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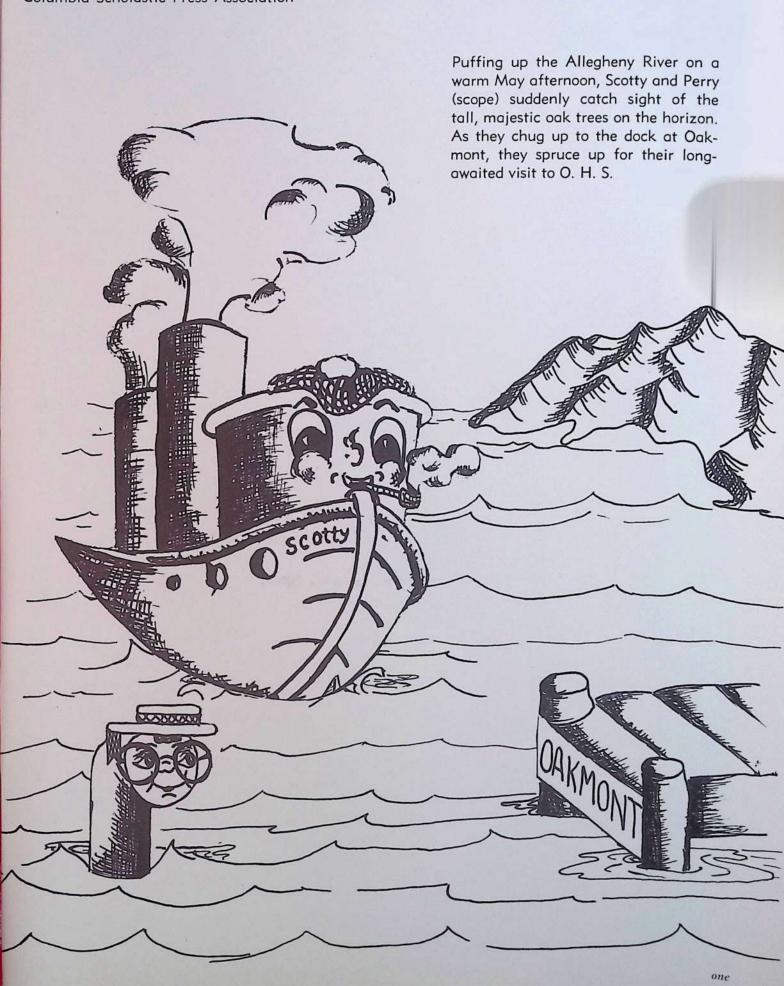
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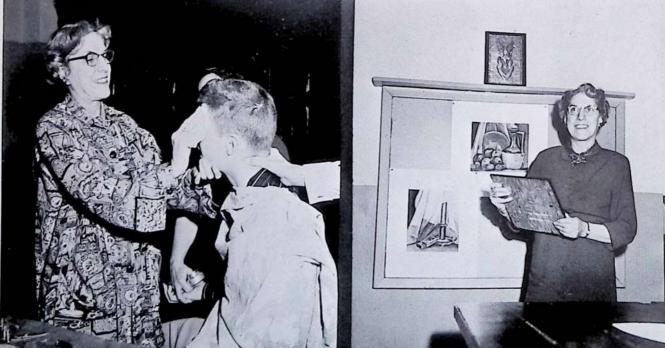
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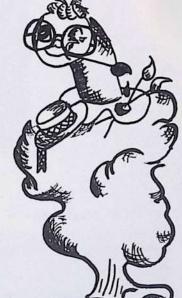
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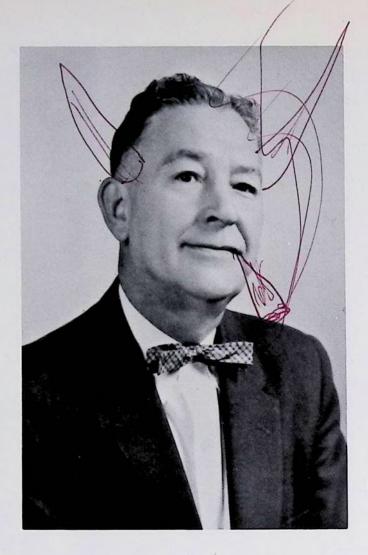
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These are the tasks that never end.
For these we love you, our teacher,
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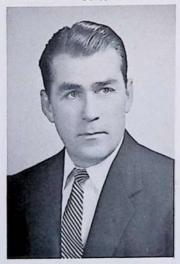
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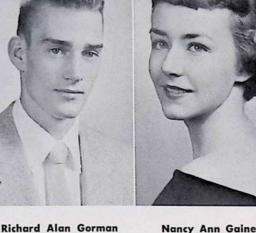
At Right: Top left: Some '56 Periscopers. Top right: The problem? A senior investigative theme, of course. Center: At last the caps and gowns. Lower left: Would-be Thespians try out for the senior class play. Lower center: Mr. Evans and Bob at a senior portrait sitting. Lower right: All these received honor pins!



Robert Clark Allsbrook







Nancy Ann Gaines

Barbara Crawford Montgomery



Student Council Officers

These capable officers provide

Perry and Scotty begin their tour of Oakmont High School by sitting in on a Student Council meeting. Who should be pounding the gavel but Bob Allsbrook, the president. Bob's experience as president of the sophomore class, member of the basketball team, and co-editor of the Periscope has made him an outstanding leader in our school. Number 22, a star player for the "Mighty Oaks," was **Dick Gorman.** Dick also ably served as vice president of Student Council and a member of the '56 Candlelight play cost. He plans to join the Air play cast. He plans to join the Air Force after he graduates. Pretty Nancy Gaines was one of Oakmont High School's busiest students with Y-Teens, Periscope, Dramatic Club, Choir, and her jobs as Junior Class Treasurer and Secretary of Student Council. One of Nancy's most pleasant memories is that of being a majorette in her senior year. Fun and friends are what our Student Council Treasurer, Barbara Montgomery, values most highly. Cheerleading, Y-Teens, Alma Club, Choir, Dramatic Club and being a majorette, were but a few of her many activities. In her field, which is that of social service, Barb is bound to be tops.



David George Todd









Alice Vandergrift Powley

Jane Gray Flinn



Senior Class Officers

efficient leadership for our school.



After meeting the Student Council officers, Perry and Scotty are introduced to the senior class officers. They are told that one day soon president Dave Todd will enter the corps of rising young engineers. As sports editor of the '56 Periscope and member of the Math Club, this dependable senior had very little spare time. Vice president Tom Portera's ambition is to go to college in the South. In addition to his participation in Student Council, Math Club, basketball, and Band, Tom's golfing skill won him quite a reputation. And what a handsome drum major he was! Kept busy by such duties as those of secretary of her sophomore class, vice president of the dramatic club, and secretary of her senior class, Alice Powley still found time to act, sing, and speak in assemblies. These experiences should further Posey's college ambitions. A peppy cheerleader, Jane Flinn served as treasurer of the senior class and vice president of the junior class. Janie also took part in the activities of Student council, Dramatic Club, and Y-Teens. We will always remember her enthusiastic cheering.



George Bruce Agey



Anthony John Aiello



Lawrence Scott Altimus



Annenia Louise Anderson



Thomas Ray Anderson



James Bryson Andrews



Joann Marie Androsky



Barbara Lee Barefoot



Carol Edith Bayne

As freshmen, these seniors timidly began their

George Agey's interest in physics and biology made him an active member in the Science Club and will help prepare him for a career in engineering. George would like to study at Penn State University. Daydreaming again? That's Tony Aiello's escape from the cares of the world. Football was Tony's favorite sport, while world history and chemistry took up his academic interests. Tony was a member of the Alma Club. There goes another fifty-yard pass thrown by that versatile quarterback, and able co-captain Larry Altimus. Five activity letters show Larry's outstanding ability in football, basketball and soccer. Larry will never forget his sophomore year when he started in the Verona Painting, basketball, and bowling are among the favorite pastimes of Annenia Anderson. Nennie has been a faithful member of the Band, Biology Club, and Dramatic Club. This redheaded senior hopes to study physical therapy at the University of Pennsylvania. Tom Anderson plans to take a pre-medical course at Penn State. He enjoys working on cars in his spare time, and would like to have a hot-rod of his own. However, a doctor's degree is foremost in his mind. When he's not busy playing soccer, football, or studying, Jim Andrews can usually be found sleeping. "Bones" will never forget his senior year when he wore number "27" on the football team. As to the future, Bones has no definite plans. Home economics at the Tenth Street School will always provide fond memories for **Joann Androsky**. A three-year member of the Dramatic Club, Jo enjoyed basketball and dating. An engagement ring and a secretarial job await her in the future. **Barbara Barefoot** was busy with Rifle and Biology Clubs, Periscope and dramatics. Perhaps the valuable experience gained in writing the "Acorns" led to her decision to study journalism. All of her many extra-curricular activities, including Y-Teens, Leaders' Club, and Dramatic Club, leave little spare time for Carol Bayne. After she graduates from high school, Carol plans to take a course in beauty and hair styling at Pittsburgh Academy.



William Edward Beard



Nancy Lee Bergmark



Donald Clair Blystone



Frank Bodenheimer



Mary Jo Boggio



Earl Vincent Boley



Beatrice Ann Bowman



Paul Albert Budzak

long journey through the halls of learning.

Someday Bill Beard will be seen whizzing through the streets of Oakmont in a Continental. A member of the Projection Club, Rifle Club, and '56 Periscope staff, Bill also excels in swimming and dancing. He intends to enter the Air Force upon graduation. Petite Nancy Bergmark likes to spend her spare time reading and driving. Her love for shorthand and office practice should help her to become an efficient secretary. Nancy was an ardent football fan as well as a member of the Dramatic Club. Don Blystone's favorite subjects at Oakmont High School were typing II and sales. Don divides his free time between working in a super market and boating. His future plans center around a business school. The things Frank Bodenheimer will remember most about Oakmont High School are his three years as a band member, football, and Mr. Van's classes. Upon graduation, he plans to attend the Cincinatti Bible Seminary, where he will study to be a minister. Mary Jo Boggio was one of our high-stepping majorettes and also a Junior Varsity cheerleader for Oakmont High School. Mary Jo, who works at Bud's in her spare time, plans to study nursing at Latrobe Hospital. One of Oakmont High School's rough and ready guards was Sonny Boley. He was a member of the Science and Biology Clubs and would like to study chemical engineering. Hunting and fishing solved his problems, and he made a hobby of his pets. Swimming, French, Periscope, and Oakleaf made Bea Ann Bowman a busy senior. Her senior year meant the most to her, as she was one of the organizers of the Service Club. Bea's laudable ambition is to be a French teacher. Paul Budzak's favorite subjects were biology and plane geometry. During his junior year he was a member of the Chemistry Club and the Projection Club. After graduation Paul would like to work at Pittsburgh Plate Glass. Carl Carlson's interest in math, especially trigonometry, will help him to fulfill his desire to study engineering at Pitt. "Swede" played basketball for the Red and Black, and also enjoyed swimming and golfing.



Carl Elmer Carlson



Harry Moore Carson



Phyllis May Caserman



Susan Vale Coates



Murray Emerson Conerby



Janet Louise Degitz



Francis Charles Dunlay



Martha Jean Dunn



Janet Elizabeth Emerick



Barbara Ann Feightner

When sophomores, they regarded

There goes Harry Carson whizzing up Pennsylvania Avenue in his Ford. Working on his car keeps him busy, but he must find time for the subjects he likes most—bookkeeping and shop. Nooker expects to enlist in the Air Force. Phyllis Casserman's favorite pastimes are listening to music and going to movies. Among her many memories of O. H. S. will be that of her ten minute speech in her sophomore year. Phyl hopes either to get a secretarial position, or enroll in a business college. Susan Coates, a peppy three-year cheerleader, loves to swim and speak French. While in high school Sue was active in Y-Teens, Leaders' Club and Dramatic Club. For a career, she has chosen nurses' training. Future forestry expert Murray Conerby enjoys hunting and fishing. President of his sophomore homeroom and treasurer of the '56 Periscope, Moe spent his time well. His plans for the immediate future center around the Navy. Lucky are the patients who will some day have Janet Degitz, Registered Nurse, to care for them. "Digger" will always remember football games, plays, and her many friends at Oakmont High School. Band, Orchestra, Periscope, and Oakleaf kept her out of mischief. Sports-minded Butch Dunlay made noteworthy contributions to Oakmont High School in football, golf, and soccer. His favorite subjects are history and chemistry. A member of Student Council and the Oakmont Teenage Committee, this likeable senior would like to have a college education. Martha Dunn's favorite memories of Oakmont High School are her many friends. Faithful to the rifle team, Band, and the Forensic Club, she ought to be a top-notch lawyer, but her hopes and ambitions lie in the scientific field. Another of Oakmont High School's future nurses, Janet Emerick, plans to begin her career at West Penn Hospital. Jan enjoyed participating in Chapel Choir and Candlelight. She was active in Y-Teens and Future Nurses of America. Barbara Feightner will never forget her junior year and the good times spent as a member of Periscope, Red Cross, and Dramatic Club. Barb loves dancing and sewing and can often be found working at Golden's or swimming at the Willows.



Patricia Lynne Feightner



Allan Lyons Fluke



Edward James Flynn



Linda Lou Foster



Francis Loveland Frary



Mary Dorothea Graid



Carol Ann Gray



Blanche Alice Gross

he upperclassmen with respect.

