

Poly Tech

Thomas  
McBarry

June '44



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## DEDICATION

We, who are now graduating from high school, will probably give the greater part of our lives to the planning and building of the post war world. Because these years will be so important to us, we want to stress the necessity of comprehensive and sincere post war plans and to focus attention on the era of the future. Therefore, we, the graduating class of Benson Polytechnic School in the year nineteen hundred forty-four, hereby dedicate this book to thos of us and others of our age who will mold this new world—a world of Beauty and Security, the World of Tomorrow.

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O. N. BITTNER  
Dean of Boys



*C.E. Cleveland*

G. W. BROWN  
Vice-Principal



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## Faculty Roster

### MATHEMATICS—

Minnie Ambler  
Leola Craig  
S. Galbraith  
Grace Hawkyard  
Christine Holt  
William Kletzer  
L. L. Oldright  
H. H. Parsons  
Alfred Skei  
O. T. Storli  
Valdez White

### ENGLISH—

V. Brugger  
E. Clouse  
Alice Downer  
E. M. Drummond  
Edith Forbes  
M. Haight  
Madge Hall  
Lucille Sandberg  
Marion Sten  
D. C. Thompson  
Mary Wakefield  
M. M. Wood

### SCIENCE—

D. Bajema  
A. P. Gibson  
Adam Krieger  
E. W. Lawrence  
Willard McClure  
Raymond Porter  
R. T. Stevens  
R. T. Thacker  
M. E. Turner

### HISTORY—

George Karnopp  
Sylvia Neale  
William Schreiber  
S. M. Simpson  
S. M. Suwol

### PHYSICAL EDUCATION—

Homer Hein  
Leonard Patterson

### DRAWING—

Robert Cahill  
Ervin Ellis  
C. A. Klink  
H. A. Lundquist  
Curtis C. Payton  
Orville Reeves  
Fred Strickland  
V. G. Wild

### ELECTRIC—

C. J. Allison, *foreman*  
G. U. An Dyke  
C. N. Custer  
A. W. Mee

### RADIO—

Mary Gilmore  
C. M. Weagant

### AVIATION-GAS ENGINE—

Stuart Boline, *foreman*  
Athol Bailey  
Gilbert Barr  
William Foster  
W. Nichols  
Walter Wilfley

### BLACKSMITH—

D. E. Holden, *foreman*  
M. Nielsen

### FOUNDRY—

W. D. Haskell, *foreman*  
Birger Arnbom

### SHEET METAL-PLUMBING—

O. L. Garrison, *foreman*  
Edward Povey  
Edwin Widmer

### WOODWORKING

B. J. Kuhns, *foreman*  
O. S. Holmquist  
B. S. Sparks

### MACHINE—

C. A. Messing, *foreman*  
Gear Casper  
G. A. Cross  
Harold Oakes  
J. D. Sieforth

### PRINTING—

G. A. Willis, *foreman*  
J. H. Miller

### LIBRARY—

Frances Morrison

### MUSIC—

Elgin Burns

### NURSE—

Elaine Foster

### OFFICE STAFF—

Dorothy Cary, *Secretary*  
Charlotte Prochnow,  
*Attendance*  
Clarice Staehli, *Auditor*

### STOCKROOM—

Mary Walker

### CAFETERA—

Ruth Macklin, *Manager*

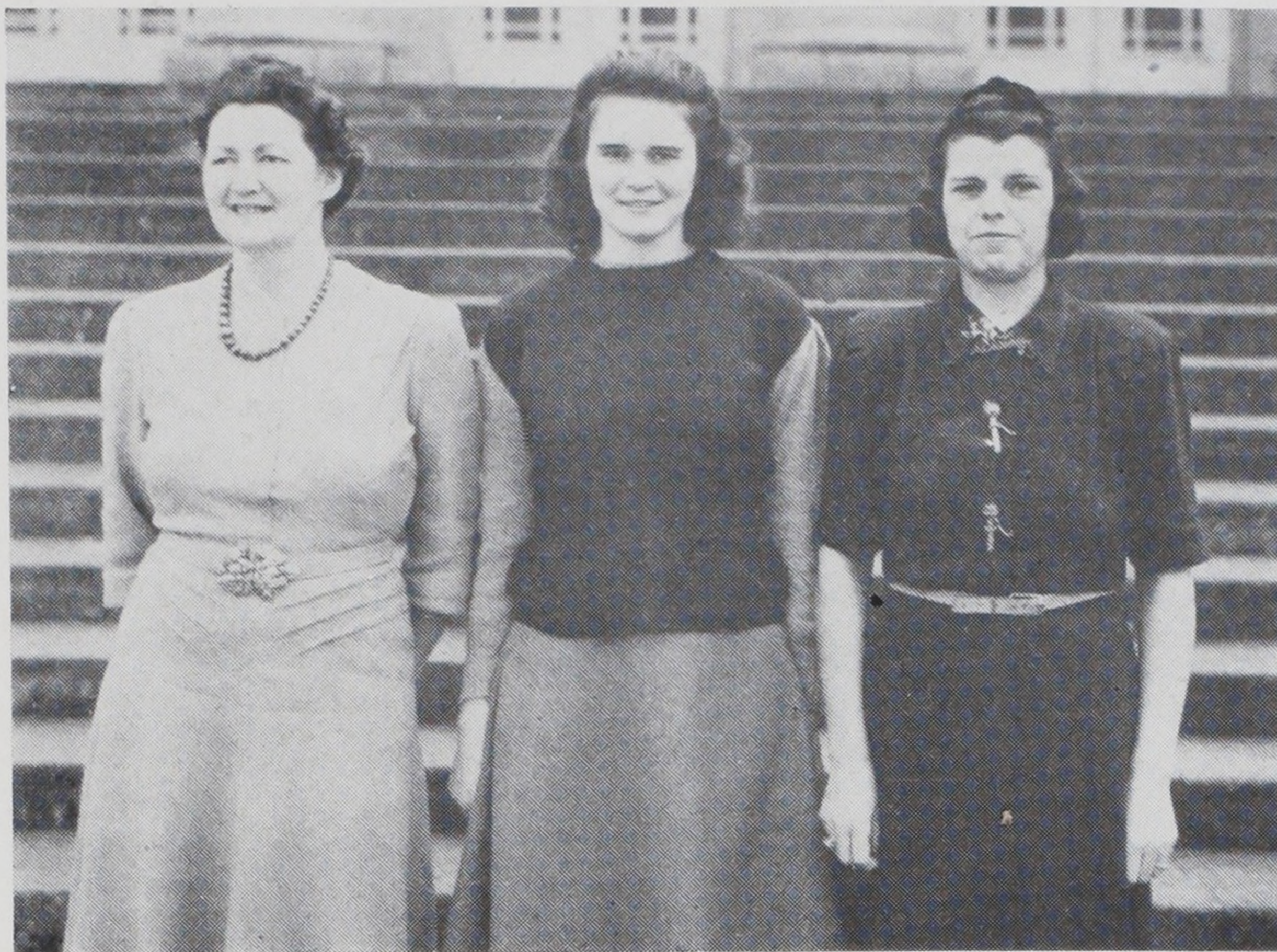
### CUSTODIAN STAFF—

H. Peterson



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## THE OFFICE STAFF



CLARICE STAEHLI   CHARLOTTE PROCHNOW   DOROTHY CARY

The Benson office staff, whose duty it is to keep all the records of the school, consists of Dorothy Cary, who serves as office secretary; Charlotte Prochnow, attendance clerk, and Clarice Staehli, auditor.

All secretarial work is handled by Dorothy Cary, whose many years of experience have made her well qualified for the work.

The complex problem of keeping the attendance records for approximately 2000 students is efficiently handled by Charlotte Prochnow.

Financial business of the school is left to Clarice Staehli. It is her duty to administer the funds of the numerous clubs and activities about school.

It is a well-known fact that the staff does not limit their service to their aforementioned duties. They are constantly rendering helpful advice and co-operating to their utmost with the various school clubs and student body officers. It is these cooperative traits that make the Benson office staff such a necessary part of our school organization.



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## CLASS HISTORY

On September 3, 1940, one of the largest freshmen classes ever to enter these portals was introduced to Benson Polytechnic High School. As in every entering group of promising young men there were those who were to excel in sports, others who were to attain a high scholastic achievement, and still others were to make their mark as student body officers. As the terms sped swiftly by, many fell by the wayside, some to join in the fight so that we could continue towards our goal. Out of a class of approximately 428 only 127 mounted the platform on June 1, 1944, to receive their coveted diploma.

In the early weeks of January the June '44 graduating class held its first meeting. During this meeting election of officers was held under the supervision of the class advisers, Mrs. S. Galbraith and Mr. W. McClure. The election resulted in the appointment of Robert Schierman to the office of class president, Bob McKellar as vice-president, Forrest Jensen as secretary, Gerald Test as treasurer and Emmet Herrle as sergeant-at-arms. Upon resignation of Gerald Test, who enlisted in the armed forces, the office of treasurer was taken over by Ralph Clausen.

At a meeting held during the latter part of the term, "Grumpy" was unanimously selected for the class play. The first presentation was held at the George White Serviceman's center on April 1. The school presentation was given in the Benson Auditorium on April 21 to an audience of approximately 1000.

Graduation exercises brought about the realization of a dream harbored by every high school student. On June 1, 1944 the June '44 graduating class, in a maze of lasting memories, left Benson Polytechnic to fill their niche in the ever growing world.

CLASS COLORS ..... *Rose and Silver*  
CLASS FLOWER ..... *Red Rose*  
CLASS MOTTO ..... *"Conduct and Courage Lead to Honor."*



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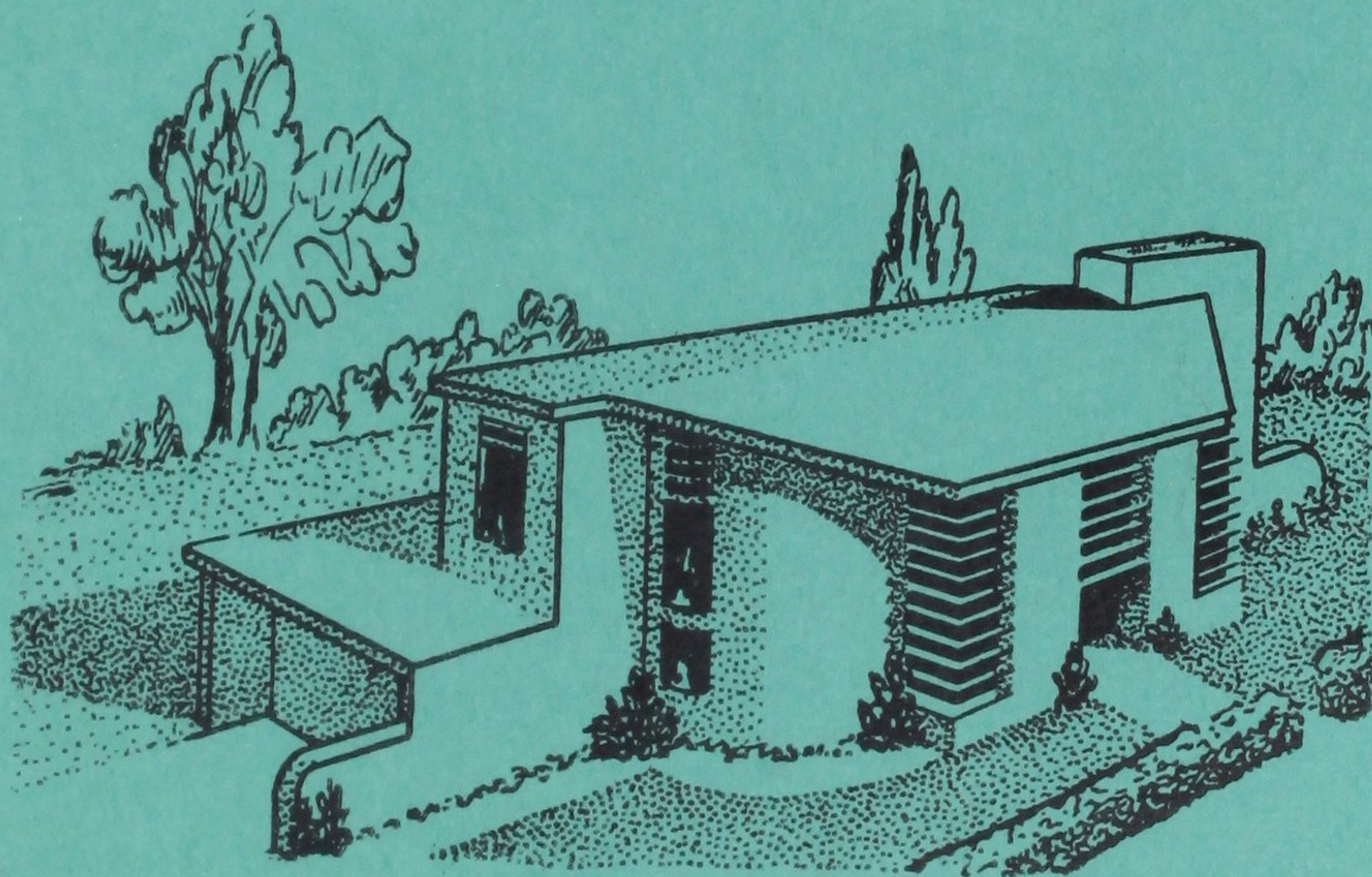
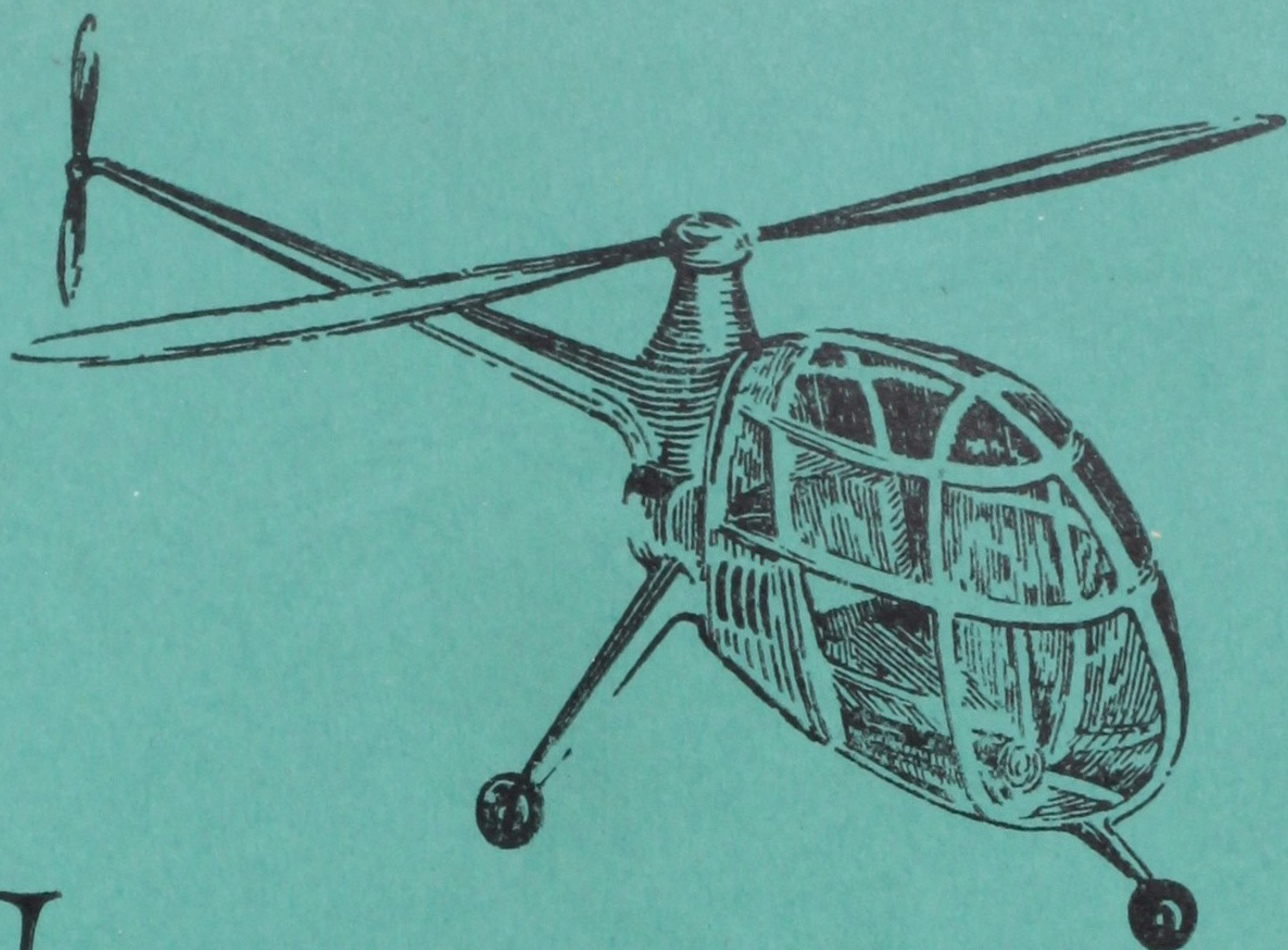
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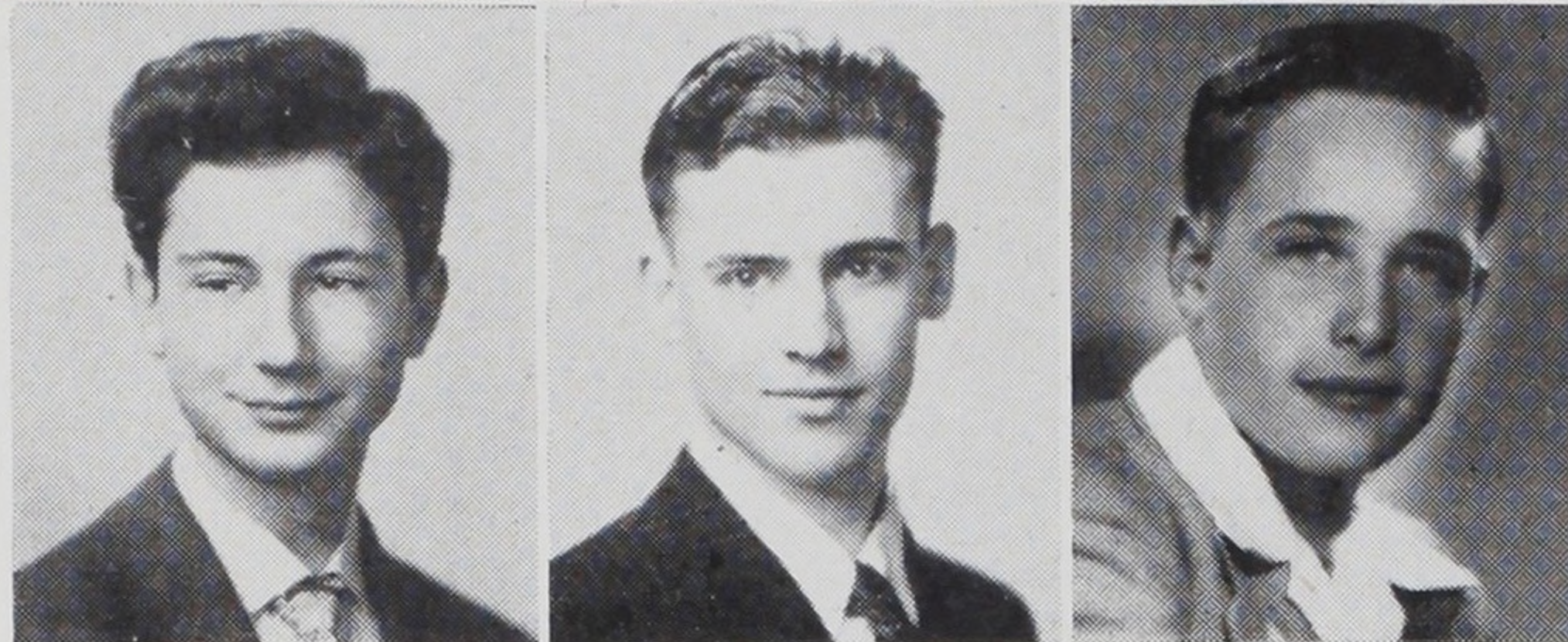
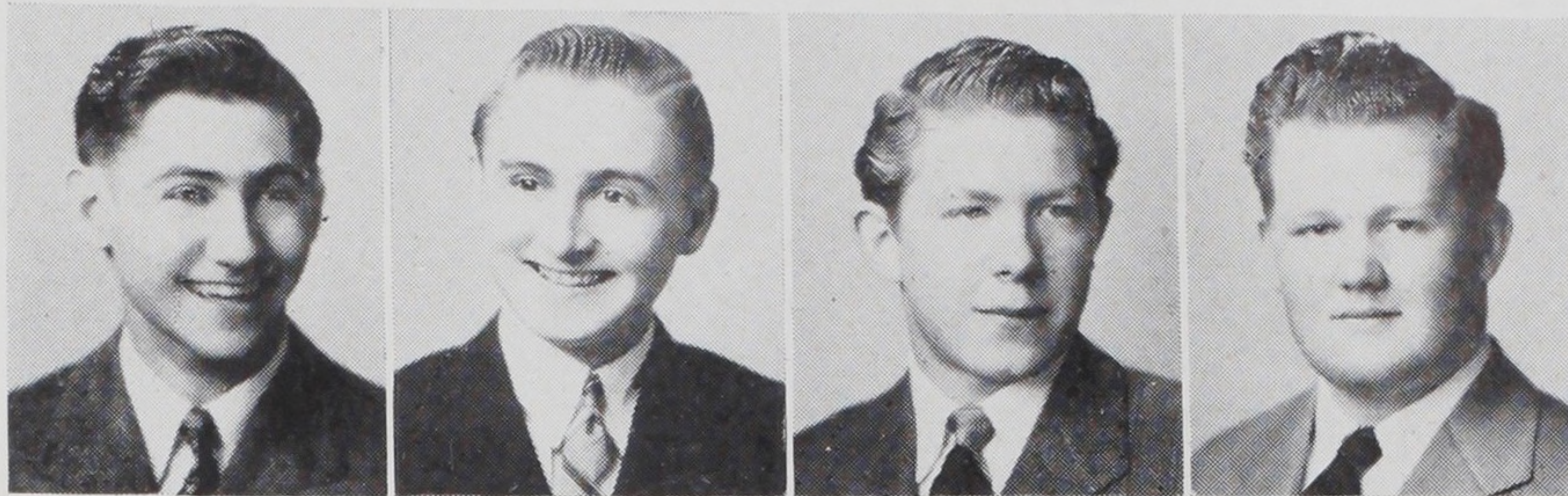






