1, 2, 3
Class Historian
Photography Club 4

"I Don't Advise That"



DIANE HORTON—New Milford
"Di"

Band 1, 2, 3
Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3
Girls' Chorus 4
Junior Play
Senior Play
Cheerleader 2, 3, 4
Science Club 3
Athletic Assoc. 3, 4
Vice-President 3
Secretary 4
Ensemble 4

"Why Not?"



HOWARD LAWRENCE LEWIS—Hallstead
"Louie"

Band 1, 2, 3, 4
Calendar Editor
Orchestra 1, 2, 3, 4
Class Play 3, 4
Press Club 2
Track 1, 2, 3

"What's Up, Chick"

BERNARD JAMES KOVITCH—Hallstead
"Bernie"

Orchestra 1
Athletic Club 1, 2, 3, 4
Class Play 3

"Oh Brother"



KATHRYN LOCKWOOD—Great Bend
"Kit"

Vice-President 1
Secretary 1
F. H. A. 3
Chorus 4
County Chorus 2
Drama 1

"Oh Really"



CLAIR EUGENE MACRAE—Hallstead
"Mac"

Baseball 2, 3
Basketball 2, 3
Athletic Club 1, 2, 3, 4

"That's A Heck of A Note"





SUZANNE THERESA MAXIAN—Hallstead
"Susie"

Basketball 1, 2
Class Play 4
Photography Club 1
F. H. A. 2
Press Club 3

"I Beg Your Pardon"

MARY LOU MASON—Great Bend
"Mary"
F. H. A. 2
Chorus 3
County Chorus 1
"Big Thrill"



ADDISON McHUGH—Great Bend
"Mac"

Chorus 4
Baseball 3
Volleyball 2
Basketball 2
Track 2
Drama 1

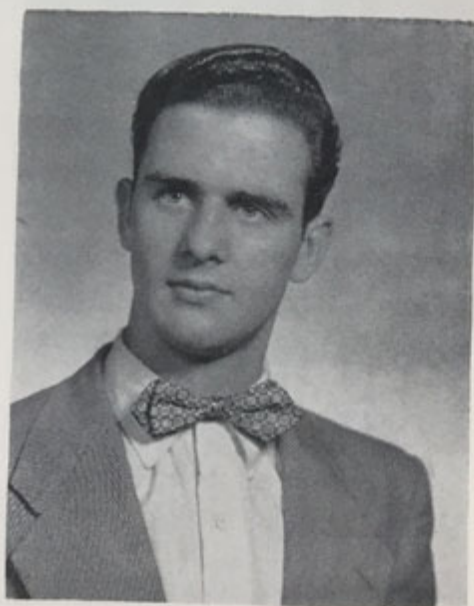
"Let's Not Get Huffy, Kiddo!"



WILLIAM MEANOR—New Milford
"Bill"

Junior and Senior Play
F. F. A. 1, 2, 3, 4
F. F. A. Treasurer 4
Volleyball 3, 4
Hi-Y 2
Track 3
Chorus 1

"I Think You're Touched In The Head"





FREDERICK MORRISON—New Milford

"Moldie"

Chorus 1, 2, 3
Hi-Y 2
Ensemble 4
Science Club 3

"Ya Got It?"

CLIFFORD LEROY MILLER—Hallstead
"Cliff"

Basketball 2, 3, 4
Track 1, 3, 4
Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4
Athletic Club 1, 2
Photography Club 3, 4
Class Play 3, 4

"Don't Stop What I Love"



JOYCE PAGE—New Milford

"Pagie"

Tri-Hi-Y 1, 2, 3
President 3
Secretary 2
Science Club 3, 4
Track 2
Senior Play 4
Mixed Chorus 1

"Oh! Don't Do Anything I Wouldn't Do!"



MARYLIN PHELPS—Great Bend

"Beanie"

Chorus 4
County Chorus 2
Basketball 3
Drama 2
F. H. A. 3

"Oh John"



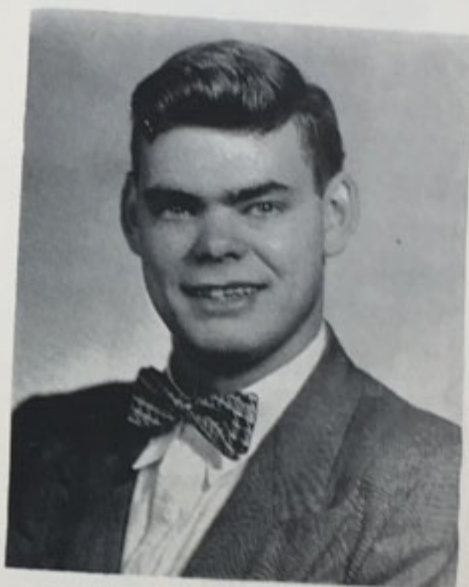


JEAN PLONSKI—Great Bend

"Jeannie"

Basketball 2
Drama 1
F. H. A. 3
Chorus 4
Volleyball 2
Secretary 1
Treasurer 1

"O Darn It."



JAMES POTTER—New Milford

"Jimmy"

F. F. A. 1, 2, 3
Hi-Y 2

"Gosh Sakes"



JOAN RALSTON—Great Bend

"Jo"

Basketball 3
F. H. A. 3
Chorus 4
County Chorus 2
Track 1
Drama 2
Cheerleading 2
F. H. A. Sec. and Treas. 1
Secretary 1

"Ya Never Want Me To Have Any Fun."



ROWENA RALSTON—New Milford

"Blondie"

Girls' Chorus 4
Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3
Track 1, 2, 3, 4

"Don't Be Facetious!"



DAVID ROBERTS—New Milford

"Skinny"

Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4
Volleyball 1, 2, 3, 4
Junior Play
Senior Play
Class President 1, 3
Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4
Track 1, 2, 3, 4
Athletic Assoc. 2, 3, 4
Treasurer 3
Hi-Y 2

"Now Look At That"



BETTY ELAINE ROBINSON—Hallstead

"Betty"

Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4
Track 1, 2
Press Club 2

"Yeah"



JEAN ADELAIDE ROOSA—Hallstead

"Jean"

Photography Club 1, 2
F.H.A. 3, 4
Track 3

"Nuts"



PATRICIA ANN SKIBA—Hallstead
"Pat"

Photography Club 1
Basketball 2, 3, 4
Press Club 2
Class Play 4
Track 1, 2

"Ain't It Awful"



ALICE JEAN STEVENS—New Milford
"A. J."

Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3
Band 1, 2, 3
Festival 2, 3
Tri-Hi-Y 1, 2, 3
Basketball 1, 3
Volleyball 1, 2, 3, 4
Ensemble 4
Athletic Assoc. 3, 4
Senior Play 4
F. H. A.
Vice-President 1
Regional Sec. 2
President 3
Regional Pres. 4
Secretary 4
State 3rd Vice-Pres. 4
Girls' Chorus 4

"There Must Be Another."

JOAN MARY ROOSA—Hallstead

"Joan"

Photography Club 1, 2
F. H. A. 3, 4

"Nuts, Too"



LOIS SMALLACOMBE—Great Bend

"Shorty"

President 1
F. H. A. 3
F. H. A. Pres. 1
Chorus 4
County Chorus 2
Drama 1
Track 2
Cheerleading 2

"You Don't Know Do You."





ROBERT STEVENS—New Milford

"Rupert"

- Chorus 1, 2
- County Festival 1, 2, 3, 4
- State Chorus 3, 4
- Ensemble 2, 4
- District Chorus 3, 4
- Junior and Senior Play

"Ye Gods"



ANNE STOCKHOLM—New Milford

"Stocky"

- Tri-Hi-Y 1, 2, 3
- Treasurer 2
- Volleyball 2, 3, 4
- Athletic Assoc. 3, 4
- Class Secretary 3
- Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4

"Might's Well—It's Too Wet To Plow."



EDWARD MICHAEL TIERNEY—Hallstead

"Eddie"

- Rifle Club 1, 2
- Photography Club 3, 4
- Class Play 3

"How Could You Tell"



MARJORIE TINGLEY—New Milford

"Margie"

"Let's Skip"



WILLARD TINGLEY—New Milford

"Timothy"

F. F. A. 1, 2, 3, 4
Vice-President 3
Delegate 1, 2, 4
County Sentinel 2
Chorus 3

"Nothin"



BARBARA LEORA TOMPKINS—Hallstead

"Barb"

Press Club 1, 2, 3
Ensemble 1, 2
Literary Editor
Class Play 3, 4

"Natch"



EMMA TOMPKINS—New Milford

"Emmy"

Secretary 2

"It Doesn't Matter, does it?"



NANCY TOWNER—New Milford

"Nan"

Band 1, 2, 3
Ensemble 4
Junior Play
Basketball 1
Girls' Chorus 4
Senior Play
Volleyball 1

"Oh! Go On!"



WILLIAM TYLER—New Milford

"Bill"

- Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4
- Volleyball 1, 2, 3, 4
- Track 1, 2, 3, 4
- F. F. A. 1, 2, 3, 4
- County Treasurer 3

"I'm Trying To."



KATHLEEN VAN ANTWERP—New Milford

"Kathy"

- Chorus 2
- Track 2, 3
- Junior Play
- Senior Play

"I Don't Want To!"



ELLA IRENE VAN AUKEN—Hallstead

"Van"

- Basketball 3
- Class Play 3
- F.H.A. 1, 2, 3, 4
- Ensemble 3, 4

"Down Girl, Down."