One of our busiest cheerleaders was Lynne Feightner. As a sophomore, Lynne attended the Western Pennsylvania Student Council Convention. As a three-year Student Council member and member of the Dramatic Club, Lynne remembers her junior year above the others. Al Fluke made many valuable contributions to Oakmont's forensics, Periscope, Chorus, and sports. An important lineman, he made the District All-Star football team and won letters in soccer. Al was a finalist in the National Merit Scholarship Test. Three years of football and soccer and two of golf kept Edward Flynn busy. A three-year Math Club member, he plans to attend Penn State to study civil engineering. Ed will never forget the '56 football season. **Linda Foster** will always remember Oakmont High's chapel services. Linda, or "Lin" as she was called, was an active Y-Teen and received honor pins for her good scholastic work. Someday Lin will be an efficient secretary. Frank Frary collects records as a hobby, and enjoys playing baseball. In his sophomore year he was on the soccer team, and in the junior class play. Frankie would like to become a doctor, and plans to study at V.M.I. An accomplished artist, Dorothea Graid won the Hallowe'en window contest for two years. Along with art, Dickie found time for her hobbies of tennis, drawing and reading. She was a member of the '56 Periscope Staff and chapel choir. Home economics, gym and art were the favorites subjects of **Carol Gray**. She was a two-year member of the Y-Teens, and faithfully attended all the Oakmont games. Carol plans to be a secretary. One of the busiest students at Oakmont High School was Bonnie Gross, former Oakleaf co-editor, literary editor of the Periscope, Y-Teen officer, F. T. A. member, and chorus and choir singer. Bonnie is a whiz at jitterbugging and of course likes sports. She aspires to a career of nursing. Elaine Guttendorf came to Oakmont High School in her junior year from Aspinwall High School. Dramatics, art, skating, and basketball took up this senior's time. Elaine will make a top-notch secretary.



Elaine Mary Guttendorf



Frederick Andrew Hanus



Elizabeth Ann Harrier



Georgia Marie Heil



Robert Emmett Helsley



Francis Donnelly Hoffstot



Mary Louise Homoney



Brenda Irma Hrovat



Mary Ellen Jacobson



Edward Domenic Jonotti

As juniors, they walk with more

After graduation Fred Hanus would like to join the Air Force. Fred's favorite subject was shop and he belonged to the Rifle, Science, and Biology Clubs. He was an ardent football fan and enjoyed hunting and fishing. Among Betty Harrier's memories of Oakmont High School will be those of football, office practice, music and senior class day. As an active Y-Teen member, Betty represented Oakmont High School at the Bethany Conference. Someday she hopes to have her own home. Mr. Carson will certainly miss his expert student secretary, Georgia Heil. Her course in office practice trained her well for her future. Y-Teens, basketball, and Student Council were three of her many interests at Oakmont High School. The hope and ambitions of Bob Helsley lie at Pitt's School of Engineering. Bob's favorite subjects were physics and trigonometry. The games and dances at Oakmont High School will always hold many pleasant memories for him. Much credit is due to Frank Hoffstot for his many contributions to forensics, dramatics, the choir, and publications. Frank was responsible for soliciting much of the financial backing for the '56 Periscope. He looks forward to studying hotel administration at Cornell. Someday Mary Homoney will have a hand in sending the news across the world, for her ambition is to become a teletype operator. Mary Lou looked forward to typing class and was a three-year member of the Dramatic Club. A member of the Band, Y-Teens, and the Leaders' Club, Brenda Hrovat liked to swim and especially enjoyed gym classes. During her senior year, Brenda worked at Bud's and plans to join the ranks of professional beauticians. Imaginative artistic creations by Mary Ellen Jacobson are conspicuous at Oakmont High School. She won three first place awards for her '56 Periscope drawings. This Oakleaf art editor and Dramatic Club president enjoys reading and tennis and will attend the College of Wooster. Football and basketball are the sports most interesting to Edward Jonotti. Academically he enjoyed math and chemistry. Ed's activities included being president of his sophomore homeroom, treasurer of his junior homeroom, and participating in Band, football, Oakleaf, and Orchestra.



Ralph John Kassouf



Mary Jane King



Diane Louise Koley



Juanita Ann Kratsa



Kay Kurtz



Rosemary Roberta Lamb



Mary Ann Maiorca



David Joseph Maranto

confident step and more defined purpose.

Ralph Kassouf will be remembered by O. H. S. as president of the Biology Club, business manager of the Periscope, Student Council member, and member of the Projection Club. Ralph, whose main academic interest was P. O. D., would like to study law. A two-year member of the Dramatic Club and of Senior Leaders' Club, Mary Jane King plans to enter nurses training at Shadyside Hospital. While she was in high school, reading and attending basketball games were Mary Jane's main interests. Diane Koley will always remember the footballand basketball games at Oakmont High School. "Die's" ability in art made her art editor of the Oakleaf and the '56 Periscope. She was also a member of Y-Teens and Junior-Senior Dramatic Club. Writing to pen pals and reading were hobbies of Kay Kurtz. This two-year member of French and Dramatic clubs was student director of the junior class play and wrote "Acorns" last semester. She plans to study religion at Valparaiso. Duquesne University beckons to Juanita Kratsa. She will miss the Dramatic Club, F. T. A., and the Band in which she played the clarinet, but the magic of a music course overshadows this and she will still have her hobbies of dancing and swimming. Football and basketball were the favorite sports of Rosemary Lamb, who also enjoyed P. O. D. and bookkeeping. Her extra-curricular activities included F. N. A., Senior Dramatic Club, and Leaders' Club. Rosemary plans to be a physical education instructor. The playoff at Pitt Field House will stand out in Mary Ann Maiorca's memory. This senior took part in Y-Teens, Leaders' Club, and represented Oakmont High School at a Writers' Conference at Pitt. Mary Ann plans to continue her schooling in Carnegie Tech. Dave Maranto is better known as "Moto", and no wonder, for his hobby and escape from the "cares of the world" is working with cars. When Dave graduates he plans to join one of our Armed Forces. Graduation day is the incident Al Marengo will most remember at O. H. S. While archery and hunting took up his spare time, his academic interests were math and English. "Pancho" was secretary of the Biology Club in his junior year.



Alfred Joseph Marengo



James John Margaria



Dominick Joseph Marino



Sandra Ann Martini



Edward Thomas Mator



Carolyn Jean McClellan



Mary Frances McManamy



Theodore Joseph Mileski



Joseph Allen Mosier



Anabel Lea Mull

Now seniors, they anticipate the moment when

Jim Margaria's favorite time of day has come at last—music class. Stock car racing, and working at a gas station took up most of this likeable senior's leisure time. Jim plans to join the Armed Forces. Does anyone recognize the name Dominick Marino? If not, it's probably because he's known to his many friends at O. H. S. as Bubba. To attend Robert Morris Accounting School and own a Ford Victoria are among his many ambitions. Sandy Martini came to Oakmont in her senior year. She will always remember the day of her arrival here. Y-Teens and Leaders' Club took up most of this busy senior's time. Upon graduating, Sandy plans to be a secretary. Ed Mator will always remember graduation day at Oakmont High School. While in school, he was most interested in algebra and English. Ed played football for the Red and Black and enjoyed roller-skating in his spare time. Carolyn McClellan's scrapbook will help her remember Oakmont High School. As she turns the pages, she'll see reminders of Student Council, Periscope, Oakleaf, honor pin awards and chapel choir. Perhaps "Dimples" will keep a scrapbook of Indiana State Teacher's College where she plans to study elementary education. Art club, Y-Teens and Future Nurses of America livened Mary McManamy's years at Oakmont High School. Chemistry and sales classes were Miffy's favorite subjects. Our pep assemblies are the one feature she will always remember. To Ted Mileski, the time he scored thirty-two points in the Millville basketball game will be the outstanding thing in his high-school days. Basketball, football, baseball, and gym were favorite sports, while typing was his academic interest. Joe Mosier escapes the cares of the world by concentrating on his favorite subjects, trigonometry and P. O. D. Joe was very active in the Debating Club at Butler and when he came here he became treasurer of the Forensic Club. A diploma is the only thing Anabel Mull needs to begin nurse's training at Shadyside Hospital. Lea was a sports enthusiast, and made many noteworthy contributions in forensics, Choir, and Service Club. She also belonged to the Periscope Staff and Dramatic Club.



Albert Victor Murphy



Pavid Allen Muskat



Adeline Theresa Nasse



Donald Melvin Nelson



John Okotkewicz



Ernest Paul Ovamio



Barbara Jean Paul



William John Pazman

they can don the coveted cap and gown.

Outstanding in Al Murphy's memories of high school will be the Oakmont-Rankin game. Among Murph's favorite subjects were algebra and physics. Upon graduating, he plans to join the United State Air Force. Who can forget the combination of **Dave Muskat** and his big bass fiddle playing in the orchestra? Besides that, Dave represented Oakmont High School at two Allegheny Valley Band concerts. A threeyear member of the Math Club, Dave plans to major in engineering at college. An ardent football and basketball fan, Adeline Nasse always enjoyed Oakmont's games and pep assemblies. Adeline especially liked typing and office practice and was a member of the Art Club and Y-Teens. When she graduates, she would like to be a beautician. As graduation day arrives, Don Nelson is looking forward to studying chemical engineering. His interest in physics and experience in the Math and Science Clubs should be a great help in fulfilling this desire. Don likes fishing, basketball and collecting coins as hobbies. Football and playing the accordian were the two main interests of Stan Okotkewicz. This husky senior represented O. H. S. on the Allegheny Valley All-Star Team. In addition to football, golf and soccer also interested Stan. **Ernie Ovamio's** hobby of collecting guns goes hand in hand with his love for hunting. He was a Sportsman and Rifle Club member and played football for the Red and Black. Ernie's most challenging academic interest came in advanced science classes. Barbara Paul attended O. H. S. for only one and a half years and was a member of both the Y-Teens and the Rifle Club. Barbara, whose favorite subjects were typing and biology, plans to attend business school. An active senior at O. H. S., **Bill Pazman** plans to enter the entertainment world. Bill will be remembered for his singing ability. Math and typing were among his favorite subjects, and baseball was Bill's major sport. A good education is the thing that Gerry Polansky would most like to have, and she plans to fulfill that desire by attending a business school. Gerry was a constant rooter at all of Oakmont's football and basketball games.



Geraldine Ann Polansky



Lucy Constance Provenza



Donald F. Reed



Franklin James Remaley



Elizabeth Ann Ross



Mary Evelyn Ross



Barbara Ann Rossi,



Joyce Ann Russick



Adele Marie Ryan



Janet Elizabeth Schaltenbrand

They take with them many pleasant

Our lively pep assemblies will always remain a high spot at Oakmont High School for Lucy Provenza. Dancing, Y-Teens, and football and basketball games took up most of Lu's spare time. Her ambition is to work in an office after she graduates. The gridiron was alive when Don Reed, a powerful back, was in there fighting. However, his ability didn't end here. Butch was one of Oakmont's five on the basketball court, and he also did very good work in art. Frank Remaley would like to own every gun in the world, but will settle for one good one in the Marines. An active member of the Rifle Club, he also belonged to the Biology Club and was on the soccer team. Elizabeth Ross' valuable aid as Mrs. Henggi's assistant will be long remembered after she graduates. This honor student loved football, music and good reading. It is certain that some business firm will be happy to get Betty as a secretary. College bound is Mary Ross, who aims to be a high school teacher. Rifle, F. T. A., Periscope and Band were a few of her many activities. She worked hard in French and math, her favorite subjects, but never missed a football or basketball game. Barbara Rossi represented Oakmont High School at a camp conference for Y-Teens. Barb's helpfulness as a secretary to Mr. Gross won her a much deserved "pat on the back." Her outstanding commercial abilities are certain to please any future employer. Joyce Russick's main interests at O. H. S. were typing, history, and gym. This senior was a member of the Y-Teens and Art Club. She engaged in tennis and photography in her spare time. Joyce plans to be a secretary upon graduation. Perhaps her aptitude for office practice and sales is the reason for Adele Ryan's desire to be a secretary. An ardent football and basketball fan, Ádele served as a member of the Service Club and as secretary of the Dramatic Club. Attractive Janet Schaltenbrand's interest in people led her to originate the Service Club at Oakmont High School, and to choose occupational therapy as her life's work. Jan also belonged to the Rifle, Biology, Dramatic and Forensic Clubs.



Edward John Schetley



Carol Anne Schneider



Harry Edward Schwalm



Diane Rose Sever



Achelle Lenor Smith



Judith Leigh Stewart



Carl William Stoecklein



Paul Alexander Sypolt

memories of hard work and good times.

World History, Junior Varsity Basketball, shop, and Sports Club were the favorite interests of Ed Schetley. Model railroading and baseball are his hobbies. Ed plans to continue his education at a business training school. An active member of the Junior-Senior Dramatic Club was Carol Schneider, who came to Oakmont High School in her junior year. Carol's classes in shorthand and typing should prepare her for a desired secretarial position. Everyone will remember Eddie Schwalm's boundless energy and speed both on the gridiron and the basketball court. His outstanding ability won him nine letters and the title of "most valuable player" in the football conference. Eddie's future goal is a career in electronics. Diane Sever remembers many busy days at Oakmont High School. Di, a three-year member of the Y-Teens, held the office of vice president of the Leaders' Club in her junior year. She certainly could twirl a "mean" baton. The name of Mickey Smith could be found on the rosters of the '56 Periscope, Student Council, sophomore class officers, and also that of majorettes. Despite all these activities, Mickey proved by her grades that she found time to study. Petite Judy Stewart made up for her height in energy while marching and cheering for Oakmont High School. This active student also belonged to the Y-Teens and the French and Forensic Clubs and received honor pins for her good scholastic work. Carl Stoecklein's plans for the future revolve around Triangal Business School. Typing and chemistry are his favorite subjects. Since he is interested in mechanics, it's no wonder that his escape from the cares of the world is working on his car. Upon graduation Paul Sypolt plans to enlist in the United States Coast Guard. Taxidermy was the unusual hobby of this senior, who enjoyed shop and typing classes more than any others. "Syp" will always remember his many friends at Oakmont High School. Dave Taylor's love for basketball could not surpass his love for the gridiron. Besides participating in sports, Dave joined the math and science clubs. Dave was treasurer of the Forensic league during his senior year.