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## POLY TECH STAFF



Bocci  
Editor-in-Chief

Clausen  
Associate Editor

Moffette  
Assistant Editor

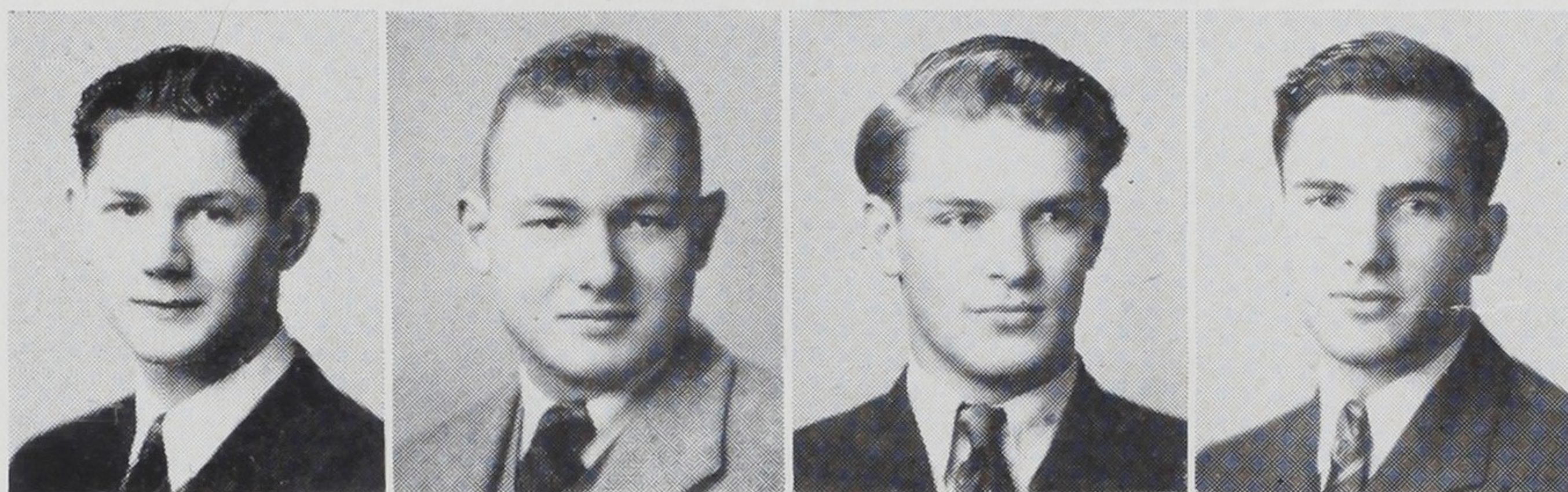
Devin  
Sports Editor

Gann  
Club Editor

Huskey  
Mechanical Editor

Trythall  
Photo Editor

## CLASS OFFICERS



Schierman  
President

McKellar  
Vice-President

Jensen  
Secretary

Herrle  
Sergeant-at-Arms

Clausen  
Treasurer

Mrs. Gailbraith  
Advisor

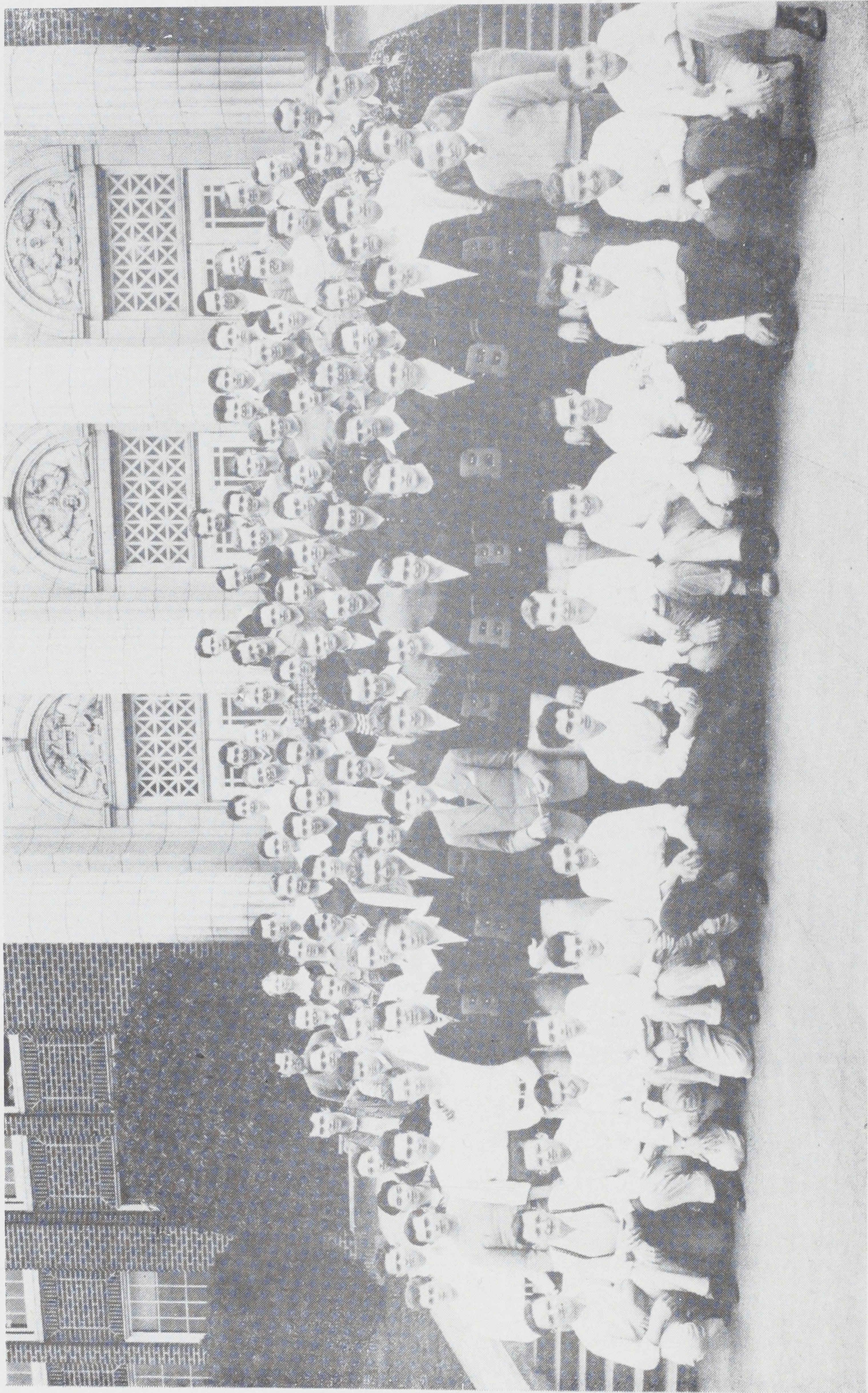
Mr. McClure  
Advisor

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THE GRADUATING CLASS OF JUNE, NINETEEN HUNDRED FORTY-FOUR

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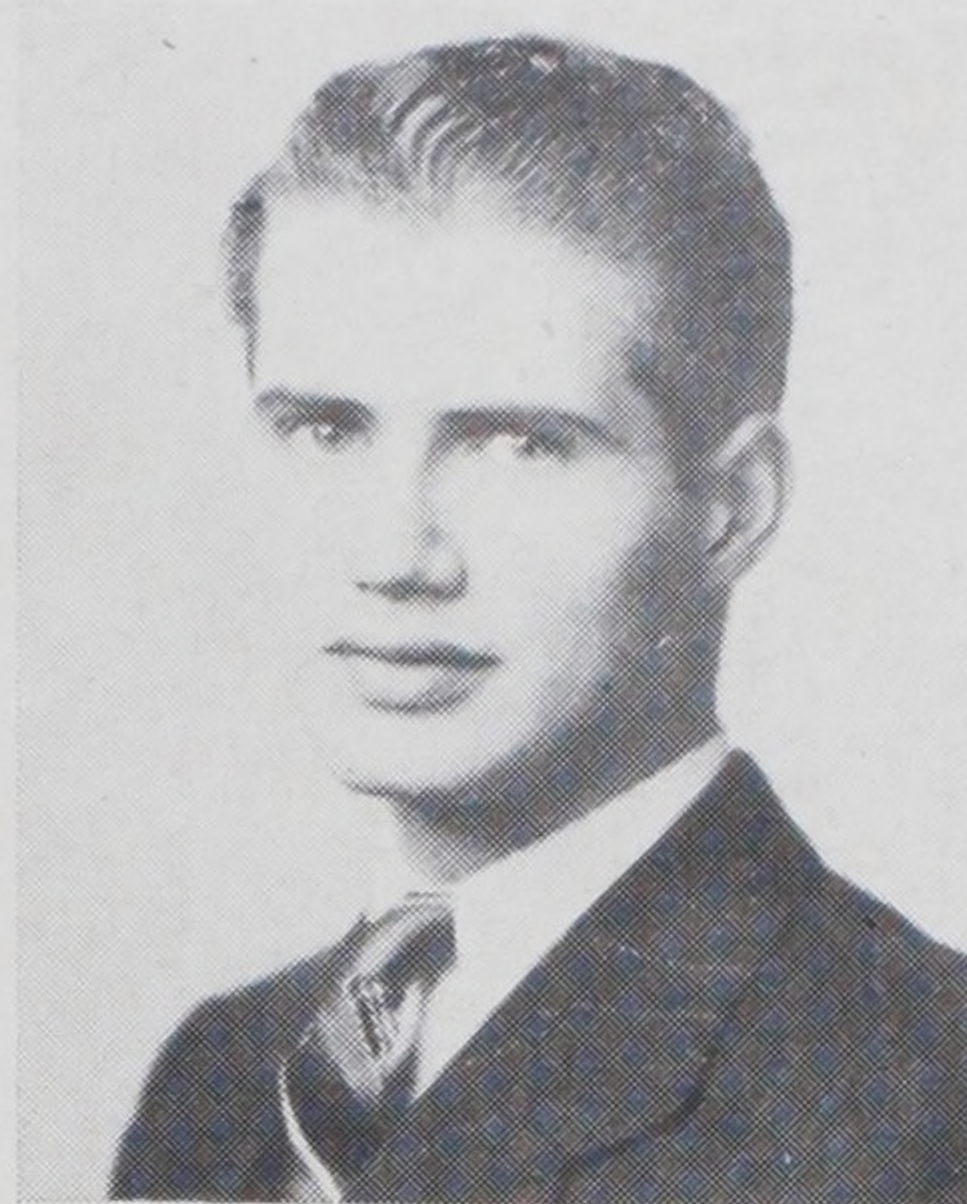


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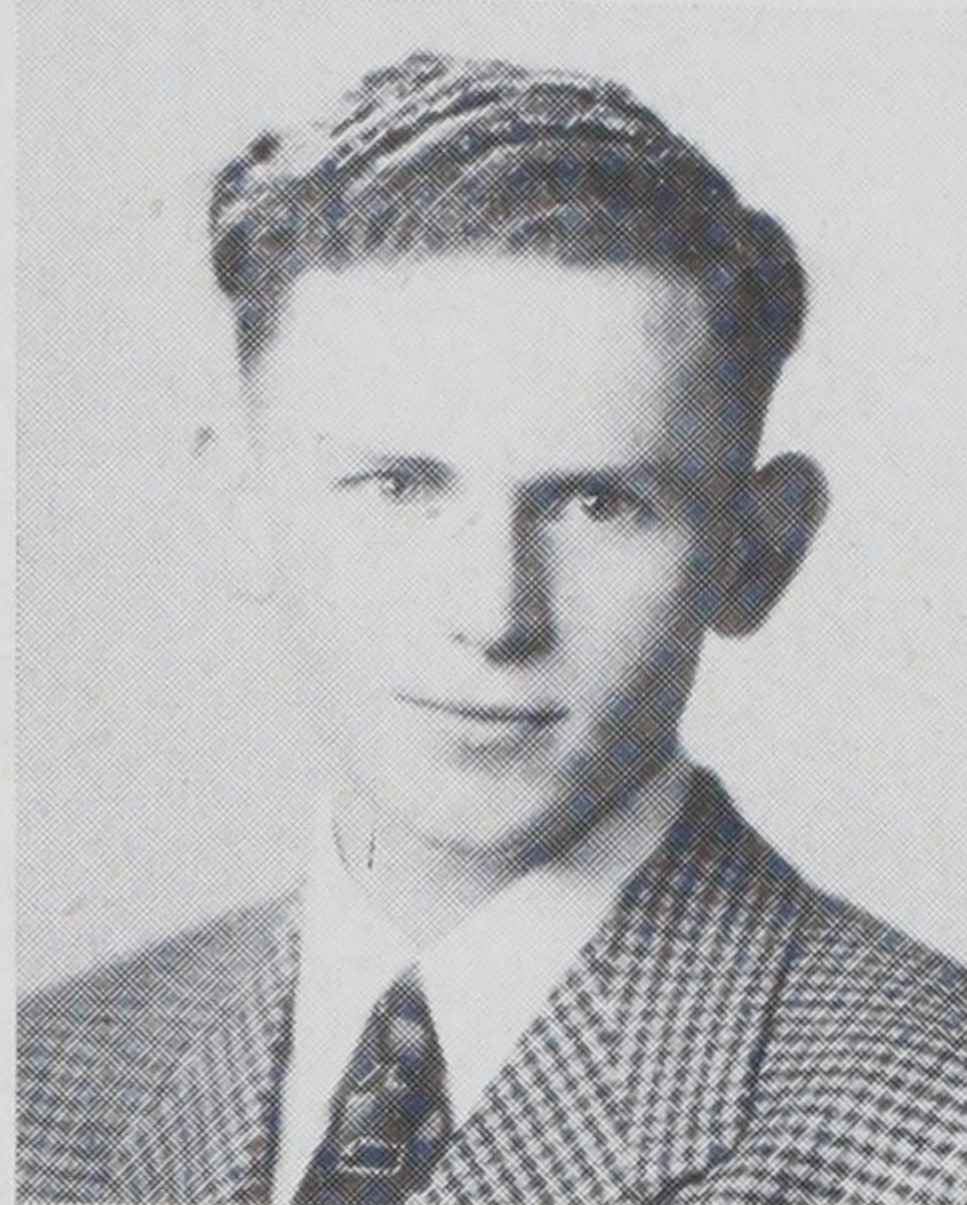
Minuteman; President, Aviation Club; Poly Steppers; Secretary, Hi-Y Club; Orange B Club; Track.



ANDERSON, DONALD D.

*Technical Mechanical*

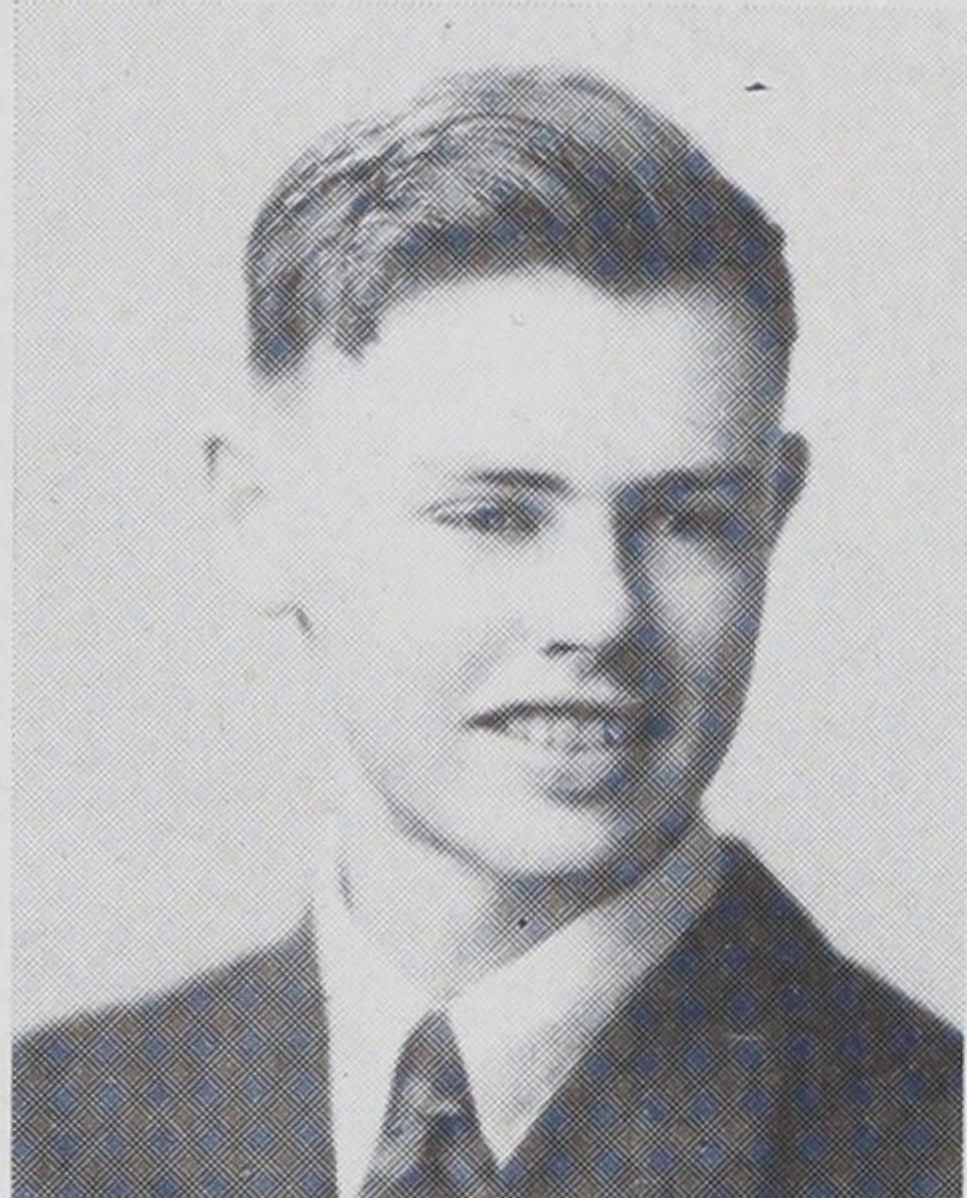
Minuteman.



ANDREW, ROBERT H.

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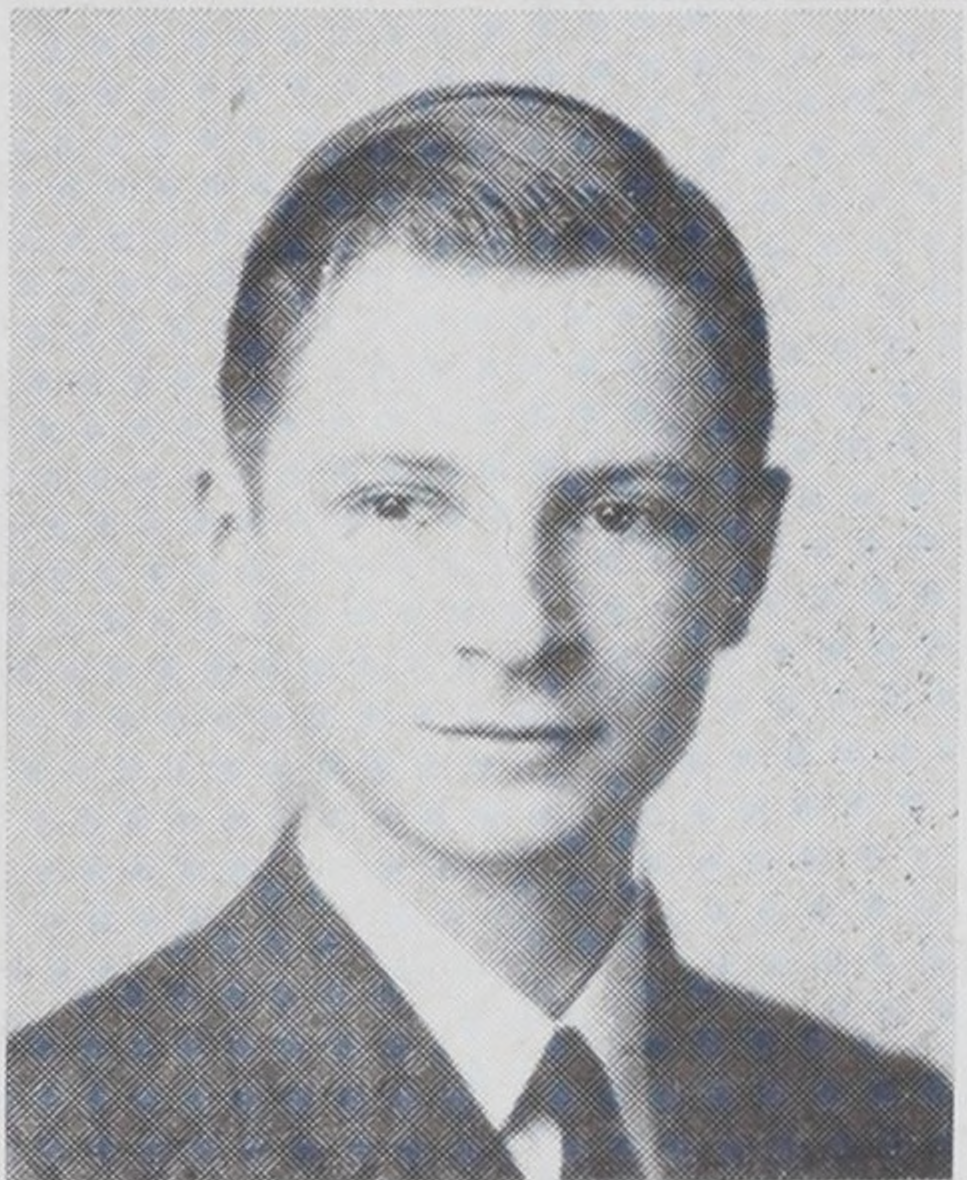
Public Speaking Club.



BAILEY, WENDELL J.

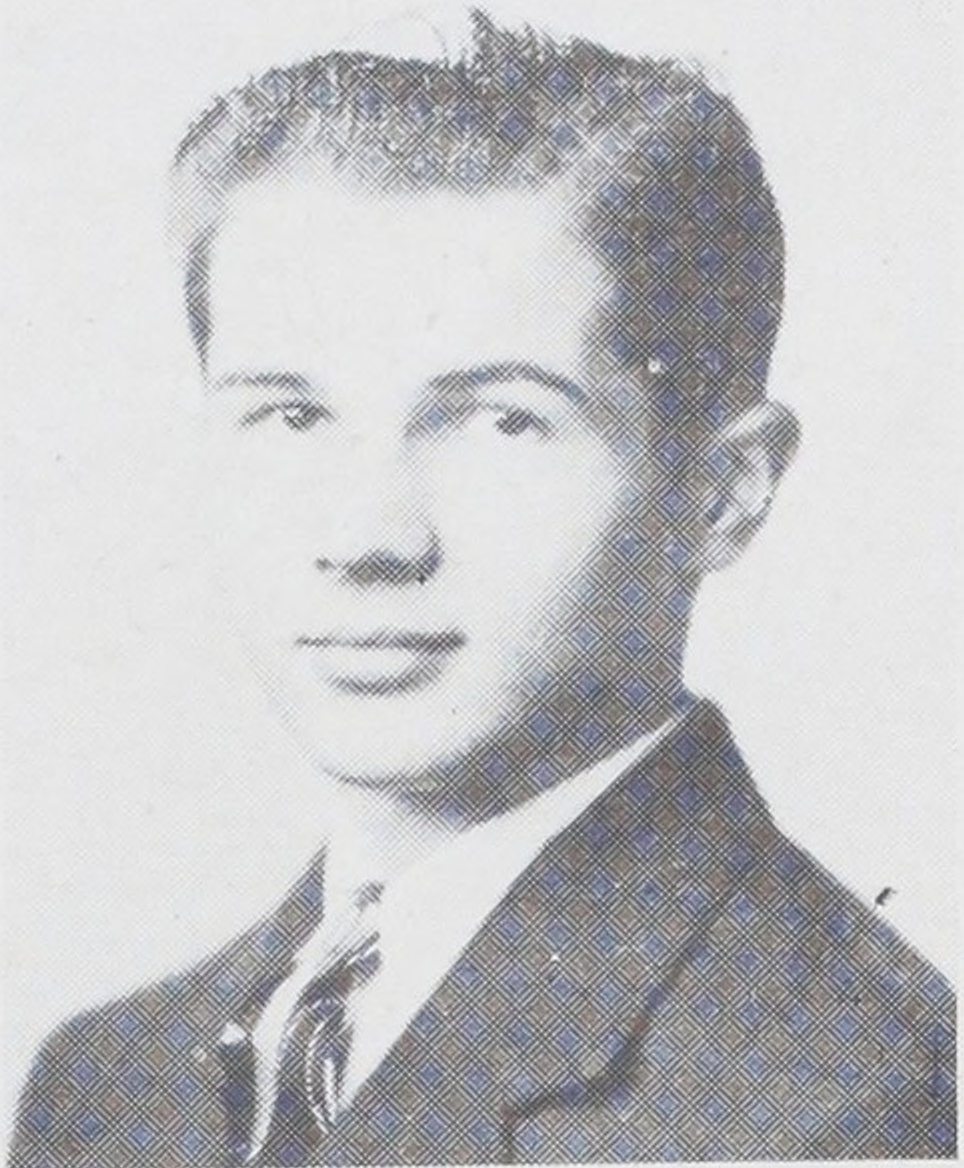
*Technical Mechanical*

Class Captain; Minuteman; Machinist Club; Bronze, Silver, Gold, Special Gold and Ruby Scholarship pins.





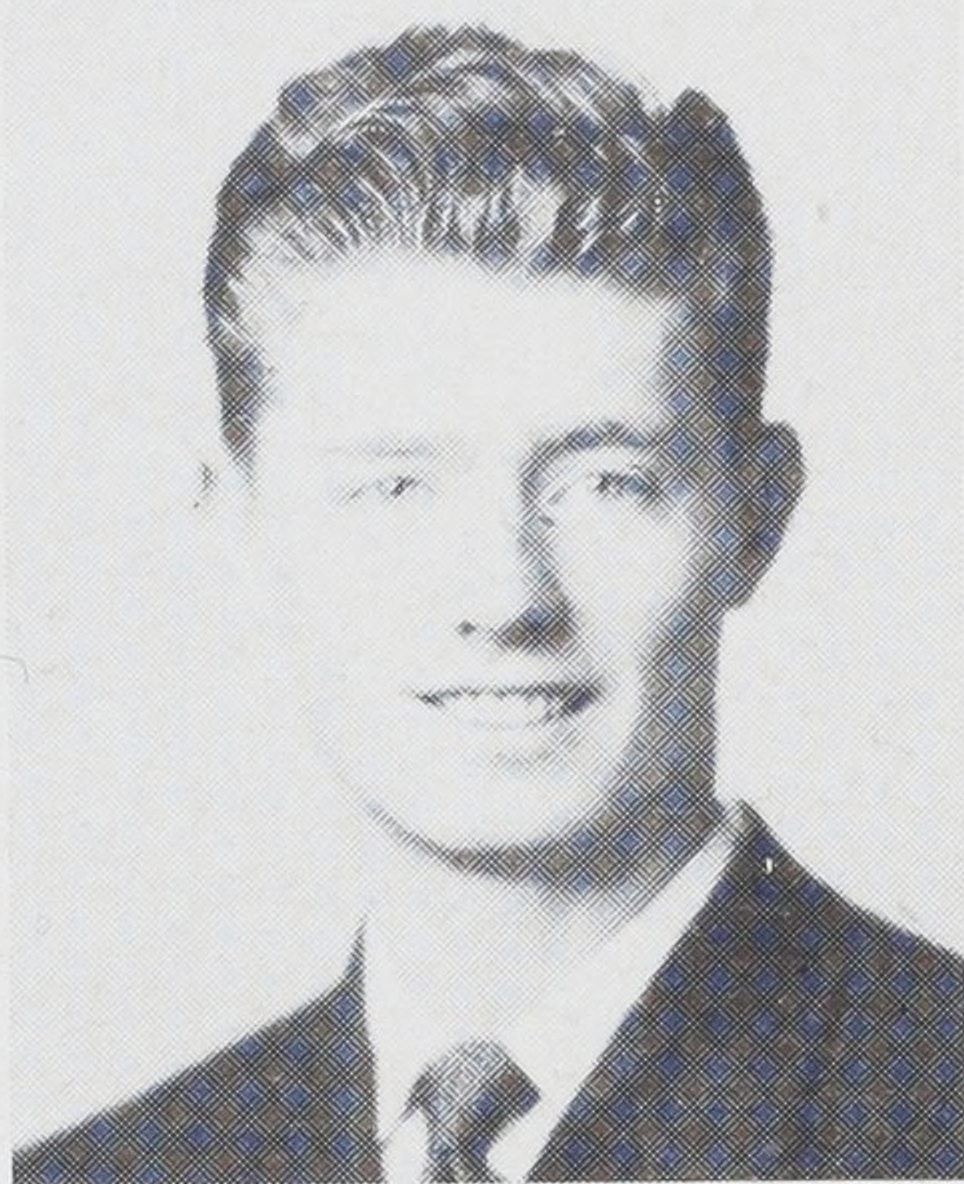
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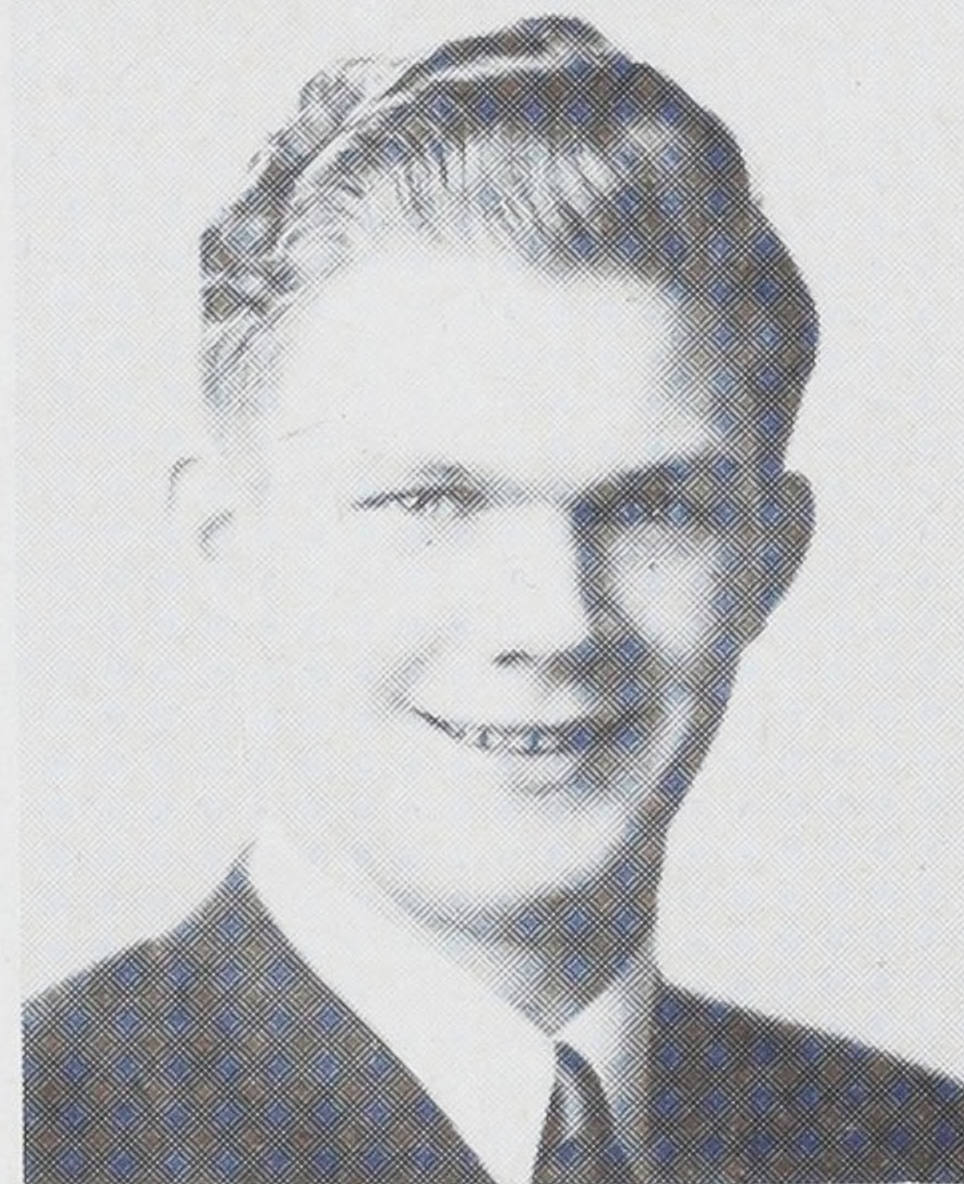
Executive Board; Sports Editor, Tech Pep Staff;  
Public Speaking Club; Basketball.