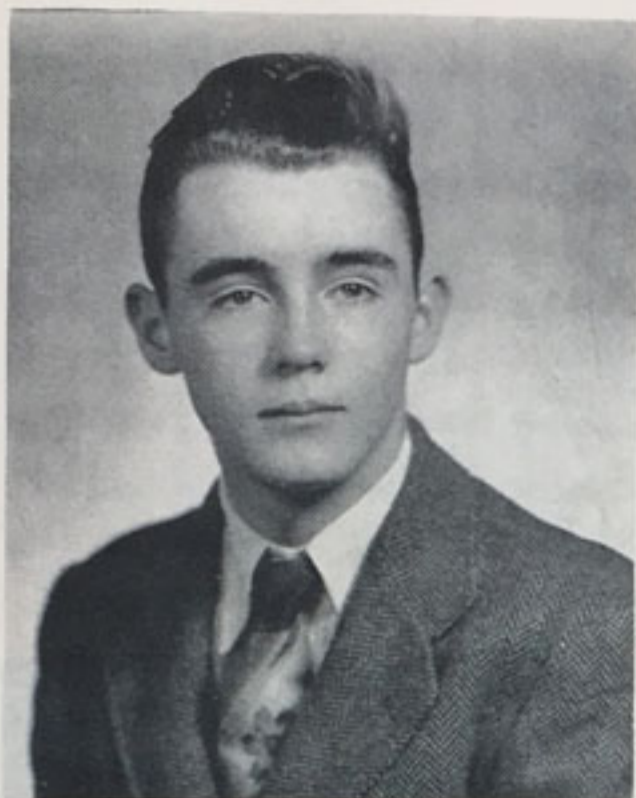


RUTH WAGNER—New Milford

"Ruffie"

- Mixed Chorus 2, 3
- Girls' Chorus 4
- Band 2, 3
- Ensemble 3, 4
- Senior Play
- Class Treasurer 3, 4
- Tri-Hi-Y 1, 2
- Science Club 3, 4

"Engulfed"



EMERSON WHITEHEAD—New Milford

"Whitie"

F. F. A. 1, 2, 3, 4
Class Secretary 1

"Slow But Sure"

GEORGE WALWORTH—New Milford

"Worthless"

F. F. A. 1, 2, 3, 4
Reporter 3
Delegate 2, 3
Class President 2

"Hey Marge"



PHYLLIS ANNE WILBUR—Hallstead

"Phyll"

Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4
Business Manager
Class Treasurer
Class Play 3, 4

"Holy Cow"

GERTRUDE WHITNEY—New Milford

"Trudie"

Band 1, 2, 3
Ensemble 4
Girls' Chorus 4
Junior Play
Senior Play
Volleyball 1, 2, 3
Basketball 1, 2, 3
Track 1, 2
Athletic Assoc. 3, 4
Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3,

"One Never Knows, Does One?"





JANET FRANCES WINFIELD—Hallstead

"Jan"

Ensemble 3
Basketball 2, 3, 4
Press Club 2, 3
Photography Club 1

"That Could Prove To Be Interesting"

CLARA JANE WINNIE—Hallstead

"Jane"

Class Prophet
Class Play 3
Press Club 3
Press Club 1, 2, 3

"The Urge To Kill"



ROGER ZURN—Great Bend

"Rog"

President 1
Baseball 4
Basketball 4
Chorus 4
County Chorus 4
Drama 2
Volleyball 3
Track 4

"How About That"



SENIOR WRITE-UPS

K. Lockwood, E. Decker, B. Kovitch, J. Roosa, E. Tierney, A. Stockholm, M. Tingley, E. Tompkins, W. Tyler, G. Walworth.

Class History

GREAT BEND

"How swiftly time passes," is a time worn expression, but how true it is for most of us. Our years in elementary school flashed away, and then we entered seventh grade, where we suddenly realized we were "growing up." We were thrilled at the prospect of passing from room to room with "the big kids," and we felt quite important. This year we sold magazines and won the annual contest. Our reward was a picnic at Mrs. Austin's farm. That year and the next were years of anticipation and of acclimation, then, the last year of Junior High faced us.

Returning to school in September of 1949, we were all very proud and excited for we had a beautiful new gymnasium-auditorium. During this year, we got a glimpse of the work which was ahead of us, for we started the subjects of literature, civics, and algebra. Some of the group decided during this term to leave school. During this year we mourned the loss of our beloved classmate, Tony Wolfe, whose loyalty and devotion to us and to our school shall never, for one moment, be forgotten.

In our Sophomore year, we had the exciting adventure of going to New York City in a high school group. This was one experience we shall always remember. Our class officers were chosen this year and were as follows: President, Roger Zurn; Vice-President, Kate Gilroy; Secretary, Joan Ralston; Treasurer, Shirley VanVleck. Mr. Glasser became our class advisor. Our class sponsored a dance, fudge sales, and collected papers. These activities seemed to take up more of our time than we realized. The year sped by quickly with baseball and basketball as added attractions. Toward the end of the term, Mr. Glasser gave us a class picnic, which was held at Page's Pond. After this, we found our Sophomore year a thing of the past and our Junior year just ahead.

From the very beginning of our Junior year in high school we were thrilled with the fact that we were to have most of our classes with the Seniors. Suddenly we found we were without a sponsor because Mr. Glasser had left our school. We asked Mr. Franks, our new teacher, if he would be kind enough to sponsor our class. He accepted us as his responsibility. Our first new and exciting adventure of our Junior year was the choosing of our class rings. This took quite some time because of the many designs which we had to choose from. We finally chose a blue stone set in gold. In the Fall of the year as baseball opened, all the boys in our class went out for the team. When basketball season arrived, Addison McHugh was chosen as manager and the other four boys of our class were on the team. Six of our eleven girls were on the girls' team. With our school activities and our studies, our year passed rather quickly. Before we knew it, it was April and we were busy with rehearsals and preparations for the Junior-Senior play, "The Wacky Widow." Then in May we were kept rather busy with practices for our "Music in May" program and our preparations for the Junior-Senior banquet. Toward the end of May, we were given the honor of helping the seniors make their graduation exercises a success. This brought our Junior year to a close and on the last day of school, we were very pleased to find that we were no longer Juniors but at last Seniors.

When we started our Senior year, we found we were to be part of the first graduating class from Blue Ridge Joint Schools. In the beginning of the term we elected our new class officers. They were as follows: President, Lois Smallacombe; Vice-President, Kate Lockwood; Secretary, Jean Plonski; Treasurer, Morton Dibble. Our first activity of the year was the election supper. Following the supper we had the Senior Play, "Murdered Alive." Both activities were successful. During December we took part in the Christmas pageant. Two of our classmates, Kate Lockwood and Morton Dibble had the honor of playing the parts of Mary and Joseph. After the Christmas Holidays we were really kept busy with our studies, the last half of basketball season; the rush to finish our book reports and, of course, preparation for "Our graduation." Nearing this important day in our lives, our time is filled with preparing for class night, baccalaureate, and commencement. As we approach these final days of our school life, in our hearts we realize the years spent at Great Bend School were worth while and wonderful. The Memories of our days in school will always be dear to both our hearts and our minds.

—Joan Ralston

HALLSTEAD

Once upon a time, as the story goes, there came into the Hallowed Halls of Hallstead High, a group of students, eager to advance and see what could be learned. Everyone was happy to be back in school after the hot, lazy summer. We felt quite important, as we realized that grade school was behind us, and at last we could boast that we were in high school.

In the first year, we tried our abilities on Algebra, Civics, Home Economics, English, Literature, History, General Science, Music and Health, under the leadership of Mrs. Meagley, Miss Kinner, Miss Kelly, Mr. Kocher, Mr. Kelleher, Mr. Burd, Mr. Williams, and our home-room teacher, Miss Lehet. Between our studies, and other activities such as basketball, baseball, and track, we managed to have some dances and good times. We had a heavy schedule, but seeing what we could gain, we marched on. We left school that year as victors of a hard won battle.

Returning from our leisurely summer months, we were sorry to find we had lost some members for various reasons: Doris Ralston, Varley Birch, Edith Oakley, and Kenneth Post. There were no changes in the faculty, except our Miss Lehet was now Mrs. Mills. We buckled down, and tackled the new, trying to please our parents with good report cards, and to please ourselves by our advancements. As a group, we progressed fairly well, and had a few good times outside of school. School went on as usual, and once again June and vacation came.

It seemed like a very short time and we were back in school as Juniors. Raymond Clapper left us for the Air Force. During the year, Ethel Decker, from Montrose joined our class. Mrs. Mills did not return, and Mr. Bonin filled the vacancy in the commercial department. We had a busy year. To make money for our treasury, we sold writing paper, had dances, and in April we put on a play, "All Kinds of People." Our studies were more advanced, and took a great deal more work. But, of course, we knew it must all be accomplished, so we "settled down." June came once more.

When we returned for the last time to our old H.H.S., we found that it was no longer H.H.S., but Blue Ridge High School, as we were now one high school with Great Bend and New Milford. Mr. Bonin left for military service, and a new commercial teacher, Mr. McAndrew joined us. Our activities consisted of bake sales, clam chowder sales, and dances. On December 10, we put on a play, "Seventeen is Terrific." We selected our class rings, and had graduation pictures taken. A trip to Washington has been planned to take place in June. So, as the year draws to a close, we of the Senior Class bid a fond farewell to our school, and best wishes for the success of the Blue Ridge High School.

—Raymond Holtzman
Betty Robinson
George Fitzgerald
Donna Glover

NEW MILFORD

August 1947

The "Good Ship 1953" was launched on the seas of education. The following twenty-one scared, but excited, seventh-grade seaman took over the ship: Ray Barnard, Shirley Conklin, Raye Griffin, Margie Hall, Phil Hand, Diane Horton, Fred Morrison, Joyce Page, Jim Potter, Rowena Ralston, Dave Roberts, Alice Jean Stevens, Robert Stevens, Anne Stockholm, Marge Tingley, Willard Tingley, Emma Tompkins, Nancy Towner, Ruthie Wagner, George Walworth, Gertrude Whitney. The Ship was placed under the command of Admiral Michael Martin, and the trip over the wide seas of knowledge began.