David Douglas Taylor



Richard Dean Taylor



Beverly June Tolbert



John Joseph Unik



William Richard Vincent



Sally Jane Virgili



Jean Lois White

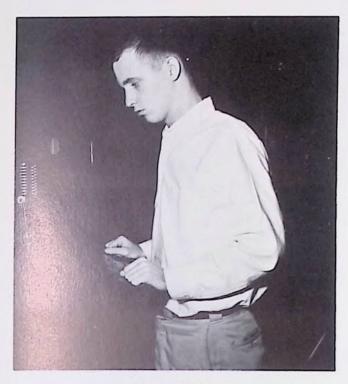


Sara Marie Wills

What will be the challenge of the future?

To graduate from Oakmont High School is Rich Taylor's ambition. A three-year member of chapel choir, Dick listens to music as a diversion. He also belonged to the Sports, Math, and Dramatic Clubs. O. H. S. will always remember Beverly Tolbert whose many activities included participation in Art Club, Basketball, Rifle, Cheerleading, Y-Teens, F. N. A. and Leaders' Club. A crack tap dancer and threeyear chorus member, Beverly plans to be a nurse and social worker. Soon we will see John Unik in the trim blue uniform of the United States Air Force. This tall football fan enjoyed science classes more than any other. The Oakmont-East Deer football game of 1954 will always be clear in the memory of Bill Vincent, who was a member of the football team. The varied interests of this future draftsman include science, hunting, and automobiles. Most memorable to Sally Virgili, newcomer from West Deer, were programs and assemblies at O. H. S. She was active in Y-Teens, Dramatics, and F. N. A. Sally enjoys good music and finds bowling very relaxing. Future fashion illustrator, Jean White has always liked to draw and was a member of the art club. Her hobbies include reading, watching television, and attending basketball games. Periscope, Leaders' Club, Chapel Choir, Band-these are only a few of the organizations to which Sara Wills belonged. Along with her many extra-curricular activities Sara was an honor student. She also found time to sing in the District Chorus and to be on the debating team.

Outstanding Seniors



Bob Allsbrook



Jane Flinn



Lynne Feightner

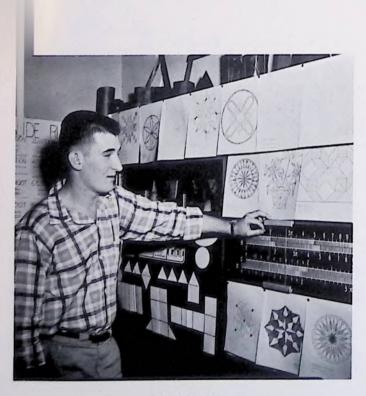


Al Fluke

Selected by their classmates as the eight most outstanding members of the senior class, these students show ability in a wide range of fields.



Barbara Montgomery



Dave Todd

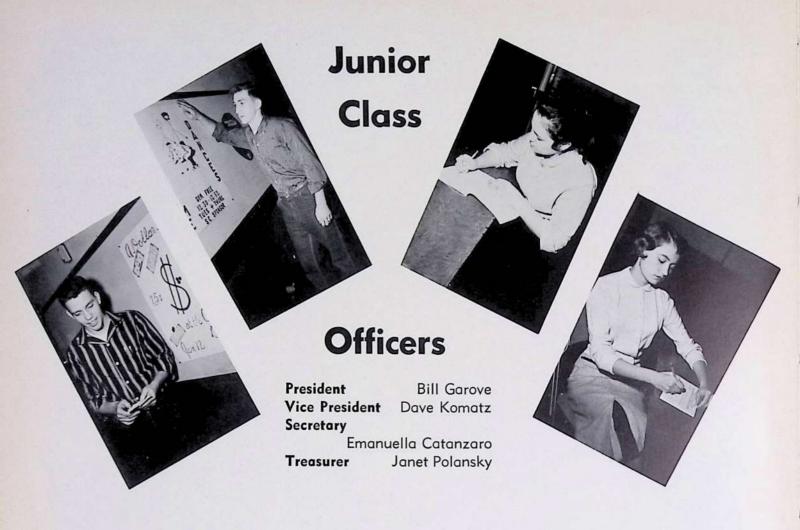


Alice Powley



Sara Wills





The activities of our busy juniors include Periscope, class play,

After being introduced to the members of the graduating class, Perry and Scotty meet the hard-working juniors. These ambitious students worked hard to present their class play, "Mother Is a Freshman." They also sold refreshments at all the home basketball games. All the profits from these ventures went toward the Junior-Senior Prom, the biggest social event of the year.

THE TYPICAL JUNIOR

I'm the guy who makes the noise, I'm the gal who loves those boys' (Senior) I'm the one who needs more poise, I'm the typical junior! When to the Library we must go, Who is the one who starts the show? Who gets tossed out? The Senior? No! It's me! The typical junior! I've learned a little, but not enough Of history, English, math and such Do I get honors? A's? Not much! Not me, the typical junior I get the looks, the demerits, the work Of Periscope, Junior Prom: I'm the Who slaves 'till I almost go berserk Ah, me! The typical junior.

Where do I go when day is done? Out on the town to have some fun? Not me! I'm home There's night work to be done. Poor me, poor typical junior. The Sophs get pity the Seniors get I say to myself, "One of these days!!!" I hope to be out of this dreadful haze Of bungling typical juniors! For ten long years I've strived for this A Junior boy; A Junior miss! Now that I'm here, where is the bliss Of being a typical junior? These silly lines, they're all in fun I wouldn't trade with anyone I love the work, the noise, the puns Of all the typical juniors. Betsy Bottenhorn '58



ROOM 101—Row 1: N. Mascaro, *M. Crowe, D. Ansell, F. Harvanek, C. Morrison, G. Berg. Row 2: J. Santicola, J. Frary, N. Bushyeager, C. Schenk, P. Irvin, B. Foreman, *D. Christman, B. Sporer, G. Miceli, P. Edmundson, S. Provenza, M. Walter. Row 3: J. Myers, R. Houck, C. Rupert, B. Tomlinson, J. Bonaroti, C. Jarvie, D. Gent, J. Kislan, B. Latta, K. Hawker. *Withdrawn

the Prom, and U.S. History.



ROOM 103—Row 1: C. Mink, B. Clover, P. Norbut, G. Stewart, V. Grecco, D. Caruso, D. McCoy, L. Mc-Knight, J. Carson, M. Cleary, J. Wedmore. Row 2: J. Schwalm, N. Kokales, *D. Lusk, F. Chenot, F. Catanzaro, T. Beduch, R. Manherz, L. Pyle, L. Brown, M. Cramer, M. Carson. *Withdrawn



ROOM 105—Row 1: E. Maxwell, B. Furko, N. Hetler, L. Remo, J. McChesney, T. Homoney. Row 2: S. Grimes, E. Rogozinski, R. Stewart, G. Carter, C. Fentzel, N. Wallace, M. Anderson, M. Grubbs, E. Catanzaro. Row 3: E. Goliat, *E. Young, C. Miceli, J. Houston, D. Munhall, J. Bailey, P. Geppert, P. Pahoundis, D. Panyon, E. Meehan, F. Carden. *Moved

What would OHS do without them?



ROOM 204—Row 1: B. Bottenhorn, A. Sproul, D. Sprankle, D. Sprankle, L. Kurtz, L. Semencar. Row 2: B. Short, N. Edwards, M. Taylor, J. Gaines, J. Berg, C. Beard, J. Polansky, P. Rupert, B. Butler. Row 3: B. Garove, F. Sokol, R. McMullen, D. Komatz, E. Miller, T. Hlavac, B. Watson, D. Lanious, D. Thompson, J. Russick, B. Springer, D. Mears. Absent: P. Crissman.





The world of these eager sophomores revolves around

THE TRUTH COMES OUT

The days are going very fast,
Before we know, it will all be past.
"Hurray! Yippee!" say some, I know,
"The shorter the days, the better," 'tis so.
But we'll be sorry, just wait and see,
We'll miss our French and our P. O. D.
We can hardly wait for that day in June,
But we'll be sorry! It comes so soon!
Margaret Shirley '59

CRAMMING

My mind is crammed with figures,
My head is filled with dates;
These things I must remember
If a good grade I'm to rate.
My brain is stuffed with formulas
And lots of French verbs too.
My mind is on so many things!
I don't know what to do.
But there is always one time
When my mind is completely at rest.
That—of course, you guessed it—
Is right before the test!

(A Student)



ROOM 1—Row 1: P. Romanovitch, C. Podufal, C. Kruger, K. Campbell, R. Shick, P. Paulo. Row 2: C. Wyman, M. Norman, A. Andrews, P. Thomas, J. Emerick, A. Rosencrance, S. Lauchus, L. Montague, J. Jackovac. Row 3: J. Willer, J. McAfee, E. Grecco, C. Loughner, C. McManamy, R. Radovitch, P. Claussen, W. McCully, D. Heinauer, J. Stewart, B. Drop. Row 4: B. Uvodich, I. Cornett, H. Shook, A. Keen. Absent: R. Davis.

world history, speech, health, and plane geometry.



ROOM 203—Row 1: F. Ferris, F. King, A. Carlson, S. Kuchinick, S. McCurdy, R. Laghew, L. Ometz, J. Coates, Row 2: M. McCandles, L. Randall, S. Pyle, H. Hirsch, C. Dunkle, D. Macaluso, K. Hartman, F. Brocato, M. Peterson. Row 3: C. Stover, R. Evans, J. Virgili, L. Jones, A. Mitchell, M. DeBernardin, D. Curti, D. Zoller, G. Gent, J. Rydeski, J. Thompson. Absent: T. Harvanek.



ROOM 206—Row 1: C. Dilorio, M. Stark, M. Graff, *J. A. Campbell, J. Miller. Row 2: P. Wechuck, S. Murray, B. Elliot, B. Tolbert, G. Liberto, J. Polansky, C. Clasper, J. Irwin, F. Paulo. Row 3: A. Langus, J. Cook, C. Ansell, E. Foote, S. McCrady, R. Dapra, R. Sutlovich, J. McKalip, R. Radovitch, J. Kaus, E. Kirn, L. Seaton, W. Mason, J. Nicholas. Absent: D. Hayes, G. Rogozinski. *Withdrawn

The sophomores add something special to our school.



ROOM 207—Row 1: P. Stoyak, J. Flanders, T. Kassouf, S. Lisi, E. McClintock, M. Shirley, D. Christman, J. Leckie. Row 2: B. Dunn, S. Petry, B. DiFatta, C. Bostjaneck, J. Laban, M. Robinson, G. Conlosh, M. Todd, E. Alexander. Row 3: L. McElhose, J. Miceli, C. Orbin, B. Alexander, S. Maiorca, P. Dallas, R. Huemme, B. Walcroft, D. McCoy, P. Simpson, J. Schmidt, W. King, A. Quinette.





Row 1: D. Taylor, D. Todd, J. Andrews, D. Gorman, S. Okotkewicz, L. Altimus, E. Schwalm, E. Boley, D. Reed, E. Flynn, A. Murphy, A. Fluke. Row 2: Mr. Higgins, C. Miceli, L. Pyle, J. Houston, J. Meyers, B. Garove, P. Geppert, D. Komatz, E. Meehan, B. Springer, J. Bonaroti, M. DeBernarden, Mr. Gross. Row 3: A. Keene, E. Greco, E. Goliat, S. Maiorca, B. Drop, J. Russick, R. Curti, J. Miceli, R. McMullen. Row 4: F. Dunlay, R. Zoller, R. Dapra, J. Schmidt, L. McElhose, C. McManamy, F. Catanzaro, E. Jonnotti, L. Jones, P. Claussen, G. Gent, J. Coates. Row 5: J. Kaus, C. Loughner, B. Davis, J. Cook.

Victorious Oaks chalk up

Football

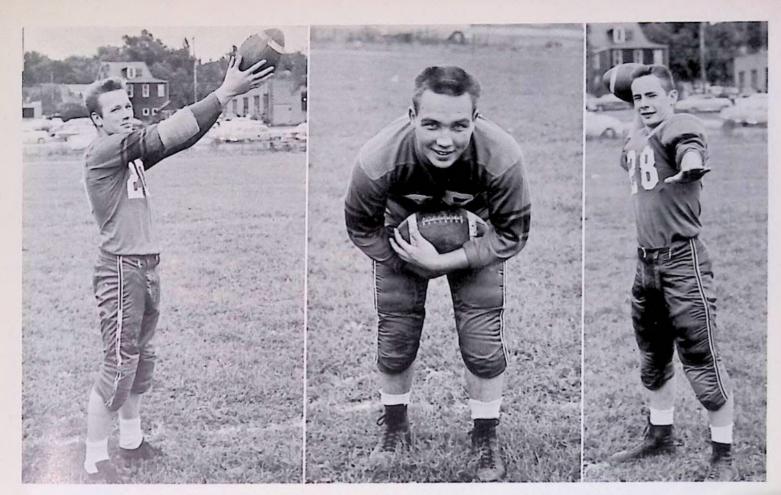


Playing a confident, exciting brand of boly O. H. S. was proud to chalk up another successful football season. Working vigorously to put form its best for a peppy, enthusiastic student body, time and time again the team handled much larger measuith skill and determination.

The following are mainly responsible for many thrill-packed Saturday afternoons: Gent's 60 yard run with a lateral pass and Maiorca's fine running in his first high school performance at the Verona game; Stanley O's all-important extra point and Altimus' 55 yard heave to Reed in the Rankin game; Flynn's 40 yard run with Boley's blocked punt at Plum; Meyer's brilliant run with an intercepted pass aided by Andrews' fine block in the Shadyside game; Taylor's, Murphy's and Russick's outstanding line play at Arnold; Schwalm's three touchdowns and Komatz's effective blocking over at Hampton; Todd and Dunlay's all-around performance in the Aspinwall game; Gorman's conspicuous interceptions and Springer's accurate catches down at Etna; Fluke's and Geppert's offensive and Aeillo's and Jonnotti's defensive play which were outstanding factors in Oakmont's victory over a highly-rated Appollo eleven. Their exciting plays marked the season from start to finish.

