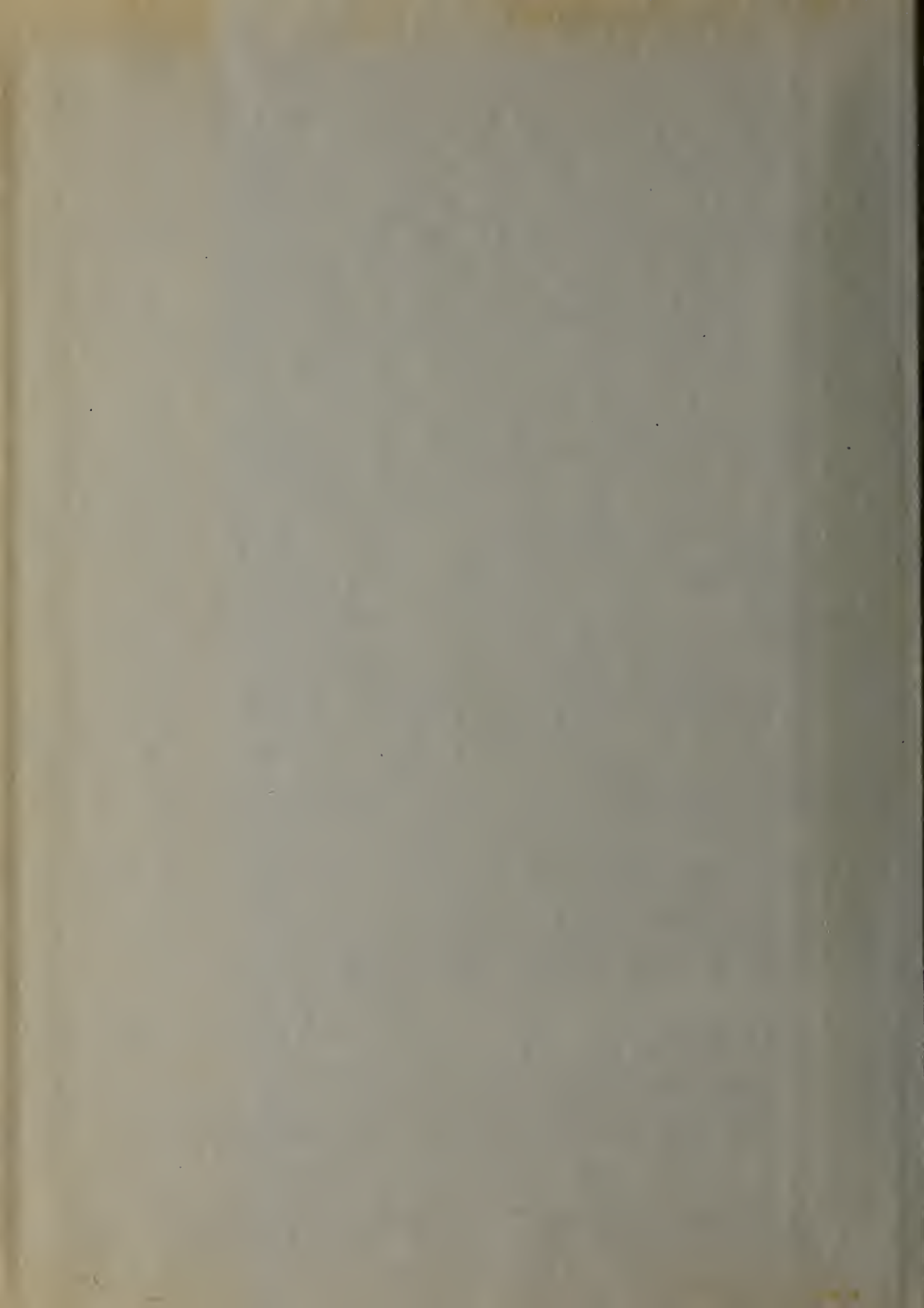


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VOLUME I

IS PRESENTED TO THE STUDENT BODY

of

FOUR OAKS HIGH SCHOOL

by

THE SENIOR CLASS
FOUR OAKS HIGH SCHOOL
FOUR OAKS, NORTH CAROLINA

DEDICATION



Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Hatcher have become an integral part of Four Oaks School. When the first building of the school plant was only two years old, Mr. Hatcher became principal of the school. Under his administration, the student body has increased from 575 to 1,960, and the school plant has grown from one building with 16 classrooms to three buildings with 50 classrooms.

More important than the growth of the physical plant of the school has been the influence which Mr. and Mrs. Hatcher have exerted upon a generation of students. For twenty-four years, they have been the wise counselors and understanding friends of the boys and girls of Four Oaks School District. We who are leaving Four Oaks School this year shall miss their guidance, but we hope that we shall always reflect their high ideals.

DEDICATION



*In This, the Year of Our Lord,
Nineteen Hundred Forty-Eight,
The Senior Class of Four Oaks High School
Dedicates*

THE ACORN
to
MR. AND MRS. J. T. HATCHER

THE ACORN STAFF



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In order to preserve happy memories and revive school day raptures, we commit to you the first volume of *THE ACORN*. As you turn its pages, may you live again the eventful days of 1947-1948.

THE EDITOR

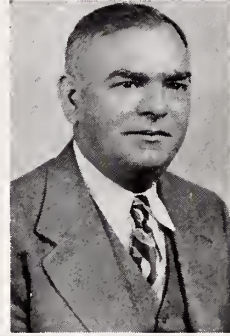
SCHOOL SONG

You're the queen of our hearts, Four Oaks High School;
You hold the place which none other can fill.
The years in passing have bound us, and bind us closer still.
Like the sun in the east when 'tis rising,
A new day is dawning for thee,
And through sunshine and tears,
Of our dear high school years,
You're the queen of our hearts, Four Oaks High School!