August 1948

Now under the command of Captain Bob Llewellyn, the "Good Ship 1953" took on two new crew members, Marilyn Benning and Bill Tyler, and the eighth-grade cruise went full speed ahead. We sold magazine subscriptions for big profit. We took a big interest in our State Interior Department. We put on an original play entitled "The Case of the Midnight Strangler." (Although we made it up as we went along, our parents said it was good, and we thought it was tops.) On the last day of school we took a trip to Rocky Glen.

August 1949

Commander Bill Markley now took over our little craft and we sailed merrily on our way with four new seaworthy Jacksonites: Carolyn Bailey, Janice Benedict, Kathleen Van Antwerp, and Emerson Whitehead. Our first party was one of farewell for Nancy Towner. (Although she finally decided she liked New Milford better than Towanda.) Our class officers were: President, Dave Roberts; Vice-president, George Walworth; Secretary, Emma Tompkins; and Treasurer, Ray Barnard. Under the direction of Yeoman Omar Seals, our Civics Class painted the town pagoda, put up waste cans all around the town, and put up the community Christmas tree. This was also the year of our bond issue drive, and we marched proudly in the victory parade to get additions to our school. We celebrated the close of this term with another trip to Rocky Glen.

August 1950

This year our steamship was under the Admiralty of Mrs. Lois Kingsley. Under her excellent guidance we learned a lot about a library. (Ask Fred Morrison how much we learned about Julius Caesar.) We were honored to learn that it was our class that had charge of the school Christmas trees. Our class officers for this year were: President, George Walworth; Vice-president, Bill Tyler; Secretary, Emma Tompkins; and Treasurer, Dick Kerr. Our favorite literary selection was the "Ancient Mariner" which the Admiral read to us in the tones of an old salt.

August 1951

This year under Captain Jim Abbott, they put us in the "lab," hoping we wouldn't blow ourselves off the high seas. Our only addition this year was Ken Post, who reminded us of a lofty mast. Our first sales experiences were with selling stationery and Brant's milk. Our class officers were: President, Dave Roberts; Vice-president, Diane Horton; Secretary, Anne Stockholm; Treasurer, Ruthie Wagner. When our class rings came, we knew they were the best yet. Our first big money-making deal was our trip to Old Erin's Isle for the St. Patrick's Day dance with Buddy Howe's Orchestra. Next came our Junior Play, "Charlie's Aunt" under the direction of Seaman Jack Phethean. Not three weeks later came the activity for which we had been waiting all year—our Junior Prom, "King Neptune's." All along, our class had been the one to change things, and in keeping with tradition, instead of picking the prom queen by judging at the dance, it was done before by popular vote of the Senior high school. As a result, Janice Benedict reigned over "King Neptune's Court," with Diane Horton and Nancy Towner as class attendants. In the meantime, Captain James Abbott had gone into Boy-Scout work and we welcomed his wife, Mary Helen Abbott aboard as co-captain. After such a strenuous term, we were only too glad to bid each other bon voyage, and go our separate ways.

September 1952

Now, under Commander-in-Chief, Frank Zielenski, the "Good Ship 1953" is nearing her destination. Already we have had our "Harvest Ball", with Jimmy Welch's Orchestra. In keeping with our story, our Senior play, under the direction of Admiral Lois Kingsley, was one of the sea. "Our Hearts Were Young and Gay," brought us really close together and showed how we could work mutually. We collected ads and had our pictures taken for the yearbook. Our Valentine's Day dance came up in February. After Class Night, Baccalaureate, and Graduation we will spend our last days together in our nation's capital. The journey is almost over and now that it is really time to dock, we look back longingly and hope never to forget . . .

—Ruth Wagner
Rowena Ralston
Ray Barnard
Willard Tingley

Senior's Life

GREAT BEND

Freshman

It is a verdant Freshman,
And he halteth one of three;
"By thy trembling knees and thy chattering teeth,
O Wherefore stoppest thou me?"
"My class-room door is closing now,
And I'm a Senior wise;
My class is met; my task is set;
They await my prompt replies!"
He holds him with a trembling hand;
"I have a task" begs he;
"I really cannot understand
What X plus Y may be!"
"Hands off. Unhand me, verdant one,"
Came in a mad regret;
"My High School course is almost run,
I haven't found out yet!"
The Freshman turned him in despair,
In other eyes to gaze;
"Where is the answer? Where O Where?"
Filled all our Freshman days.

Sophomore

Seated one day in my class-room
I was then at my Sophomore ease;
My eyes were wandering idly
Over pages of high degrees!
I knew not what I was seeking,
Nor what I was studying there,
But my eyes fell upon one quotation
That plunged me in depths of despair.
"You are only a tiny atom,
One wee drop in the ocean of life!"
It was this that crushed all of my spirit,
And filled me with darkness and strife.
It may be next year we'll be able
To rid us of that dark belief;
It may be that only in a Senior
Can our vanity find relief!

Junior

Between the Sophomore and Senior,
In the prime of our school career,
Comes the time in the life of a student
That is known as his Junior year.
You can hear in the classrooms around you
The tramping of many feet;
And the chatter, when doors are thrown open,
Of voices determined and sweet.
You can see, anytime when it's daylight,
Descending the broad hall stair,
Forms tall and forms short, stout or slender,
Some with dark, some with golden hair!
A sudden rush from the classrooms;
A quick step march through the hall;
Through every door in the building
They come at the class-bell's call!
They almost devour every lesson;
Their brains to such altitudes climb,

That we think of old Socrates, Plato,
And the wise men of every time!
Do you think, O you grave reverend Seniors,
Because you have grown so tall,
Such a wonderful class as the Juniors
Is not more than a match for you all?
We have all the wisdom of ages,
And we never will leave it behind,
But will lock it away forever,
In the store house of our minds.

Senior

It was not many years ago,
In a school not so far away,
That some Seniors worked, as they must, you know
In the most engaging way;
And these Seniors lived with no other thought
But to pass on Commencement Day!
They were so great and they were so straight,
In that high school o'er the way;
And they worked with a zeal that only Seniors feel,
Did these Seniors, every day;
With a zeal that all the students in school
Were envying them, they say.
The students, not half so wise, of course,
Were envying them, everyone;
And that is the reason (there may be worse,
But this was the way it begun!)
That the powers that be moved with mighty force
That their high school work was done.
But their wisdom is greater by far than is theirs
Who are so much older than they,
And so claim to be wiser than they!
And neither the wise men toward whom they have turned,
Nor the wise men they meet each day,
Can teach them a thing they've not already learned
In that high school o'er the way;
When the school's last lesson is mastered,
And the classes are tested and tried;
When the brightest student has arrived,
And the dullest has stepped aside;
We shall rest and, faith, we need it!
We shall rest for a moment or two,
Until the wonderful school of experience
Shall set us to work anew!
Then those who have gone will be happy;
They will pass through life's higher grade;
They will face the world's difficult problems
With countenance unafraid;
They will pass through each test as they meet it
At the sounding of duty's stern call;
They will work every day (when they have to)
And never be tired at all!
And only the big world shall praise us,
And only the big world shall blame,
Though we work for the joy of winning,
And climb up the pathway of fame;
For each in his separate calling
His separate thought must express,
As he follows the gleam as he sees it
To the goal that to him means success.

Marylin Phelps

The Ladder

HALLSTEAD

When we began our Freshman year,
As we look back (with memories dear,)
We thought that we were pretty smart,
And up the ladder we did start.
It may not seem like much to you,
But now, at last we could do
The things that only High School did,
And not be just a "little kid."
Perhaps our heads were in the air,
And maybe there was knowledge there.
But we found it was not so,
There was a lot we did not know.
And so we came back down to earth,
And set our minds to greater worth.
A long, long ladder yet to go,
A lot to learn we didn't know.
And so the first step was won,
And thus, our Freshman year was done.
Back once more with vigor new,
For we knew what we had to do,
And work we must, if we could take
Another step, a gain to make.
But all we learned, not from a book,
Or memory work, or pains we took,
We learned the lesson each must face,
To find the world is but a place,
And we are only little dots,
Upon its surface, tiny spots,
And on our own feet we must stand,
And dedicate ourselves to man
To make the world a better place
For generations soon, to face.
Slowly climbing to the top,
Don't look back, we must not stop,
For only future is ahead,
A future that we must not dread.
Life is not all pain and tears,
Or work or hardships, strife and fears,
There is much joy and gladness yet,
And happiness you won't forget
Like high-school years that fly right by,
And what you've learned, the "where's and why,"
The friend that you'll never forget,
The memories, you have them yet.
So, now at last, here we stand,
Upon the rung of future grand.
A different life we soon will face,
An adult in the human race.
The ladder still is very long,
To stop, indeed, would be a wrong,
For every step that we now take,
Will be a gain for future's sake.
Ambition can do many things,
Make us beggars, make us kings.
Let us never, never stop
Climbing forward to the top.
The last rung seems a distance still,
Can we make it? Yes, we will!