At Left: Assistant Coach Mr. Higgins and Head Coach Mr. Gross.

thirty-six



Co-Captains: Eddie Schwalm, Stanley Okotkewicz and Larry Altimus.

another undefeated season.

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OAKMONT	27	SHADYSIDE
OAKMONT	39	PLUM
OAKMONT	7	RANKIN
OAKMONT	56	VERONA

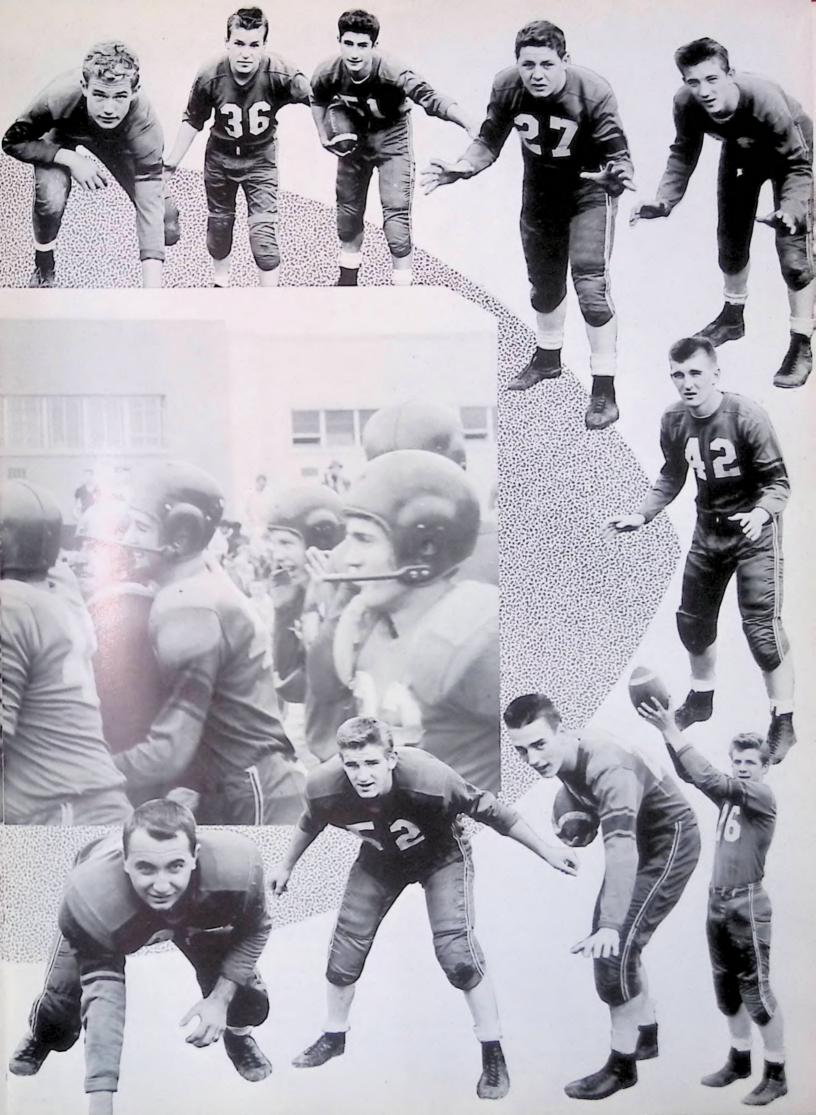
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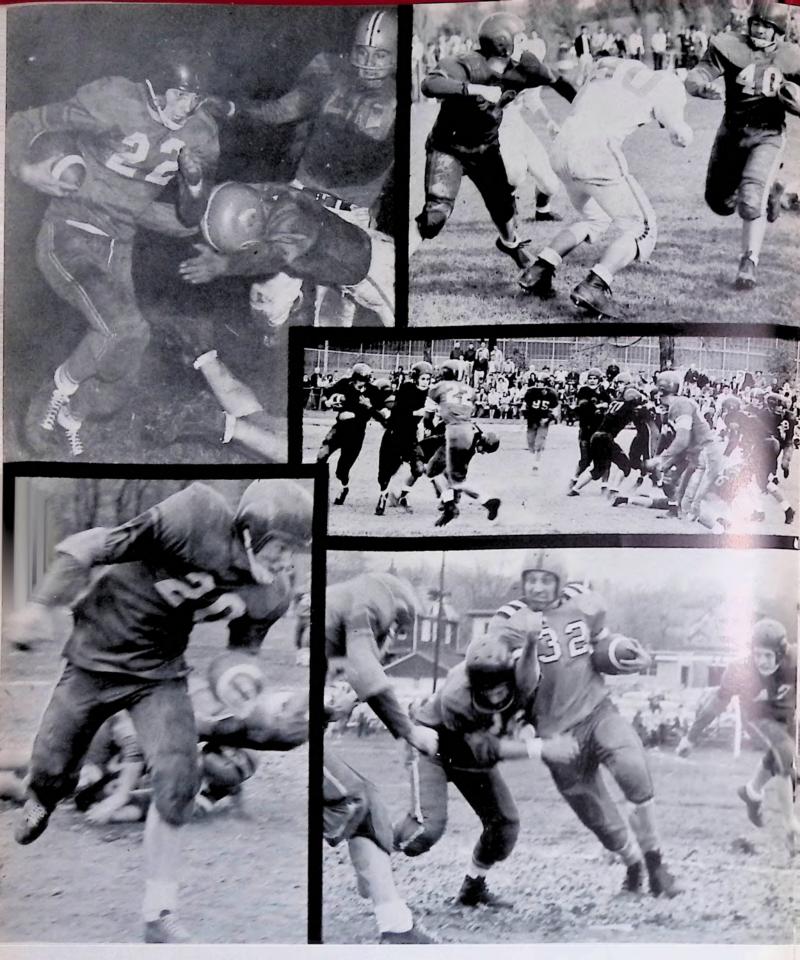
*Conference Games



FIRST STRING—Line: D. Reed, D. Komatz, A. Fluke, D. Gent, E. Boley, P. Geppert and R. Springer. Backfield: E. Schwalm, S. Okotkewicz, L. Altimus and D. Gorman.







Gangway, Arnold! Dickie has the ball . . . The reserves push across for another score against Plum . . . Linemen move out to block against Aspinwall . . . Eddie off and running against Verona . . . Apollo's halfback gets nowhere against Oakmont's determined stalwarts.



Row 1: T. Portera, L. Altimus, T. Mileski, D. Reed, E. Schwalm, D. Gent and D. Todd. Row 2: C. Carlson, J. Houston, D. Taylor, L. Pyle, A. Keene and C. Laughner. Row 3: W. King, J. Miceli, G. Gent, C. Orbin, S. Maiorca, J. Bailey and P. Waibel.

Basketball

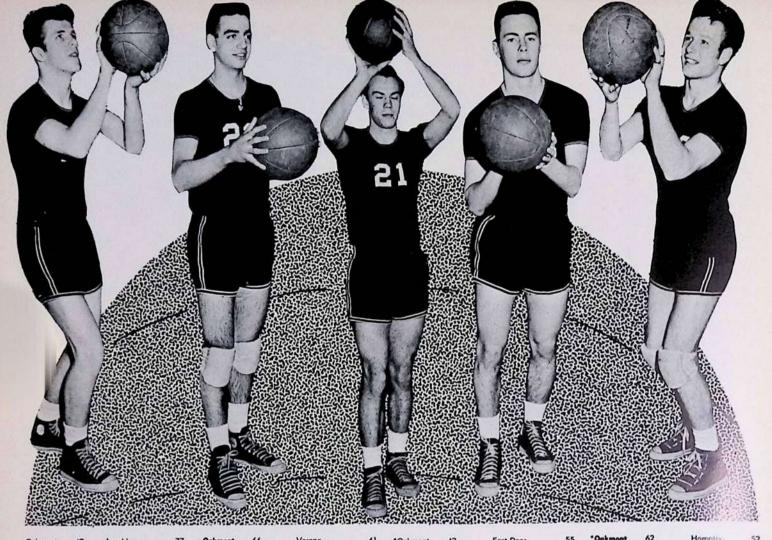
Teamwork pays off.

At the end of the '56-'57 hardwood campaign Oakmont's hard-fighting basketball team held third place in the league. The season featured many thrilling contests, especially at Sharpsburg and Aspinwall. Led by co-captains Ted Mileski and Butch Reed, the team improved immensely by the end of the season.

The varsity squad consisted of nine seniors, whom we will really miss next year, and one junior. Don Reed, a 5'11" guard, thrilled the crowd on numerous occasions with his spectacular drive-in shots. Eddie Schwalm's outstanding characterisite was his sound defense in which he would hold the opponent's high scorer to just a few points. Ted Mileski, one of the team's high scorers, was extremely valuable for his rebounding. Todd, Altimus and Portera shared one of the outside spots on the team. They each performed quite adequately when their services were desired. Don Gent, a junior, was one of the outstanding scorers. He thrilled the crowd time and time again with his spectacular jump shot. Allsbrook, Taylor and Carlson were available when the regulars needed a well-earned rest.



Coach Gross explains the night's strategy to managers Mc-Manamy, Boley, Davis, McCrady and Curti.





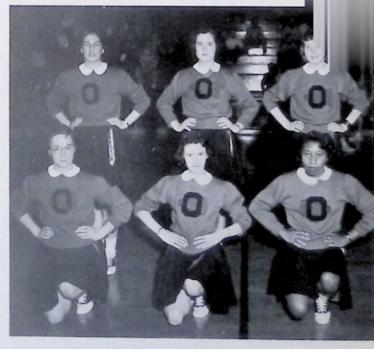




Row 1: J. Bailey, S. Maiorca, J. Miceli, C. Orbin, C. Loughner, W. King. Row 2: A. Keene, J. Houston, G. Gent, L. Pyle, P. Waibel.

Junior Varsity

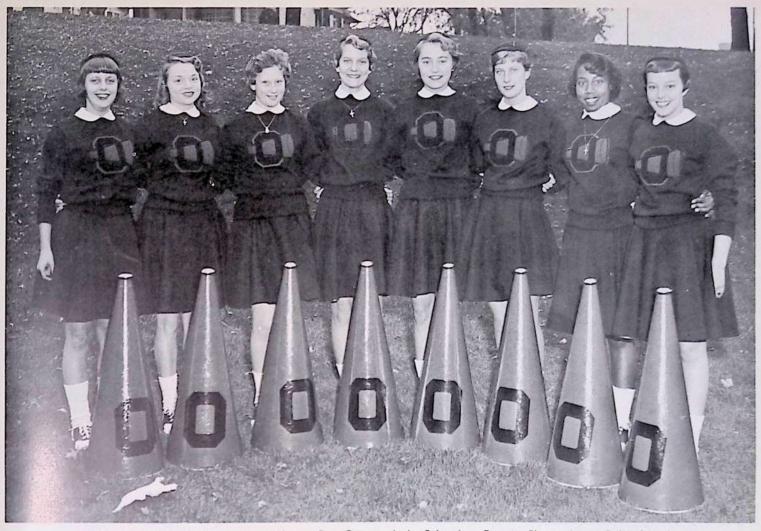
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Oakmont	46	Millvale	14
Oakmont	37	Hampton	31
Oakmont	35	Etna	28
Oakmont	49	East Deer	34
Oakmont	43	Aspinwall	42
Oakmont	45	Sharpsburg	36
Oakmont	59	Verona	15
Oakmont	35	Shadyside	25
Oakmont	60	Millvale	30
Oakmont	51	Hampton	23
Oakmont	41	Etna	31
Oakmont	59	East Deer	40
Oakmont	38	Aspinwall	35
Oakmont	45	Sharpsburg	36
Oakmont	76	Verona	29



J-V CHEERLEADERS—Kneeling: Cookie Kruger, Margaret Shirley, Barbara Tolbert. Standing: Bonnie Dunn, Karen Campbell, Kathy Hartman.



A crucial moment . . . Swish! . . . Two points on the way for Gent . . . Eddie barrels in for a lay-up . . . Mileski grabs another rebound . . . Ted grabs the ball from the enemy . . . Altimus goes high into the air for his jump shot . . . The Oaks get the jump.



VARSITY CHEERLEADERS: Lynn Kurtz, Sue Coates, Judy Schwalm, Bonnie Short, Janet Polansky, Jane Flinn, Beverly Tolbert and Lynn Feightner.

The season wouldn't be complete without these.



OAKMONT'S FOURSOME: Tom Portera, Butch Dunlay, Eddie Flynn and Stanley Okotkewicz.



Row 1: S. Murray, M. Dunn, N. Bushyeager, M. Conerby, E. Kirn, B. Beard. Row 2: C. Rupert, L. Seaton, M. Ross, K. Hawker.

Rifle

The Oakmont Sharpshooters!



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Kydrsa, R. Houck, W. Pazman, H. Shook, B. McGough, L. Komatz, B. Shaffer, B. Cameron, J. Hagan, D. First, M. Dunn, N. Edwards. Row 4: M. Ross, J. Degitz, C. Geppert, F. Bodenheimer, D. Stover, D. Muskat, M. Smith, M. Bedek, B. Livingston, S. Aikenhead, M. Walter, D. McCoy. Row 5: J. Matchett—Director, L. Mantague, A. Anderson, D. McCoy, K. George, C. Stover, A. Carlson, T. Portera, C. Rupert, J. Bailey, J. Kislan, B. Latta, J. Knarr, N. Hogg, C. Sill.

Band and Orchestra

Not in comfortable clothes, don't be a fool, I mean in uniform, a hundred percent wool. Another discomfort is the miserable rain, Pouring down from the heavens at a football

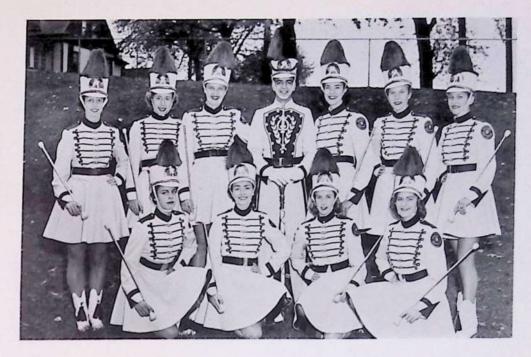
Still another is presenting a half time show, Be it in dust, mud, sleet or snow.