SCHOOL COLORS: *Red and White*

ADMINISTRATION

MR. J. T. HATCHER
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Geometry



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MRS. E. M. ALLEN
Eighth Grade, Algebra

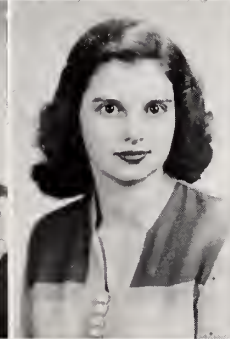
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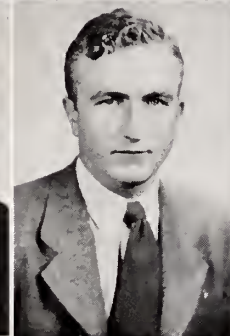
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Science



MISS LENORA PATTERSON
Mathematics, Librarian

MR. JOHN THEL SMITH
Social Science

MISS MARGARET TABOR
English, Geography, Latin



MISS ELIZABETH TOLBERT
Home Economics

MRS. ED. WARD
Eighth Grade

MRS. E. V. WILKINS
English, Speech



SENIORS

MOTTO

*"Give to the world the best that you have, and the best
will come back to you."*

COLORS

Red and White

FLOWER

Red Carnation

MASCOTS



SANDRA WAGNON

LANDIS STEVENSON

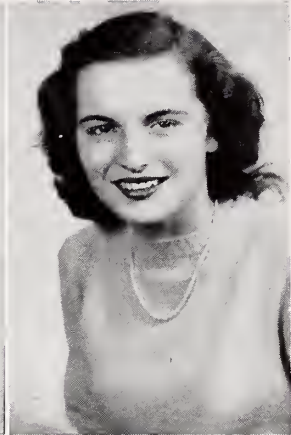
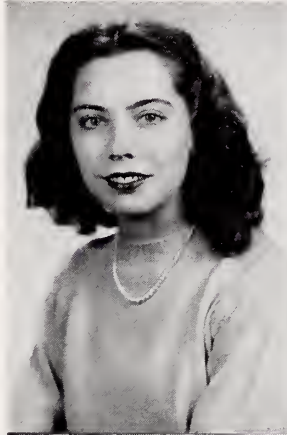
CLASS SONG

We are the proud seniors of Four Oaks High.
We're going to work, work, work, 'til we have made
And now we are leaving high school
To seek our many fortunes in the wide world.
We're going to work, work, work, 'til we have made
The kind of boys and girls to be proud of;
Then we will shout your praises far and wide, far and wide,
Our dear old Four Oaks High.

SENIORS

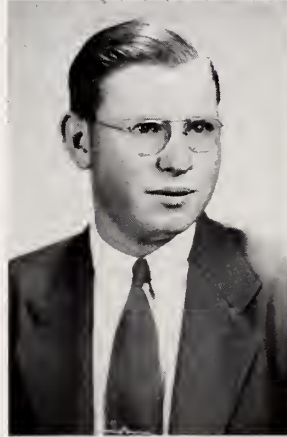
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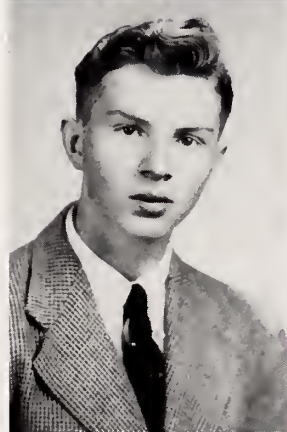
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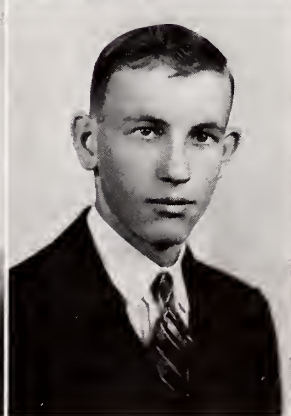
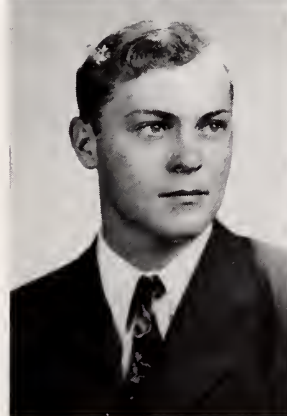
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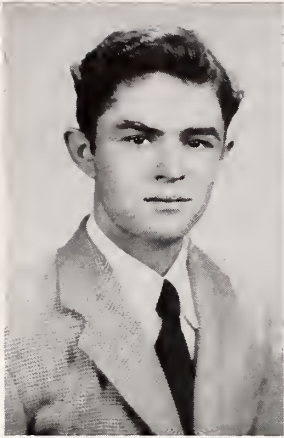


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WILLIE BATTEN



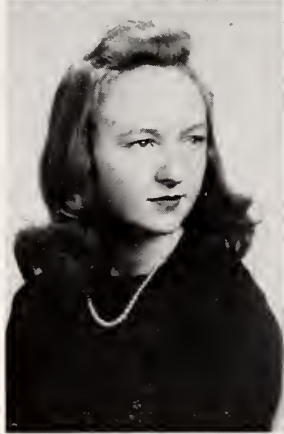
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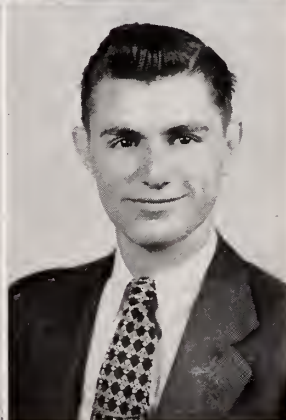
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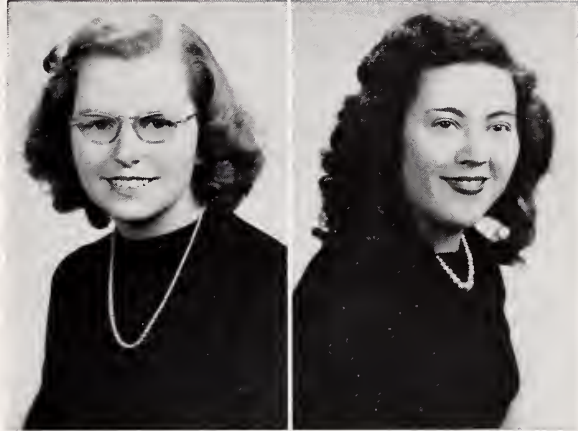