Janet Winfield

Class Poem of '53

NEW MILFORD

I'm writing in verse, quite well rehearsed
Well memorized by me.
I'm telling the story of the Senior Class
For all the world to see.
For it's a worthy class, and exceptional class,
Deserving of highest praise,
Made that way by our teachers
In present and bygone days.
We have worked and toiled, our assignments to learn,
And learn them we did quite well.
We've learned what's right,
And the right we'll take
While the wrong we'll all repel.
We can walk with shoulders straight and high;
We can stand with any good man;
We can say as we look you right in the eye,
If no one can do it, we can.
Now I'll tell you a trifle about each of us
Going from A to Z.
The merits and credits of the Senior Class
Each pleasing personality.
I'll start in the B's as they're the first
Carolyn Bailey's at the top of the list
A bundle of contagious smiling mirth
Is this blonde haired, brown eyed miss.
Ray Barnard's name then follows her
He could make the devil laugh
Third basemen just aren't made as good
As this handsome looking lad.
Janice Benedict next appears
On this scroll of famous names
The Queen of our Prom, her beauty endears
Her a picture too pretty to frame.
Marilyn Benning, it seems, has been endowed
With energy unsurpassed
A worker, a scholar, well worth praising aloud
As a friend right up to the last.
As I travel along Shirley Conklin is there
With a smile all over her face
Ordinarily a very serious girl
She has a popular womanly grace.
Ronnie Gay we find is a good looking guy
He climbed in with us this year
Fun and excitement have hit a new high
Since Mr. Gay's been here.
Raye Griffin now steps into the light
A boy who can work with his hands
If it's carpenter's work you want done up right
Just put Griff in command.
Marjorie Hall, I believe, deserves a salute
She has proven that a girl can be
Hard working, self conscious and yet to boot
Have a wonderful personality.
Next is a girl who can't be described
By the poor fool who's writing these lines
Diane Horton's the BEST—that's all I can write
She's all of the good things combined.

Bill Meanor can take a well-deserved bow
 He's above all a true loyal friend
 If you're ever in trouble and need helping out
 Here's a fellow on whom to depend.
 Front and center now steps mighty Fred
 Mr. Morrison's the man I mean
 His "Happy-Go-Lucky" way of life
 Is what this country needs.
 A pretty girl now takes the throne
 Cheerful, working all the time
 Joyce Page through our whole school is known
 For being thoughtful, good, and kind.
 Next is a guy you cannot miss
 He's six foot five or more
 Ken Post has given our class a lift
 In his hopped-up forty-six Ford.
 Jim Potter's a boy who really knows
 Just what watt is what
 Whenever one of our fuses blows
 A real electrician we have got.
 Now we have Rowena
 Miss Ralston is her name
 Without her witty chatter
 We wouldn't be the same.
 Dave Roberts has been our leader
 He helped form our success
 He stars with sports and women
 At both "Robbie" is the best.
 Now up steps A. J. Stevens
 Alice Jean's her title full
 Her mischievous thoughts start working
 Whenever things get dull.
 Well! Here's another Stevens
 But one not half as cute
 Robert's our Caruso
 There are none can sing like "Rupe."
 Next is our stenographer
 Whom no one can excel
 Anne Stockholm, we want to thank you
 For the work you've done so well.
 A tribute to the beauty
 Of this year's senior class
 Marge Tingley's got the figure
 And a pretty face to match.
 Willard Tingley is the kind of guy
 You can tell your troubles to
 He's got that certain something
 That makes his friendship true.
 Emma Tompkins has the darndest smile
 And a twinkle in her eye
 Whenever there is mischief
 Emma's always standing by.
 Now then, here's another girl
 I'm sure you'd like to meet
 Pretty, poised and punctual
 Nancy Towner's hard to beat.
 Introducing William Tyler
 The guy in girls' dreams
 As our high school Casanova
 Tyler reigns supreme.

Kathleen VanAntwerp
Her merits match her name
Pretty as a picture
And-Wow! What a frame!
Now meet Ruthie Wagner
She has brains to spare
She's smart, she's cute, she's cheery
With a distinct Victorian air.
George Walworth is a classmate
Whose independence shows
That he will never need to worry
No matter where he goes.
Next is Mr. Whitehead
A darned good-natured guy
Without Emerson here to help us
We'd have a hard time getting by.
Up steps Gertrude Whitney
"Trudie" to closest friends
A hard-working, modest girl
On her we all depend.
Next is—well I'll be darned!
I've run right out of names
So now you have a picture
Of our high school's gift to fame.
Just a word about our teachers
'Fore I lay aside my pen
It's hard to tell for certain
When we'll be back again.
The light that shone so clearly
Through twelve years of work and play
We will cherish that knowledge dearly
As a treasure we can't repay.
So as we leave this building
And all good-byes are made
God bless all our teachers
And see that they're repaid.

—PHIL PATRICK HAND

About the author. . . .

Phil Hand is our class president
Without him we're incomplete.
As an actor, poet, and a really swell guy
Phil Patrick can't be beat!
We want to thank him for this poem
For all the nice things he's said;
Many thanks from all of us, Phil
Best of luck in the years ahead.

Class Will

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that we, the Senior Class of the Blue Ridge High School, County of Susquehanna, and State of Pennsylvania, being of sound mind, memory, and understanding, do make, publish, and declare this to be our last will and testament, hereby revoking and making void all former wills by us at any time heretofore made.

GREAT BEND

1. Stanley Caswell, leave my ability to sleep in class to Gene Wright.
1. Roger Zurn, leave my ability to not acquire a girl to Merle Newman.
1. Morton Dibble, leave my ability to fence to Donald Eaton.
1. Lyle Eaton, leave my telephone numbers to Jerry Ralston.
1. Addison McHugh, leave my ability to lead a revolt to Gary Balonis.
1. Sally Gathany, leave my sense of humor to Arlene Treible.
1. Jean Plonski, leave to my sister Janet, the ability to take up clerking.
1. Kate Gilroy, leave to Esther Abbott my ability to play basketball, in hopes that she can greatly improve it.
1. Janet Galloway, leave my ability to be seen and not heard to Florence Stone.
1. Marilyn Phelps, leave all the World History books, and all the work that goes with them to Shirley Towner.
1. Joyce Colwell, leave my good, but old report cards to Doris Hughes.
1. Joan Ralston, leave my assignments to "crazy" parts in class plays to Sally VanVleck in hopes that someday she may get one.
1. Lois Smallacombe, leave all my unfinished work to Glenn Raub.
1. Mary Lou Mason, leave my ability to always crack a joke to Melva Hughes.
1. Kathryn Lockwood, leave my ability to work out Math problems to Howard Teel.

—Janet Galloway

HALLSTEAD

1. Pat Skiba, will my strong vocal cords to Rita Alise to use in Commercial Law Class.
1. Jean Roosa, will my bashfulness to Marilyn Baker.
1. Stephen Baker, will my height to Bob Whalen.
1. Ethel Decker, will my silliness to Maureen Joyce.
1. Raymond Holtzman, will my car to Bill French.
1. Phyllis Wilbur, will my sophisticated manner to Nancy VanGorden.
1. Clair MacRae, will my ability to argue with the teachers to Bob Hinkley.
1. Dolores Florance, will some of my natural-curly hair to Donna Bugbee.
1. George Fitzgerald, will my ability to talk like a house afire to Frances Oakley.
1. Barbara Tompkins, will my ability to type to Sandra Yow.
1. Bernard Kovitch, will my shyness to Gene Downs.
1. Mary Decker, will my ability to get along with the boys from Kingsley to Ann Donahue.
1. Elwin Fiske, will my easy manner to Shirley Vandeymark.
1. Donna Glover, will my ability to get along with milkmen to Ginger Burd.
1. Suzanne Maxian, will the gum I left under the desk in history class to Bernita Thatcher.

- I, Howard Lewis, will my progressiveness to Bob Rood.
- I, Janet Winfield, leave my ability to stay out late to Kay Schmick.
- I, Betty Robinson, leave my quiet voice to Charlotte Lewis.
- I, Margie Arnold, leave half of my shoe size to Sally Florance.
- I, Joan Roosa leave my ability to fight with my sister to Helen Austin.
- I, Edward Tierney, leave my ability of hot rodding to Bob Dietrich.
- I, Ella VanAuken, leave my boldness to Elaine Banker.
- I, Clifford Miller, leave my athletic ability to Joseph Dunlap.
- I, Jane Winnie, leave my long walk home to Carolee Townsend.
- I, Betty Austin, will my cheer-leading ability to Dorothy Roberts.

TO THE FACULTY, WE, THE SENIORS WILL:

- To Mr. Kelleher—a new joke book
- Mr. Kocher—some new wise cracks about women
- Mr. McAndrew—two dollars for a marriage license
- Miss McFadden—a new car, so she won't have to keep borrowing the commercial teacher's
- Mrs. Meagley—a pair of roller-skates so she won't have to walk so fast
- Miss Kinner—a hundred seventy pounds of Spry
- Mr. Williams—a new box of Batons
- Mr. Burd—a pair of glasses, so he can find the kids that skip gym class
- Mr. Schmick—an aspirin tablet, for all the headaches we have caused him

—Marjorie Arnold
 Betty Austin
 Jean Roosa
 Pat Skiba

NEW MILFORD

- To Miss Jones we leave another piano so the old one can have a rest.
- To Mrs. Kingsley we leave a left-handed shovel so she can bury Shakespeare permanently.
- To Mr. Kozlowski we leave a physics class that can tell the difference between a formula and a telephone number.
- To Mr. Martin we leave a box so he can file away our excuses for not taking Phys. Ed.
- To Mr. Phethean we leave a beret so that he will really look the part of a play director.
- To Mr. Reynolds we leave a class that won't repair their cars in the shop.
- To Mr. Rounds we leave a free course at the Charles Atlas School for mighty men.
- To Mrs. Sims we leave a roll of scotch tape and a pair of scissors for the ones we didn't return after the Senior play.
- To Miss Veras we leave a bookkeeping class that won't throw popcorn on the floor.
- To Mr. Young we leave a sound-proof room so he can carry on a conversation with himself.
- To Mr. Zielenski we leave a P.O.D. class with no Republicans in it.
- Carolyn Bailey leaves her ability to direct a play to Mrs. Kingsley.
- Ray Barnard leaves his ability to impersonate people to Butch Ehardt.