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Al Carlson 59 The headlines are always "The Oaks Win Two I never saw a paper, no not one, Praising the band for a job well done. But of some good the band must consist, Or it simply would not exist. The good in band that is an attraction, Is the inner glow of self-satisfaction.



MAJORETTES

Kneeling: Betty Butler, Nancy Gaines, Judy Stewart, Carol Beard. Standing: Patsy Rupert, Barbara Montgomery, Mary Jo Boggio, Tom Portera—drum major, Mickey Smith, Betsy Bottenhorn, Diane Sever.



enthusiasm at games and assemblies.

BAND AND ORCHESTRA

Music is an important part of life at O. H. S. The band supplied much of the excitement and enthusiasm at our football games and pep assemblies, giving support to the team and entertaining at the half.

The orchestra began many assemblies with appropriate music under the direction of Mr. Machett. The district band festival, held in Oakmont, was the highlight of the year's musical events.



ORCHESTRA MEMBERS

B. Butler, D. Muskat, L. Montague, J. Santicola, C. Rupert, E. Jonnotti, J. Kratsa, A. Anderson, M. Ross, M. Walters, S. Wills, S. Lisi, F. Bodenheimer, Mr. Matchett—director, M. Dunn, J. Degitz, B. Latta, D. Mc-Coy, E. Miller, B. Walcroft.





Ted ably officiates at the organ.

Choir

CHAPEL CHOIR

Row 1: B. Foreman, S. Wills, B. Gross, S. Coates, D. Graid. Row 2: F. Hoffstot, B. Montgomery, B. Harrier, M. E. Jacobson, L. Seaton. Row 3: B. Watson, R. Taylor, J. McAfee, D. Taylor, J. Mosier.



Alice, Judy and Donna are familiar figures What would we do without them?

Choir heightens the religious atmosphere in Chapel.



SENIOR CHOIR

Row 1: J. Emerick, B. Barefoot, B. Gross, M. J. King, M. A. Maiorca, J. Berg, C. Beard, N. Bushyeager, M. E. Jacobson, S. Coates, M. Dunn, D. Graid, J. Stewart, J. Kratsa. Row 2: A. Powley, B. Foreman, S. Wills, B. Feightner, P. Stoyak, E. Foote, A. Langus, J. Kislan, J. McAfee, L. Seaton, N. Gaines, B. Butler, J. Wedmore. Row 3: D. McCoy, B. Harrier, M. Ross, J. Polansky, J. Miceli, B. Drop, D. Zoller, L. Jones, C. Rupert, G. Heil, J. Flinn, B. Short, A. Mull. Row 4: M. L. Walter, M. J. Boggio, B. Bottenhorn, B. Montgomery, R. Taylor, F. Hoffstot, W. Watson, B. Davis, J. Mosier, J. Margario, W. Pazman, B. Hrovat, J. Schaltenbrand, C. McClelland, J. Degitz.

Student Council

President Vice President Secretary Treasurer Bob Allsbrook Dick Gorman Nancy Gaines

Barbara Montgomery



Council helps solve important school problems.

A busy organization important to O. H. S. is Student Council, which renders many services for its school. This year, noon hour dancing in the gym and an usher's club were started because of its efforts. Some of council's regular projects are: Christmas Formal, "Pat on the Back," Honor Roll and Pins, Variety Show, and Student Handbooks.



Seated: N. Hetler, N. Gaines, J. Flinn, B. Montgomery. Standing: A. Keene, B. Dunlay, G. Bonaroti, J. Berg, D. Komatz, L. Feightner, A. Carlson, B. Allsbrook, P. Rupert, D. Gorman, C. McClelland, R. Kassouf, T. Portera, L. Pyle, B. Dunn, T. Aiellio, M. Smith, M. Stark, G. Heil, M. Peterson.



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Meet the '57 Periscope Staff.

Puffing heavily, Scotty turned wearily into the Periscope room with Perry close at his heels. At the sight of all the activity, he gave a long low whistle of admiration. The two visitors were surprised when Nancy and Chuck breezed by them over to where our two Judy's were checking their work with Bill, Ted, Betsy, Gertrude and Miriam peering anxiously over their shoulders.

While Scotty tried to pick at the write-ups too, Perry became entangled in Carol's and Bonnie's art work. When they saw Perry's predicament, Eddie and John left their sports pages to help dislodge him. Without much success they gladly turned Perry over to our typists: Beverly, Donna, and Peggy. After they had freed Perry, he was taken over by Bruce to where our business managers were working. Paul, Jack, Bill, Chuck R., Jane, and Nancy were in a huddle arguing over who had received what ad.

After so many mishaps, Perry knew he couldn't have any more. Over-confidently Perry marched toward the door, and nearly knocked the camera out of Dana's hands. It was a good thing Rich was there to catch it. Perry finally found Scotty and told him that they had better leave before he upset the whole book. Scotty agreed heartily, and they waved goodbye to Nancy and Ernestine who were trying to teach the apprentices the ropes.







Presenting Periscope's Royal Court.

The Periscope Ball initiated a new tradition at O. H. S. The effective decorations of pink and silver set a sophisticated tone to the evening's dancing. Highlighting this gala affair were pizza, hi-fi music on tape, and of course the long-awaited crowning of the King and Queen of the dance, Eddie Schwalm and Sally Virgili, who had been elected by popular vote. The dance was extremely well attended and was a tremendous success.

attendants), Sally and Eddie (king and queen), Peggy and Bonnie! Working hard on decorations for the big dance?" Jerry (junior attendants). Top right: Candidates. Lower left:

Top left: The Periscope Court—Andy and Margie (sophomore The Emcee for the evening serving pizza. Lower right: "Yo,



The members of the Alma Club were the recipients of the American Legion Medal Award presented in the eighth grade on the basis of a wellrounded personality.



OHS takes pride in these organizations.



These members of the National Honor Society were chosen last year from five per cent of the junior class on the basis of their scholastic ability.

The first four recipients of the Pat on the Back were nominated by the student body for outstanding service to the school.



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Oakleaf keeps OHS students well-informed.



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Oakleaf

The members of the Oak-Leaf Staff worked diligently in putting out an issue of our school paper every other Friday. They kept the students up to date on the latest news. The art work featured a chipper little squirrel who appeared throughout the issue. Helpful tips were given here and there by their sponsor, Mr. Van Eman.



ACORNS

This year the Acorn Column was written by Barbara Barefoot for the first semester and by Kay Kurtz for the second. This appears weekly in the Advance Leader and keeps the readers informed about school activities.







THE JUNIOR-SENIOR DRAMATIC CLUB

Group I

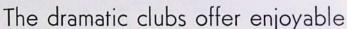
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Group II

President Mary Ellen Jacobson **Vice President** Betsy Bottenhorn Secretary Adele Ryan **Treasurer** Jane Frary Sponsor Mrs. Cook

The Junior-Senior Dramatic Club spent its meetings hearing reports on the latest plays, making tape recordings of dramatic readings, and speaking over the P. A. system. At Christmastime, a party was held for both the Sophomore and Junior-Senior Dramatic Clubs, and in the spring the juniors and seniors went to the Pittsburgh Playhouse.

Last year the Junior-Senior Dramatic Club presented the story of a shoemaker by Tolstoy for the Christmas service. Bill Garove played the part of the shoemaker who spent his life doing good for others as a penance for some sinful thing he had done long before. It was an impressive story which left everyone with the true Christmas spirit.





This year the Junior Class under the direction of Miss Shott presented "Mother Is A Freshman", a three-act comedy. Bonnie Short, Janet Polansky, and Jack Bailey played the three leading roles with a fine supporting cast.

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SOPHOMORE DRAMATIC CLUB

President John Cook
Vice President Sonnie Petry
Secretary Carol Bostjanick
Treasurer Pat Wechuck
Sponsor Mrs. Powers

Large membership in the Sophomore Dramatic Club shows a great enthusiasm for dramatics and promise of up and coming actors at O.H.S. This year, for the first time the Sophomores put on three one-act plays under the direction of Mrs. Powers.



entertainment for everyone.





President **Vice President**

Sara Wills Secretary Alan Fluke

Treasurer Advisor

Judy Stewart David Taylor Mr. Boggio

FORENSICS

quick Experience, thinking, and self-assurance are three qualities which members of the Forensic Club have gained and put to use. Debate, original orations, humorous and serious declamations, and readings of all kinds are presented as a challenge. Only after much preparation and memorization are the results promising. In 1956-57 Oakmont's club became a member of the National Forensic League and made excellent showings throughout the district competitions.

The fine points of forensics, biology, math, and science are

BIOLOGY CLUB

The members of the Biology Club enjoyed a variety of programs throughout the year. Dr. Snow, from the U.S. Steel laboratory, related interesting facts about crystals. Mr. Joseph Miller, also of U.S. Steel, gave a detailed account of his biological findings from the Mississippi River and Louisiana. Robert J. Dunn, an officer of the Speliological (Cave) Society interested the group with his pictures of caves from all over the United States. Several of the members, accompanied by their sponsor, Mrs. Mears, visited Buhl Planetarium during the holidays.



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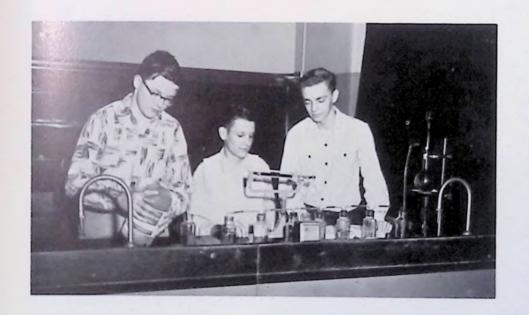
MATH CLUB

The Math Club, sponsored by Mr. Bottenhorn, has been quite active during the past year. The members held regular monthly meetings and in April visited the U.S. Steel laboratory.



President Vice President Carl Carlson Frank Frank Secretary-Treasurer Robert Helsley Sponsor Mr. Bottenhorn

explored by the members of these clubs.



SCIENCE CLUB

"What's that funny smell? Is the school on fire?" Mr. Baker, sponsor of the Science Club would answer that the club members were doing one of their many experiments. He might also explain that the club has seen movies, listened to speakers, and taken field trips to further their knowledge of the sciences.

President Vice President

*Edward Young

Ronald Manherz

Secretary-Treasurer

Donald Nelson

Sponsor *Moved Mr. Baker

ART CLUB

Many meetings of the Art Club were filled with making plans for the annual "White Elephant Sale." Under the supervision of Miss White they helped out by making the attractive posters throughout the year in the main hall.



President Vice President

Donna McCoy

Secretary-Treasurer

Donald McCoy Miss White

Janet Schaltenbrand

Sponsor

These clubs add spice

President Vice President Diane Koley Bonnie Gross Secretary-Treasurer

Elizabeth Ross

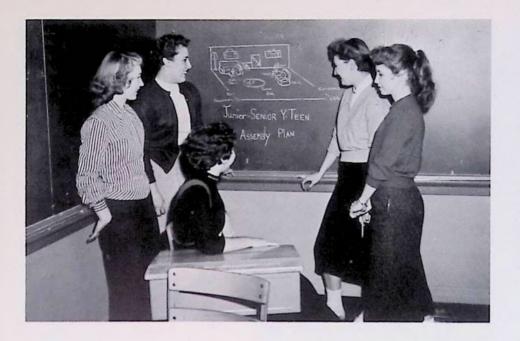
Sponsor

Mrs. Morrow



JUNIOR-SENIOR LEADERS' CLUB

The Junior - Senior Leaders' Club met in the gym every third Tuesday of the month to learn how to play and officiate a t basketball g a m e s. They sponsored a girls' intramural basketball program and kept a scoreboard in the front hall.



President Peggy Edmundson Vice President Geraldine Polansky

Secretary Gertrude Miceli
Treasurer Brenda Hrovat
Club Representative
Diane Sever

JUNIOR-SENIOR Y-TEENS

The Junior-Senior Y-Teens, under the direction of Miss Forrest, are affiliated with the Wilkensburg Y. W. C. A. During the meetings they planned their different activities which included a Sloppy-Joe Party, a Christmas float and a skit in an assembly.

to life at OHS.

President Karen Campbell Vice President Judy Miller Secretary Kathy Hartman

Treasurer Claudia Wyman
Club Representative
Shirley Pyle

Sponsor

Miss Forrest

SOPHOMORE Y-TEENS

Candy sales, a swimming party, and a skating party were but a few of the many activities of the Sophomore Y-Teens. This club also joined with the Junior-Senior Y-Teens and entered a float in the Christmas Parade.



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President E. G Executive Committee

E. Guttendorf

C. Schneider M. Shirley

Governing Board

Sponsor

B. Barefoot B. Bowman Miss Melaro

A. Mull

SERVICE CLUB

The Service Club is a newly - organized group which has rendered notable assistance to those at O.H.S. Under the direction of Miss Melaro they set up a big sisterbig brother program for the new students O.H.S. The members were also active in assembly programs, as their senior members read the announcements in chapel. They helped teachers prepare rooms for Open House and, before school opened in September helped Mr. Baker set up his chemistry lab.

The service is a boon to OHS teachers.

President Vice President

Clarence Orbin Ira Cornett Secretary Sponsor Larry Ometz Mr. Derk



SOPHOMORE BOYS' AUTO CLUB

Members of this club will be well prepared for safe driving when they take their driver's test: Through movies and other visual aids these boys find a pleasant way to learn safety of the car, safety of the road and common courtesies of driving.