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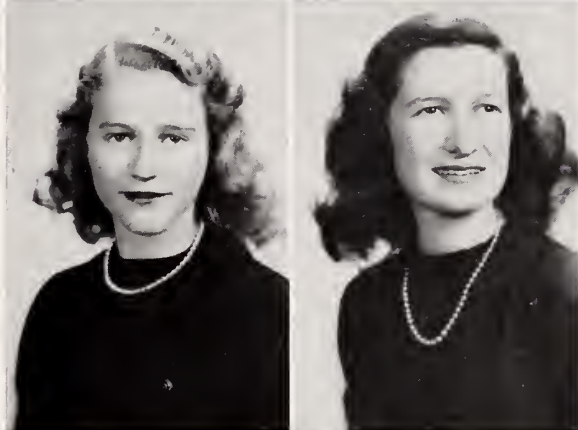
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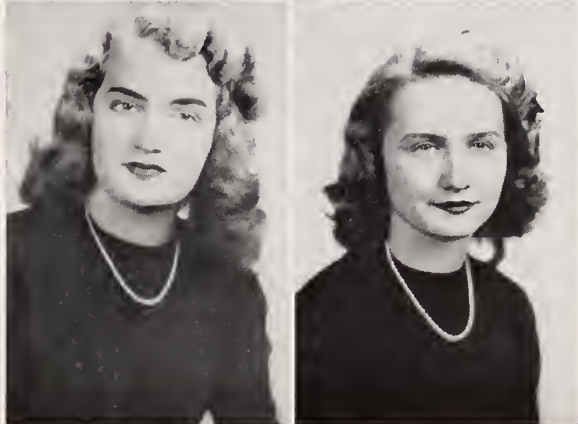
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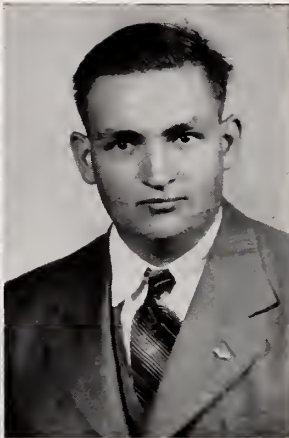


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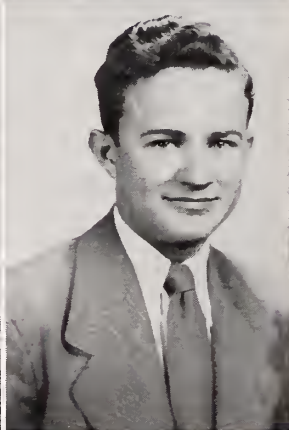
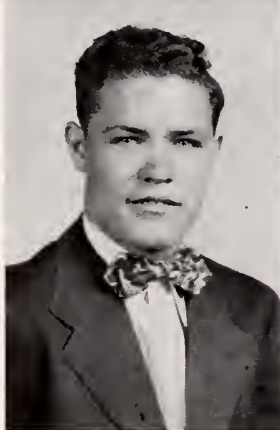
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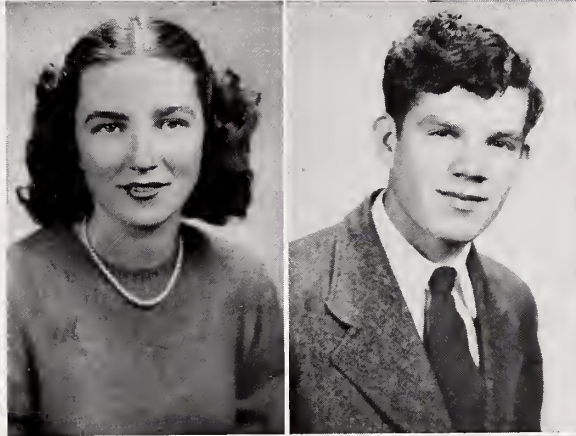
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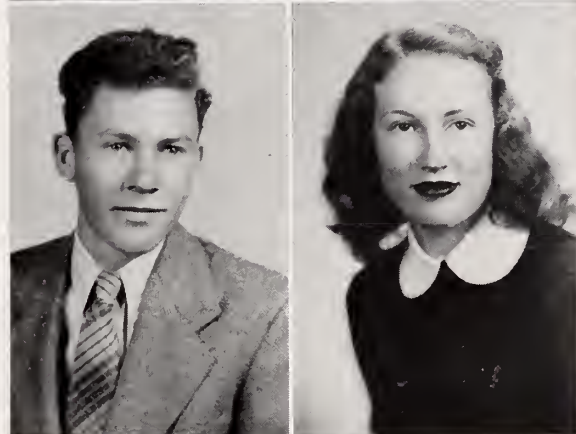
Homeroom Chairman