Marilyn Benning leaves her sweet tooth to Millie Graeber.
 Janice Benedict leaves her vivacious actions backstage to Bruce Whitney.
 Shirley Conklin leaves her map to Oakley's to Shirley Conklin.
 Ron Gay leaves his daily pre-school walk, to the Esso Station, to Dick Howell.
 Raye Griffin leaves his Plymouth to Sammy Cosmello's junk yard.
 Margie Hall leaves her ability to comprehend French to Joan DeLancey.
 Phil Hand leaves his good disposition to Jim Burdick.
 Diane Horton leaves her A's in Physics to Jon King.
 Bill Meanor leaves his ability to cut corn on school days to Neil Price.
 Fred Morrison leaves his well-worn path to Banker's to the one-the-only-Fred Morrison.
 Joyce Page gives the gate to Kathleen Scott, but keeps the Post.
 Ken Post leaves his ability to make history on Halloween night to Mr. Young.
 Jim Potter leaves his knack of repairing wires for Mrs. Kingsley to anybody who wants the job.
 Rowena Ralston leaves herself to St. Paul, and we don't mean Minnesota.
 Dave Roberts leaves his motto, "Never do anything today if you can get out of it tomorrow," to all the future Einsteins in the Junior class.
 A. J. Stevens leaves her vice presidency of the Penna. F.H.A. to Adlai Stevenson.
 Robert Stevens leaves his singing ability to Elwin MacConnell.
 Anne Stockholm leaves Don Button what's left of his car after she's through with it.
 Margie Tingley leaves her genial temper to Marie Acker.
 Willard Tingley leaves his farming ability to Mel Darrow.
 Nancy Towner leaves her long hair to Martie Hand.
 Emma Tompkins leaves her blond hair to JoAnne Mason.
 Bill Tyler leaves his flying ability to Howard Hughes.
 Kathy Van Antwerp leaves her popularity with the boys to Betty Ebhardt.
 Ruth Wagner leaves her heart to anyone who wants it.
 George Walworth leaves his name on the absentee list for Mrs. Benson to contend with.
 Emerson Whitehead leaves his quiet ways to Thea Tingley.
 Gertrude Whitney leaves her dance-ability to a future Arthur Murray.
 To all underclass-mates we leave our best wishes for success in the new school.

—Alice Jean Stevens
 Dave Roberts
 Margie Hall
 Bill Meanor
 Kathleen Van Antwerp

Class Prophecy

GREAT BEND

Name	Ambition	What We Prophecy They'll Be 15 Years From Now.
Stanley Caswell	Mechanic	Stan is now the owner of a large milk company. He is working on a system of delivering milk without going from house to house.
Joyce Colwell	Nurse	Joyce is now the chief scientist of the Atomic Energy Commission.
Morton Dibble	Office Man	Morton is now President of the Lonely Hearts Agency.
Lyle Eaton	Mechanic	Lyle is now a famous scientist working on a new car that will have the speed of a jet.
Janet Galloway	Housewife	Jan is now the director of the "Happy Marriage Agency."
Sally Gathany	Run a Nursery	Sally is now the owner of the largest trailer camp in Florida.
Catherine Gilroy	Nurse	Kate is now head nurse of the Wilson Memorial Hospital. She will soon give up her important position to enter into marriage.
Kathryn Lockwood	Secretary	Kate is now the leading model of New York. She is being seen in night clubs with handsome movie actors.
Mary Lou Mason	Wave	Mary is now running for President of the United States.
Addison McHugh	Farmer	Addie is now a wealthy farmer. He owns a cow that will milk herself, giving him more time for entertainment.
Marylin Phelps	Housewife	Marylin is working for the government. She is proving to them that you can make a dollar buy more than ever before.
Jean Plonski	Office Work	Jean is now the secretary to the President of a leading hardware store.
Joan Ralston	Office Work	Joan is now a model for the Armed Service. She is modeling the new uniform for the Air Force.
Lois Smallacombe	Housewife	Lois is now co-owner of the Smallacombe & Waterman Gas Co.
Roger Zurn	Join the Navy	Rog, who always was an admirer of women, is now the leader of a popular all girls orchestra.

—Catherine Gilroy

HALLSTEAD

Name	Ambition	What We Prophecy They'll Be 15 Years From Now.
Mary Ellen Decker	Nurse	Head nurse at State Hospital.
Bernard Kovitch	Military man	Just been demoted back to Private.
Barbara Tompkins	Secretary	Vice-President of Resseguies.
Edward Tierney	Mechanic	Jet-Auto racer.
Donna Glover	Housewife	Now in dairy business, washes lots of bottles.
Marjorie Arnold	Secretary	Secretary for comics "Martin and Lewis."
Joan Roosa Jean Roosa	Beautician Beautician	Toni Twins on Arthur Godfrey's program.
Raymond Holtzman	Butcher	He's still cutting up.
Clifford Miller	Taxidermist	Changed his mind, now a taxi-driver.
Janet Winfield	Secretary	Won Pulitzer Prize for her latest novel, "Four Little Bushes, and How They Grew."
Betty Jane Austin	Nurse	Nursing in her own private nursery.
Stephen Baker	College Student	Changed his mind, and is still washing windows at Sears and Roebuck.
Clair MacRae	Electrician	Speaker of the House of Representatives.
Betty Robinson	Housewife	Queen of King Coleman & now has some Jacks.
Ethel Decker Howard Lewis	Beautician Musician	Now has a Soller system of her own. Now playing "Rock-a-Bye-Baby" for his five little music-makers.
George Fitzgerald	Pilot	He's still dropping bombs.
Ella Van Auken	Physical-Therapist	Still rubbing muscles.
Jane Winnie	Secretary	Just finished her course at Ridley's Secretarial School.
Elwin Fiske	Musician	Still fiddeling around.
Suzanne Maxian	History Teacher	Still at E. Stroudsburg, never did like history.
Patricia Skiba	Basketball Star	Now joined up with the Harlem Globetrotters.
Phyllis Wilbur	Housewife	Still Brown's baby-sitter.
Dolores Florance	Housewife	Living on a farm and raising little Thatchers.

—Jane Winnie
Suzanne Maxian
Mary Decker

NEW MILFORD

Name	Ambition	What We Prophecy They'll Be 15 Years From Now.
Bailey, C.	Teacher	Pen Manufacturer "I specialize in Schaeffers."
Barnard, R.	Baseball Player	Window Cleaner "People never stop throwing things out the window."
Benedict, J.	Secretary	Undertaker at Jackson "Always room for one more."
Benning, M.	Photographer	Newspaper columnist "Winchell has nothing on me."
Conklin, S.	Air Force	Designer of men's hats "This is the way to get 'a-head'."
Gay, R.	Engineer	Horse-Trainer "I couldn't marry her, so we started a business."
Griffin, R.	Carpenter	Apprentice Carpenter "I forgot my tools."
Hall, M.	Nurse	Designer of paper dolls "This is my chance to cut up."
Hand, P.	Lawyer	Hill Billy Singer "I couldn't make Broadway, so here I am."
Horton, D.	Writer	First Lady President "I'll make some changes."
Meanor, B.	Farmer	Banker "I beat Fred out of it, anyway."
Morrison, F.	Minister	Beverage Sampler "I never get one too many."
Page, J.	Teacher	Lumber-jack "Where's that big Post?"
Post, K.	Mechanic	Bookbinder "I can't see enough of that Page."
Potter, J.	Electrician	Proprietor of Repair Shop "You break it, we'll fix it."
Ralston, R.	Secretary	Hair dresser "My favorite is 'Tony'."
Roberts, D.	Navy	French Actor "Ah, Patee! Ou-la-la!"
Stevens, A. J.	Receptionist	Cigarette girl at Fox Run "I'll make a good match."
Stevens, R.	Singer	Vocalist for Slim Williams "Someday I'll be as good as Slim."

Stockholm, A.	Private Stenographer	Manufacturer of games The latest one: "Button, button I've got the button."
Tingley, M.	Secretary	Architect "What is that 'Wal-worth'."
Tingley, W.	Farmer	Cider-presser "Don't drink too much."
Tompkins, E.	Secretary	Housewife "There are too many Halls around here."
Towner, N.	F.B.I. Secretary	Lady Wrestler "Listen to the bones crack."
Tyler, W.	Minister	Hot-Rod Driver "The cops are following me."
Van Antwerp, K.	Laboratory Technician	Horse-Rider "I'm raising a Gay-Breed."
Wagner, R.	Doctor	Star of a Burlesque Show "Kiss me, big boy."
Walworth, G.	Engineer	Vocalist "I'm always dreaming of you, Margie."
Whitehead, E.	Farmer	Dancing Instructor "Stay off my toes, please."
Whitney, G.	Medical Secretary	Cover girl of Esquire "When are they going to pin me up?"
Zielenski, F.	Teacher	Psychiatrist at Farview "An easy way to beat a rap."