FUTURE NURSES OF AMERICA

The members of the Future Nurses of America Club devoted their time to probing deeper into the nursing profession. These prospective nurses visited the Harmary ille Convalescent Home and heard speakers such as Dr. Allen of Oakmont, Miss Johnston of the Training Services, a representative from the Tarentum Hospital and their sponsor Mrs. Mears. A number of the senior members have already taken entrance examinations for nurses' school.



President Beverly Tolbert Vice President Nancy Edwards

Beverly Tolbert Secretary
Nancy Edwards Treasurer

Secretary Mary Jane King Treasurer Gwen Carter Sponsor Mrs. Mears

These clubs prepare their members for their chosen fields.

FUTURE TEACHERS OF AMERICA

The highlights of the teaching profession were pointed out to the members of this club by various speakers throughout the school year. enjoyed being the guests of the Penn High F.T.A. at one of its meetings, and also made the annual trip to a local college campus. The senior members participated in the student teaching program and had their first experiences on their own with a class.

President Mary Ross
Vice President Judy Wedmore

Secretary-Treasurer
Caroline McClellan
Sponsor Miss Shellaby





USHERS CLUB

The members of the Ushers club were chosen at the beginning of the school year and were trained how to be polite, efficient ushers. Their services were appreciated at such programs as the Junior Class Play, the Senior Class Play, Baccalaureate Service, Commencement, and many other programs within the school.

These persons are indispensible to our school.

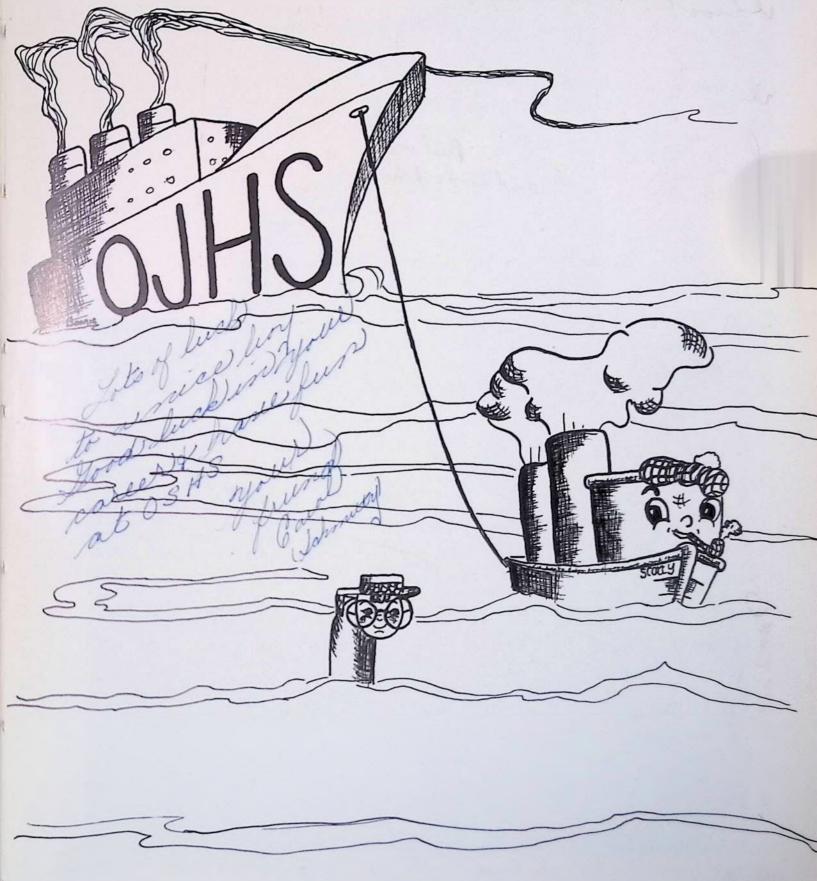


Left: Some members of the Service Club at work on a sign. Lower left: The art classes prepare a mural for Education Week. Lower right: Why the grim look, Nappy? What did the photographer say?





Having completed their tour of O.S.H.S., Perry and Scotty wave goodbye for the last time to their newly-acquired friends and venture merrily up the hill where they will visit O.H.S.'s little brother, O.J.H.S.



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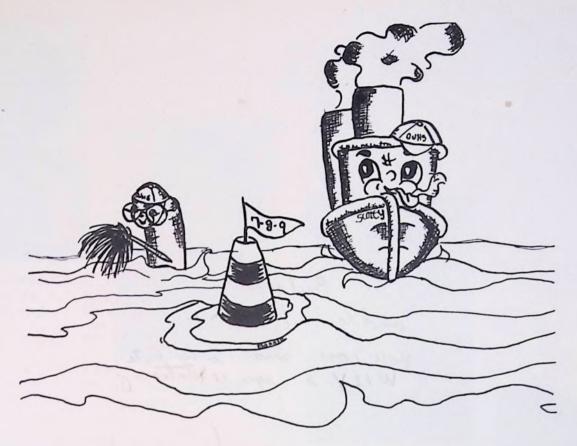


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Charles J. CooperPrincipal of the Junior High School

Catherine M. Stanec Secretary to the Principal







Ruth E. Peters Library Arithmetic



Dorothy C. Gross Physical Education



Vera M. Stauffer Arithmetic General Math



Allan R. Kennedy Geography



Letrugh G. Coates Civics Pa. History



Margaret E. Gallaschun Home Economics



Irene S. Masters English





Warren P. Riddinger Mathematics



Katrina A. Halter Art



Mary E. Barber General Science Latin I



James C. Higgins* History

Faculty

Robert J. Hutson Industrial Arts





John A. Ross Health Physical Education



Virginia Kerr English

* in the army replaced by Mr. Besnecker

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st wishes to a coal ack Brocate O **ROOM 209** Row 1: M. Bidek, M. Carlson, C. Sill, Ammon, S. Kenney, D. Stewart, M. Federici, E. Price. Row 2: L. Jumbercotta, L. Komatz, T. Nasse, M. J. Griffith, J. McAuly, J. Brocato, R. Anderson, W. Foster. Row 3: J. Stillson, A. Mascaro, J. Unik, P. Slebrich, W. Schrode. Row 4: R. McElhose, L. Nolon, D. Weaver, W. Charlesworth. Absent: S. Medved. Best of Duck i to a swell friend Lots of Luck to a gone crazy cool and of Ham when they will become a part of O.H.S. Tough rough his bad cat, ROOM 208 with a Row 1: G. Jenkins N. Hogg, C. Schmidt, L. Bottenhorn, C. Stuart, D. Gasparich, J. Siplive, R. Mator, C. Pyle. Row 2: D. Lewis, J. Messina, B. Wainwright, P. McClellan, L. Okotkewicz T. Aubele, D. Sypolt, D. Clasper Row 3: K. George P. Unik, R. Sheffer, E. Brown, K. Palgutta, H. Armstrong. Row 4: J. Yaken B. McGough W. Kenna, W. Braith, E. Housestolluch agoo always **ROOM 211** Row 1: C. Guttendorf, R. Cunningham, M. Miller, J. Walcroft, J. Gasparich, B. Livingston, M. Baker, P. Siverd, J. Weaver. Row 2: J. Hanks, T. Mosakowski, W. Sharp, M. Panyon, K. McClure, M. Connelly, J. Sokol, D. Irvin. Row 3: D. Lochard, B. Gildersleeve, D. McKinley, L. Brown, Usko, G. Black. Here Stime





Eighth Grade

ROOM 204 8-1

Row 1: D. Cook, J. White, D. Horne, N. Muffly, A. Meyers. Row 2: S. Sawyer, J. Litwiler, N. Carrigan, P. J. Volbrecht, J. Blystone, L. Bowman, A. Orbin, P. Gross, G. Hajduk, C. Harris. Row 3: F. Santicola, A. Schmeltz, R. Shook, Y. Fisher, R. Miceli, J. Dawson, J. Bair, L. Gent, R. Williams. Row 4: R. Knox, J. Allison, G. Vilsack, J. Harris, F. Grimes.

Row Jul C. Ruppel, R. Lee, D. Pelley, R. Dilorio, D. Roney, B. Beard. Row 2: J. Mosakowski, S. Thorton, E. Fentzel, J. Allsbrook, K. Sweet, C. Holloway, P. Helwig, B. Bartlebaugh, P. Edmundson. Row 3: G. Gentile, N. Himes, L. Kumer, G. Geis, A. Montgomery, J. Taylor, K. Clover, H. Adams, F. Way, J. Tolbert. Absent: E. Alberts, J. Fox, J. Krampholtz, R. Washington.

ROOM 213 8-3

Row 1: M. Stark, L. Yingling,
R. Hawker, L. Sevdalis, S.
Connelly, W. Crawford, J.
Gardner. Row 2: D. Petry, C.
Zoller, J. Christman, P. Srena,
S. Helsley, D. Davia, A. Walker, S. Mull, M. McCreery.
Row 3: J. Hunter, J. Flanders,
F. Grimes, B. Campbell, K.
Stanley, P. Rydeski, J. Allsbrook, N. Maiorca, R. Montgomery, W. Huemme. Row 4:
J. Carson, R. Collins, W. Peoples. Absent: M. Cleland.



Seventh Grade

ROOM 206 7-1

Row 1: J. Mink, J. Maranto, E. Rupert, S. McKalip, C. Evans, K. Griffith, W. Kipp, T. Aber. Row 2: A. Kenning, L. Dunn, A. Stuart, S. Schenck, B. Pyle, N. Schaltenbrand, N. Pitkivitch, M. A. Kokales, R. Kenny, J. Foster. Row 3: C. Stitt, T. Gray, R. Ney, W. Edwards, S. Bruning, P. Van Why, D. Fussaro, R. Mason, F. Kumer, P. Volkmann, W. Christman.



ROOM 205 7-2

Row 1: G. Graff, D. McMullen, G. Galardy, R. Muskat, S. Aber, T. Ferris. Row 2: M. Manherz, J. Hagan, E. Carrigan, P. Holden, *D. Cartis, L. Keleman, J. Mosier, D. McKalip, M. Rhines, S. Schenck, G. Brown. Row 3: W. Barefint, G. Mason, E. Shaffer, L. Slunan, J. Miceli, A. Kinzer, Kratsas, R. MacConnell, D. Ansell, S. McCormick, J. Evans, R. Edwards.



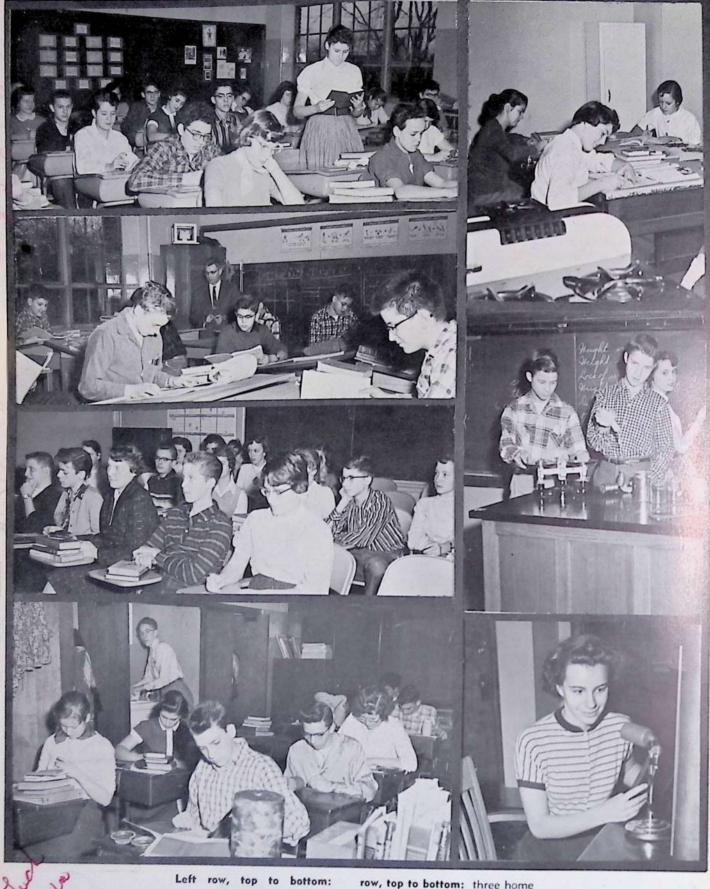
ROOM 216 7-3

Row 1: R. Schwartz, D. Geis, M. Stewart, C. Randolph, C. Koley, J. Kent, C. Young. Row 2: A. Mason, D. Carlson, M. McCormick, J. Elliott, S. Armstrong, K. Gross, C. Miller, N. McElhose, M. Schallis, K. Hurnes. Row 3: B. Dudek, W. McAfee, J. Heil, V. Merlot, B. McCreery, H. McCurdy, F. Drake, F. Pratt, E. Wetmore.