BARGER, JACK L.

*Technical Electrical*

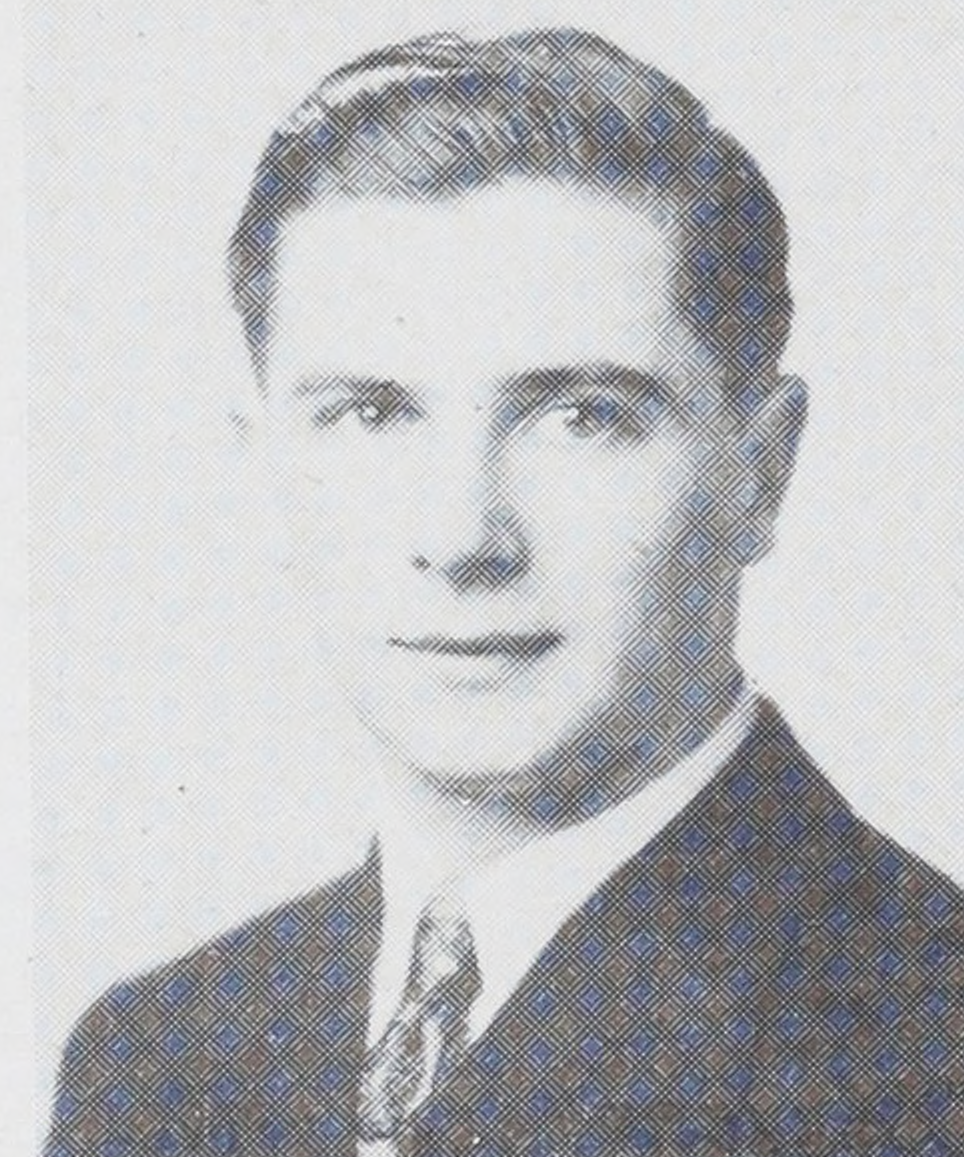
Executive Board; Chief, Fire Squad; Minute-  
man; Hi-Y Club; Vice-President, Treasurer,  
Orange B Club; Football; Basketball; Baseball.



BARTELS, BILL L.

*Technical Mechanical*

Executive Board; Assistant Chief, Fire Squad;  
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B Club; Football; Basketball.



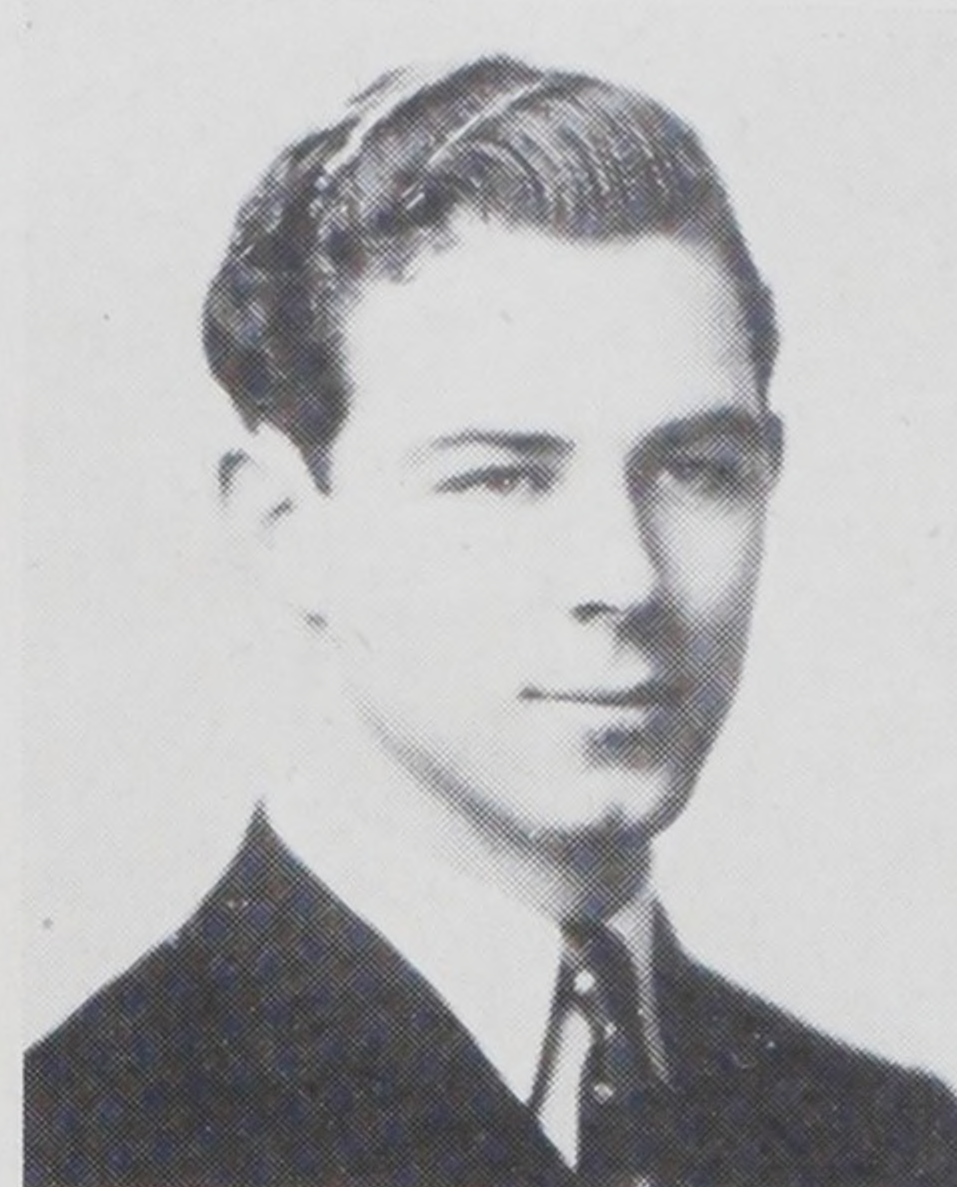
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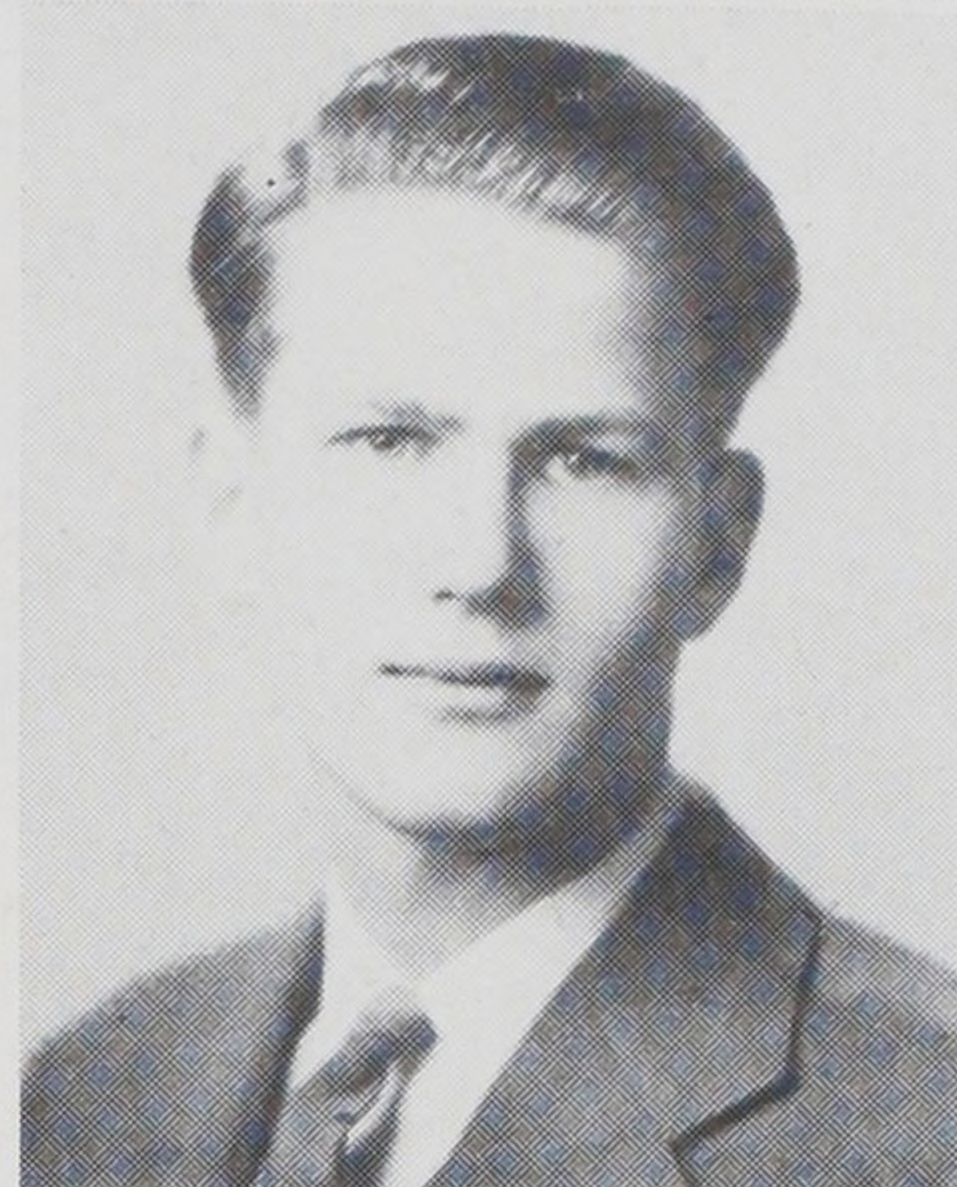


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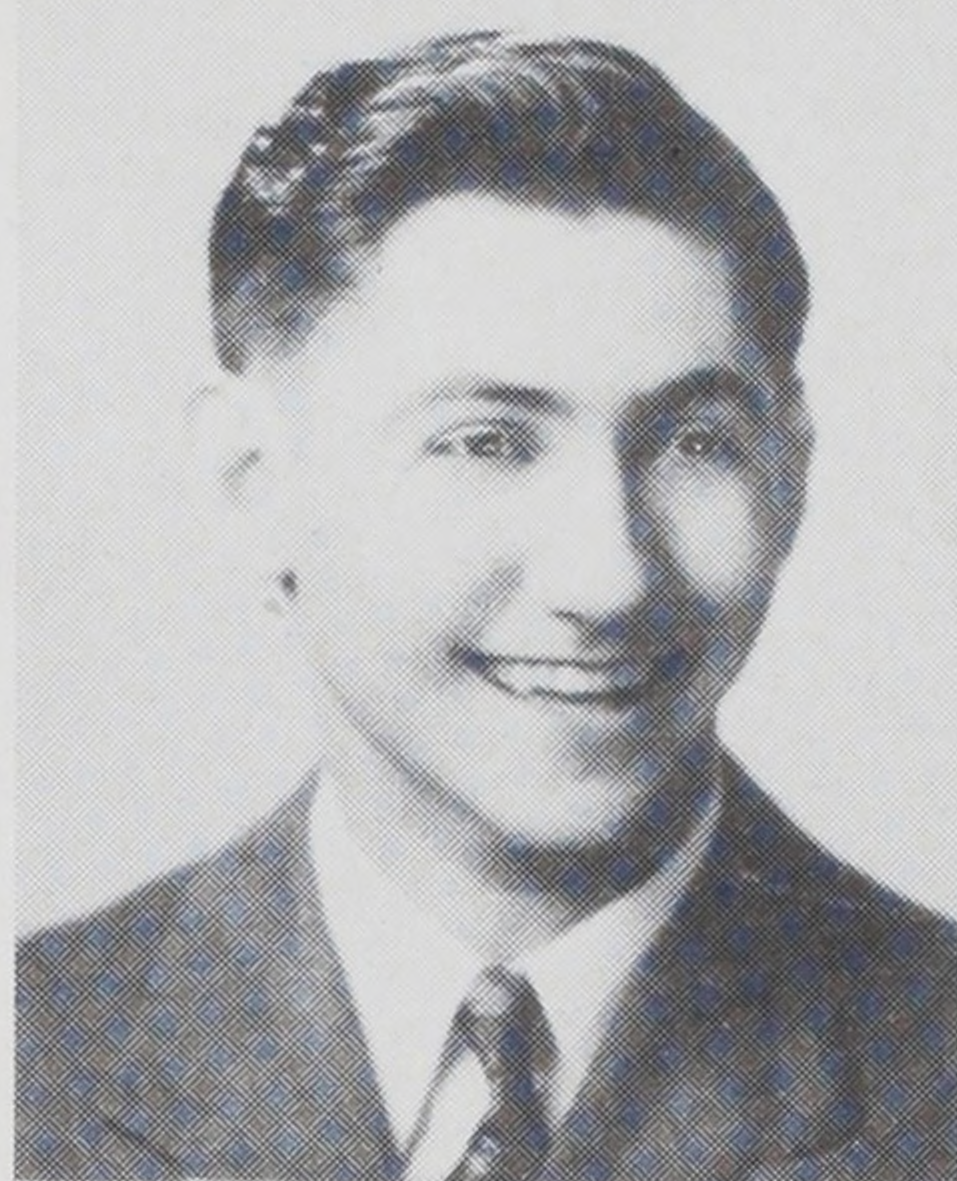
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Hi-Y Club; Orange B Club; Football; Basketball.



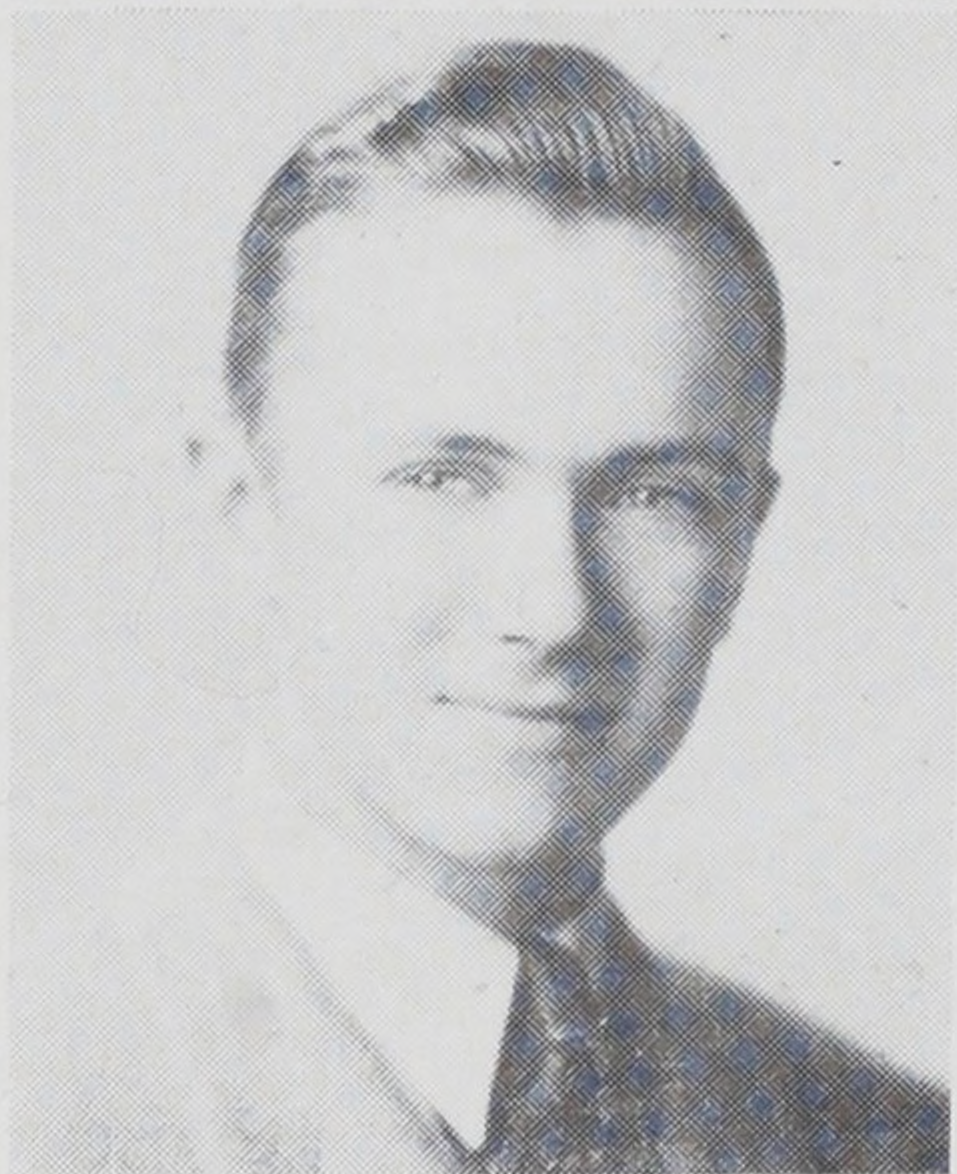
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*Technical Electrical*  
Band; First Aid; Minuteman; Orchestra; Shop  
Editor, Tech Pep Staff; Radio; Football.



BOCCI, S. CHARLES  
*Technical Aviation*  
Minuteman; Editor, Poly Tech; Editor, Tech Pep;  
Secretary, Aviation Club; Vice-President, Hi-Y  
Club; Public Speaking Club; Bronze Scholar-  
ship pin.

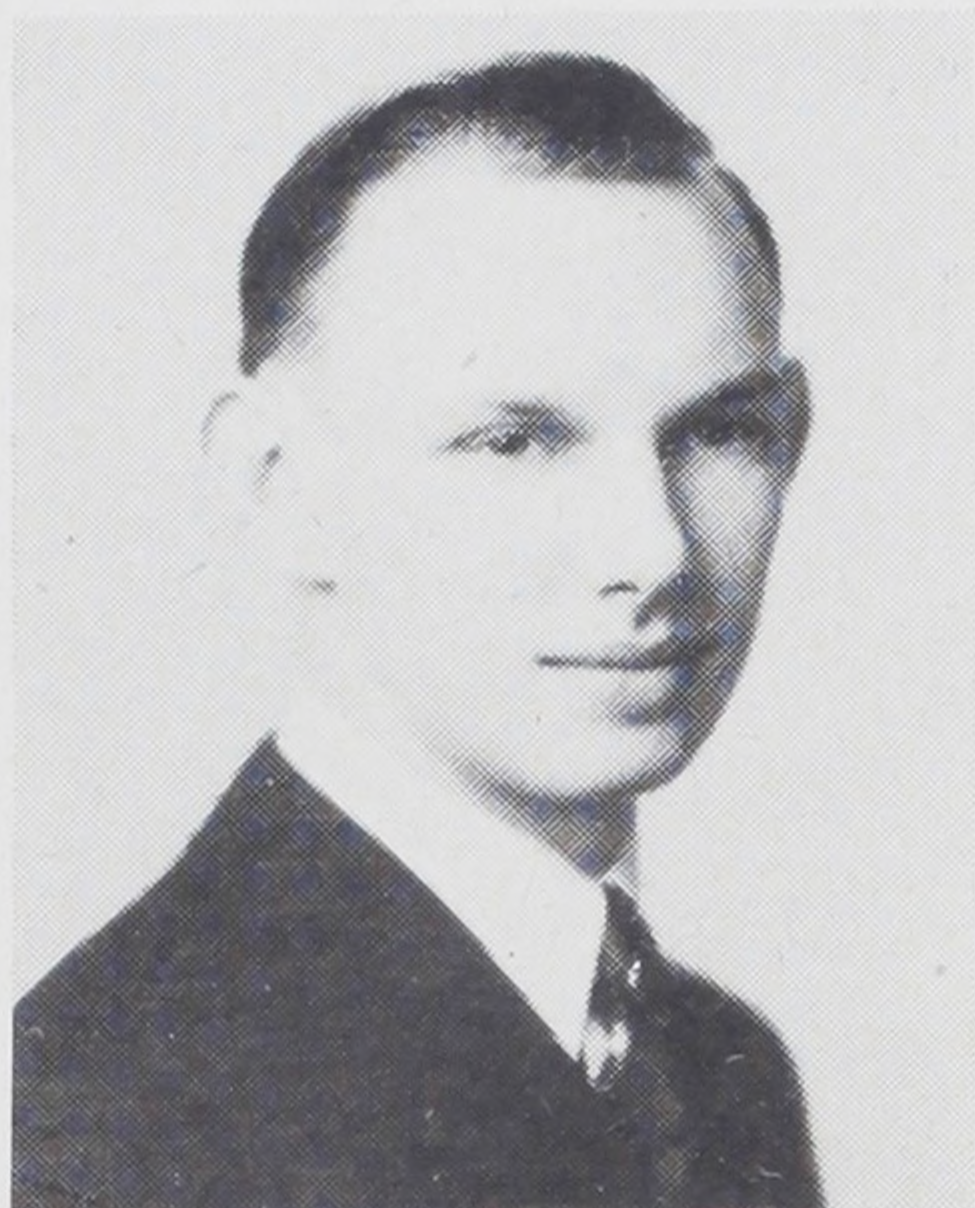


BRANSON, JIM H.  
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Vice-president, Secretary, Treasurer, Aviation  
Club.