FLETCHER SANDERS

Class Treasurer

BESSIE STANLEY



MARY STEWART



SUPERLATIVES

BEST ALL-ROUND

MAVIS ALLEN
JULAS PARKER



CUTEST

HAZEL COX
JAMES R. MASSENGILL



MOST INTELLECTUAL

ANNE CREECH
DWIGHT H. JOHNSON



BEST ATHLETE

MARIAN ADAMS
EARL RAY PARKER



FRIENDLIEST

CLARA BELLE JONES
TALMADGE BIZZELL



MOST POPULAR

ELIZABETH ADAMS
EDWIN LEE



MOST TALENTED

MILDRED JOHNSON
CLAWSON BARBOUR



WITTIEST

EMOGENE JOHNSON
RAY LASSITER



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BEST DRESSED

MARGARET COATS
FLETCHER SANDERS



BEST SPORT

JEAN JOHNSON
JUNIUS LEE



BEST LOOKING

GERALDINE PARKER
OLAN DUNN



BIGGEST BABY

CLARA BELLE CREECH
WILLIE BATTEN



BIGGEST FLIRT

BESSIE STANLEY
ROBERT E. LEE



MOST COURTEOUS

LOIS RAYNOR
DWIGHT JOHNSON



LAZIEST

DOROTHY JEAN LEE
HOOVER BAREFOOT



BIGGEST CHATTERBOX

MARY ELIZABETH CREECH
EARL ALLEN



CLASS HISTORY

In September of the year 1944, ninety-one freshmen entered Four Oaks High. We had waited a long time for that day; and since it was our first noticeable promotion in nine years of school, we felt very important.

At our first class meeting we elected as president Anne Creech, who proved to be an excellent leader. We soon became acquainted with our ninth grade teachers, Miss Holt, Miss Sorrell, Miss Bullock, and Miss Gillam. Algebra furnished us some very pleasant moments as we tried, often in vain, to solve the problems which Miss Bullock gave. As for Latin, it was really a killer. Whether our attempts to become educated were successful or not is left entirely to the decision of the faculty. At any rate, we left school that year happy to think that we would soon be sophomores.

When we returned to school in the fall, we found that being sophomores wasn't too exciting. We were upper classmen to the freshmen only. The sophomore class had dwindled to only sixty-two. Several had married, and others had just quit. Alas, what fate can do! At the first class meeting we elected



WE ENTERED FOUR OAKS HIGH SCHOOL

Blanche Johnson as president for the year. Miss Patterson, Miss Holt, Miss Caraway, and Miss Gillam were our teachers. The girls worked even harder than the year before, sewing and making their own clothes.

Another summer vacation passed, and we returned for our junior year. Forty-three entered the junior class, and a proud class we were. Cooperation played a big part in the activities of the year. Anne Creech was elected president; and Clara Belle Creech, vice-president. Miss Holt was our homeroom teacher. Mr. McLamb was our history teacher. We never grew tired of hearing him talk, and we'll never forget him. Our memories of our junior year are most pleasant. How well we remember the class picnic at Holt's Lake and the fun we had swimming and boating! The banquet in honor of the seniors was held at the Country Club. What socialites we were on that gala occasion!

The year ended as even good things must do, and we went to our homes happy in the thought that we should return as seniors the following year.

CLASS HISTORY

(Continued)

In the fall of 1947, we were a class of forty-three seniors. Long had we looked forward to our senior year. We had seen many hours of trials—exams—in our pathway, as well as many days filled with joy and happiness. Now, as the year draws to a close and we look back over the past, we realize that we have had both trials and joys. In after days, one of our happiest memories will be that of the hours we spent in our own classroom.

At our first class meeting Edwin Lee was elected President; Mildred Johnson, Vice-President; Clara Belle Creech, Secretary; and Fletcher Sanders, Treasurer. These officers have steered us successfully through the senior year.

Eventful days followed the class election. Never shall we forget the day our rings came. Everyone was excited, and there was a chorus of "Oh's" and "Ah's." Then came the Hallowe'en carnival. It was really fun going through the faculty graveyard and other spooky places. The money collected that



OUR CLASSROOM

night helped to pay for the gymnasium, which we hope will soon be finished. One of the highlights of the year was the beautiful Valentine banquet which the juniors gave us at the Country Club.

Senior life, however, was not exciting enough to hold all the forty-three. A civil service position enticed Arthur Barefoot away; The army took Felton Johnson and Robert E. Lee; and Dan Cupid captured Geraldine Parker.

When we review the year's activities, we find that we have a few achievements to our credit. We have contributed the major officers to the Student Council; sponsored the school paper, *The Oak Leaf*; produced a class play; participated in the triangular debate; and issued *THE ACORN*, Four Oaks School's first yearbook.

We have reached the last milestone in our high school career, but the real journey lies ahead. As we continue our course, may we remain true to the ideals of our Alma Mater and ever prove worthy of being graduates of Four Oaks High School.

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CLASS PROPHECY

Three months ago when I boarded the *U. S. North Carolina* on my return trip from Japan, where I had been sight-seeing, I had a pleasant surprise. The captain of the boat was Clawson Barbour, and the stewardess was Mary Elizabeth Creech. Before we reached San Francisco, I found many opportunities to talk with these two classmates, and the topic of our conversation was always our high school days and the changes which ten years had brought.

After I left the boat at San Francisco, I called a cab to take me to the railway station. The cab came and with it another pleasant surprise. The driver of the cab was Talmadge Bizzel. He said he liked California and was enjoying his work. At the ticket window, where I went to buy a railway ticket to Hollywood, a very familiar face smiled at me. Why, of course, I recognized the smiling agent. She was Ellen Hayes. In the course of our brief conversation she told me that the train which I was going to take was the fastest train in the United States. "But you need have no uneasiness about traveling on this train," she added, "for the engineer is Dwight Johnson and the conductor is Ray Lassiter."

While I was waiting in the station, I saw Margaret Barbour, who had just come up from Hollywood and was on her way to Reno to get her third divorce.

In Hollywood I visited Elizabeth Adams. At that time she, with Olan Dunn, was starring in the picture *Isn't Love Wonderful?* While I was a guest in Elizabeth's modest Beverly Hills home, I had an opportunity to see Edwin Lee, a successful movie producer; Anne Creech, Edwin's efficient secretary; and Mildred Johnson, who at that time was substituting for Betty Grable.