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The Best of luck to a swell kid



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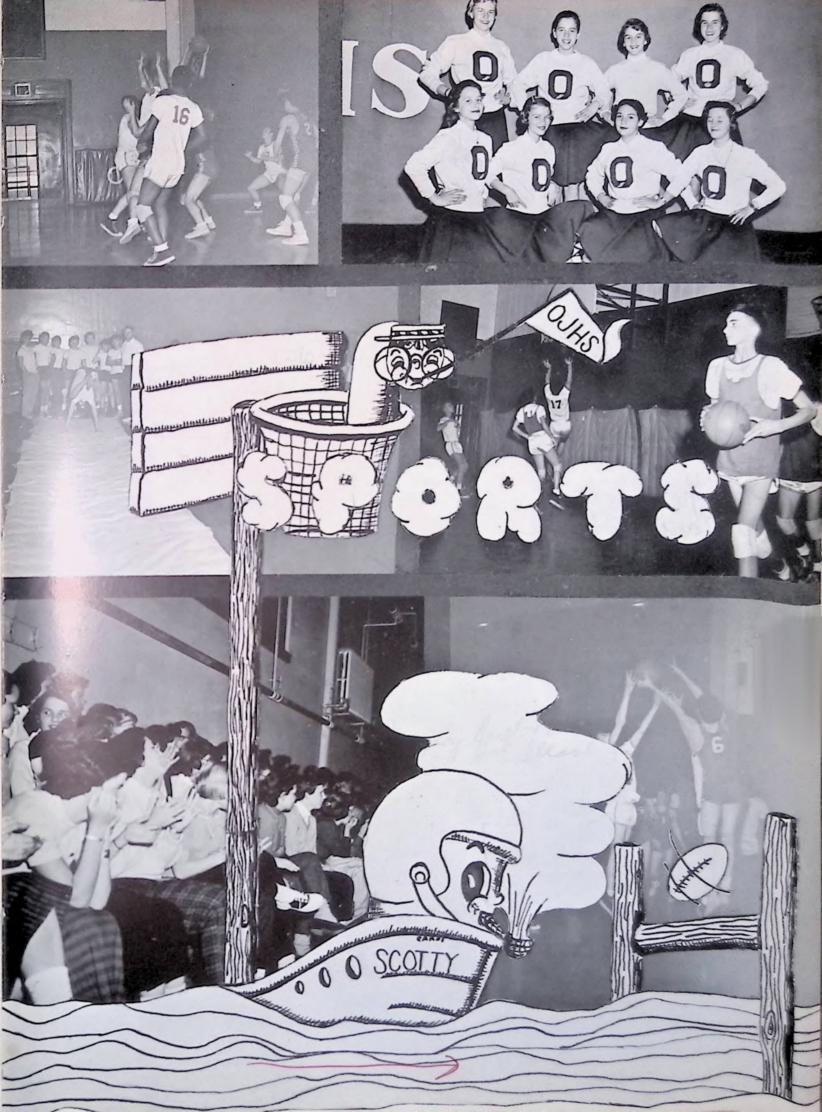
son's shop classes study mechanical drawing; a music class listens intently to Mr. Matchett's explanation; an art class works on its project. Right

ninth grade English class in

the midst of a quiz; Mr. Hut-

row, top to bottom: three home economic students take class notes; Miss Barber's students begin a complicated experiment; Linda Keleman begins a morning devotion period over the public address system.

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Row 1: J. Hunter (mgr.), W. Huemme, R. Miceli, B. Beard, T. Flanders, J. Tolbert, A. Schmeltz, A. Meyers, Mr. Riddinger (assistant coach). Row 2: G. Geis (mgr.), R. Montgomery (mgr.), J. Briscoe, R. Lee, F. Santicola, N. Himes, W. Campbell, J. Carson, F. Kumer, R. Williams. Row 3: Mr. Ross (assistant coach), B. Gildersleeve (mgr.), J. Allsbrook, J. Taylor, L. Stimac, A. Palgutta, R. Washington, H. Armstrong, R. Munhall, L. Nolan, W. Peoples, Mr. Kennedy (coach). Row 4: D. Irvin, J. Harris, L. Kumer, W. Schrode, J. Stillson, H. Kent, R. McDade. Row 5: D. Lochard, R. Anderson, W. Foster, E. Houston, R. Wadsworth, M. Springer, W. Charlesworth.

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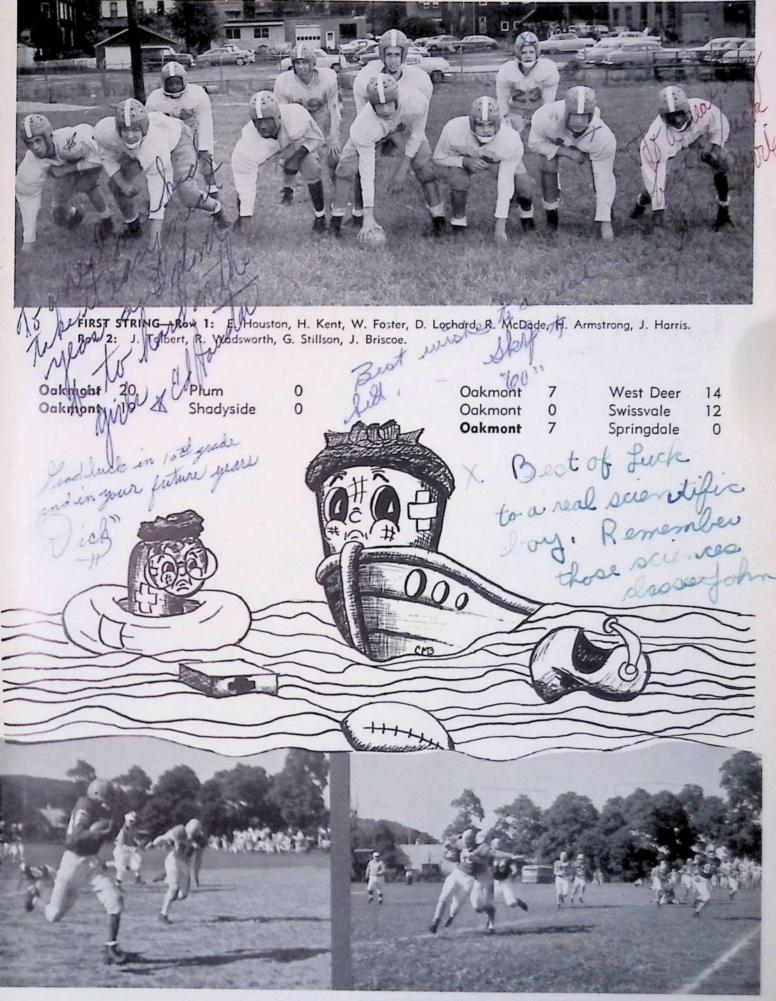
The Green and White's efforts succeed.



Coaches Riddinger, Kennedy and Ross.

The Oakmont Junior High School football team is proud to remember another victorious campaign. During the course of the season the boys chalked up three decisive victories over Plum, Shadyside, and Springdale. They dropped only two, one to West Deer and the other to Swissvale.

Throughout the season the team members gained valuable experience on the football field by much hard work and the helpful coaching suggestions by Mr. Kennedy, Mr. Ross and Mr. Riddinger. When these hardy veterans turn in their green and white uniforms for those of the Red and Black, they will be an important asset to the high school team.



Left: Billy heads for the goal line. Right: Caught from behind!



Row 1: A. Palguta, L. Stymac, D. Clasper, B. Sharp, G. Black, K. George. Row 2: R. Anderson, D. Wadsworth, J. Hagan, L. Komatz, B. Muskat, D. Stover, B. Foster, Mr. Ross. Row 3: Mr. Kennedy, R. Gildersleeve, B. Kenna, E. Houston, H. Kent, B. Cameron.

Basketball

Junior High hardwooders gain valuable experience.

Under the capable direction of Mr. Ross and Mr. Kennedy, this year's "Little Oaks" achieved third place in the league. Throughout all their close contests, the Green and White showed remarkable sportsmanship and ability. Each time the Oaks took the floor, you could count on a thrill-

Coaches Ross and Kennedy



packed game from start to finish. Such experience plus aggressive spirit should make these boys a valuable asset to the senior high squad when they finally turn in the green and white uniforms and don the red and black.

The Mighty Oaks

The ball is up; the game has begun; The Oaks will fight until they've won. The whistle blows — it's a foul on four.

An Oak shoots twice and gets two more!

The team's got spirit beyond all measure

And a win tonight will give us great pleasure!

There it is - the final gun . . .

Of course that's it — the Oaks have won!

Dick Stover '60

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Row 1: B. Christman, J. Aber, B. Beard, A. Meyers, G. Gentile, E. McCormick, D. Geis, J. Tolbert. Row 2: R. Mason, R. Ney, J. Miceli, G. Geis, F. Santicola, J. Allsbrook, R. Montgomery, N. Himes, H. Adams. Row 3: D. Cook (mgr.), J. Carson, R. Rydeski, B. Campbell, R. Taylor, C. Bonner, J. Harris, R. Washington, T. Schmeltz, K. Stanley, R. Lee (mgr.).



Kneeling: K. Sweet, S. Schenck, K. McClure, M. McCreery. Standing: L. Bottenhorn, B. Pyle, P. McClellan, B. Wainwright.

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Mr. Ross goes over the bad points with the boys . . . Rack up two more for the Green and White . . . O.J.H.S. shows its stuff . . . Grab that loose ball, boys!

Oakmont	22	Etna	15	*Oakmont	24	Blawnox	26
Oakmont	12	Penn	30	Oakmont	49	Richland	25
Oakmont	27	Wilkinsburg	22	Oakmont	24	Shadyside	22
Oakmont	35	Plum	25	*Oakmont	17	Kerr	32
Oakmont	18	Swissvale	33	*Oakmont	36	Natrona	26
Oakmont	45	Plum	18	*Oakmont	36	East Deer	43
*Oakmont	22	Kerr	24	*Oakmont	33	West Deer	24
*Oakmont	27	Natrona	38	*Oakmont	29	Blawnox	42
*Oakmont	28	East Deer	20	Oakmont	19	Shadyside	22
*Oakmont	45	West Deer	15	* League Game			

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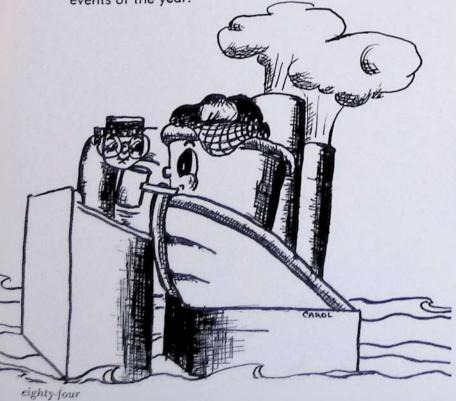




Student Council is the heart of O.J.H.S.

Student Council

The 1956-57 Student Council performed many necessary tasks for O.J.H.S. Under its direction, scholarship pins were presented to students who were on the honor roll throughout their years at junior high. Activity award pins were given to those who had taken part in a number of extra-curricular activities. The Student Council was also responsible for the Christmas Dance and for the Spring Hop, the two biggest social events of the year.



President Nancy Morrison
Vice President Kathy Sokol
Secretary-Treasurer Christy Jenkins
Sponsor Mrs. Coates
Members: K. Griffith, L. Komatz, B.
McAfee, M. McCreery, M. L. Sagi, F.
Santicola, S. Schenck, J. Taylor.

The members of the Oakleatlet Staff have been very successfully editing a tapporth school newspaper All the work was alone of the students who were divided into the following groups: feature writers news writers, artists, typists and publication. The staff met every Tuesday with Mrs. Mosters to assemble the material which furnished the junior high students with such interesting



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ART CLUB

President Jill Hagan
Vice President Tom Ferris
Secretary Barry Dudek
Treasurer Joseph Knarr
Sponsor Mrs. Halter

Under the supervision of Mrs. Halter, the members of the Art Club spent an interesting year drawing charcoal sketches and working with paints outside the school building. An unusual project which they enjoyed doing was making letter and note holders from mousetraps!



These complement



COMMERCIAL CLUB

President Nancy Hogg
Vice President Diane Gasparich
Secretary Dona Carisan
Frances Ameson
Sponsor Miss Storage

Miss Stanec helped the members of the Commercial Club as they learned to efficiently operate the business machines available to them in the junior high. They did many helpful odd jobs during the year.



GIRLS' CRAFTS CLUB

President Sally Schenck
Vice President Diane DaVia
Secretary Susan Helsley
Treasurer Rose Dilorio
Sponsor Mrs. Halter

The girls in the Crafts Club learn skills which involve working patiently with their hands. They succeed in finishing artistic and useful articles which can be used in their homes. And how they enjoy the work!



SCIENCE CLUB 9th Grade

President Donald Irwin Vice President Harry Kent Secretary-Treasurer Geoffrey Stillson

8th Grade

President John Allsbrook Vice President Francis Santicola Secretary-Treasurer Norman Himes

7th Grade

William McAfee President Vice President James Evans Secretary-Treasurer Jeanne Elliot Sponsor Mr. Riddinger

The Science Clubs helped to introduce their members to the interesting field of chemistry. Through experimentation and demonstration the members found a new and pleasant way to learn. Some further developed the subject as a hobby in their leisure time.

SEWING CLUB Group A

Karen Humes Pre dent Vic President Dona Carlson Sec Jary-Treasurer Marlene Manherz Group B

Pre dent Judith Weaver Vice President Linda Okotkewicz Secretary-Treasurer Marcia Benas Sponsor Mrs. Margaret Gallaschun

All the girls in the Sewing Clubs found that their club periods were well-spent. Although many who joined were unable to sew well, they soon developed skills by practicing under the experienced eye of Mrs. Gallaschun. Their finished products were both useful and economical.

GIRLS' SPORTS

President Marianna Luciana Vice President Dinah Powley Secretary-Treasurer Nancy Muffly Sponsor Mrs. Dorothy Gross

This is a newly-formed organization at O.J.H.S. and was begun primarily for those girls who were unable to participate in the Leaders' Club. Throughout the year they played different sports such as basketball and softball.









9TH GRADE DRAMATIC CLUB

President James Hagan
Vice President Mariana Luciana
Secretary Mary Federici
Treasurer Robert Muskat
Sponsor Miss Kerr

The members of the Ninth Grade Dramatic Club gained valuable experience with their first big play which was held on March 8th. These freshmen will soon be seen on the stage of O.H.S. They're worth keeping an eye on.

LEADERS' CLUB

President Melanie Smith
Vice President Kathy McClure
Secretary-Treasurer Caroline Sealy
Sponsor Mrs. Gross

This year the Leaders' Club has directed its attention to basketball mainly. Under the direction of Mrs. Gross, these active girls have organized a team which participated in competitive basketball games both home and away. They also participated in the annual Play Day with surrounding junior high schools.