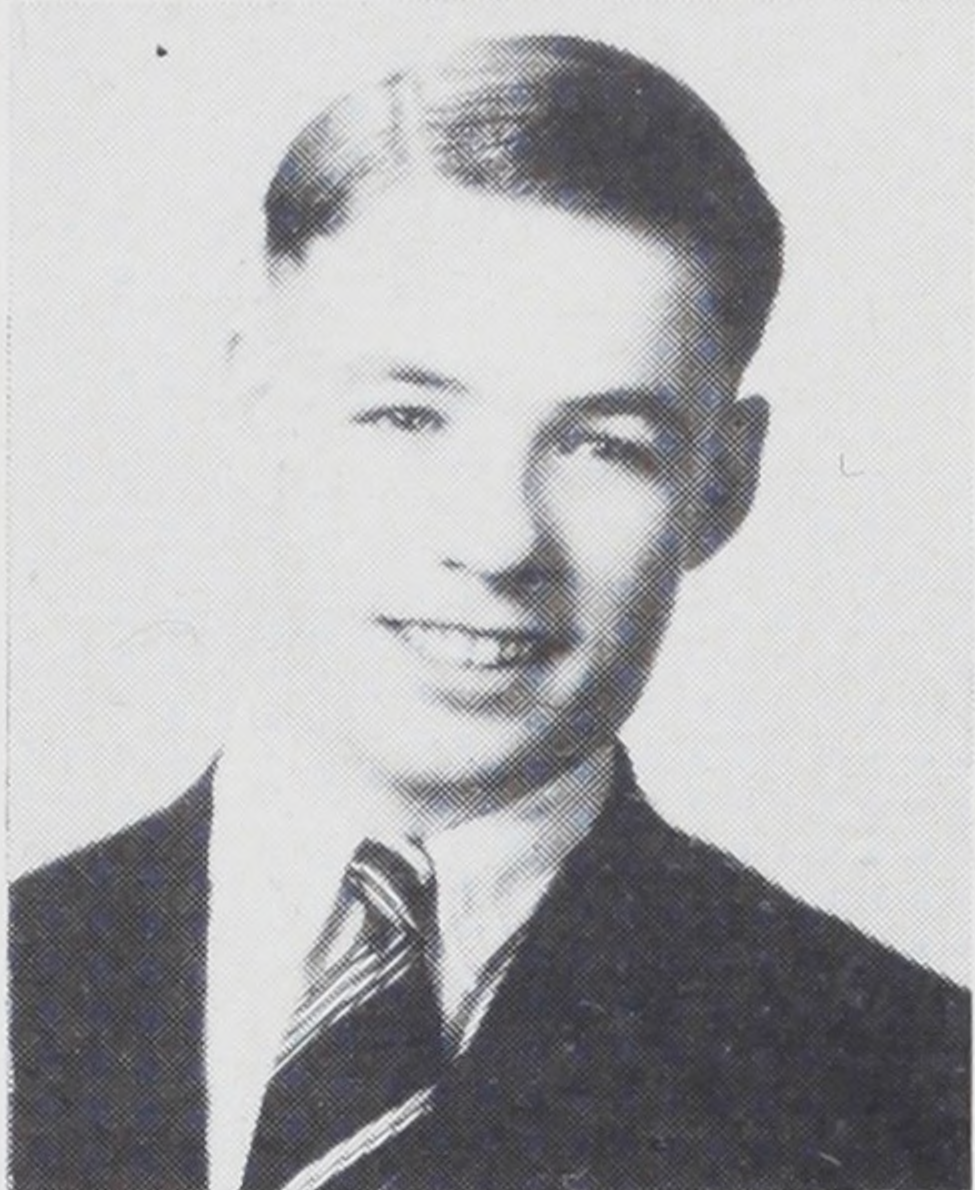




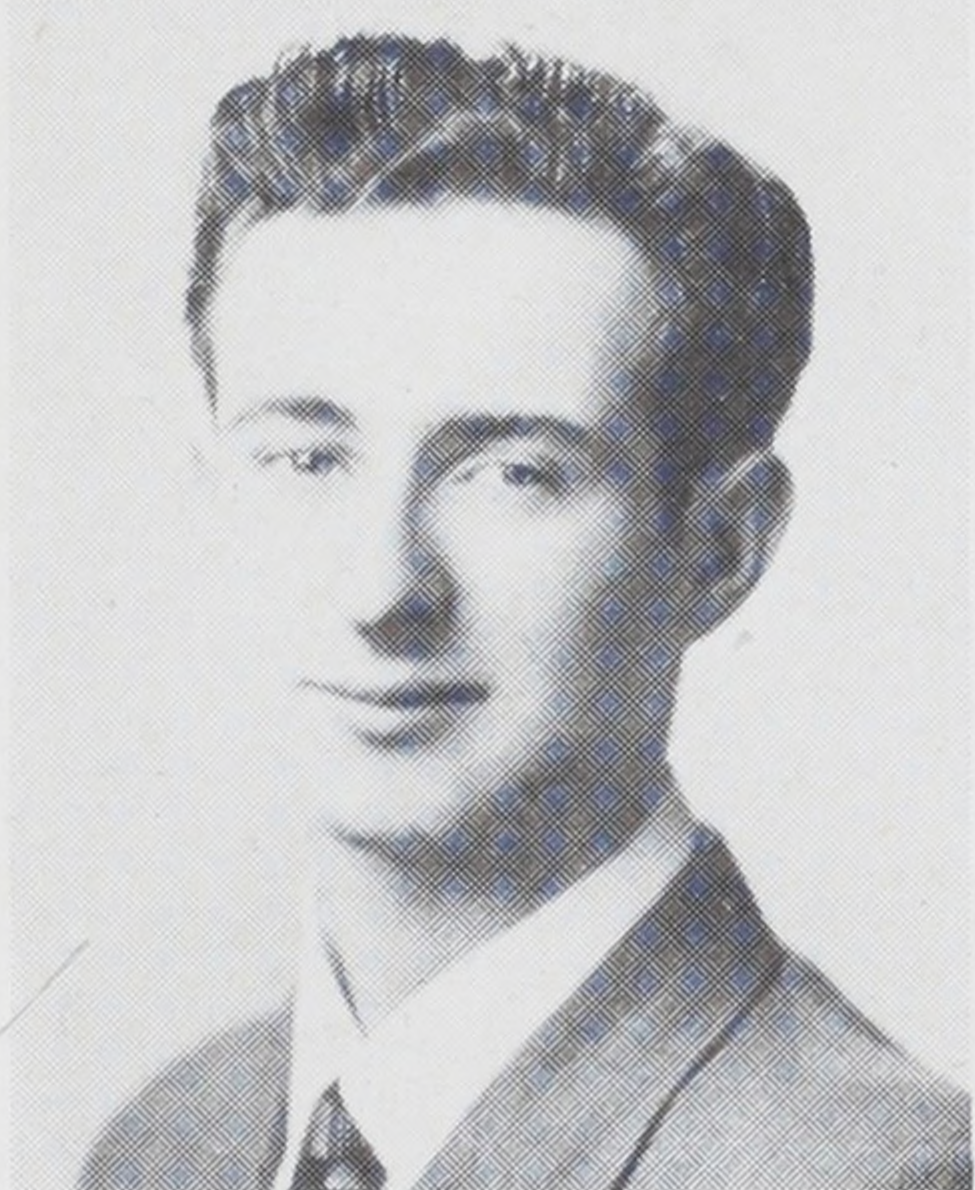
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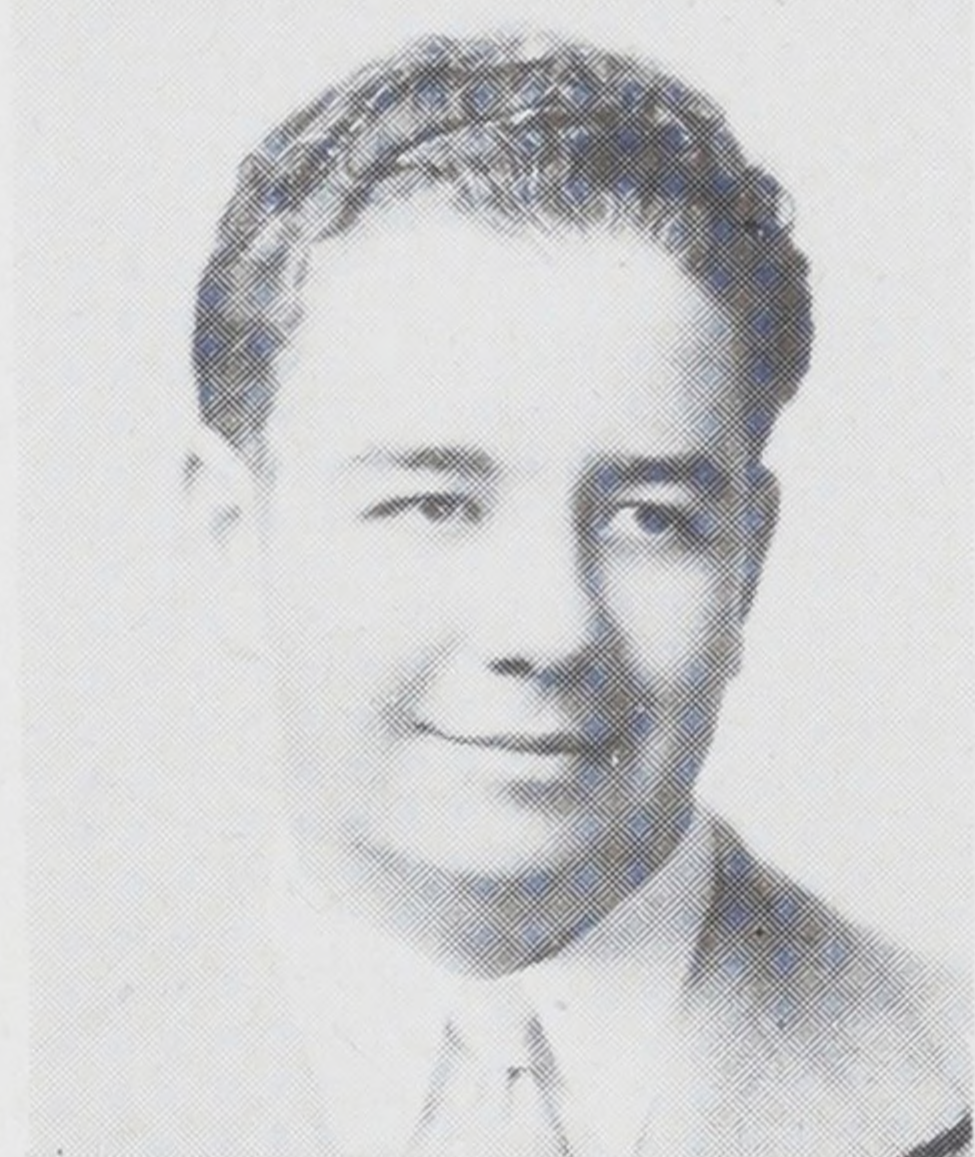
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*Technical Mechanical*  
Usher, Auditorium Crew.



*Ronald Bulletset*  
BULLETSSET, RONALD E.  
*Technical Automotive*  
Minuteman.



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*Technical Mechanical*

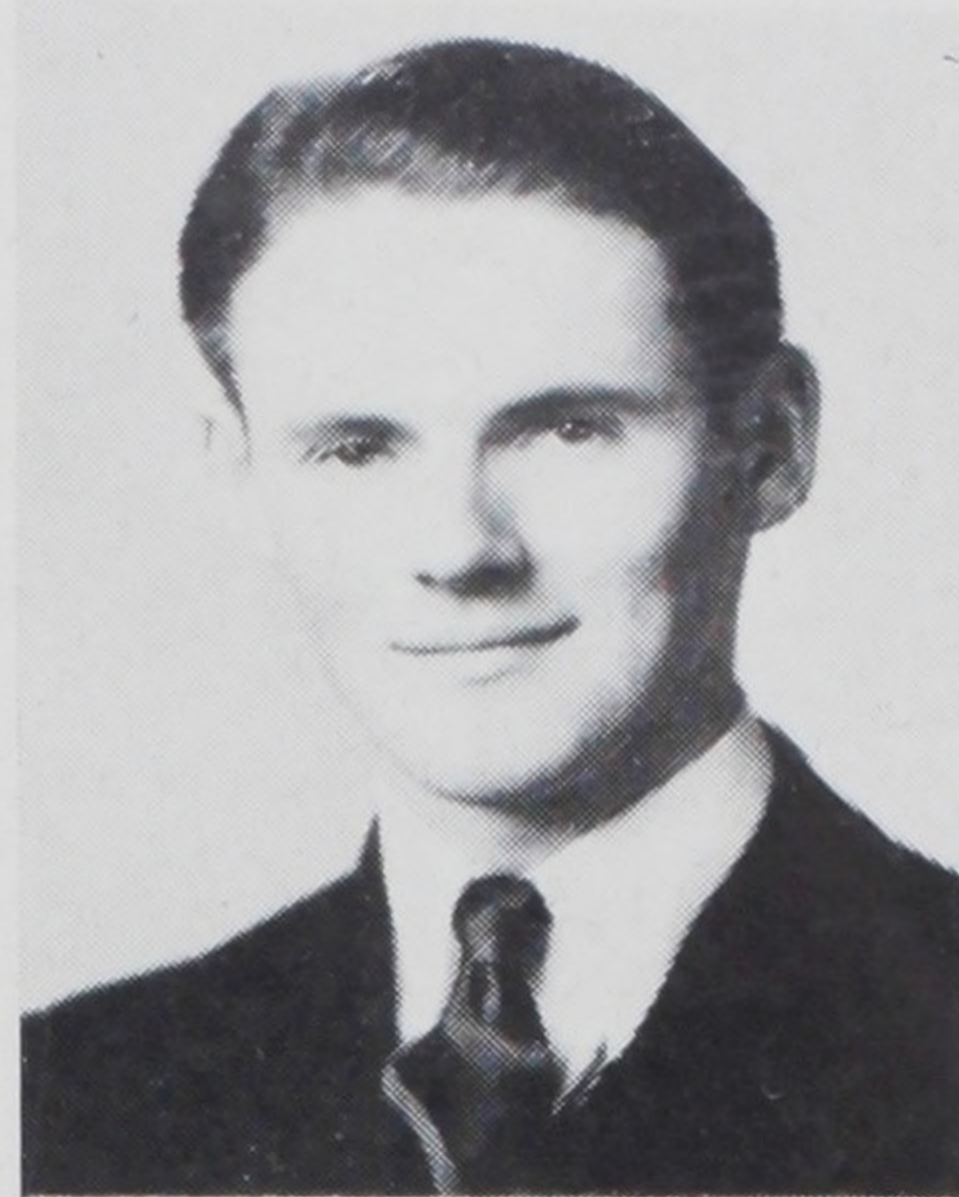


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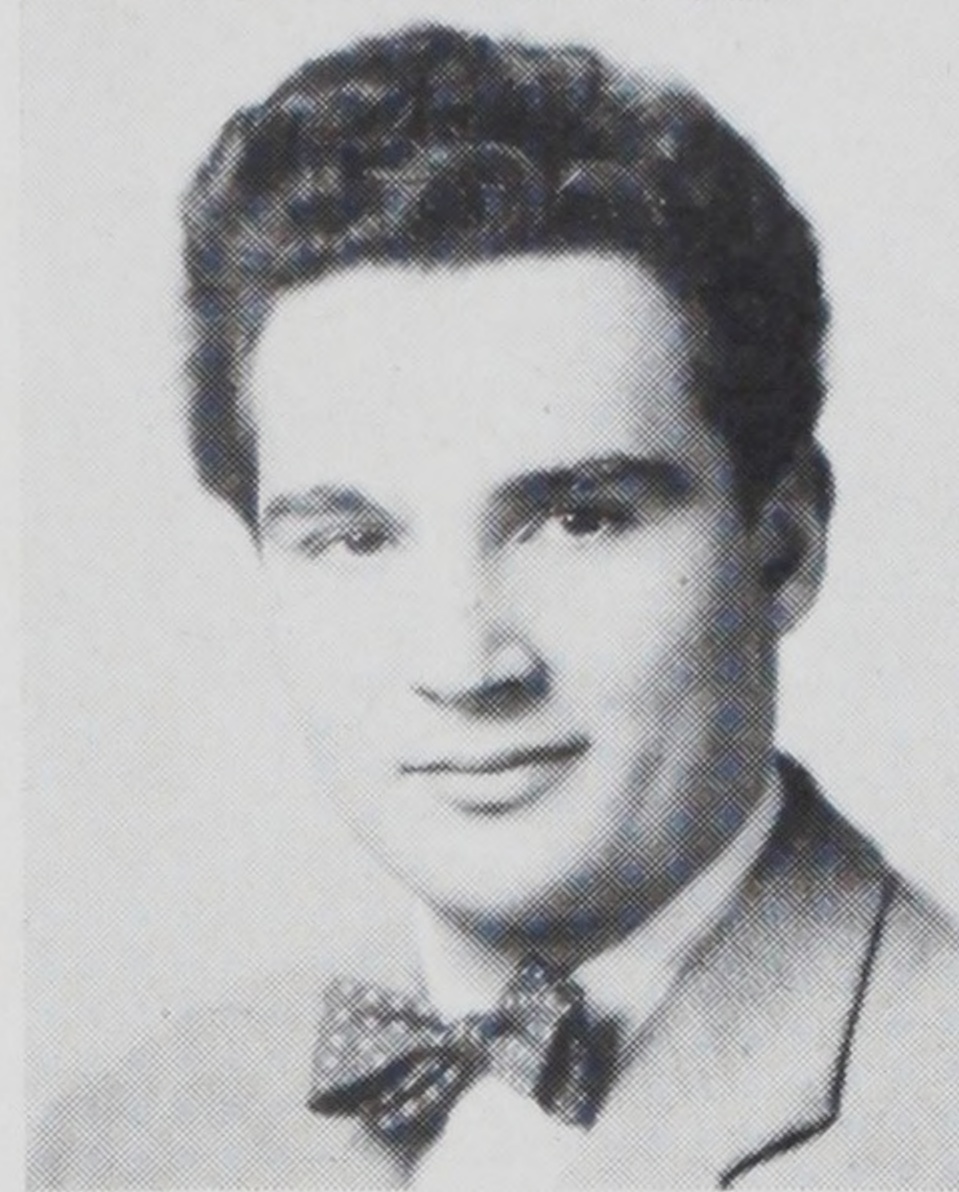


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Class Play Staff.



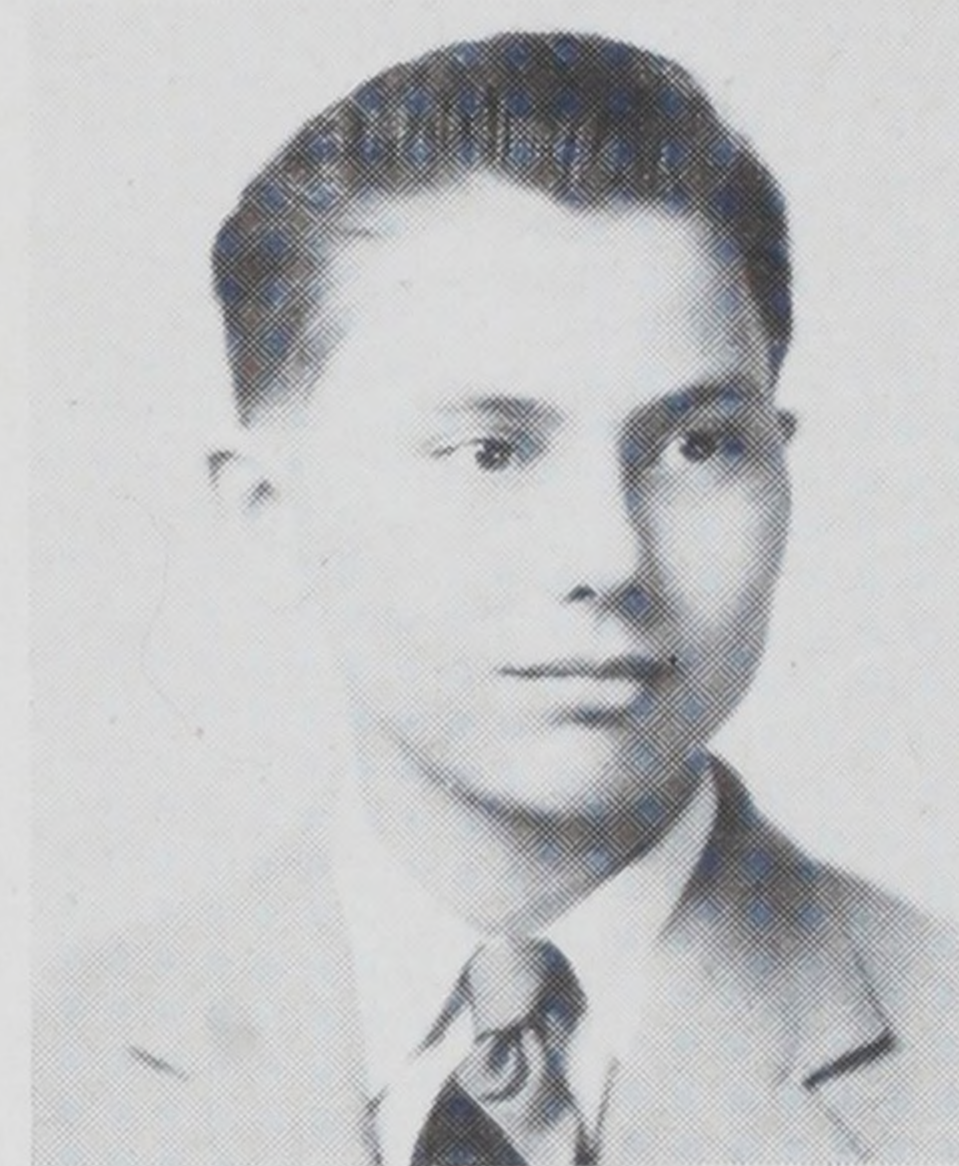
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Class Captain; Class Play Staff; First Aid; Minuteman; Associate Editor, Poly Tech; Managing Editor, News Editor, Tech Pep; Hi-Y Club; Oyer-un-Gon Club; Bronze, Silver, Gold, Special Gold Scholarship pins; Bowling Club; Track; Treasurer, Senior Class.

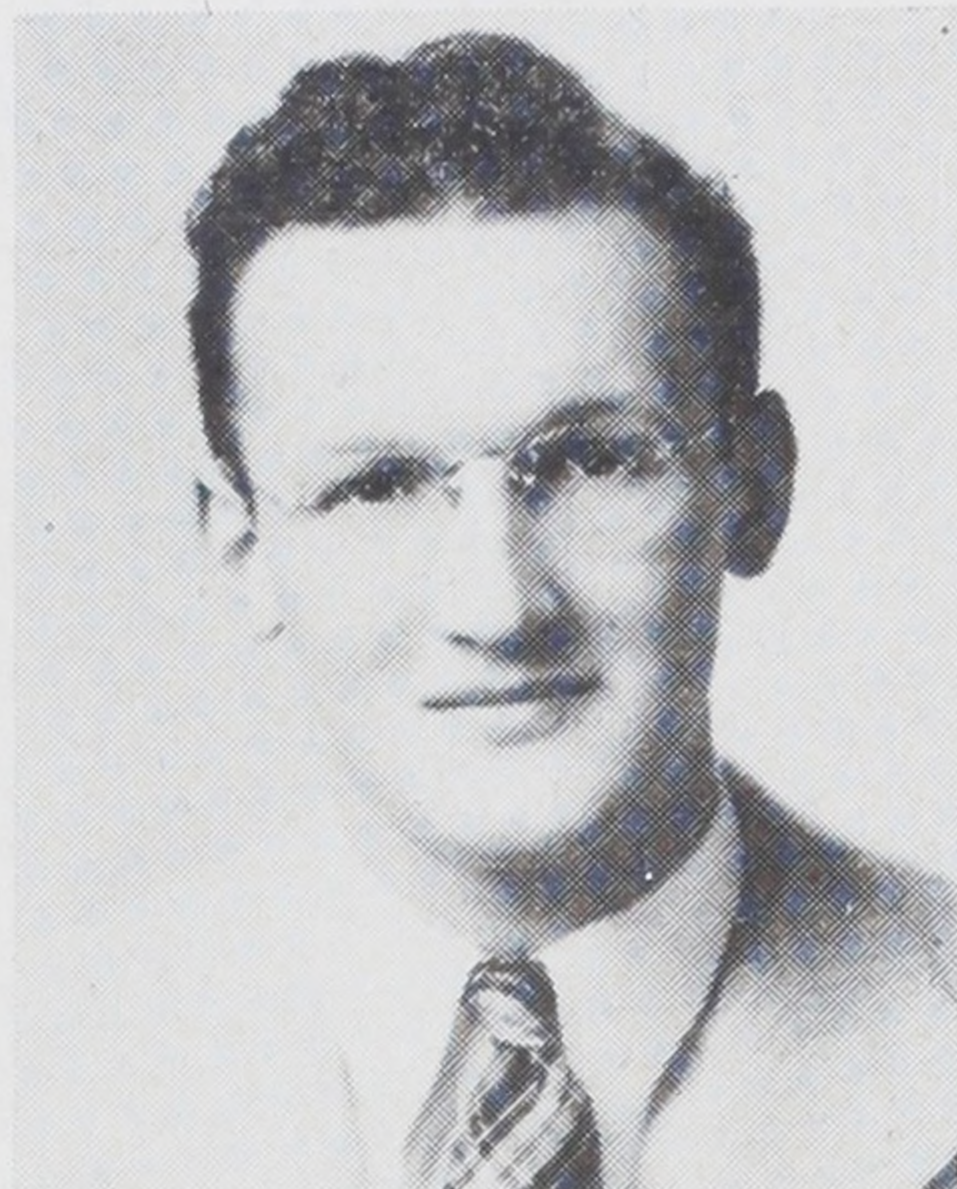


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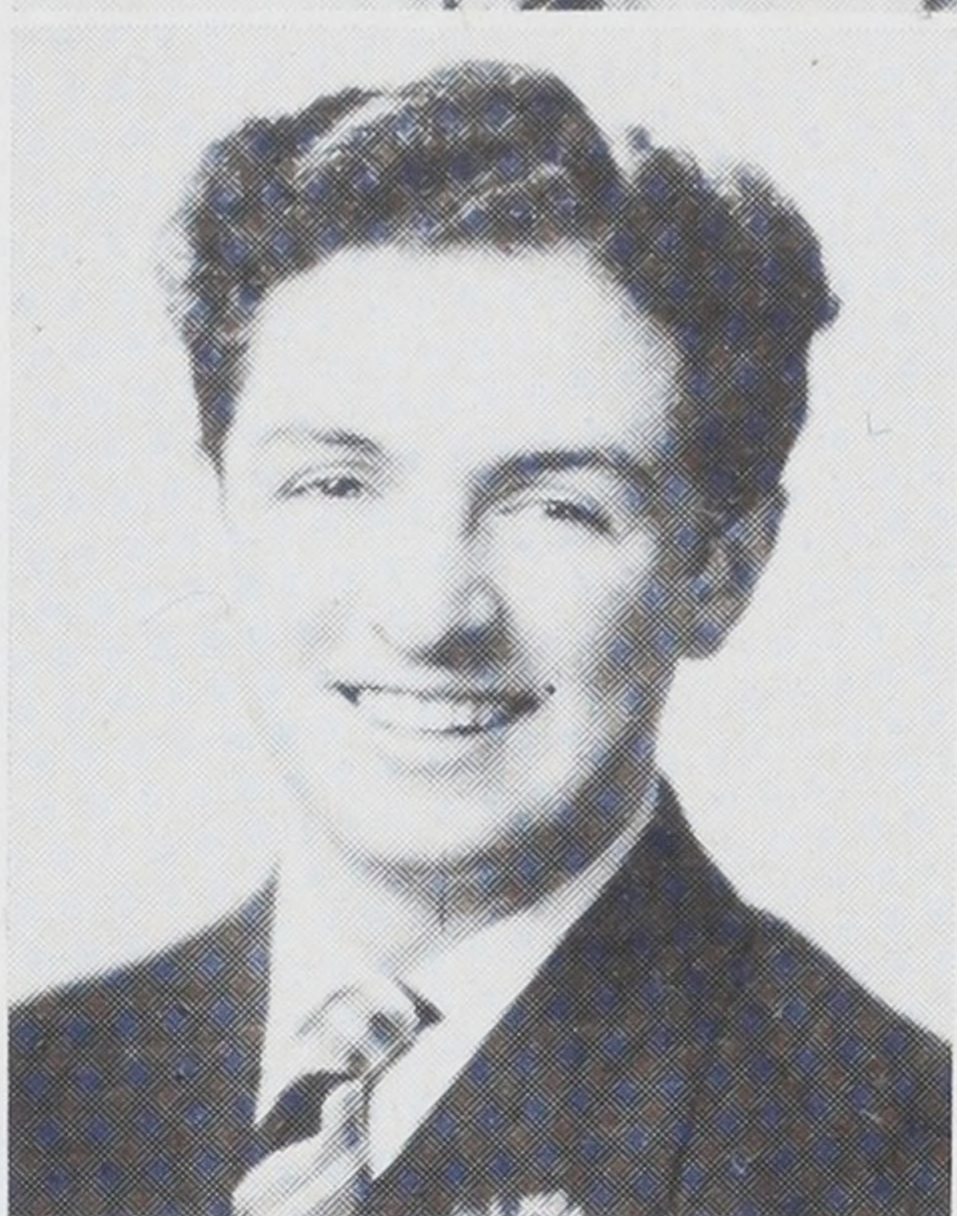