I left the stars and caught a plane for New York, where again I found old friends. The pilot of the plane was Fletcher Sanders and the hostess was Hazel Cox. In the metropolis, I made some surprising discoveries. That blond bombshell, Emogene Johnson, was leading lady in the latest Broadway hit. Marian Adams was a well-known physical education director. Earl Parker, Junius Lee, and Julus Parker were playing basketball in Madison Square Garden.

For the fourth time in our history, a Tar Heel is in the White House. On my way South, I stopped in Washington to call upon the newly elected President, Dwight H. Johnson. In the capital city, I met Bessie Stanley also. She had just returned from a trip around the world and was going to make some kind of a report to Congress.

After a short visit in Washington, I continued my journey homeward. The announcement, "Four Oaks," gave me a genuine thrill as we pulled into the familiar station. Four Oaks was no longer a small town, but I recognized many well-known spots. I walked down main street, looking for familiar faces. The first person I recognized was Dorothy Jean Lee. She was, I learned, still single, but was interested in a good-looking bachelor. I wished her luck and went on. Over the entrance to an up-to-date beauty parlor, I saw the names of Mavis Massengill and Rachel Ingram. A fashionable hat shop was owned by Elgie Jones and Mary Stewart. I visited the girls at both these business places and learned several things of interest.

I learned from the girls that Hoover Barefoot and Willie Batten were married and living on near-by farms. Mrs. Ray Price, the former Margaret Coats, was busy training her twin boys. Myrtle Massengill was a secretary in the Bank of

PROPHECY

(Continued)

Four Oaks, which had become a very large establishment. Ora Mae Moore was working at the drug store. Lois Raynor and Clara Belle Jones were head nurses in the new Four Oaks Hospital, where they were doing efficient work.

Of course I visited the school building. James Robert Massengill was principal of the large consolidated school. Mavis Allen, Clara Belle Creech, and Mary Helen Blackmon were high school teachers. In the library I found a copy of the town's new daily paper, the *Four Oaks News*. One article in the paper interested me greatly. It told of the election of a new sheriff in Johnston County, and the new sheriff was none other than Earl Allen.

In the course of a few weeks I have seen all the seniors of the class of 1948. They seem to be doing well in 1958, and I wish them the best of luck in the years to come.

JEAN JOHNSON

CLASS POEM

Our high school days will soon be in the past;
Our work be done; our goal be reached at last.
Together we have worked and had our fun;
Together struggled 'til our work was done.

We're proud to call F. O. H. S. our home.
We'll think of her wherever we may roam.
To her, at parting, grateful thanks we give;
Her memory in our hearts will ever live.