9th Grade

President Erma Price Secretary-Treasurer Barbara Fabiseski 8th Grade

President Paulette Edmundson
Vice President Nancy Carrigan
Secretary-Treasurer

Jacqueline Litwiler
7th Grade

President Karen Humes
Vice President Beverly Pyle
Secretary-Treasurer Jane Foster
Sponsor Miss Peters

The Seventh, Eighth and Ninth Grade Librarians all work together to keep the library neat and to learn proper care of the books, however each club has a separate job. The Seventh Grade Librarians decorate the library bulletin board and straighten the shelves, the eighth graders shelve books and the ninth graders mend and repair books.



Clubs are an

"Remember the alamo" Dove x

PROJECTION CLUB

9th Grade

President Robert Gildersleeve
Vice President Harry Armstrong
Secretary-Treasurer David McKinley
8th Grade

President Howard Adams
Vice President Alan Montgomery
Secretary-Treasurer Ralph Miceli

7th Grade

President George Kratsa
Vice President Richard Ney
Secretary Forest Pratt
Treasurer David Geiss
Sponsor Mr. Higgins
and Mr. Besnecker

The members of the Projection Club learned to operate film strip machines and the movie projector. These boys



provide valuable service to the school by running the projectors for assemblies and for classes.

integral part of O.J.H.S.



PUBLIC SPEAKING CLUB

President Jay Taylor
Vice President K. Stanley
Secretary-Treasurer Ruth Hawker
Sponsor Miss Peters

These would-be orators practiced how to introduce a speaker, how to tell anecdotes, and how to be a toast-master. In cooperation with the Library Club they sponsored a dance in the fall. With the proceeds from this dance they generously entertained the entire student body with a movie.



RIFLE CLUB

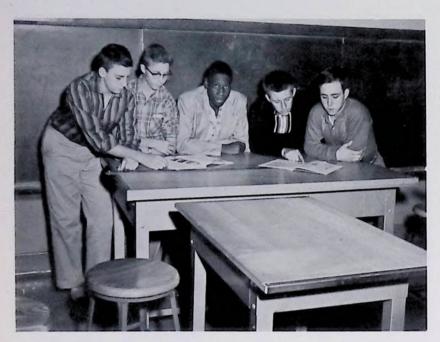
President James Hagan
Vice President Linda Okotkewicz
Secretary Kathy McClure
Treasurer Robert Gildersleeve

These junior high rifle enthusiasts spent many hours practicing in the rifle range. They had several matches between their members which enabled them to gain experience in competition. Many of them will go on to the senior high rifle team.

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9TH GRADE BOYS' CRAFTS CLUB Group A

President Robert Shaffer
Vice President Richard Wadsworth
Secretary-Treasurer William Black
Group B

President William Foster
Vice President Richard Wadsworth
Secretary-Treasurer James Messina
Sponsor Mr. Hutson

The sports and crafts clubs

Under the able sponsorship of Mr. Hutson, the members of the Boys' Crafts Clubs succeeded in making useful and decorative articles. They learned the tricks of working with aluminum, copper, brass, wood and leather.

8TH GRADE BOYS' CRAFTS CLUB

President John Tolbert
Vice President Jacob Flanders
Secretary-Treasurer Jack Carson

7TH GRADE BOYS' CRAFTS CLUB Group A

President Richard Ney
Vice President Roy Mason
Secretary-Treasurer Thomas Gray

Group B

President Steve Brunning
Vice President John Miceli
Secretary-Treasurer Sponsor Mr. Hutson



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9TH GRADE BOYS' SPORTS CLUB

Group A

President Ted Mosakowski
Vice President Ed Houston
Secretary-Treasurer Dick Stover

Group B

President Richard Anderson
Vice President Richard Wadsworth
Secretary-Treasurer Harry Kent
Sponsor Mr. Ross



are very popular.

Athletics is the main interest of the members of the popular Sports Club. Under the guidance of Mr. Ross the members engaged in all the seasonal sports.



8TH GRADE BOYS' SPORTS CLUB President Michael Stark

Vice President Nicholas Maiorca
Secretary-Treasurer Ralph Miceli
Sponsor Mr. Kennedy

7TH GRADE BOYS' SPORTS CLUB

President John Miceli
Vice President David Geis
Secretary-Treasurer Steve Brunning

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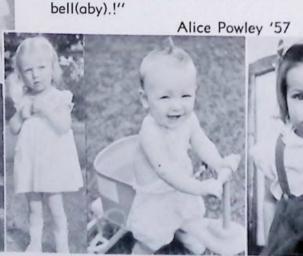
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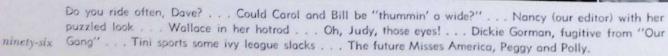
There once was a teacher, Miss Shellaby,

Who wanted us all to type well(aby).

We tried and we tried But finally sighed,

"Thank goodness it's time for the





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These juniors got honor pins . . . Sweet ol' Bill . . . Ruth and Nancy are kissin' cousins . . . Going my way? . . . What does the scale read, Tony? . . . Judy wonders where the yellow went . . . Miriam agrees that birthdays are fun . . . Notice Elaine's new permanent.



Ed, Jane and Pinky remind you that wise valley residents call the **OAKMONT AND VERONA CAB COMPANY** when they need fast and safe transportation. Their courteous drivers and fine service will make your trip a pleasant one.

Judy, Ernestine and Betsy are admiring some of the many lovely pieces of furniture to be found at **VERONA FURNITURE.** Modern or traditional, whichever you prefer, Verona Furniture has just what you're looking for. And don't forget that they carry electrical appliances too.



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If you're looking for the last word in fashions and jewelry, the **JULE SHOPPE** is the place to a Nancy and Carol can't seem to decide what choose.





It's Bonnie's happy birthday . . . What's the next cheer, Dave? . . . Give us the signals, Maltimus . . . What's tickling you, Dot? . . . We don't dare count calories, do we Judy? . . . "I'm not talking while the flavor lasts." . . . "We'll be pretty lucky this year," mumbles Coach Pud . . . That bus was really crowded.

Best Wishes to the Class of '57

The future of every community is forecast by the accomplishments of its young men and women

Scaife Company congratulates the Graduating Class of Oakmont, High School and is confident that its members will continue to accept their responsibilities as good citizens.

SCAIFE COMPANY



When does practice start, gals? . . . Some teachers take a minute for a picture . . . Diane and Dick place their orders for the Periscope . . . Make it a funny face, Lynn . . . The pause that refreshes . . . "We are the bloomer girls . . . "

CONGRATULATIONS

CLASS OF '57

We invite you to make use of the facilities offered by this store whether it be to shop with us, to meet your friends at MURPHY'S, or to seek employment with our company, in the event that you decide upon a retail career.

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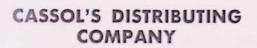


Why so sad, Nancy? . . . Are those horns or ears, Susan? . . . Poor Charlie! He must have run into a door . . . We'll bet you don't get any sleep at all . . . Geedle dee dee . . . "Rub-a-dub dub, three gals in a tub. But why? . . . Didn't you order mustard, Andy? . . . Don't we wish that money were ours . . . Some sophs think the birdie is cute . . . It couldn't be that bad, Bonnie . . . "Well, stop the world and I'll step off," says Cookie . . . This is art? But we do like the earrings, Srewop.

The specialty of **CENTRAL DRUGS** is to provide Oakmonters with accurate and quickly-filled prescriptions. Whether they want toothpaste or sun tan lotion, Judy and Al know that they can find it at Central Drugs.



For a variety of the latest in men's wear, Bill always shops at LOU KUMER'S, where he knows that he can be outfitted from head to toe. Regardless of your taste you are bound to be satisfied at this excellent men's store.



547 Allegheny Avenue

Oakmont, Pa.



Oldsmobile is the "new look" in cars this year, and the place to see the 1957 Olds is the **F. J.**WILLIAMS OLDSMOBILE SHOWROOM on Allegheny River Boulevard. Chuck and his friends agree: it's Oldsmobile for '57!





Ye olde rooting section . . . Oakmont's loss and the Army's gain . . . Last year's Prom . . . Dave hits the books . . . Barbara supervises??



Doug says, "I'm for you." . . . "You'll just never believe this," explains Betsy . . . Is that smile for Dave, Cookie?

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Oakmont, Pa.

"Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth."

II Timothy 2:15

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I did not! . . . Well, who'd you expect? Dagmar? . . . Janey and Judy are off for the Slenderella Salon . . . This is ridiculous! sighs Tay . . . En garde, Captain Hook . . . I don't always look like this . . . Nancy receives a big "smacker" . . . Bye, Carl. Have fun! . . . BOO! . . "Slush O" is considering a new play . . . Barb is a poet but doesn't know it; her feet show it! - They're long fellows . . . While some cuties from O.H.S. smile, Eddie, the mermaid, snaps their picture.

Best Wishes to the Class of 1957

EDGEWATER STEEL COMPANY

Always interested in the success of our schools

We believe in the future of Oakmont.

I love to do my English!

It makes me feel so good!

I love to do exactly as my teacher thinks I should.

I love school, oh, so much!

I never skip a day.

I even love the men in white



Could these be the Mousequeteers? . . . "Oh, no!" says Emanuella . . . "Pip pip, old chap." . . . Who's being pushed out of the picture? . . . We have that tired feeling . . . Way back when . . . That's Lois Semicar . . . Judy's intelligent look . . . Surprise, John! . . . Mr. King of Hearts was Bob in ninth grade ... Patty McChesney models her new bathing suit . . . The charleston in 1957??? . . . The newest in indoor sportswear . . . The picture of a rustic farmerette . . . Judy catches forty . . . Chris in her usual grin . . . Problems, John? . . . "Gee, fella's, wait for me." . . . How do Jane's tonsils look from there, Mary Ellen?



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Hungry? "You bet we are!" answer Judy and Bill, who are looking forward to a typically delicious meal at the **OAKMONT RESTAURANT**, where fine foods are a specialty. As Elaine will gladly testify, nowhere do you find better service than in the Oakmont Restaurant.





You'll find everything from roasters to toasters at **ELLIOTT BROTHERS**, where high quality and reasonable prices are combined with courteous, speedy service to fulfill all your appliance needs.

Established in 1919, O. S. GRUBBS & SONS has long given dependable, reliable service to all its clients. Whether your interest is in real estate or insurance, visit O. S. Grubbs & Sons, the oldest established realty firm in Oakmont.





Girls, do you need a change? Why not have your hair styled at NANCY'S BEAUTY SHOP on Allegheny River Boulevard. Their prompt, efficient service and expert treatment of your crowning glory will make you a steady customer.



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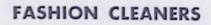


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A Letter From the Editors

Well, at last the Periscope is here. We think that every member of the staff did his utmost to make the book a success. We will admit that it was a long, but very enjoyable task. At times we were lost, but through the encouragement and untiring efforts of Miss Jacobson, our sponsor, we kept working. Nothing was too much for her to do - she listened to our woes, our disappointments and our troubles, and was always near to give a helping hand. There were days when we knew we did everything wrong, but she would only say with a big smile, "Let's try again." In the future when the world needs a good newspaper woman, we will recommend Miss Jacobson. Our other helper and advisor was Mrs. Powers. Without her help and guidance to Rich and Dana, our photogs, and to the literary group, this book would never have been a success. Also Ted, our fine advertising manager kept things lively with his keen announcements and artistic signs. We must not forget our apprentices, Al and Mary, who did a good job in learning the ropes. They are bound to produce a good book next year.

This year we have found that editing a yearbook was lots of hard work and worry, yet when deadlines were met and the whole book was completely finished, we felt a wonderful sense of satisfaction and pride. Being an editor has been a truly worthwhile experience and, in a way, exciting and fun. We've come in contact with new people and have felt a fellowship in working together for a common cause. Our sponsors have been wonderful. Miss Jacobson has so many new, original ideas and has been not only a terrific sponsor but also a wonderful friend to all of us. She gave up many evenings for "Periscope Parties" at her home. Mrs. Powers has spurred our enthusiasm for working and arranged the Periscope Dance. A real gogetter—that's our Srewop! (Powers spelled backwards.) We have found Rich, Ted and AI to be especially outstanding. They worked on almost every phase of assembling the book. Of course, we feel that the whole staff did a tremendous job. In editing this year's book we made some drastic changes (at times almost radical), but we sincerely hope that you have enjoyed our 1957 Periscope.

Nancy and Chuck



The pain of it all! . . . Some music lovers enjoy Ted's playing . . . Imagine giving a speech to this bunch! . . . Carl made his T.V. debut on a science quiz . . . Larry, somehow those curls don't look like you . . . Who's the nasty one with you, Sonnie? . . . Tini, where's your sense of balance?

Report Card Day

Report card day is a special day,
For some it's sad, for others, gay.
Words passed 'round everyone's way
To be especially good that day.
Dismissal time finally comes around
And groans become a common sound.
Most are eager to learn the facts.

A few turn away with drooping backs.

Outdoors there starts up constant chatter.

F's and A's are counted — they really matter.

Then comes to mind the oft' repeated warning,

Of teachers wise, but sometimes alarming:

"If you but do your best each day,

You will earn yourself an A."

Jane Foster '62



The '56 Periscopers enjoying their masterpiece.

Perry and Scotty are ready to leave Oakmont, but before they weigh anchor, they wish to thank all those who made their visit such a pleasant one. Along with the Periscope Staff, they are indebted to many people.

First of all the Staff wishes to thank Mr. Evans and our friend Al, from Hill's Studios, for all their help to the photographers; to Mr. Donald Messinger, from Keller, for his many helpful suggestions and solutions to seemingly insurmountable problems; to Mr. Cooper, Miss Stanec, and the faculty of Junior High for their co-operation and fine handling of the junior high sales campaign; to Mr. Carson and all the teachers at the high school for their forbearance during picture-taking time; to Miss White for her direction of the art work and for her donation of time and materials; to Dr. First for his kind interest and understanding of our trials; to our advertisers and patrons for their financial aid; to our parents and the students for their support of cookie sales and their subscriptions; to Nappy for his ready service in all emergencies; and to the students in Room 101 who gave up their room for Periscope meetings. We thank each and every one of you and wish you a wonderful vacation.