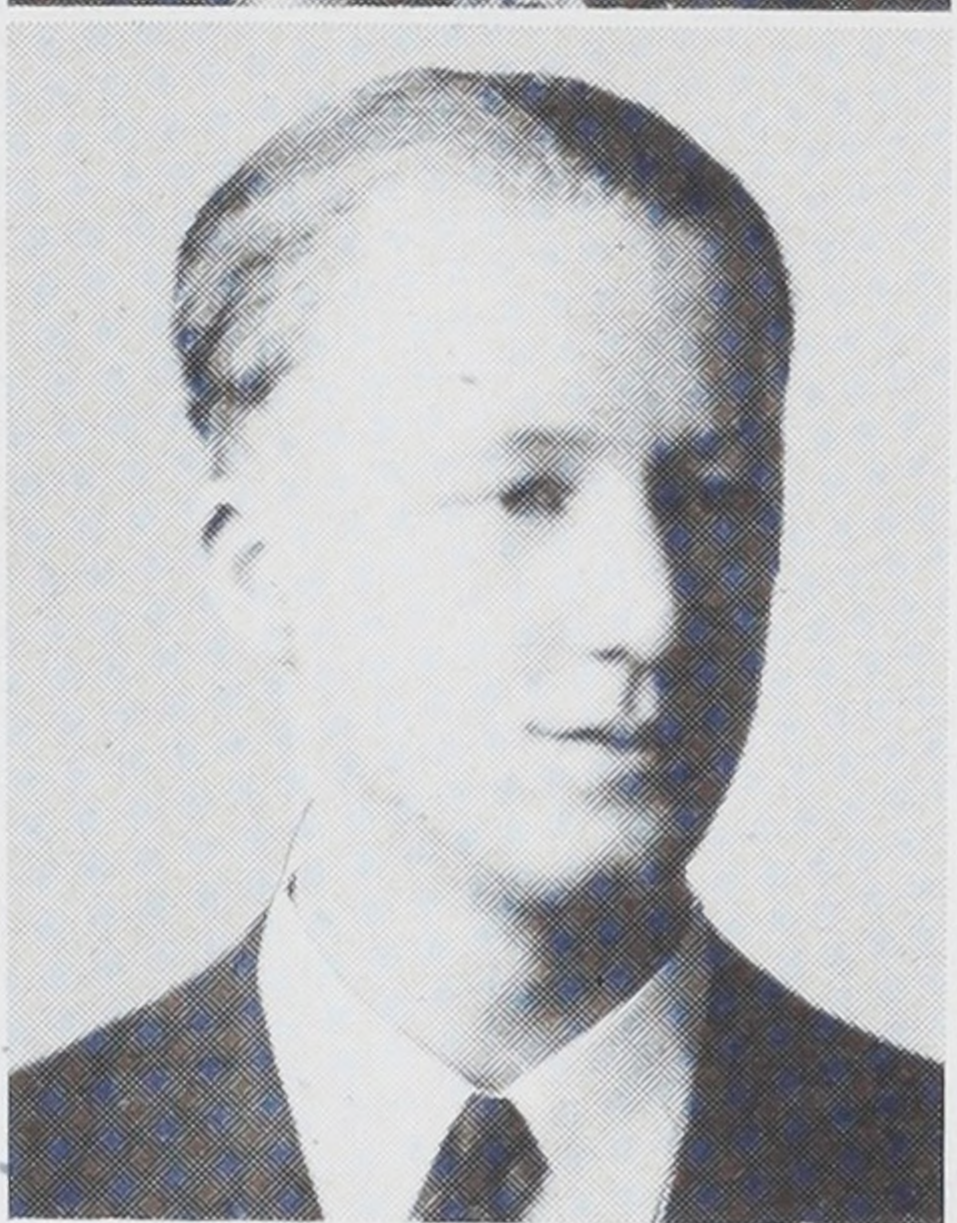
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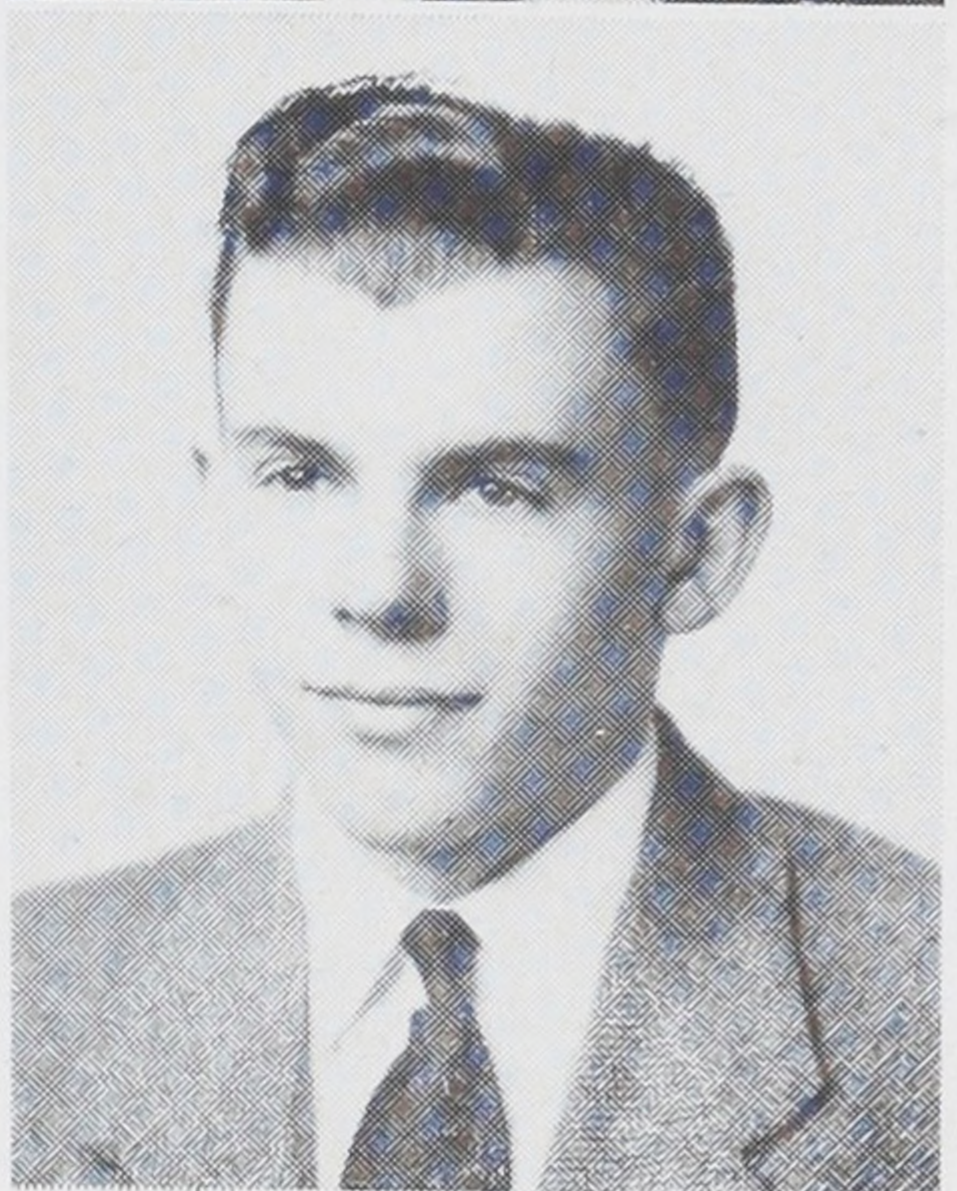
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Tech Pep Staff; Machinist Club.

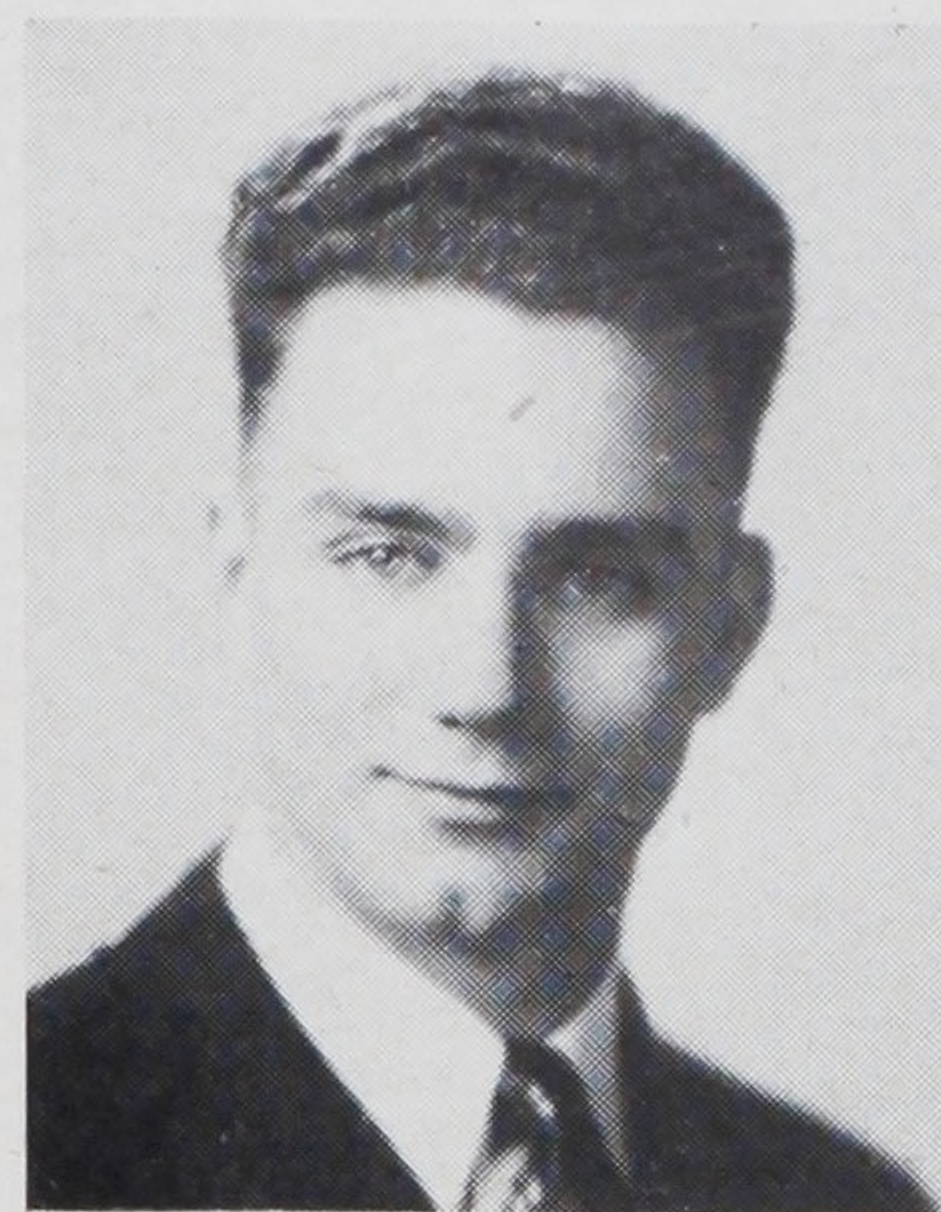


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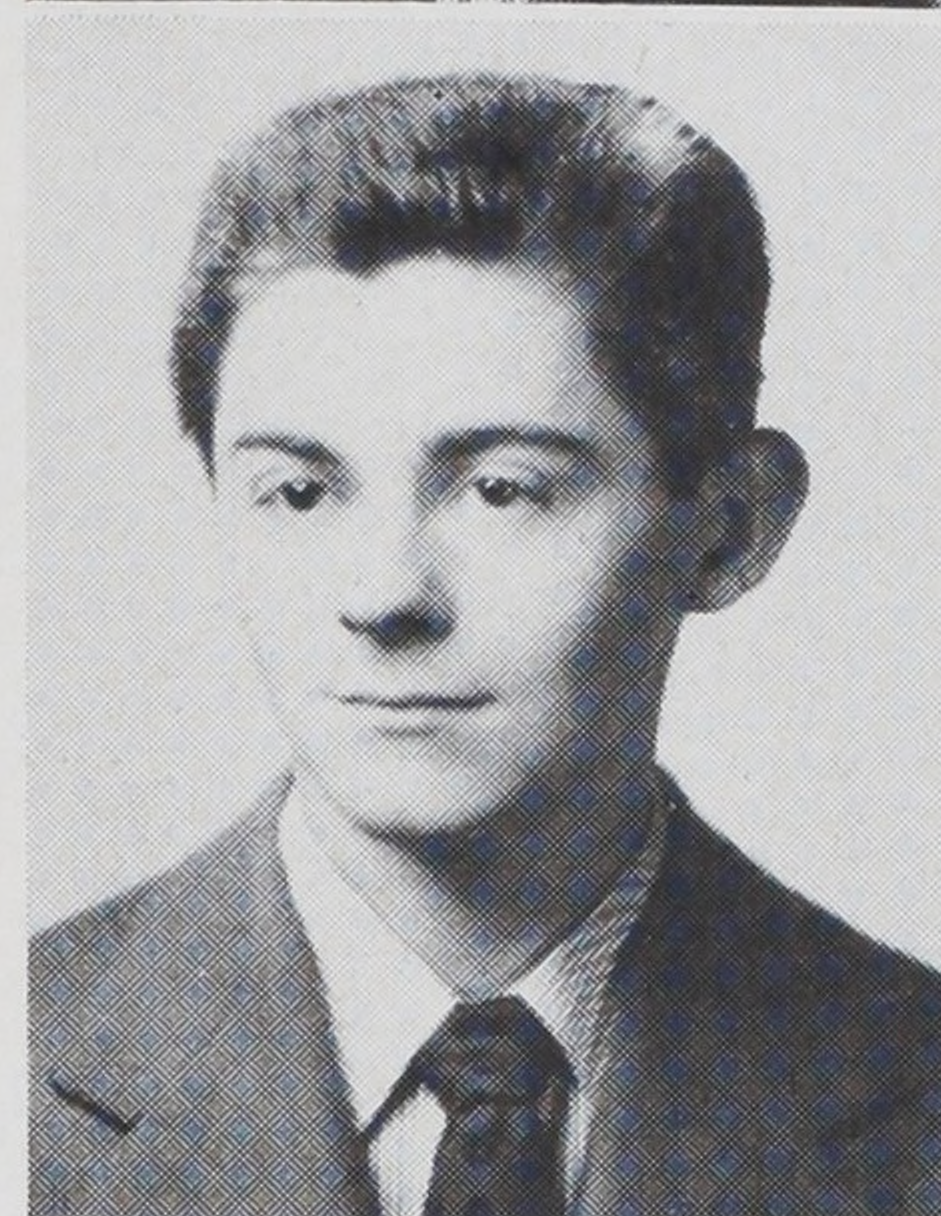


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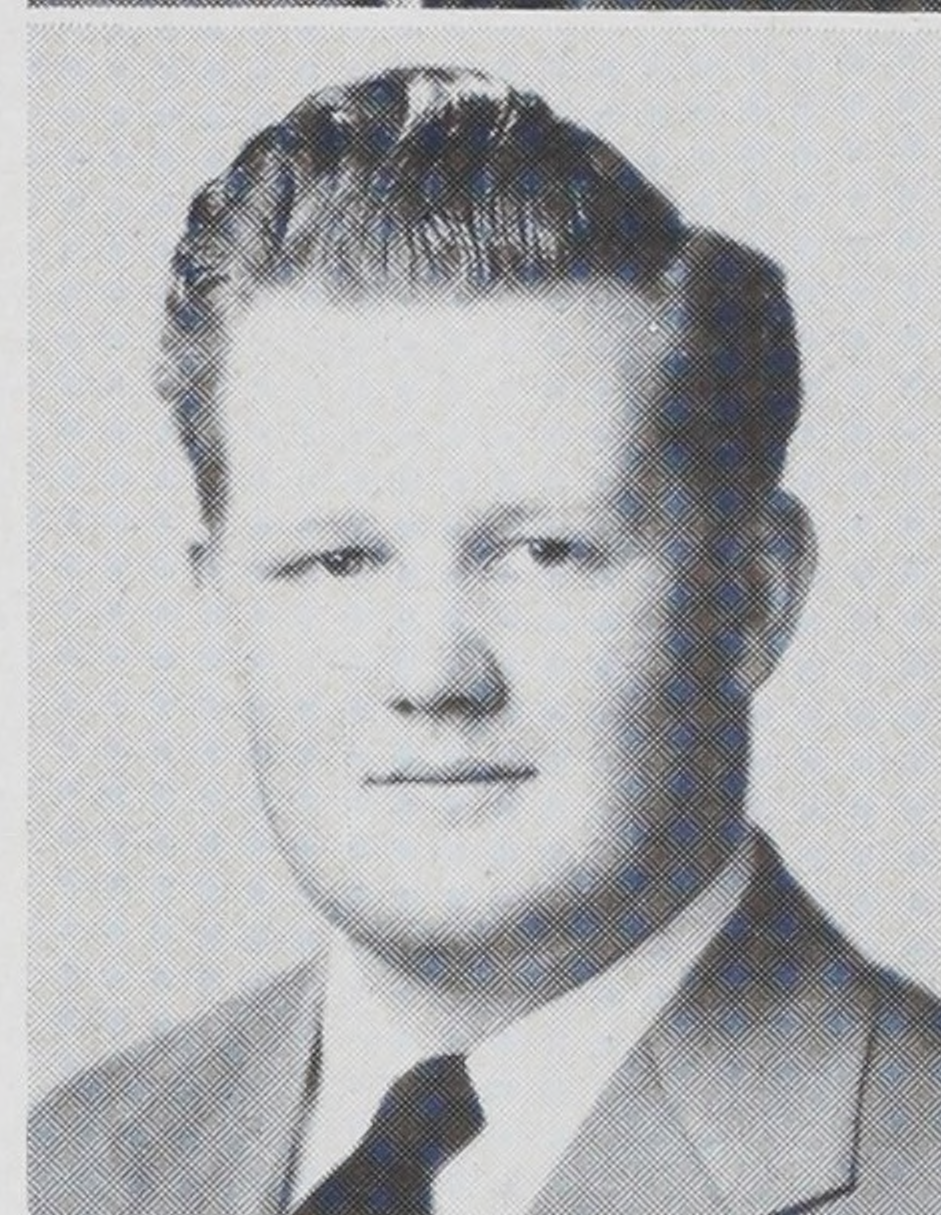
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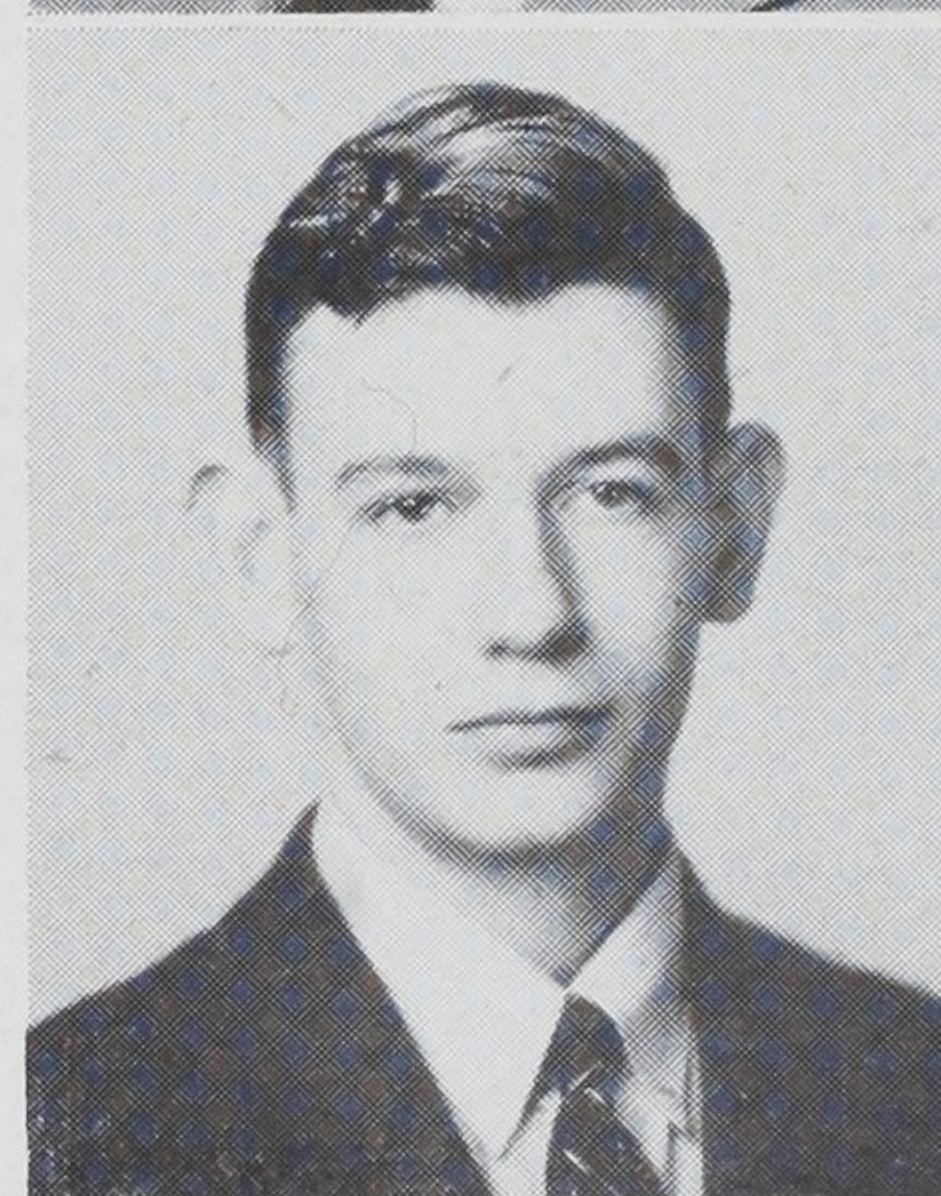
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Hi-Y; Orange B Club; Hockey.



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Fire Squad; Sports Editor, Poly Tech; Sports  
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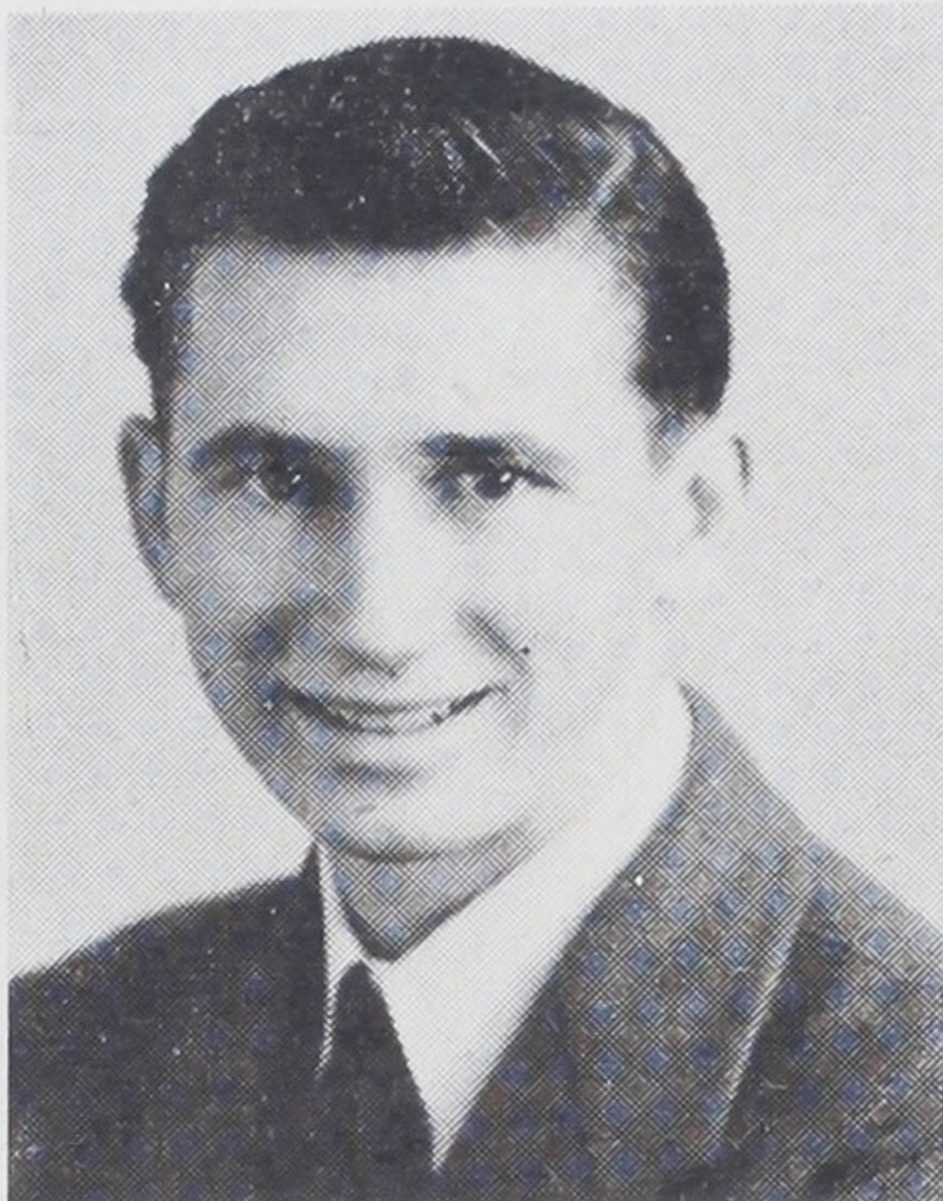


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Bronze Scholarship pin.