MARIAN ADAMS



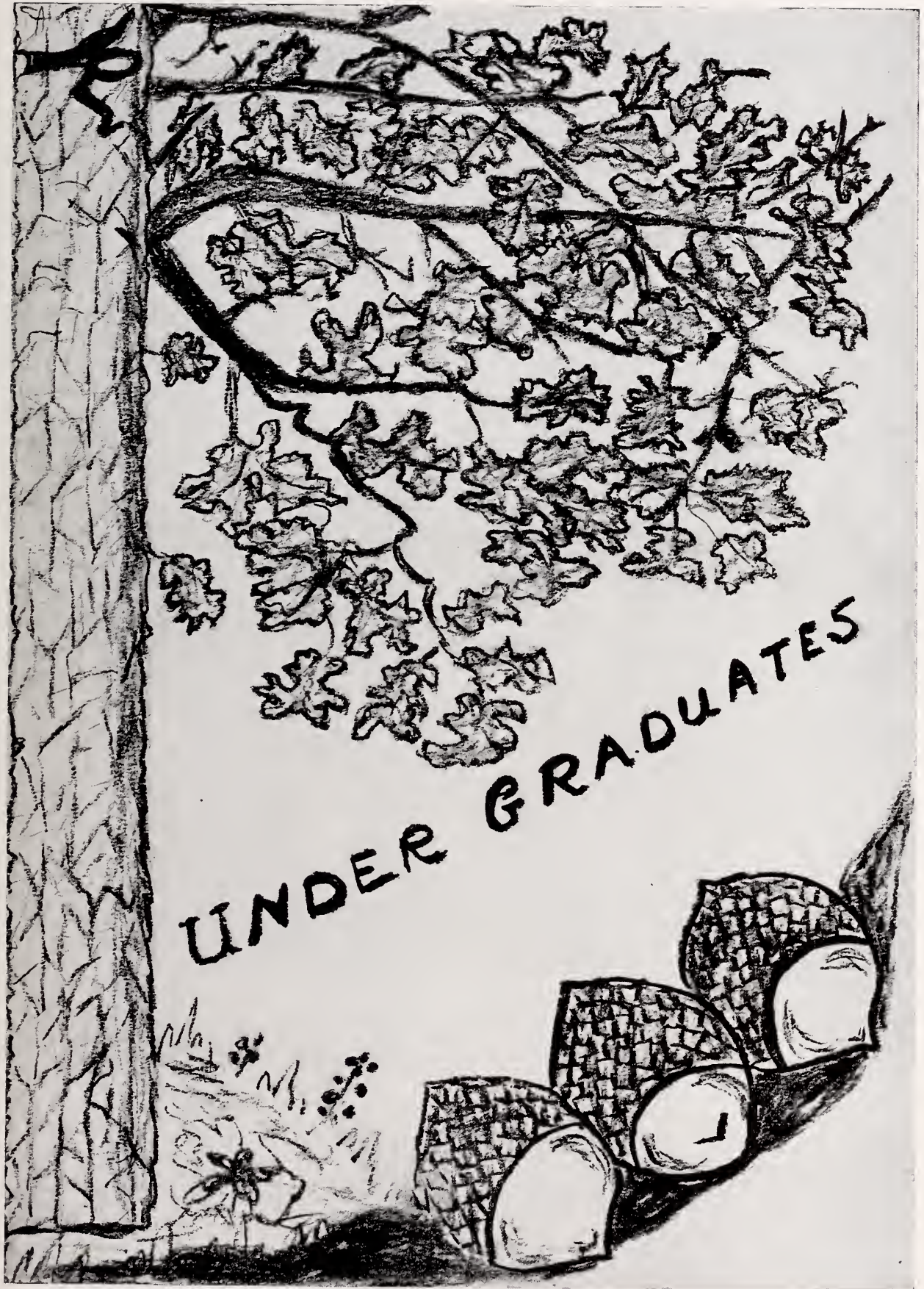
LAST WILL and TESTAMENT

We, the Class of 1948, do hereby make this our last will and testament, with the provision that the persons receiving a portion of our wealth shall improve it and develop it to the highest extent.

1. Myrtle Massengill leaves her size to Vivian Hansley.
2. Elgie Jones leaves her quietness to Opal Allen.
3. Mary Elizabeth Creech leaves her reputation as a chatterbox to Margaret Overman.
4. Rachel Ingram leaves her ability to get a man to Josephine Lassiter.
5. Mary Stewart leaves her height to Julia Parrish.
6. Ora Mae Moore leaves her glasses to Rebecca Mayes.
7. Clara Belle Jones leaves to anyone who needs it her ability to learn history.
8. Emogene Johnson leaves her wit and her ability to shoot long shots to Juanita Register.
9. Jean Johnson leaves her sportsmanship to Marveline Blackmon.
10. Margaret Coats thinks she may need her good taste in dress later in life, so she leaves her ability to get a diamond to Merle Allen.
11. Elizabeth Adams leaves her popularity to Lea Upchurch.
12. Marian Adams leaves her love for athletics and her ability to play basketball to Marveline Blackmon.
13. Mavis Allen leaves her reputation as the best-all-round girl in the Senior Class to Boyer Lee.
14. Earl Ray Parker leaves his curly hair to Lemay Blackmon.
15. Hoover Barefoot leaves his laziness to Atlee Barbour.
16. Ray Lassiter leaves his size to B. C. Barefoot.
17. Dwight H. Johnson leaves his intellectual ability to Harvey Cobb.
18. Willie Batten leaves his ability to make wise cracks to Layton Johnson.
19. Dwight Johnson leaves his ability to be quiet to Bert Lassiter.
20. Julas Parker leaves his position as president of the Student Council to anyone who can handle the job.
21. Junius Lee leaves his fine sportsmanship to Maurice Canady.
22. Hazel Cox leaves all her cute ways to Virginia George.
23. Clara Belle Creech leaves all her height to June Langdon.
24. Mildred Johnson leaves her school bus to the ground committee, to be donated to the next scrap drive.
25. Mavis Massengill leaves her giggles to Marveline Blackmon.
26. Earl Allen leaves his ability as a bus driver to Frank Barbour.
27. Dorothy Jean Lee leaves her love for school work to Retha Cobb.
28. Clawson Barbour leaves his love of English literature to anyone who craves the finer things of life.
29. Olan Dunn leaves his good grooming to George Johnson.
30. James Robert Massengill leaves his height to Billy Adams.
31. Bessie Stanley leaves her curly red hair to Doris Snead.
32. Lois Raynor leaves her beautiful blond hair to Repsie Thompson.
33. Anne Creech leaves her friendly disposition to Rebecca Mayes.
34. Talmadge Bizzell leaves his friendliness to Hampton Johnson.
25. Fletcher Sanders leaves his position as class treasurer to anyone who has a love for making easy money.
36. Margaret Barbour leaves her ability to get a man to anyone who wants one.
37. Mary Helen Blackmon leaves her ability as an oral English speaker to Charles Parker.
38. Ellen Hayes leaves her quiet ways to Modest Blackmon.
39. Edwin Lee leaves his studious habits to Ben Hines.

In witness, whereof, we, the Class of 1948, do hereunto affix our seal.

EDWIN LEE, *Attorney.*



UNDER GRADUATES

JUNIORS

CLASS OFFICERS

President.....BOYER LEE
Secretary.....VIRGINIA GEORGE
Treasurer.....LEA UPCHURCH

CLASS COLORS

Blue and White

CLASS FLOWER

Red Rose

CLASS MOTTO

Our aim, success; our hope, to win.

CLASS SPONSORS

Miss Jean Koonce

Miss Lenora Patterson

CLASS SONG

We have come through the years,
Our wish to seek the best.
We want our accomplishments to remain forever;
So we will try to make our motto always hold true:
Our aim, success; our hope, to win.
Junior Class!