—Carolyn Bailey
 Joyce Page
 Fred Morrison
 Ken Post
 Jim Potter

SCHOOL CALENDAR

September	2	Schools open
October	7	County Apple Pan Dowdy Contest at Great Bend
	8	Hallstead Music Concert
	10	New Milford Harvest Ball
	16-17	Teachers Institute
	23-24	New Milford Senior Play
November	4	Great Bend Senior Election Supper
	5	New Milford F. F. A. Banquet
	12	Great Bend Senior Play
	25	Basketball Season Opens
	25	B. R. vs. Dimock-Springville (at G. B.)
November	26-December 2	Thanksgiving Recess
	26	New Milford F. F. A. Dance
December	5	B. R. vs. Factoryville (away)
	10	Hallstead Senior Play
	12	B. R. vs. Thompson-Starrucca (away)
	16	B. R. vs. Clarks Summit (at G. B.)
	19	Great Bend Christmas Pageant
	19	B. R. vs. Susquehanna (at G. B.)
	23	B. R. vs. Hallstead Alumni
December	23-January 5	Christmas Recess
	30	B. R. vs. Clarks Summit (away)
January	9	B. R. vs. Harford (away)
	16	B. R. vs. Montrose (at N. M.)
	23	B. R. vs. Nicholson (at Hallstead)
	30	B. R. vs. Thompson-Starrucca (at N. M.)
February	3	B. R. vs. Susquehanna (away)
	6	B. R. vs. New Milford Alumni (at N. M.)
	13	B. R. vs. Harford (at Hallstead)
	14	New Milford Valentine Dance
	17	B. R. vs. Factoryville
	20	B. R. vs. Montrose (away)
	27	B. R. vs. Great Bend Alumni
March	17	New Milford St. Patrick's Day Dance
April	1-7	Easter Recess
	15	Hallstead Junior Play
	17	New Milford Junior Play
	22	Joint Concert at Hallstead
	24	Joint Concert at New Milford
	27	Joint Concert at Great Bend
May	8	New Milford Junior Prom
	24	Baccalaureate
	28	Commencement
June	1	Seniors leave for Washington
	2	Schools close

—Janice Benedict
Nancy Towner
Howard Lewis
Jean Plonski



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 Hinkley, J. Dunlap, R. Dietrich.



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Second row: G. White, N. Flynn, B. Page, M. Hand, J. DeLancey, J. Button, D. Shimer, J. King, E. Garrehy, B. Wilder.

Third row: H. Potter, J. Kerr, B. Whitney, B. Van Housen, N. Price, R. Darrow, C. Page, D. Pease, M. Darrow, B. Ebhardt.



10th Grade



GREAT BEND

First row: S. Van Vleck, B. Hawk, A. Colwell, S. Smallcombe, Vice-President.
Second row: M. Hughes, E. Wright, President; C. Bidwell, F. McIntyre, S. Galloway, N. Foote, Secretary; G. Ralston.
M. Conklin and P. McHugh, Treasurer, were absent.



HALLSTEAD

First row: V. Burd, S. McDevitt, D. Button, S. Florance, President; L. Holtzman, Secretary; C. Achterberg, Vice-President; E. Van Valen, Treasurer; F. Wales, M. McKinney, R. Whalen.
Second row: S. Winfield, S. Hussing, R. Barnard, J. Dyer, R. Reynolds, H. Austin, J. Morgan, R. Perry, C. Townsend.
Third row: P. Wells, J. Alise, R. Banker, D. Denney, W. French, R. Rood, R. Osterhout, H. Darrow, H. Williams, D. Crandall.



NEW MILFORD

First row: A. Scott, E. Moss, B. Diffendorf, B. Mitchell, W. Darrow, S. Cronk, Vice-President; R. Hillis, Secretary; D. MacConnell, Treasurer; W. Moore, President; M. Torrisi, T. Tingley, M. Brown, R. Tingley, S. Rought.

Second row: M. Taylor, E. Lawrence, J. Whitehead, F. Bajkowski, P. Bailey, P. Rose, A. Morrison, M. Acher, L. March, E. Welch, G. Whitney, H. Squires.

Third row: D. Coleman, L. Dearborn, D. Peppard, R. Lawrence, F. Gulick, B. Shepard, D. Stone, S. White, R. Howell, R. Sutton, B. Darrow.



9th Grade



GREAT BEND

First row: M. DeNoyes, L. Duff, N. Parker, L. Foote, I. Abbott, T. Purtell.
 Second row: G. Parsons, N. Mills, C. Smith, R. Knifer, G. Wood, J. Baglino, J. Plonski.
 S. Knifer, N. Raub, D. Eaton were absent.



HALLSTEAD

First row: L. Lane, P. Swartwood, S. Sherwood, B. Arnold, F. Winfield, M. McDevitt, J. Gergle, A. Kovitch, J. Barry, L. VanLoan.
 Second row: S. Miller, J. Millard, A. Richards, J. Sullivan, M. McKinney, P. Soller, C. Martel, W. Donahue, D. Lawrence, S. Hornak, G. Fiske.
 Third row: A. Carmen, B. VanAucken, N. Darrow, S. Kovitch, W. Davis, W. Benedict, L. Darrow, I. Brown, S. Winnie, E. Chidester, B. Lesjack.



NEW MILFORD

First Row: A. Peckering, L. Wittig, G. Fallon, J. Burdick, H. Jennings, G. Moore, Vice-President; D. Birch, President; J. Hand, Sec. and Treas.; R. Scott, D. Harvey, J. Shimer, M. Potter.

Second row: G. Gulick, G. Dearborn, D. Page, R. Lawrence, C. Cramer, B. Harrell, A. Peck, J. Tingley, D. Wayman, J. Carpenter, C. Ebhart, J. Chandler.

Third row: D. Bursese, J. Sutton, M. Conrad, S. Carey, G. Humbert, D. Goff, C. Fritoy, B. Glatzel, G. Wheeler, C. Canfield.



8th Grade



GREAT BEND

First row: M. Teel, W. Wright, W. Colwell, K. Schooley, A. Walker, C. Reed, R. Teel.

Second row: W. Heath, L. Abbott, M. Eaton, W. Ball, D. Swingle, F. Merritt, E. Heiers, S. Ely.

N. Meade was absent.



HALLSTEAD

First row: R. Terboss, R. Fiske, R. Chidester, P. Burdick, G. Burnard, D. Kent, D. Yow, J. McKinney, B. Arnold, M. Jones, L. Swartwood.

Second row: L. Schmoll, C. DeLucia, B. Shafer, S. Donahue, J. Fitzgerald, J. Howland, K. Smith, L. Decker, D. Meagley, J. Casey, T. Murray.

Third row: P. Baker, R. Booth, M. Reynolds, R. Hinkley, E. Fiske, J. Mowers, D. Osterhout, R. Slater, J. French, L. Slater, J. MacRae, E. Maloney, B. Swartwood.



JACKSON

First row: L. Bailey, W. Rupakus, F. Cosentino.
 Second row: J. Gregus, Sec. and Treas.; V. Peck, Vice-President; D. Rogers, E. Klim, L. Hoal, President; D. Wilmarth.



NEW MILFORD

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 Second row: B. Griffin, J. Harrell, M. Ellis, F. Flynn, J. Groover, C. Meanor, M. Snell, B. Thompson, M. Scott, S. Gulick, S. Noble, R. Adolfson.
 Third row: K. Stearns, C. Sammon, S. Roman, N. Stevens, A. Button, G. Meade, J. Onysko, J. Gaughan, M. Staerker, J. Tilley, B. Bradley, L. Morrison.

7th Grade



GREAT BEND

First row: B. Duff, A. Colwell, F. White, G. Chamberlain, A. Slater, J. Tomeo,
Second row: J. Goldsmith, B. Van Slyke, S. Hawk, J. Galloway, E. Sackett, J.
Savinsky, G. Eaton, M. Sine, M. Baglino, R. Zurn, P. Purtell.
J. McHugh and G. Miles were absent.



HALLSTEAD

First row: G. Burnard, R. Welch, A. Welch, J. Joyce, R. Sherwood, W. Burdick,
R. McAulliffe, L. Donahue, J. Walker, R. Raymond, G. Darrow.
Second row: D. Snow, G. Vandeymark, M. Whaitte, J. Joines, B. Mowers, A. House,
A. Shafer, P. Benedict, B. Waterman.
Third row: R. Buckbee, J. Salansky, M. Holtzman, G. Rood, R. Glover, C. Slater,
J. Melhuish, M. Tanner, H. Miller.



JACKSON

First row: F. Anderson, J. Barron, G. Wilmarth, A. Peck, P. Bailey, R. Klim, K. Freitag, C. Cosentino, D. Cody.
 Second row: I. Cottrell, G. White, A. Slocum, D. Page, G. Holbrook, H. Zappe, E. Zeimann, G. Wayman, B. Manning, W. Slocum.



NEW MILFORD

First row: M. Wheeler, B. Chandler, E. Clinton, M. Condon, D. Empett, Vice-President; B. Burdick, Treasurer; F. Garrehy, President; P. Houlihan, Secretary; R. Harrell, G. Scofield, P. Ralston.
 Second Row: G. Burdick, D. Groover, R. Pomeroy, J. MacConnell, P. Anderson, B. Walworth, D. Whitney, G. Stanton, D. Glatzel, J. Moore.
 Third row: A. Bursese, G. Ellis, C. Rose, A. Stearker, E. Birtch, S. Burns, R. Sutton, D. Shibley, D. Carey, J. Darrow.
 Fourth row: C. Peppard, S. Abbott, D. Griffin, R. Ylesley, G. Stebbins, M. Potter, J. Horton, N. Bradley, B. Meanor, J. Leslie.







ACTIVITIES

ALAN LAKE

GIRLS' BASKETBALL



First row: F. Wales, W. Darrow, V. Burd.
 Second row: B. Robinson, P. Skiba, H. Potter, A. Stockholm, P. Wilbur, B. Decker.
 Third row: S. VanVleck, S. Vandeymark, M. Benning, S. Galloway, H. Austin, J. Winfield, K. Scott, S. Hornak, C. Achterberg, M. Taylor, Mrs. Austin.