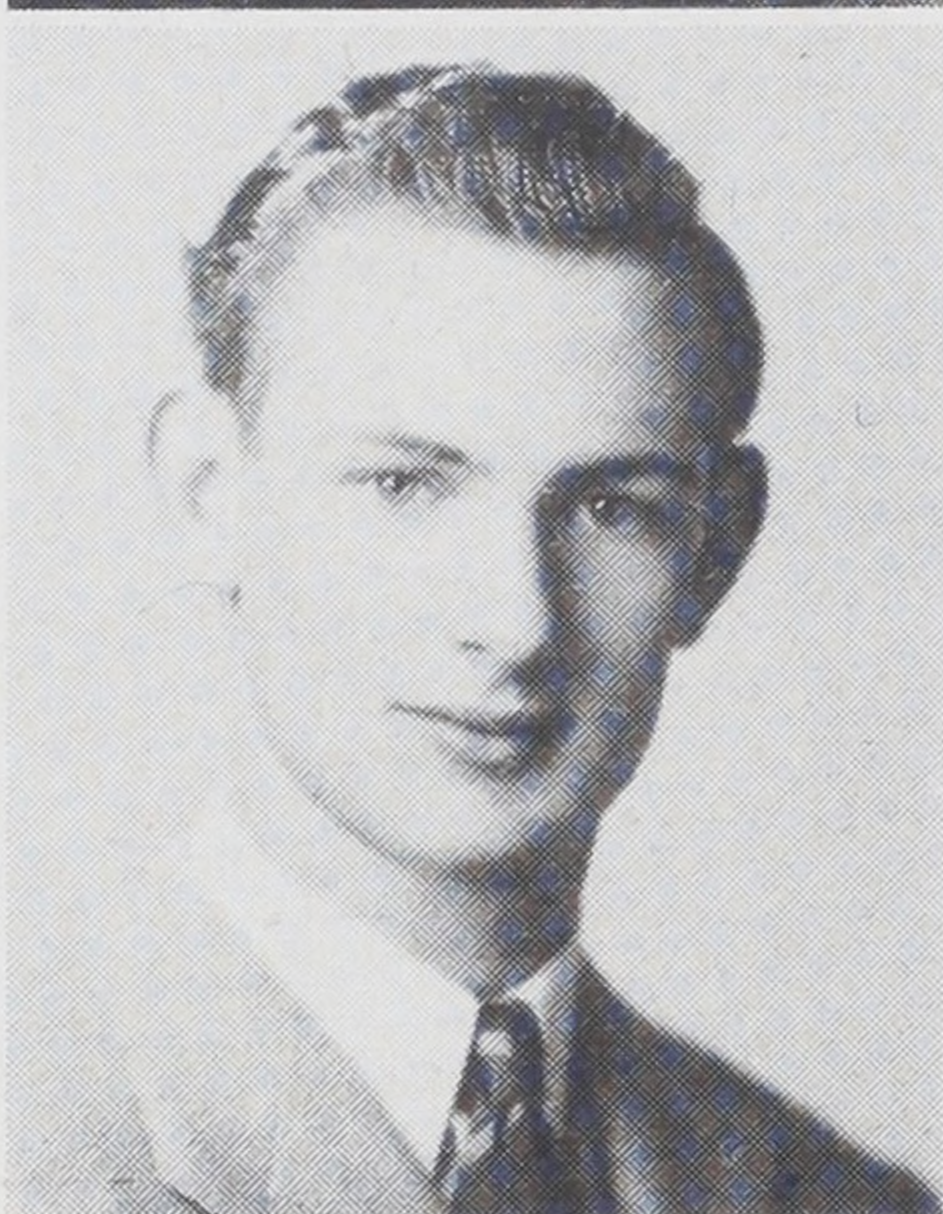
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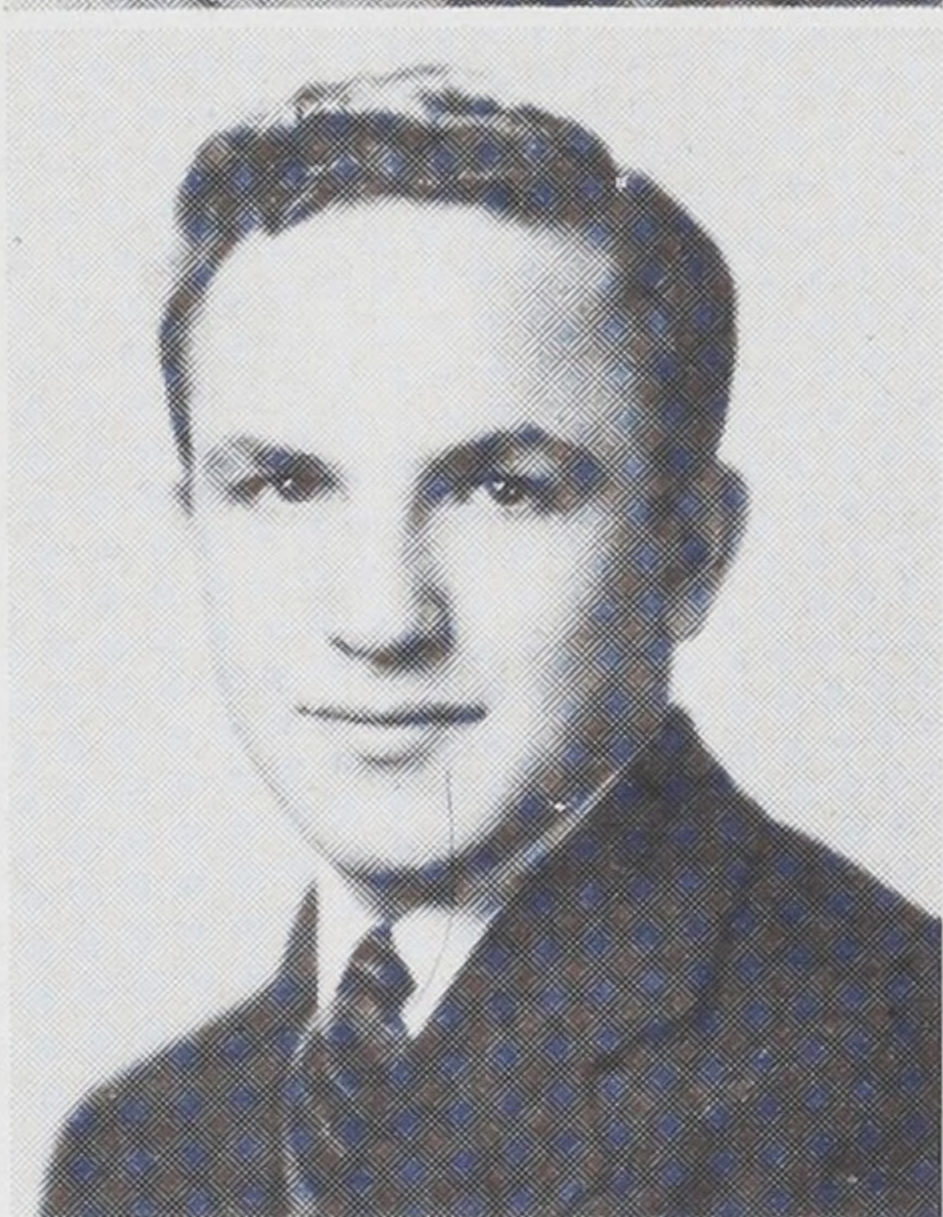
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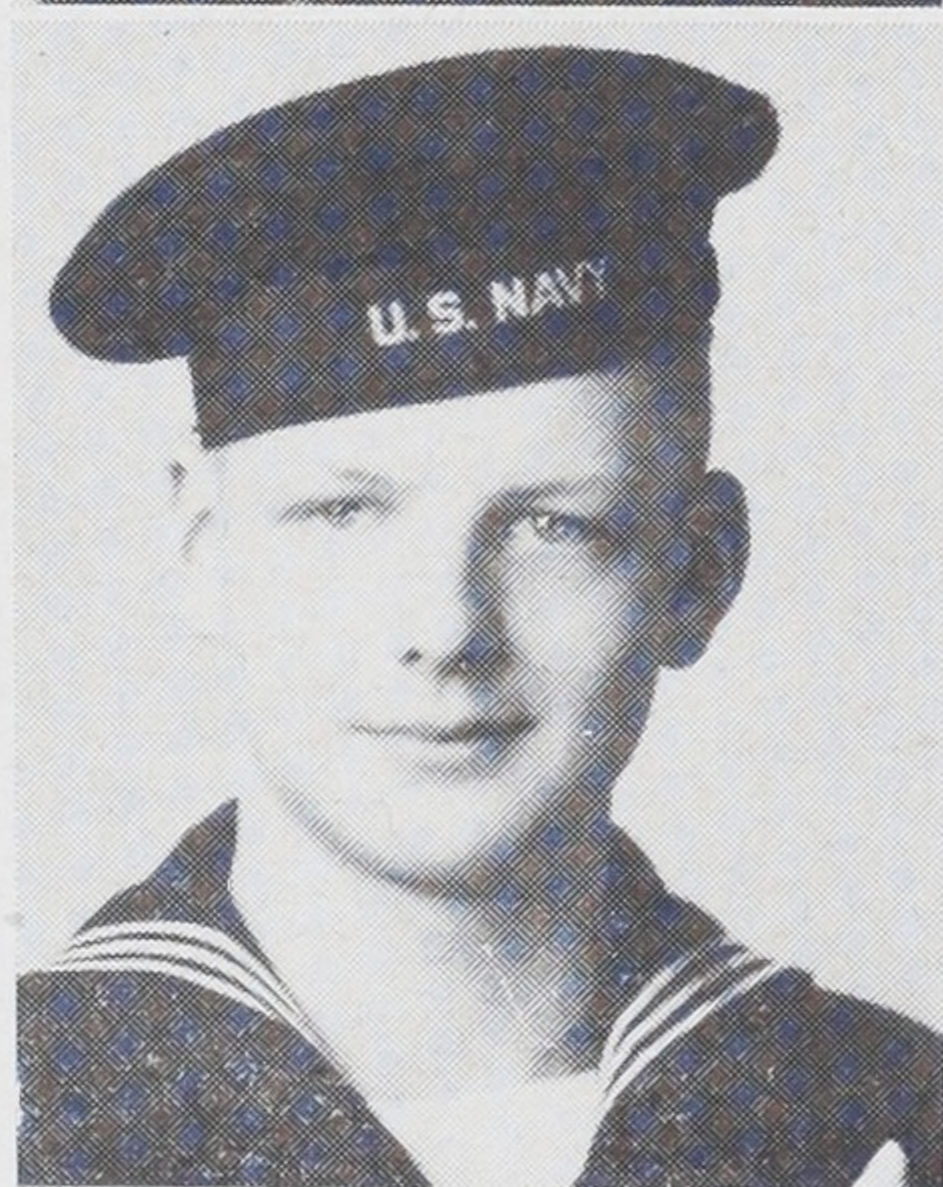
Tech Pep Staff.



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Fire Squad; Football.



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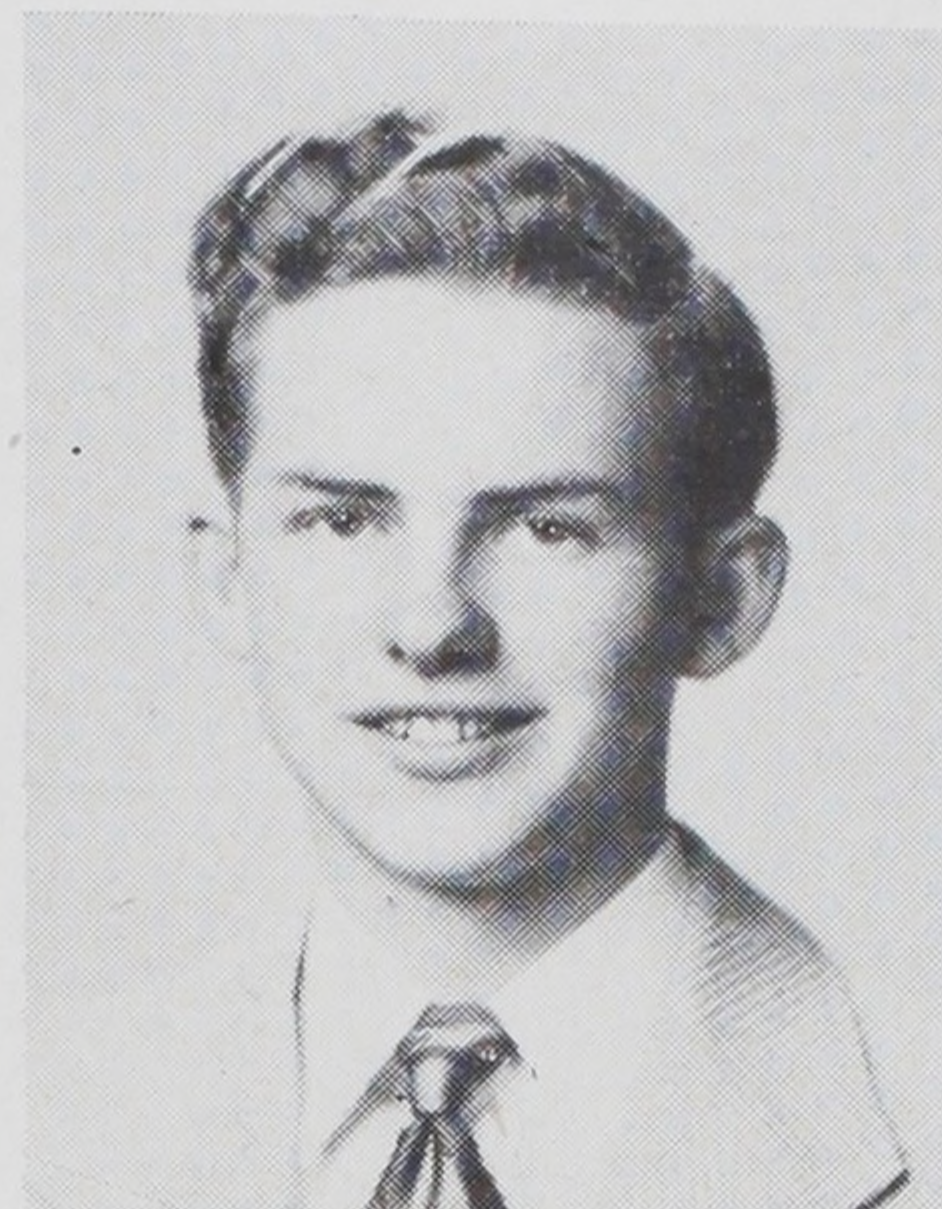
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Auditorium Crew; Class Captain; Bronze, Silver, Scholarship pins; Basketball.



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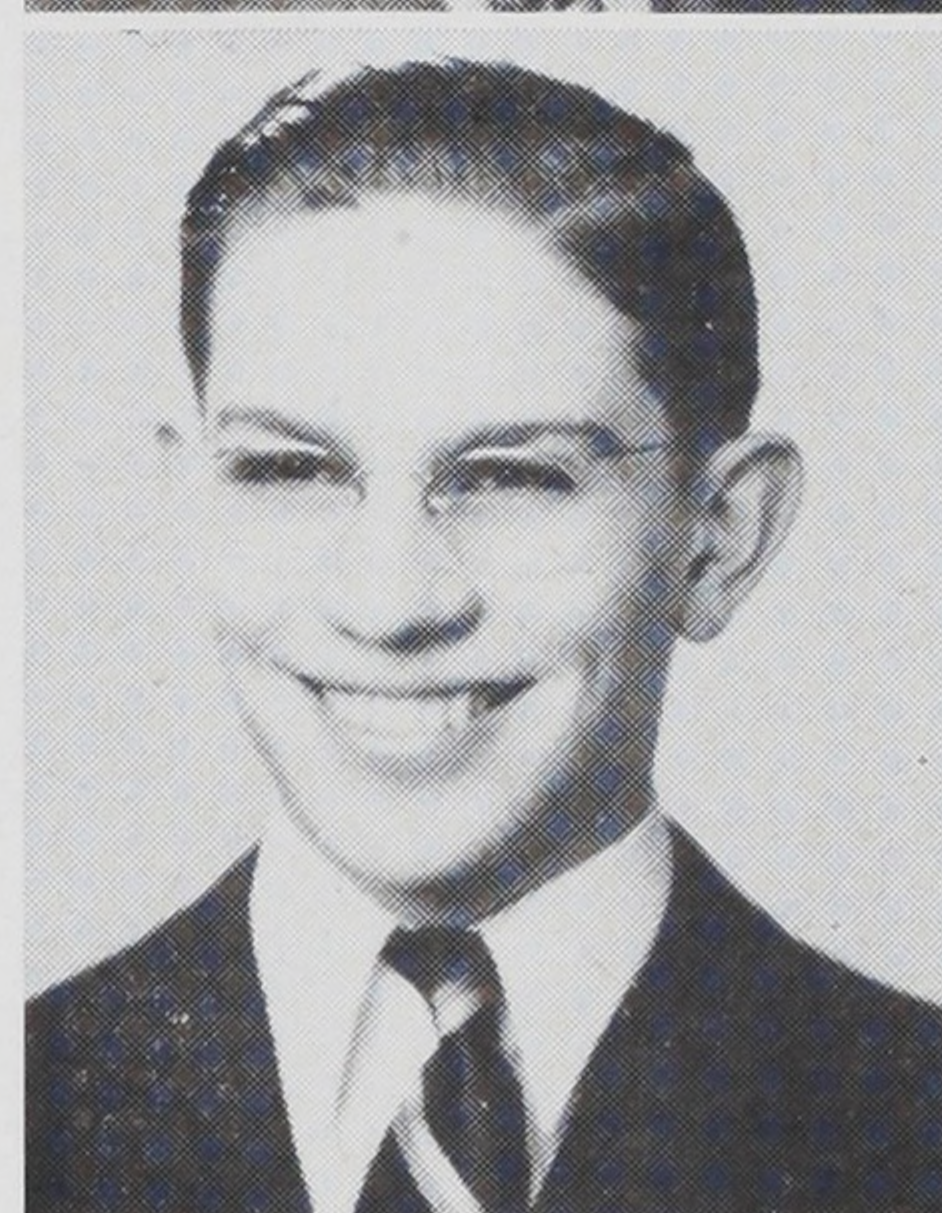
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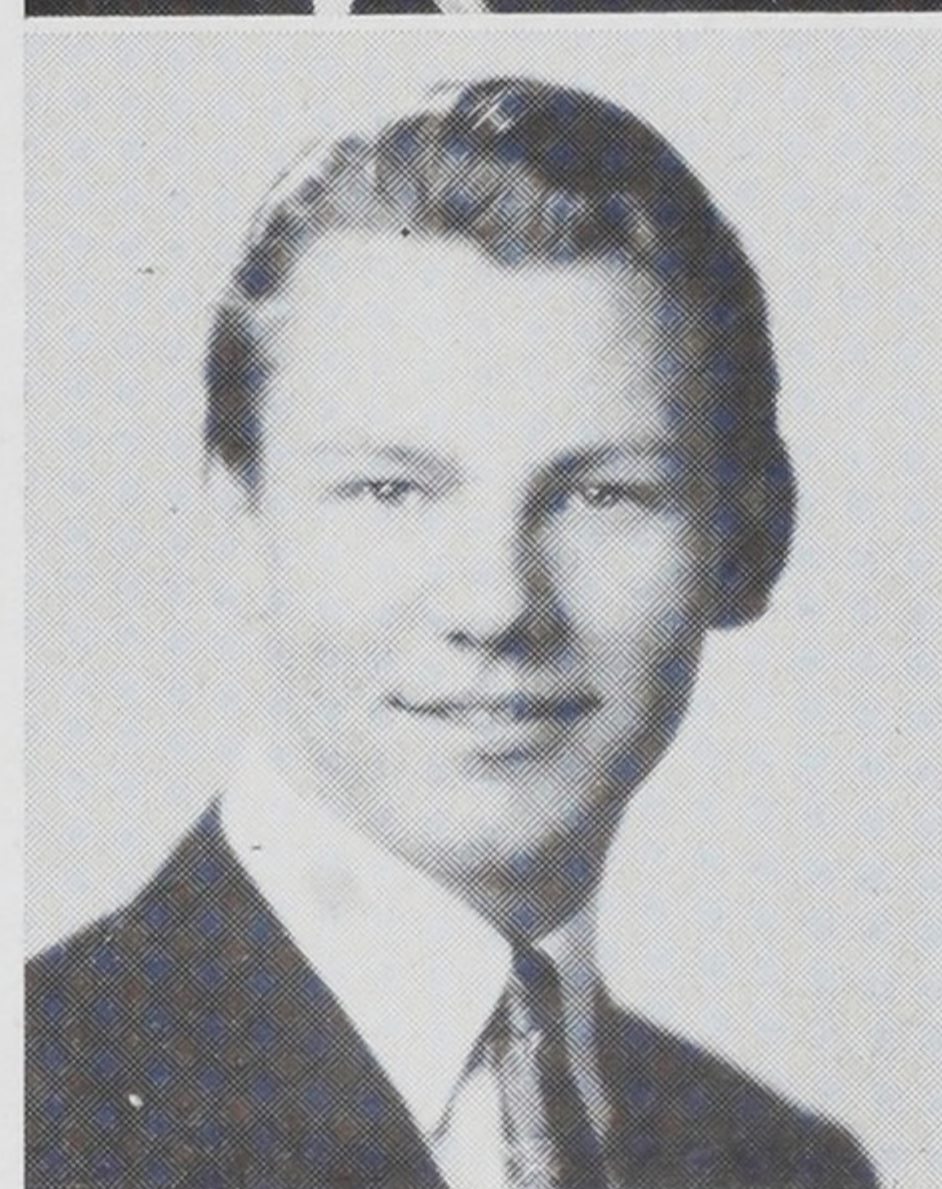
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*Technical Mechanical*  
Executive Board; Orange B Club; Secretary,  
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*Vocational Machine*  
Machinist Club.

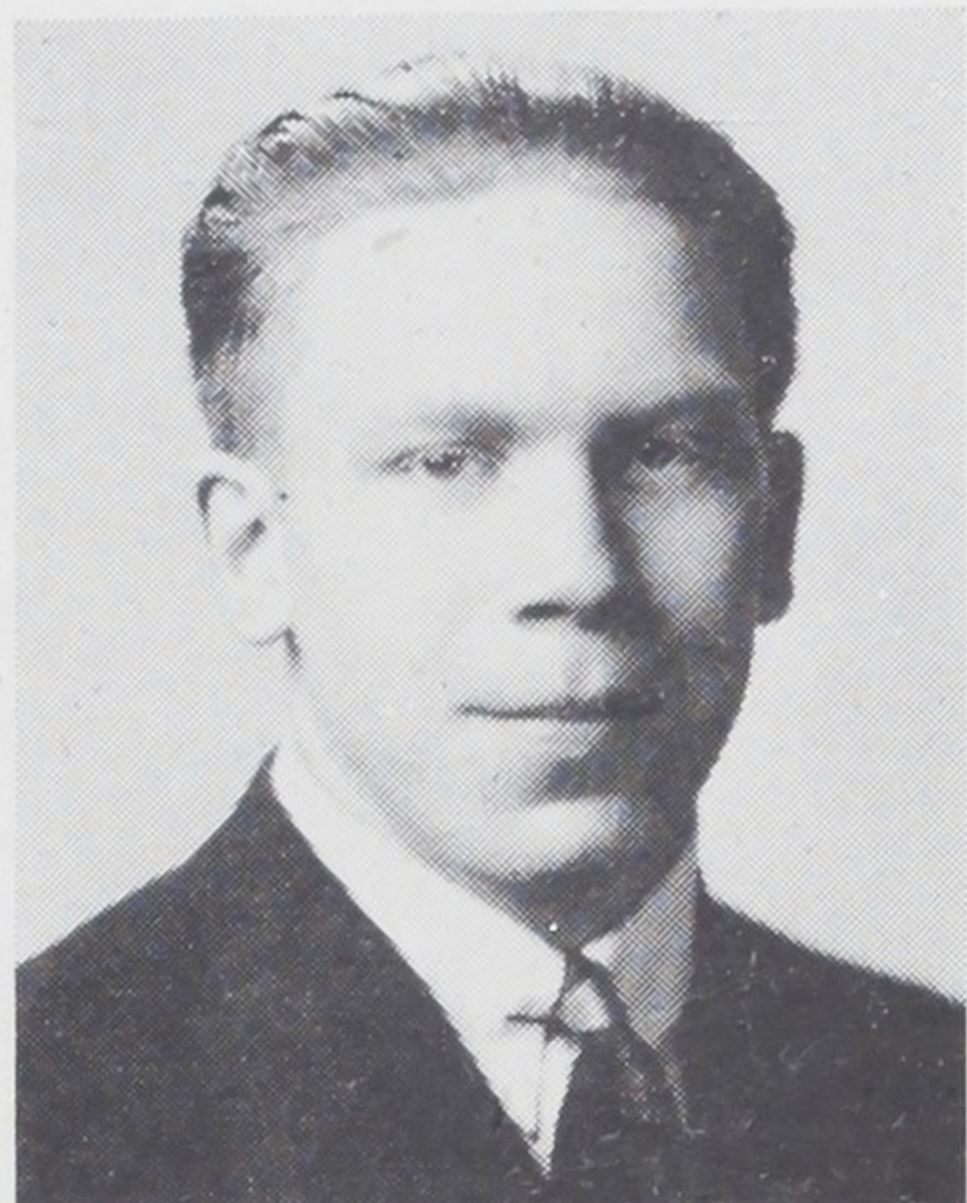


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Minuteman.