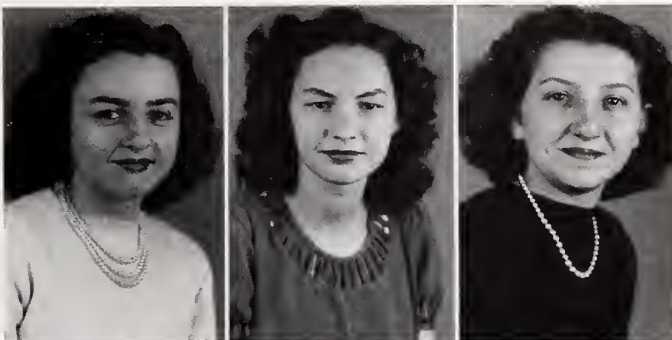
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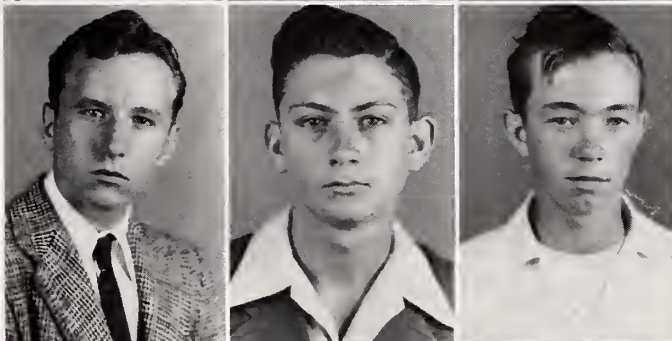
InvocationFay Langdon
Welcome Boyer Lee
Toast to Seniors Evelyn Lassiter
Response Jean Johnson
Class Song Juniors
Class Song Seniors
Toast to Faculty Max Lassiter
Response Mrs. Wilkins
Song—“*Let Me Call You Sweetheart*” Juniors
Postman and Assistant Harold Mahler and Lea Upchurch
Song—“*Always*” Miriam Lassiter, Boyer Lée,
Jerry Moore, Harvey Cobb
Toast to Our ValentinesHarvey Cobb
Response Anne Creech
Song—“*Love’s Old Sweet Song*” Waitresses
Grand March—*Square Dance* Everybody

JUNIORS

GRACE ALFORD
MERLE ALLEN
OPAL ALLEN



ATLEE BARBOUR
FRANK BARBOUR
EUSTACE BEASLEY



LEMAY BLACKMON
MARVELINE BLACKMON
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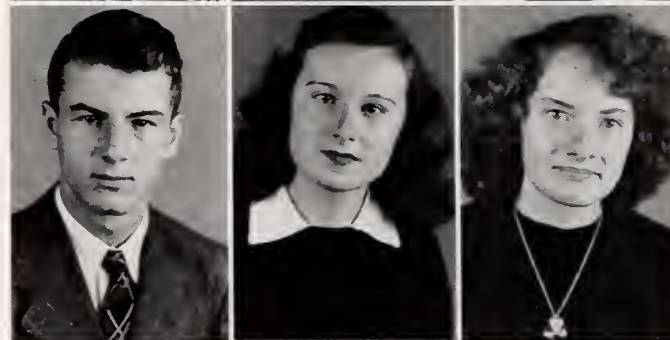
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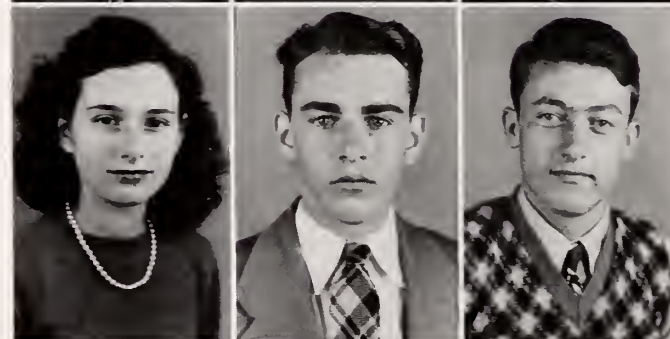
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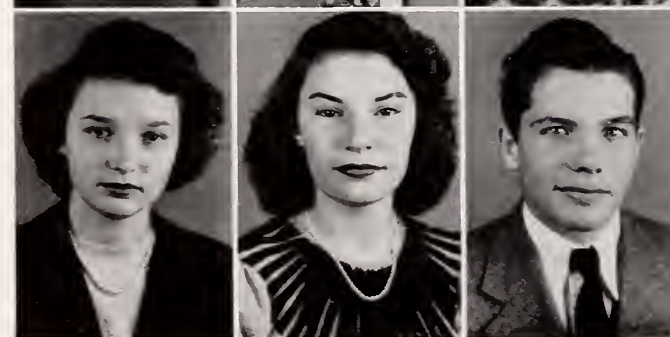
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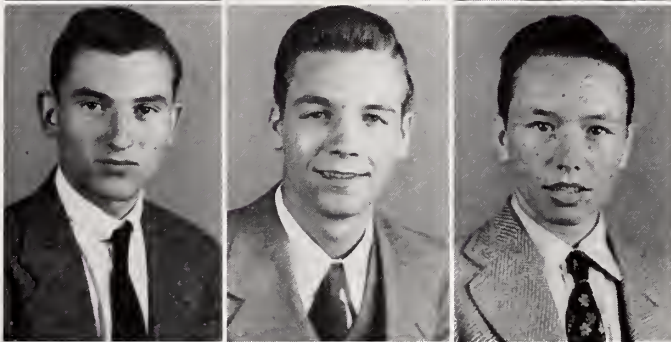
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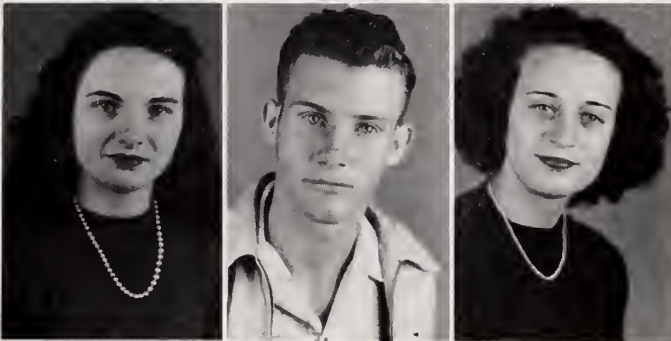
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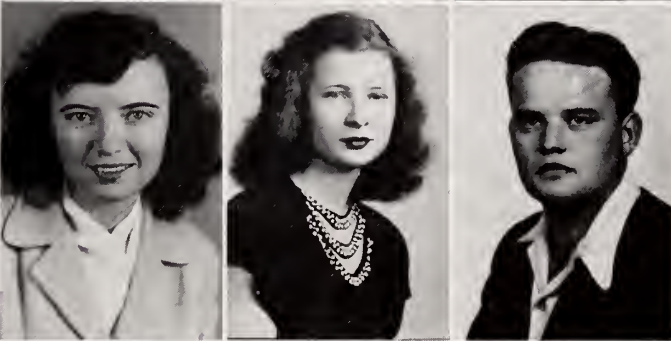
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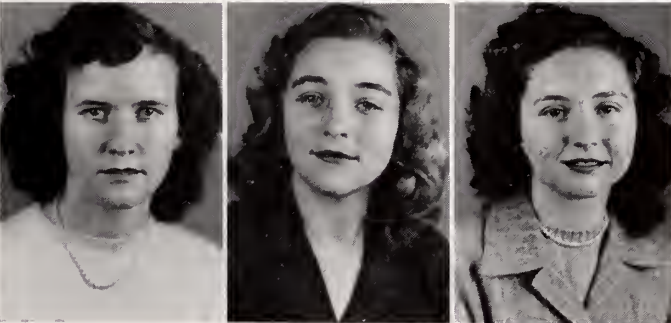
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 LEA UPCHURCH