BOYS' BASKETBALL



First row: K. Post, G. Martin, R. Zurn, G. Downs, P. Hand, B. Tyler, S. Baker, D. MacConnell.
 Second row: Mr. Young, B. VanHousen, D. Roberts, C. Miller, E. MacConnell, J. Hinkley, M. Hand, J. Hand, Mr. Franks, D. Reynolds.

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F. H. A.



GREAT BEND

First row: S. Van Vleck, B. Hawk, J. Ralston, Sec.-Treas.; J. Plonski, M. Heath, S. Smallacombe, Mrs. Parks.
Second row: M. Phelps, S. Gathany, J. Galloway, S. Galloway, K. Lockwood, J. Colwell, C. Gilroy, E. Abbott, A. Trieble, F. Stone, Vice-President; S. Towner.
Lois Smallacombe, President, was absent.

F. H. A.



HALLSTEAD

First row: B. McFadden, E. Van Valen, B. Arnold, S. Hornak, M. McDevitt, J. Gergle, J. Barry.
Second row: J. Roosa, Secretary; J. Roosa, Treasurer; B. VanGordon, E. Van Auken, President; D. Crandall, B. Van Auken, A. Carman.

F. H. A.



NEW MILFORD

First row: K. Scott, A. J. Stevens, M. Acker, Mrs. Sims.
Second row: W. Darrow, A. Morrison, J. Mason, J. Button.

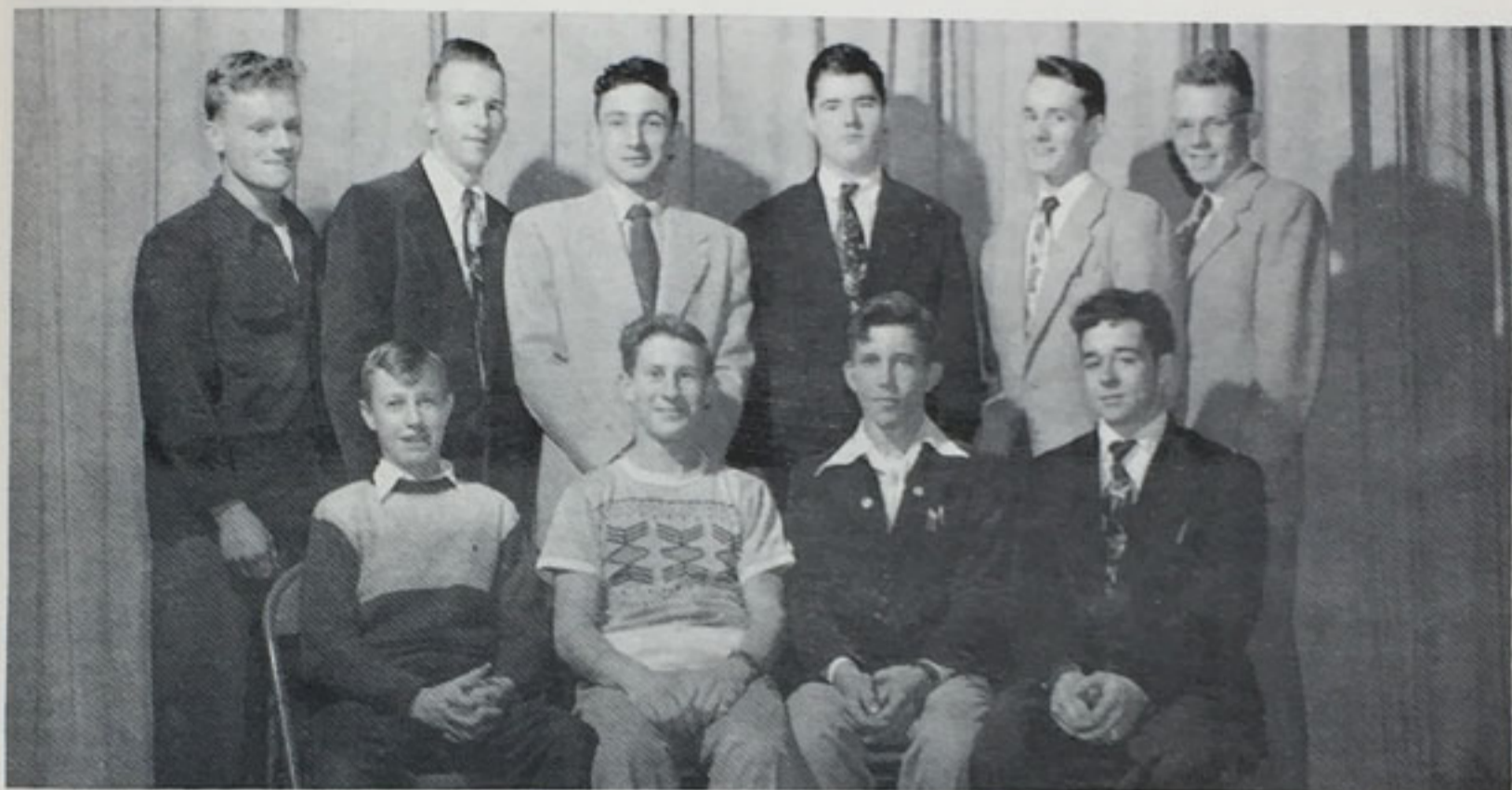
F. F. A.



NEW MILFORD

First row: R. Scott, H. Jennings, Sentinel, S. Cronk; Treasurer, B. Meanor; President, R. Griffin; Secretary, C. Page. Vice-President, R. Page; Reporter, A. Scott; J. Carpenter, Mr. Reynolds.
Second row: J. Chandler, R. Lawrence, B. Darrow, G. Walworth, W. Tingley, J. Cook, D. Goff, C. Canfield, E. Welch, J. Shimer.
Third row: R. Lawrence, E. Whitehead, D. Pease, B. Sheppard, K. Post, B. Tyler, E. MacConnell, R. Gay, D. Howell, P. Bailey.

BOYS' CHORUS



GREAT BEND

First Row: R. Colwell, J. Abbott, E. Wright, A. McHugh.
 Second Row: L. Hughes, M. Dibble, R. Zurn, F. McIntyre, S. Caswell, M. Newman.

MIXED CHORUS



GREAT BEND

First row: J. Ralston, J. Plonski, A. McHugh, S. Towner, F. Stone, A. Treible,
 S. Gathany, M. Phelps, R. Colwell, Mr. H. Allen.
 Second row: J. Galloway, J. Colwell, C. Gilroy, L. Hughes, M. Dibble, R. Zurn, S.
 Caswell, M. Newman, J. Abbott, K. Lockwood, E. Abbott.

GIRLS' CHORUS



GREAT BEND

First row: J. Ralston, M. Hughes, M. Phelps, N. Foote, J. Plonski, B. Hawk.
 Second row: B. Smallacombe, B. Gathany, J. Galloway, S. Galloway, J. Colwell, K. Lockwood, C. Gilroy, E. Abbott, A. Treible, F. Stone, B. Towner, S. Van Vleck.



NEW MILFORD

First row: Ann Page, J. Leslie.
 Second row: J. Mason, E. Moss, R. Tingley, R. Wagner, T. Tingley, M. Taylor, V. Curran, H. Squires, M. Brown, W. Darrow, Miss Jones.
 Third row: N. Towner, M. Conrad, D. Horton, J. DeLancey, M. Benning, G. Whitney, B. Ebbart, A. Stevens, E. Garrehy, R. Ralston, E. Lawrence.

GIRLS' ENSEMBLE



HALLSTEAD

First row: L. Shoemaker, S. McDevitt, A. Donahue, D. Gula, B. Decker, F. Wales, G. Burd, R. Roberts.

Second row: C. Lewis, E. Decker, L. Holtzman, E. Van Aueken, K. Schmick, S. Yow, H. Austin, M. Baker.



NEW MILFORD

First row: Miss Jones, D. Horton, R. Wagner.

Second row: D. Harvey, J. Whitehead, N. Towner, H. Squires, E. Moss, J. Mason, B. Harrell, R. Hillis, R. Stevens.

Third row: L. Dearborn, F. Bajkowski, F. Morrison, G. Whitney, M. Benning, A. J. Stevens, D. Birtch, B. Whitney.

ORCHESTRA



HALLSTEAD

First row: E. Fiske, B. McAulliffe, L. Holtzman, C. Sollar, K. Schmick.
 Second row: B. Waterman, K. Smith, E. Chidester, D. Yow, E. Fiske, S. Baker.
 Third row: W. French, R. Hinkley, B. Warner, S. Yow, L. Shoemaker.
 Fourth row: Mr. W. Williams, R. Rood, C. Lewis, H. Lewis.

BAND



HALLSTEAD

First row: C. Sollar, A. Lane, L. Holtzman, K. Schmick.
 Second row: B. Decker, D. Mengley, J. Melhuish, J. Sullivan.
 Third row: C. Emerson, C. Aeterberg, B. Lesjack, R. Chidester.
 Fourth row: B. Warner, M. Baker, L. Shoemaker, A. Davis, D. Kent, W. French, R. Hinkley, S. Hussing.
 Hinkley, D. Yow, E. Fiske, S. Baker.
 Fifth row: B. McAulliffe, R. Rood, E. Decker, E. Fiske, C. Lewis, H. Lewis, Mr. Williams.

BAND



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B. Mitchell, A. Scott, M. Scott, M. Conrad, B. Follett, A. Page, P. Houlihan, I. Scott, C. Tilley, B. Whitney, Miss Jones, H. Squires, T. Mitchell, J. Horton, R. Scott, D. Howell, R. Adolffson, G. Moore, W. Moore, J. Leslie, R. Hillis, K. Scott.