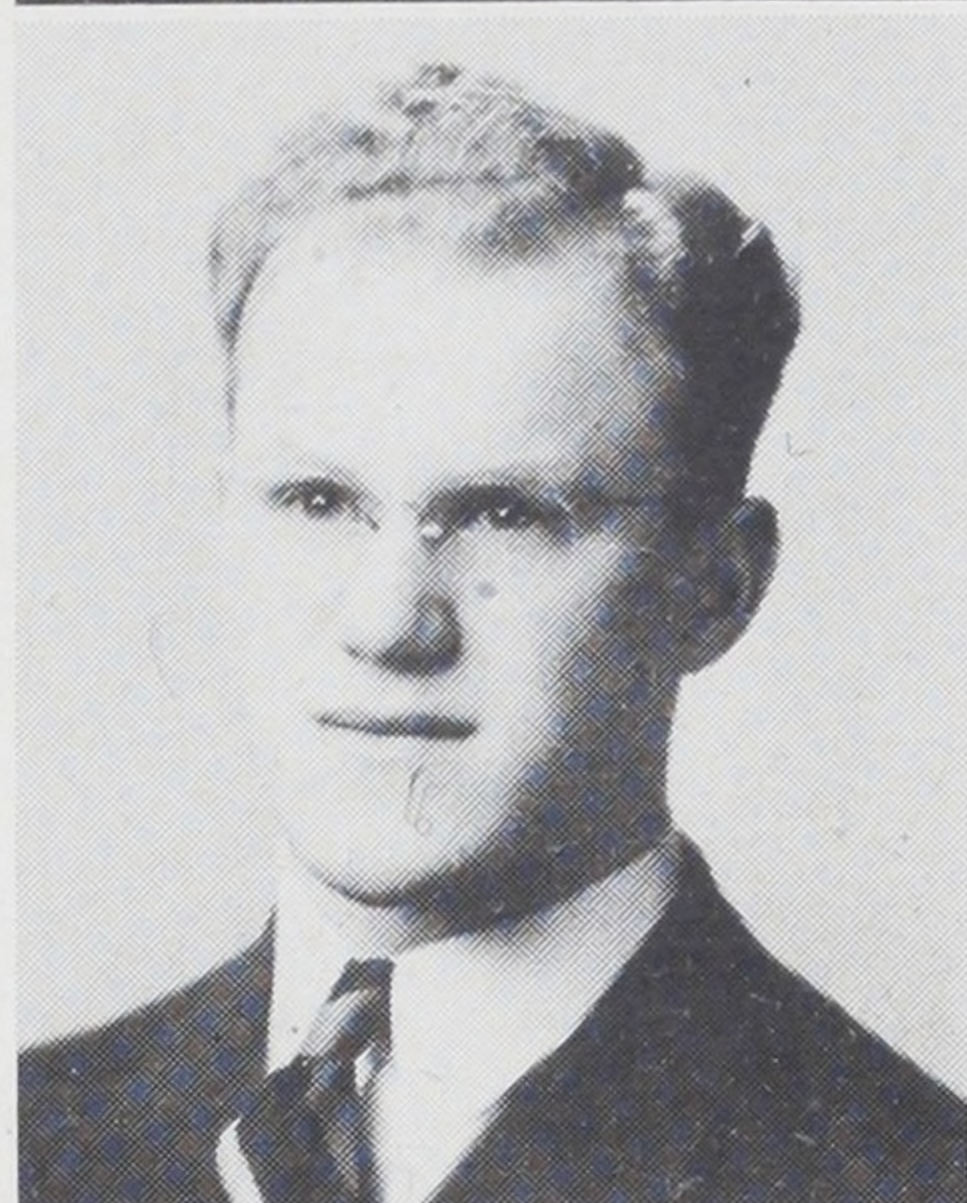
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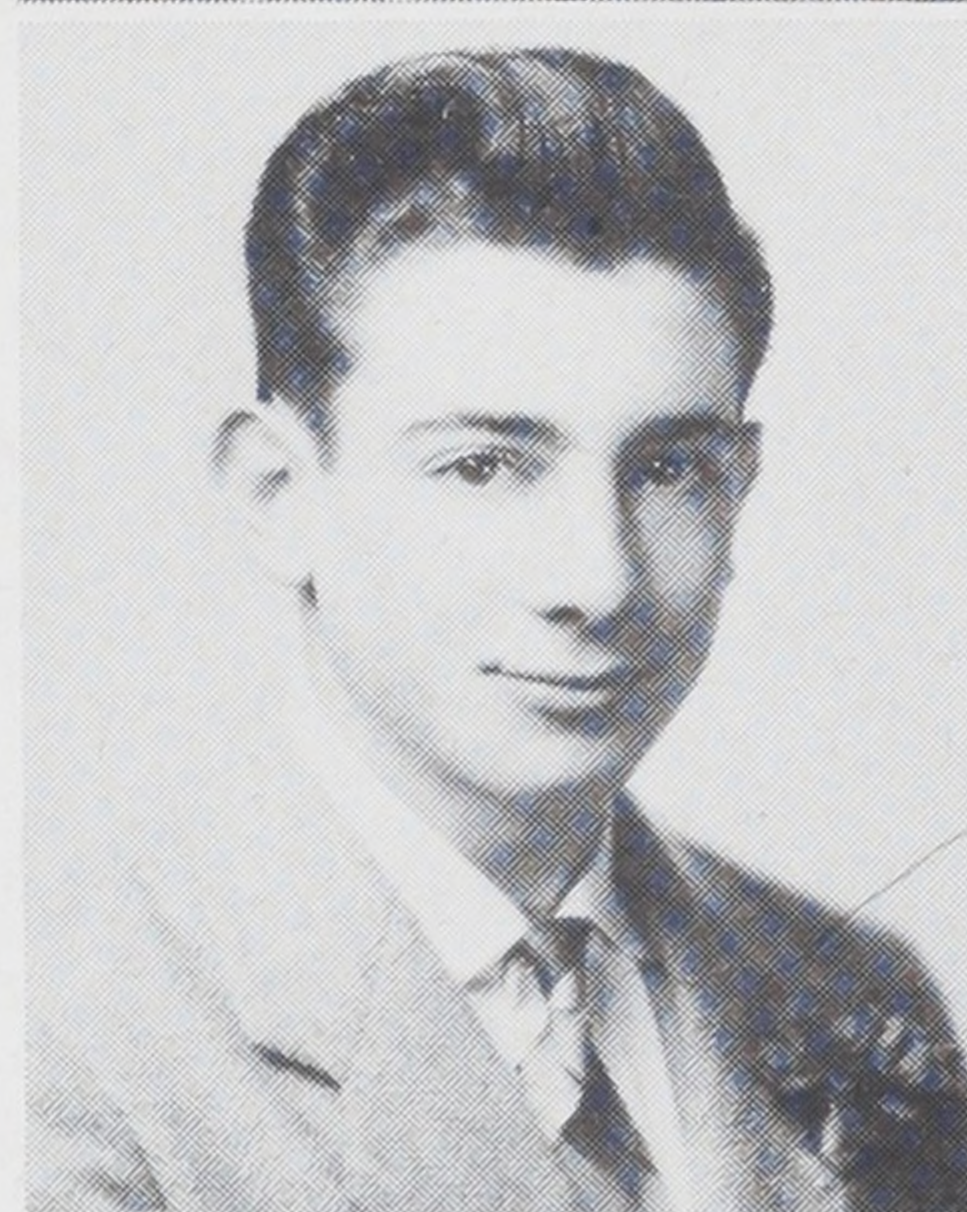
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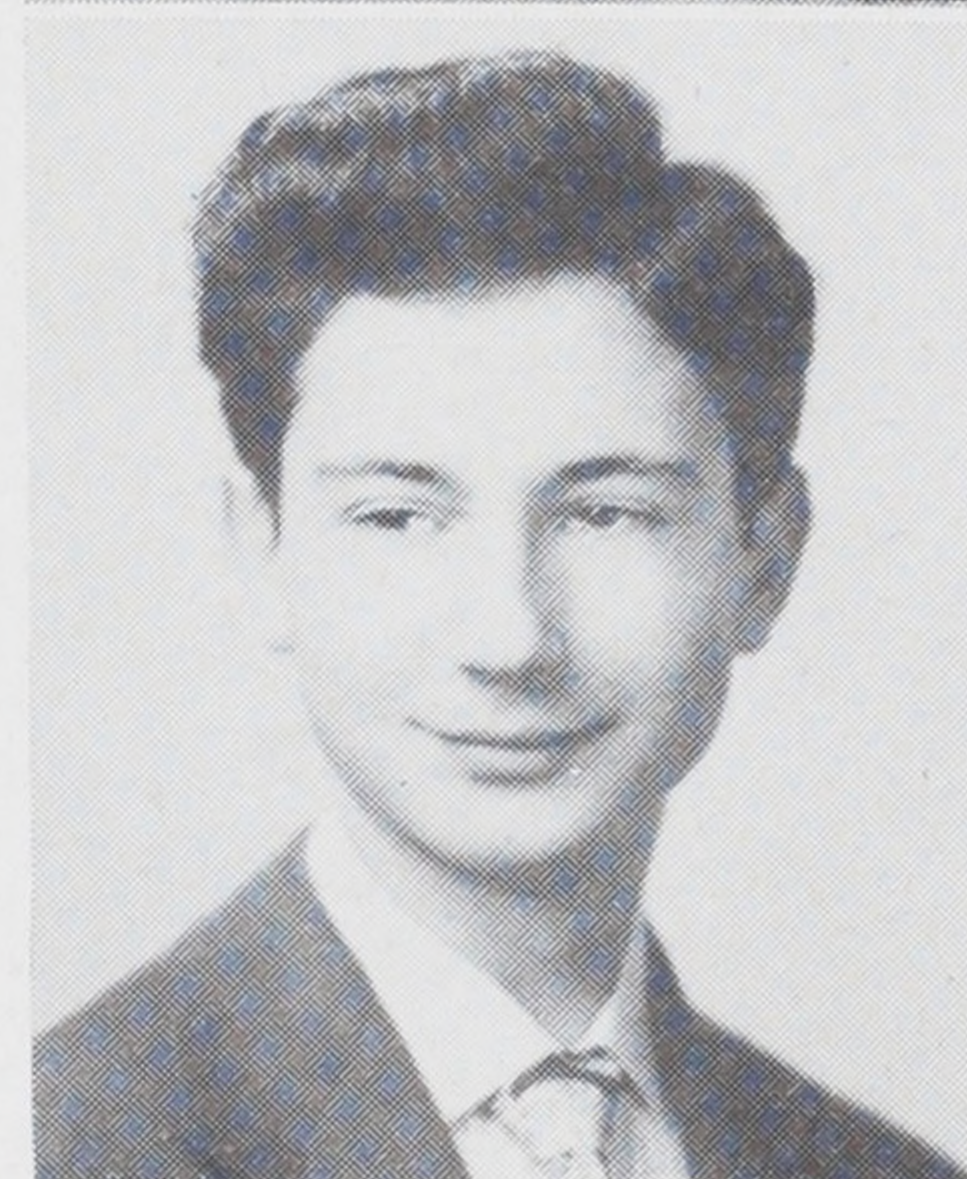
Band; Minuteman; KBPS Staff; Bronze, Silver Scholarship pins.



GALATI, JOE A.

*Technical Mechanical*

Class Captain; Bronze, Silver, Gold Scholarship pins.



GANN, STEVE J.

*Technical Printing*

Executive Board; Lieutenant, Fire Squad; Minuteman; Club Editor, Poly Tech; Secretary, Student Body; News Desk, Tech Pep Staff; Hi-Y; Orange B Club; President, Treasurer, Public Speaking Club; Bronze, Silver, Gold, Special Gold Scholarship Pins; President, Secretary, Treasurer, Type-Hi Club; Yell Leader.

*Steve Gann*



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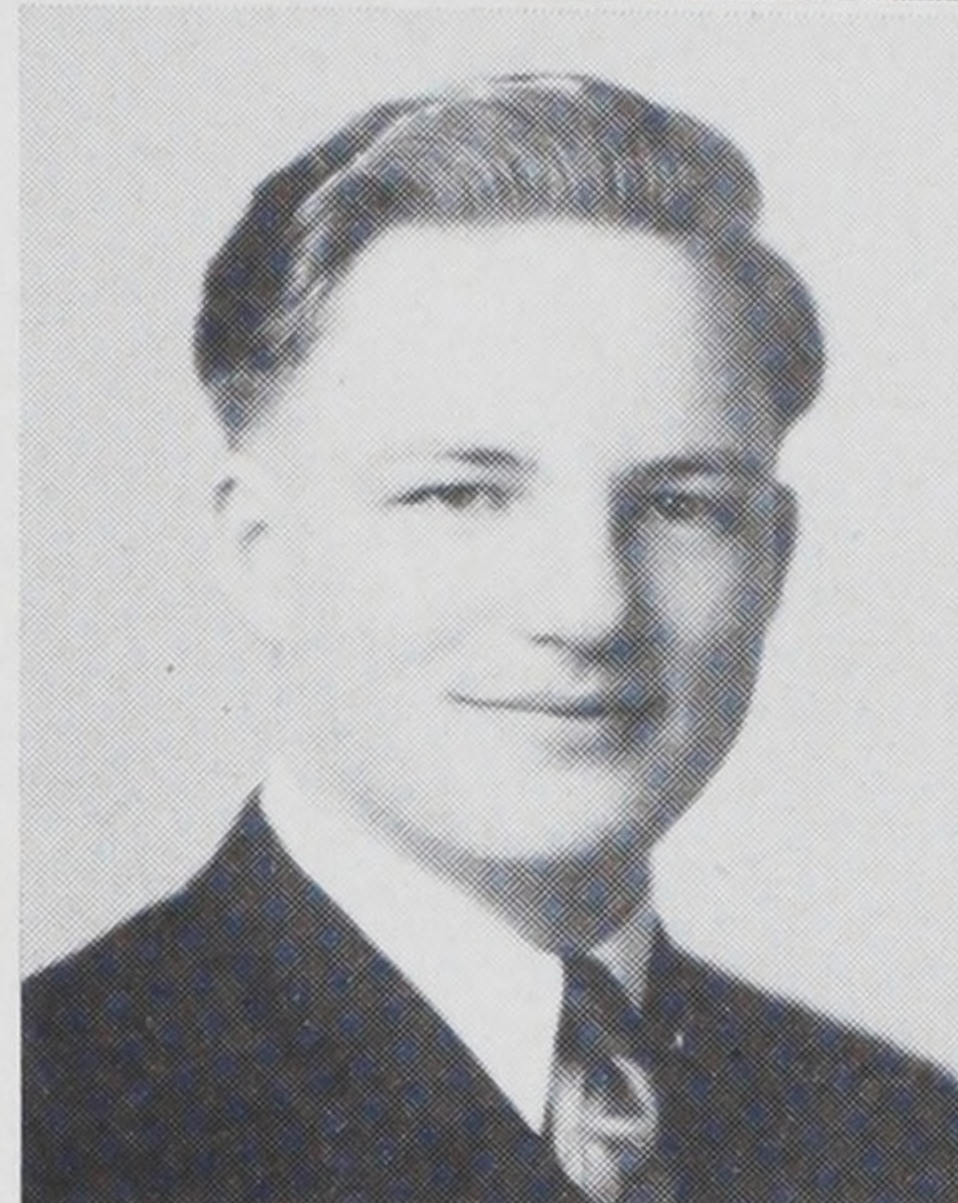
First Aid; Cavaliers Club; Oyer-un-Gon Club.



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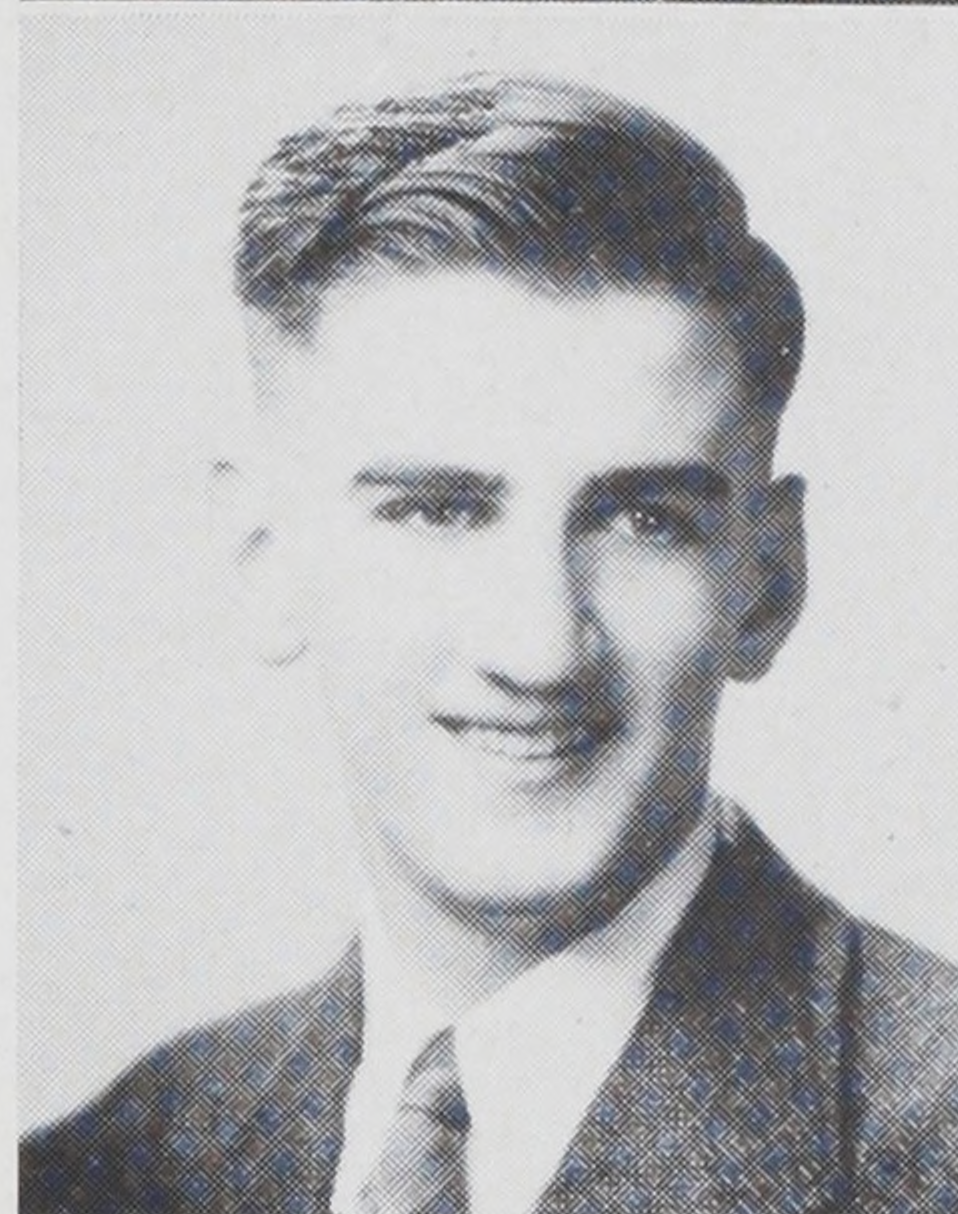
Sailing Club; Poly Steppers.



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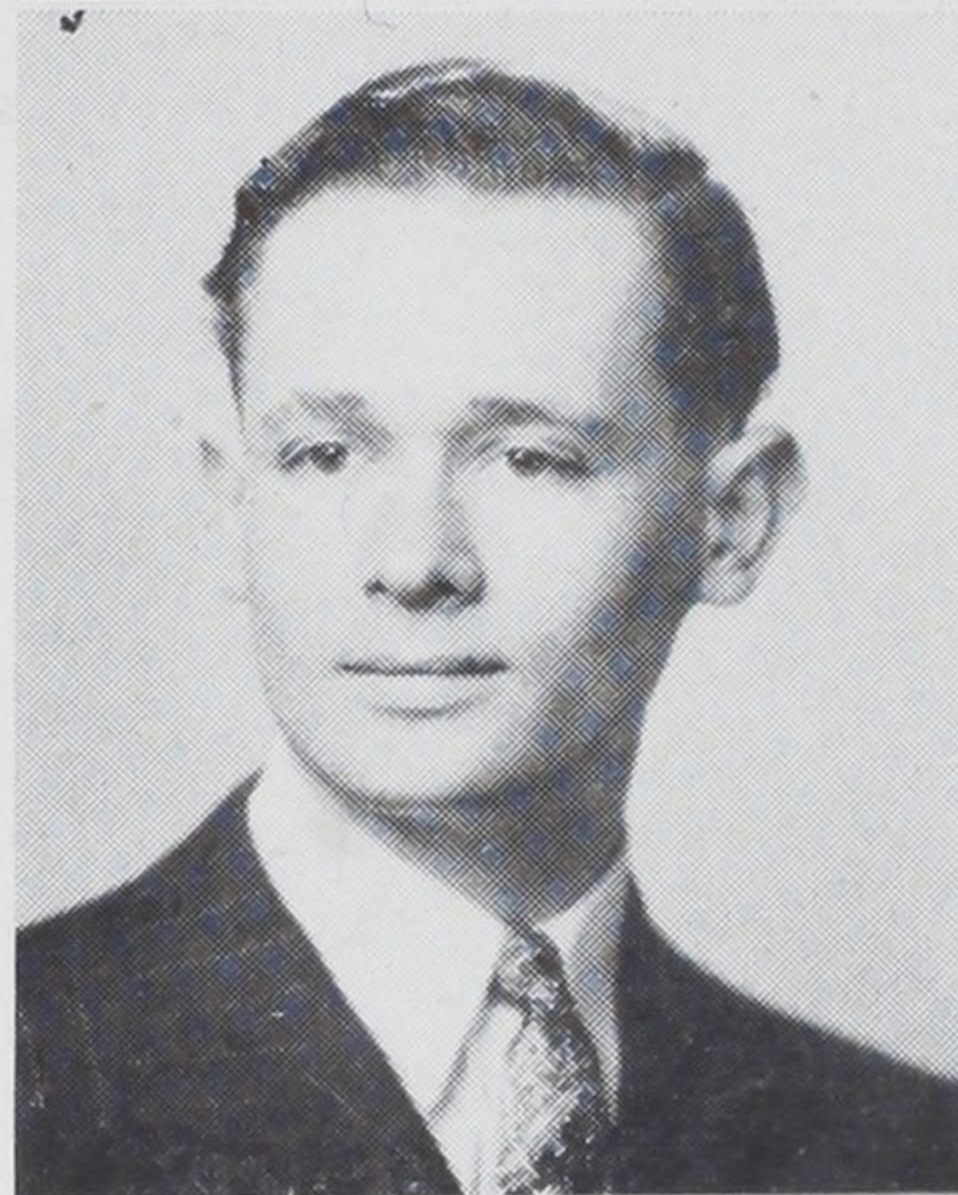
Secretary, Treasurer, Auditorium Crew; Class Captain; Minuteman.



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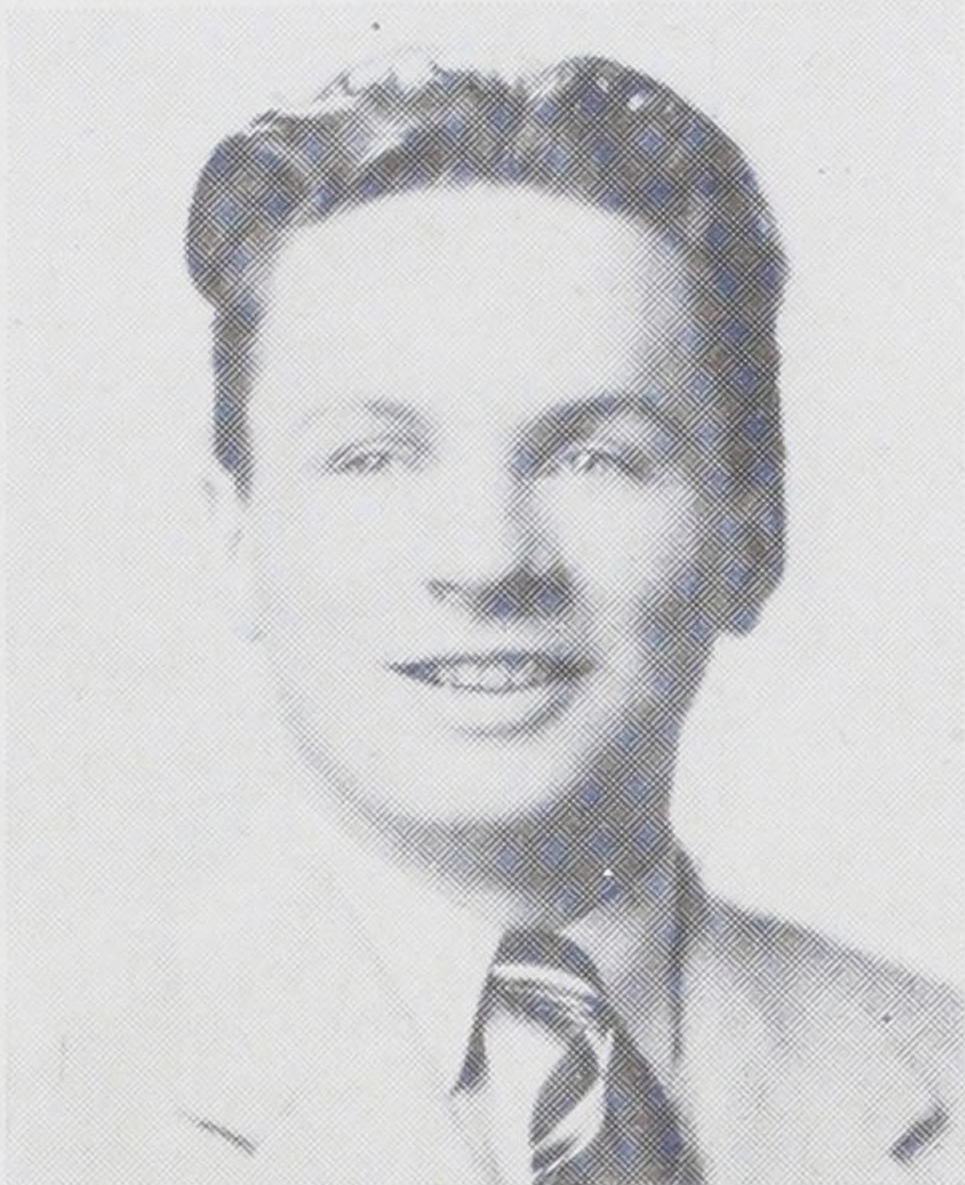
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Band; Fire Squad; Aviation Club; President, Skating Club; Track.