SOPHOMORES



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Vice-President.....SHIRLEY LASSITER
Secretary-Treasurer.....MARGARET OVERMAN

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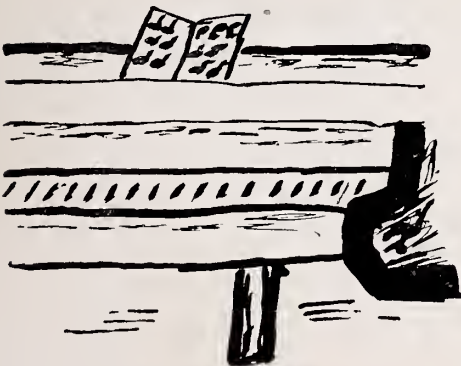
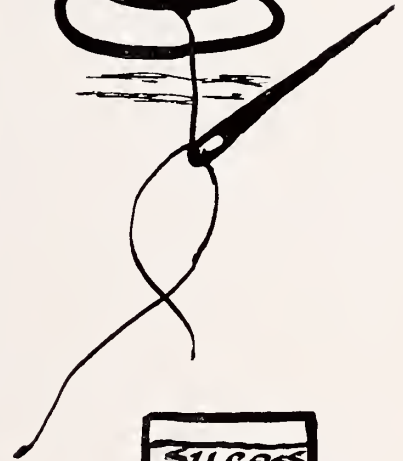
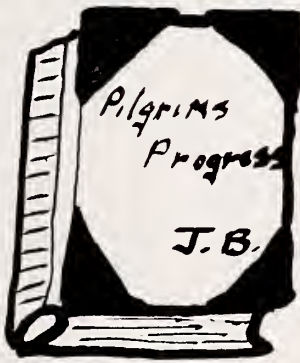
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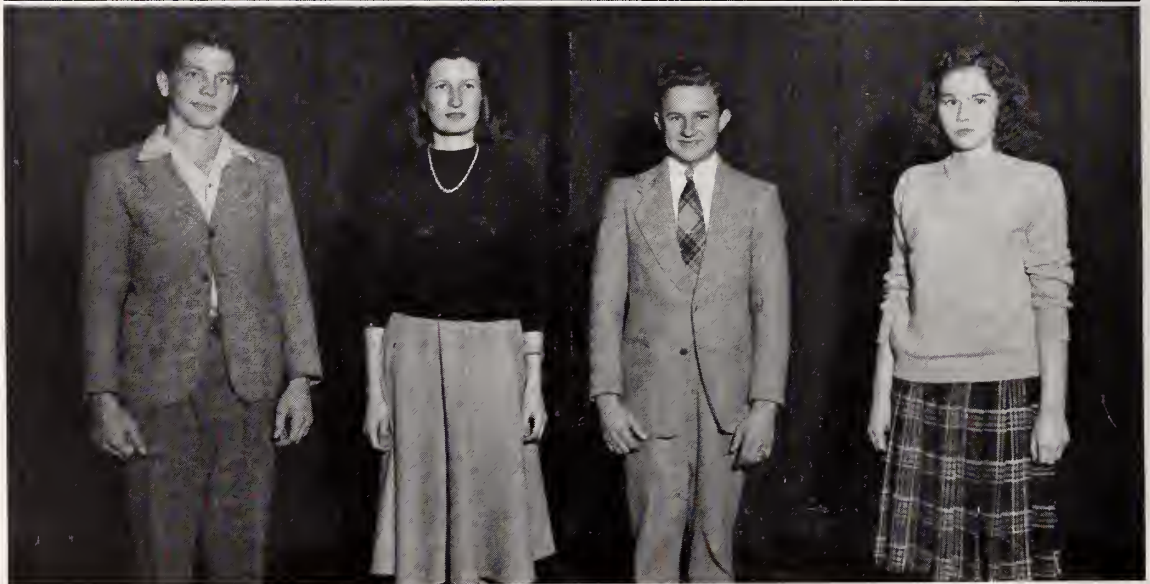
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Four Oaks.....35	Benson17
Four Oaks.....46	Clayton34
Four Oaks.....41	Benson30
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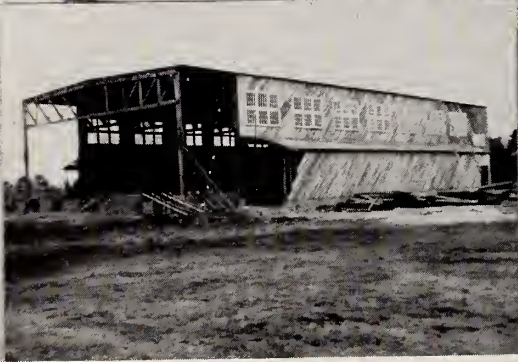
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