BAND



GREAT BEND

First row: P. Purtell, R. Cook, R. Chamberlain, E. Colwell, R. Brown, J. Tomeo, R. Greenwell, S. Lahoda, Mr. H. Allen.
 Second row: T. Purtell, J. Galloway, R. Zurn, C. Reed, J. Baglino, C. Smith, R. Zurn, M. Newman, F. Merritt, M. Sine, M. Baglino, J. White, M. White.

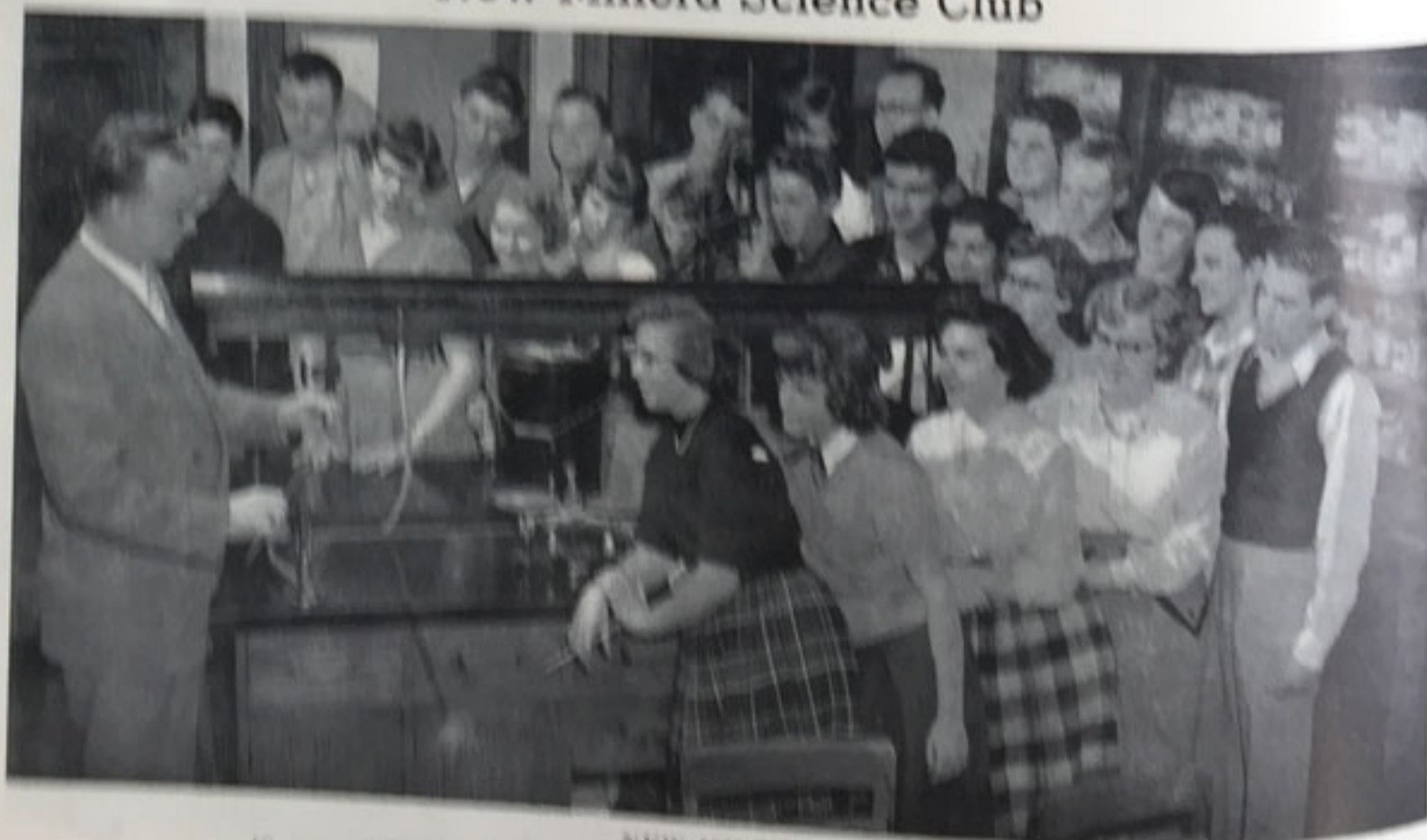
New Milford Tri-Hi-Y



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 Second row: S. Bought, E. Moss, R. Tingley, C. Cramer, D. Wayman, M. Torrisi, L. Allen.

New Milford Science Club



NEW MILFORD

First row: Mr. Kusiowski, R. Wagner, E. Moss, M. Brown, T. Tingley, G. Whitney.
 Second row: B. Darrow, Librarian, M. Bonning, Secretary, C. Bailey, Reporter, E. Ross, Vice-President, E. Lawrence, Treasurer, J. King, President, J. Humbert, M. Torrey, J. Page.
 Third row: B. MacConnell, H. Sheppard, D. Lawrence, D. Stone, S. White, J. Potter, E. Gulick, R. Sutton, J. Whitehead, F. Bajkowiak.

Hallstead Rifle Club



First row: E. Whalen, J. Millard, B. Lesjack, B. Donahue, L. Lane, Mr. Kocher.
Second row: S. Hussing, H. Williams, L. Darrow, A. Lane, C. Soller, E. Fiske.

Hallstead Photography Club



First row: Mr. Schmick, S. Winfield, C. Townsend, E. Van Valen, E. Tierney, Secretary.
Second row: S. Baker, Treasurer; C. Miller, President; R. Holtzman, Vice-President; R. Perry.

Hallstead Athletic Club



First row: L. VanLoan, F. Winfield, M. McKinney, W. Warner, R. Dietrich, E. Chidester, A. Kovitch.

Second row: J. Morgan, R. Barnard, H. Darrow, S. Kovitch, R. Osterhout, J. Dunlap, J. Alise, D. Reynolds, J. Dyer.

Third row: D. Denney, I. Brown, E. Osterhout, W. French, R. Rood, B. Rood, W. Benedict, G. Martin, W. Davis.

Baseball Teams

GREAT BEND

A. McHugh, G. Ralston, J. Bagalino, L. Eaton, E. Wright, S. Caswell, M. Dibble, R. Colwell, J. Abbott, L. Hughes, R. Zurn, G. Balanis, R. Mason, R. Knifer, D. Eaton, T. Purtell.

HALLSTEAD

G. Downs, B. Detrick, C. Miller, R. Rood, D. Denny, E. Downs, J. Hinkley, B. Warner, R. Rood, W. French, S. Baker, J. Dyer, J. Morgan, J. Alise, R. Barnard, H. Lewis.

NEW MILFORD

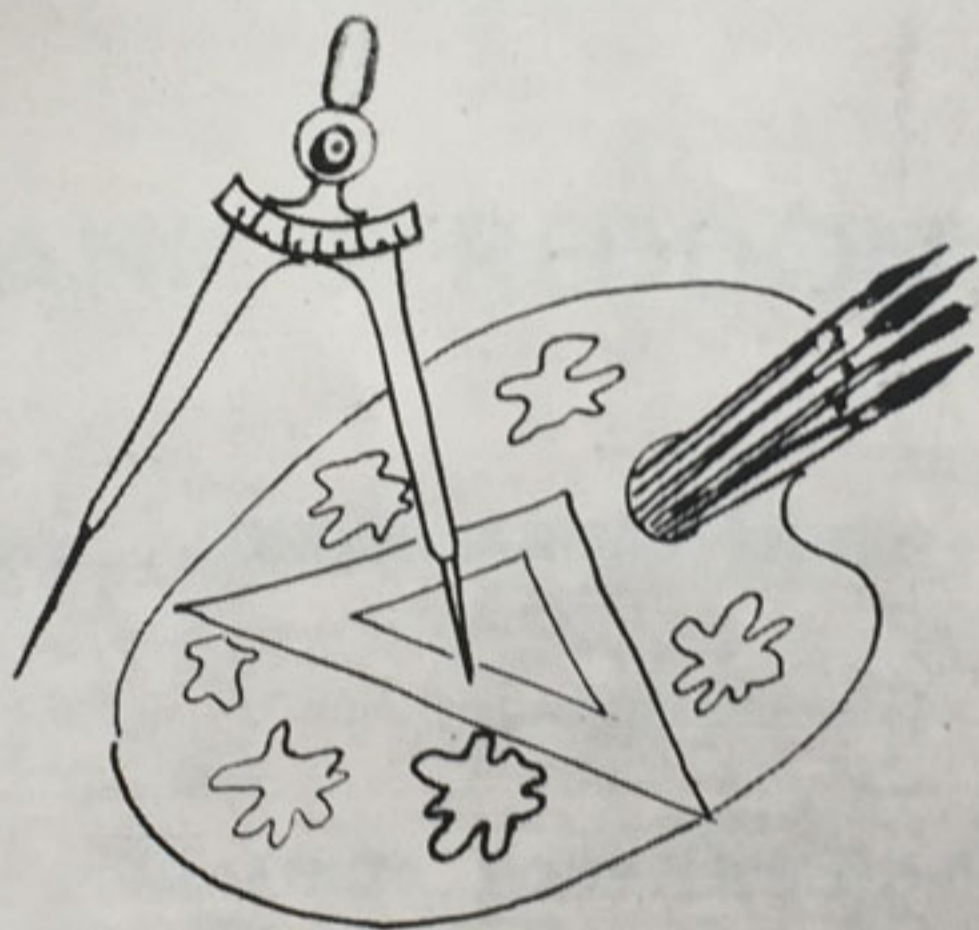
D. Roberts, C. Page, P. Hand, M. Hand, R. Barnard, M. Darrow, G. Fallon, S. Cronk, J. Hand, A. Welles.

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