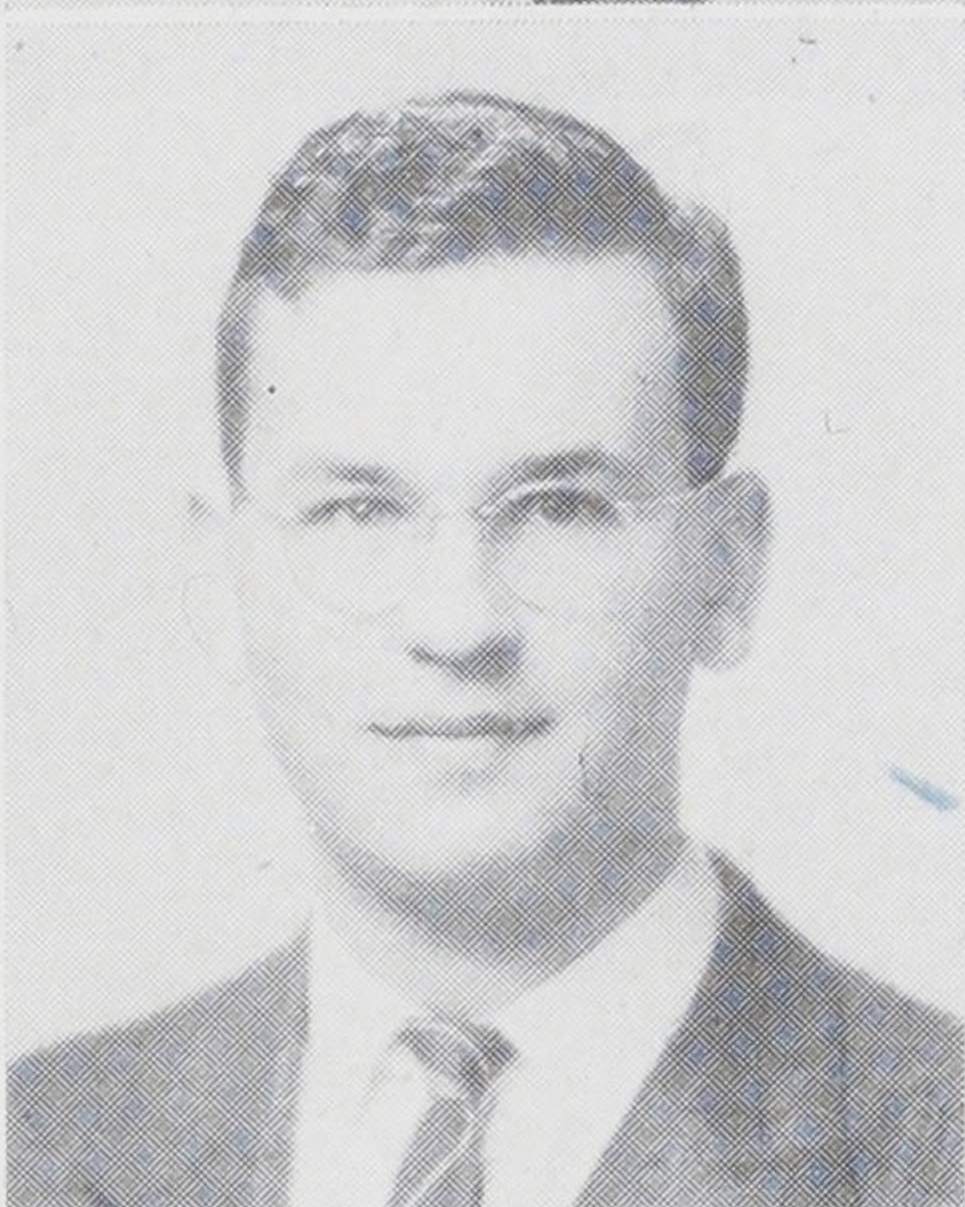




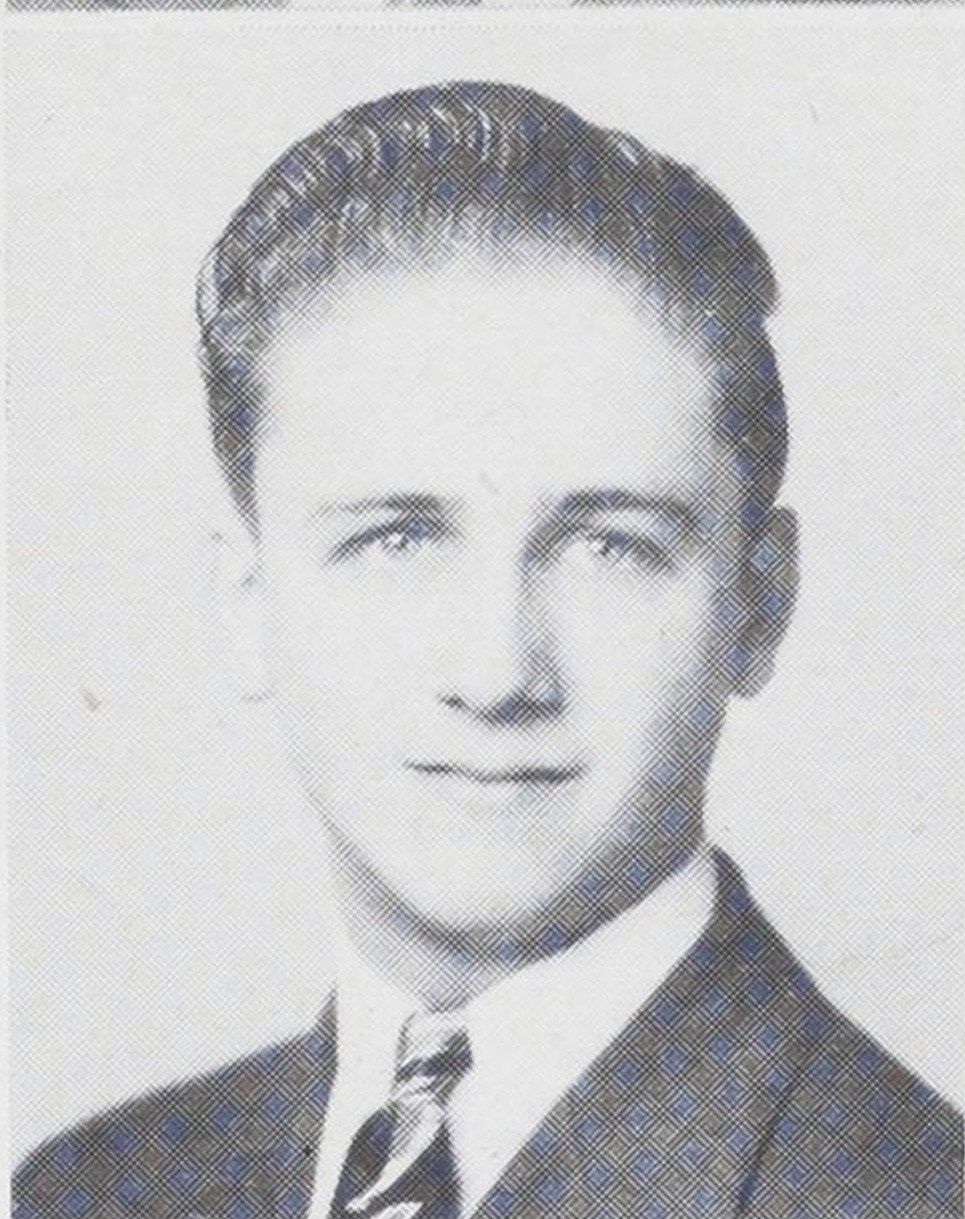
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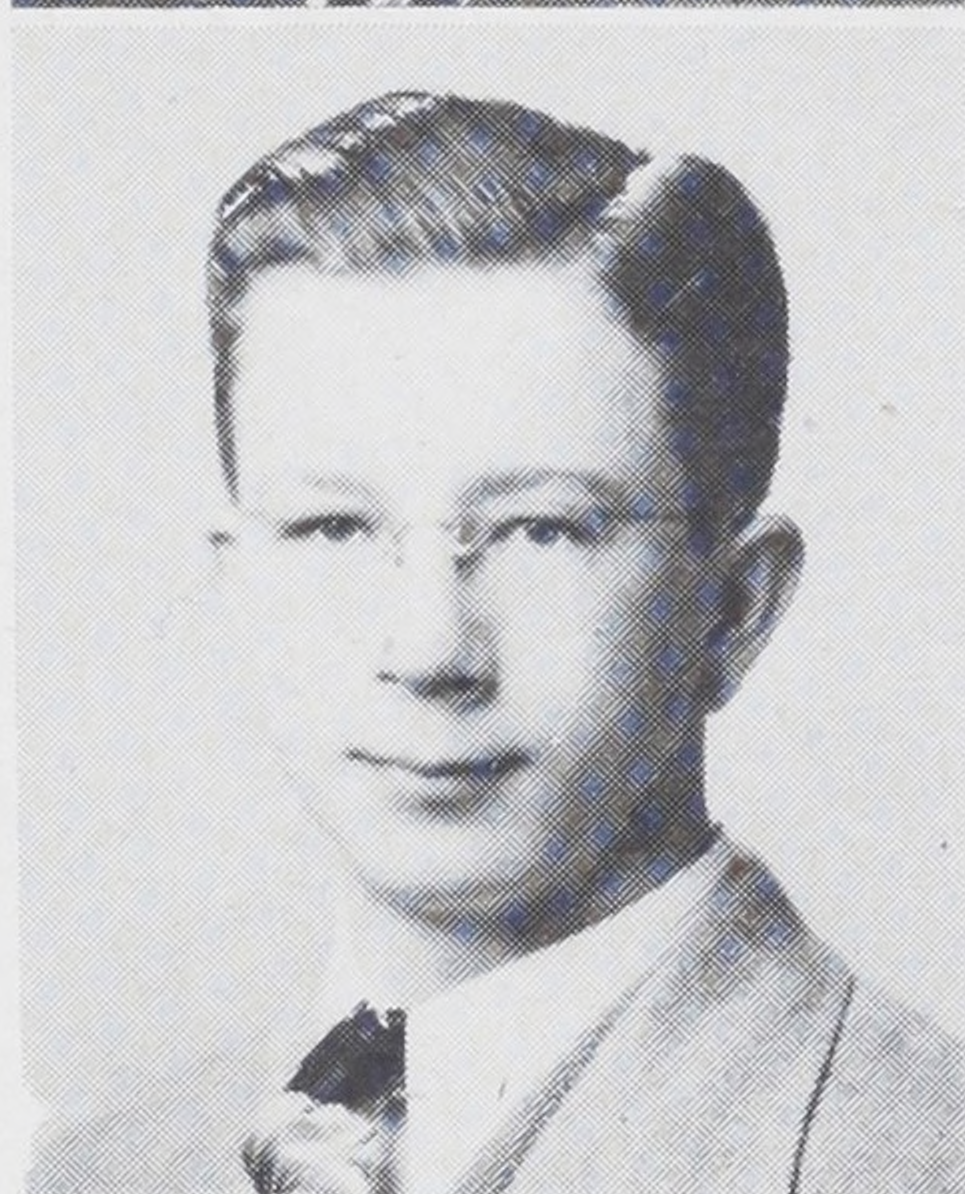
GOLDEN, VERNON E.  
*Technical Aviation*  
Glee Club.



GOLDSMITH, ARTHUR A.  
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Minuteman.



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Navy

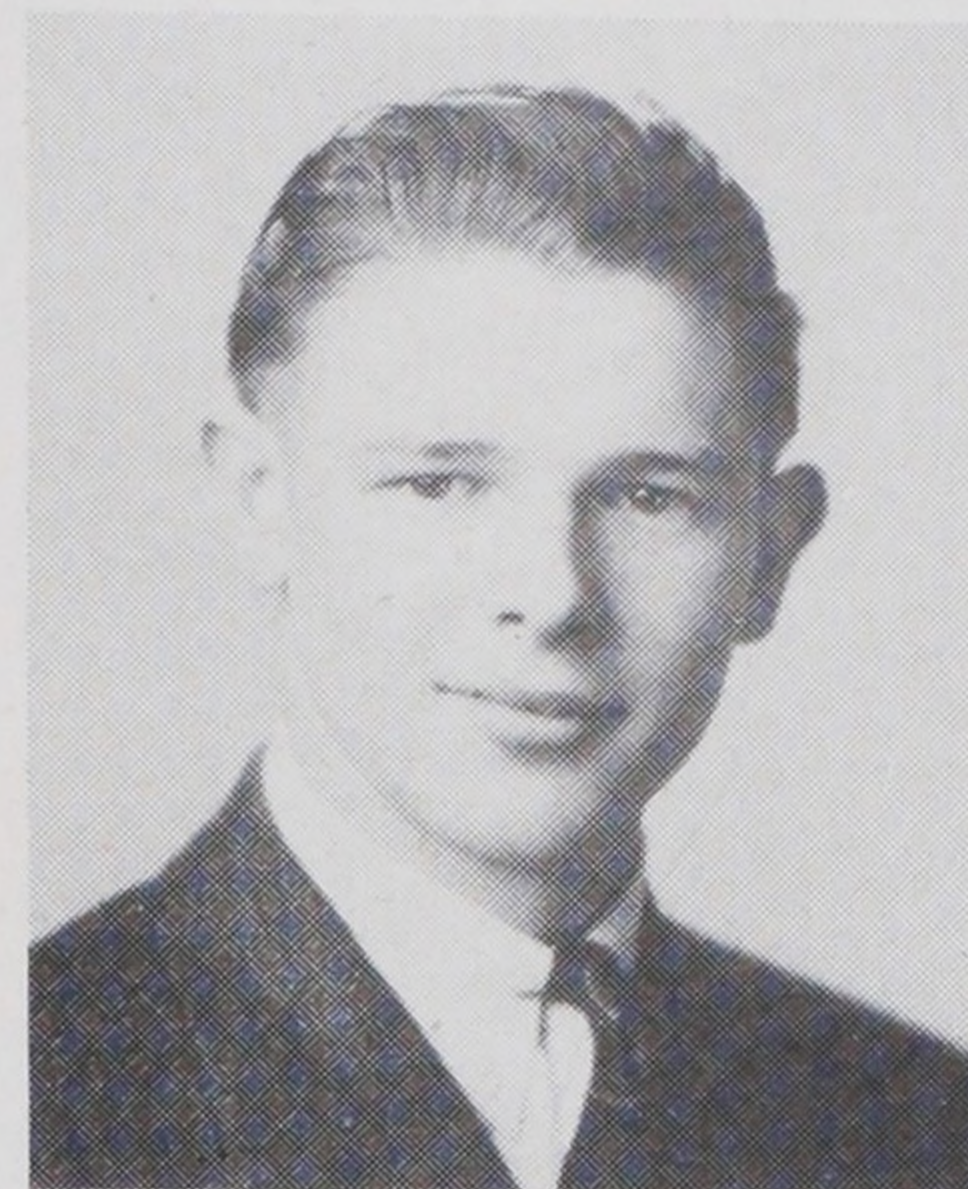


GRABER, WILLIAM R.  
*Technical Mechanical*  
Usher, Auditorium Crew; Machinist Club.



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Machinist.

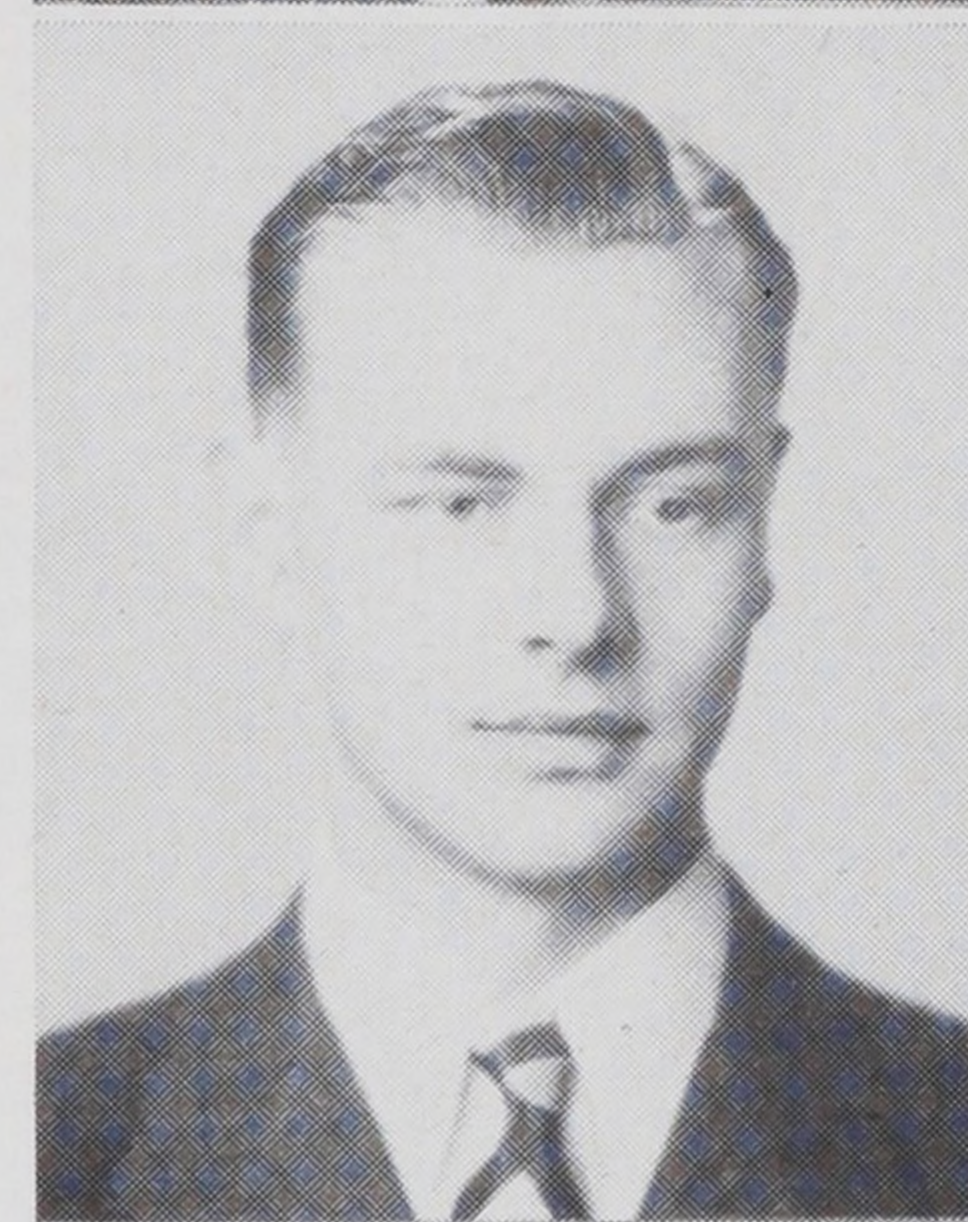


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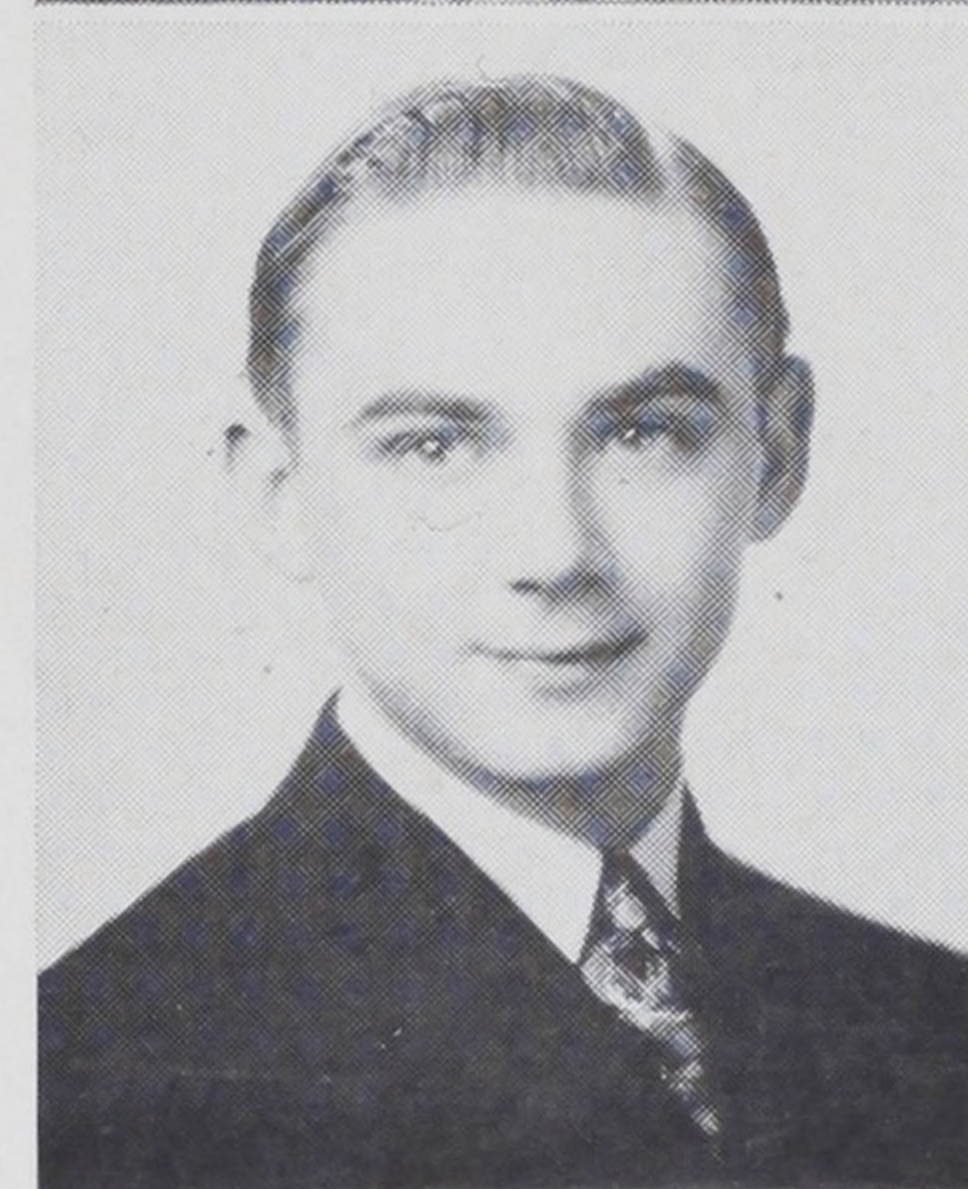
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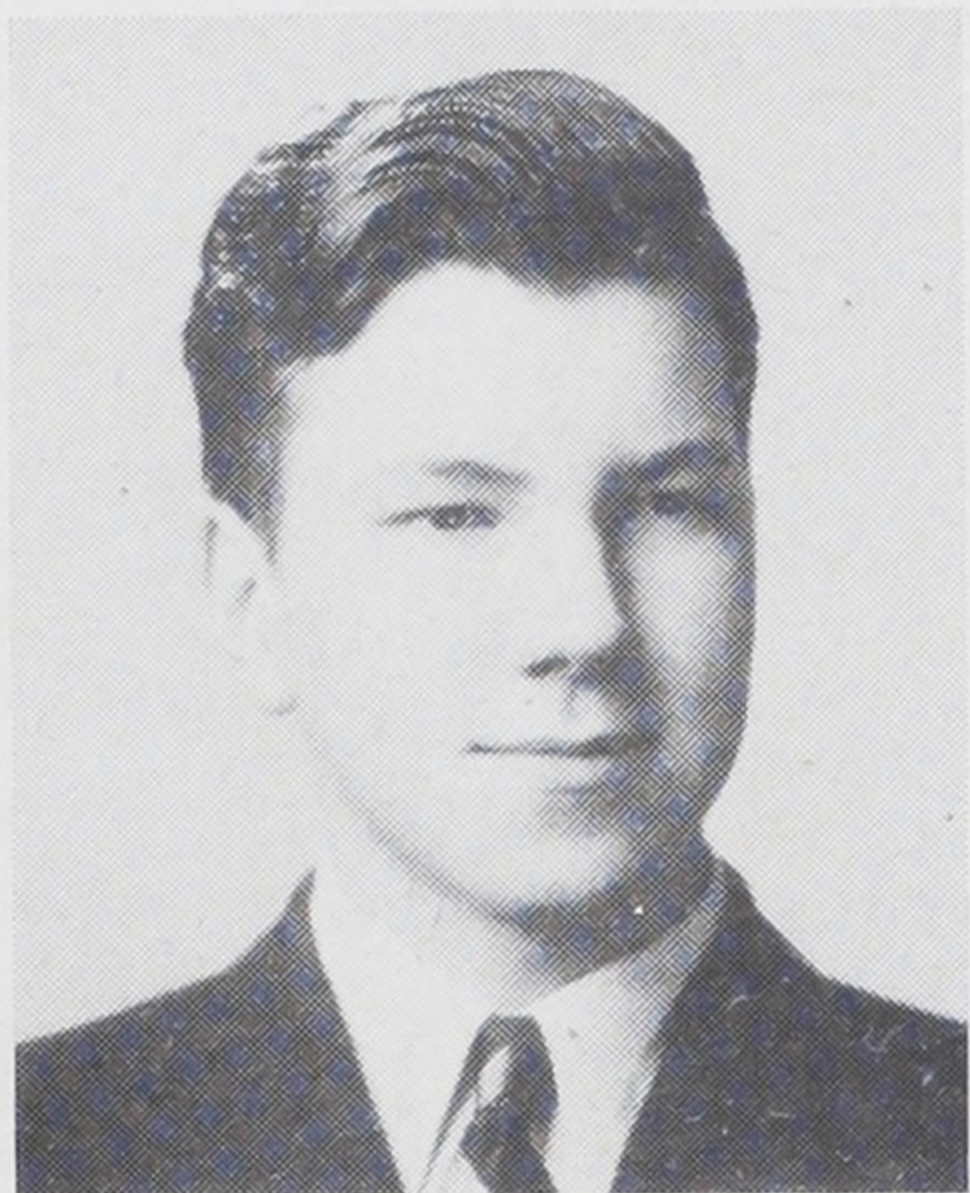


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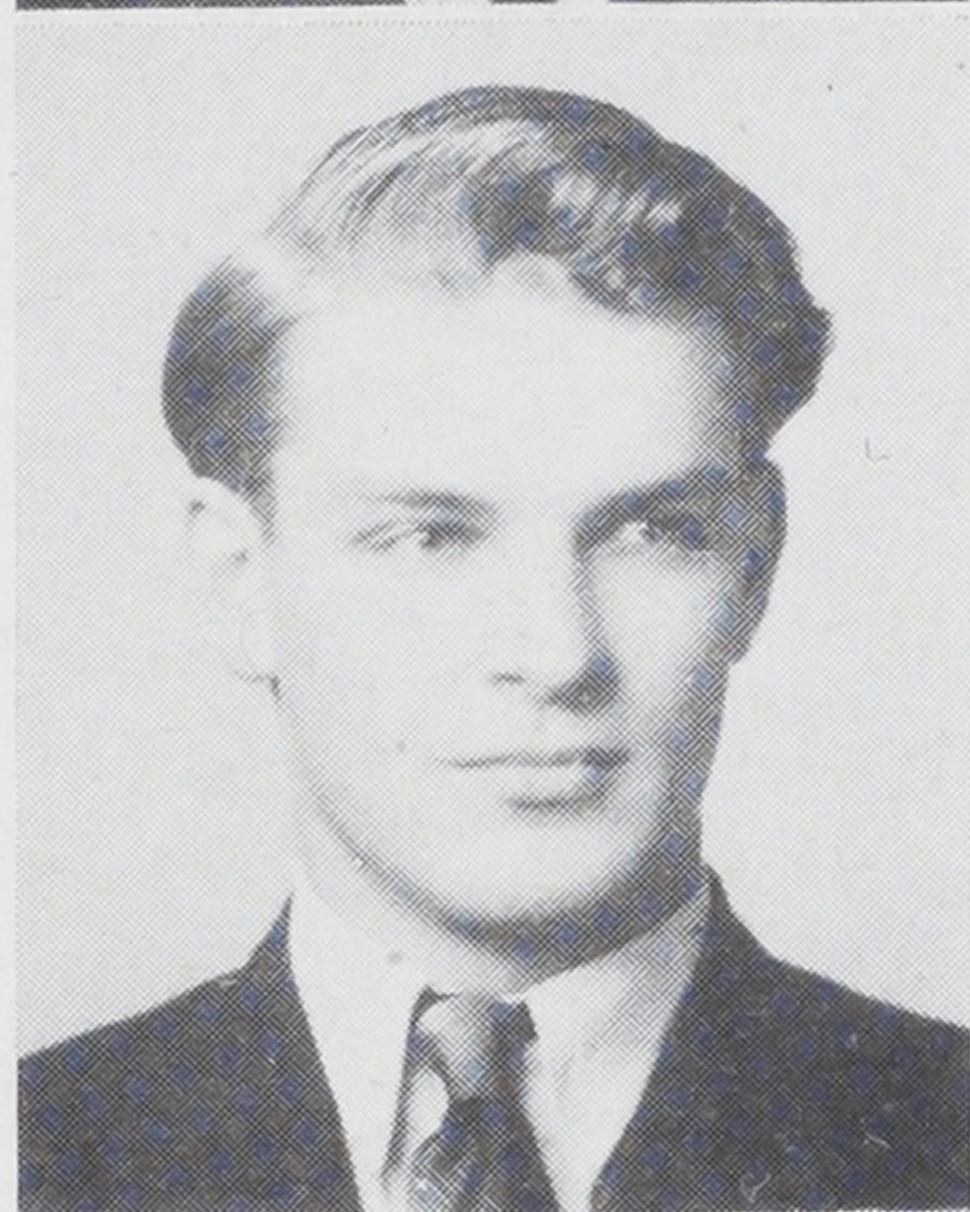


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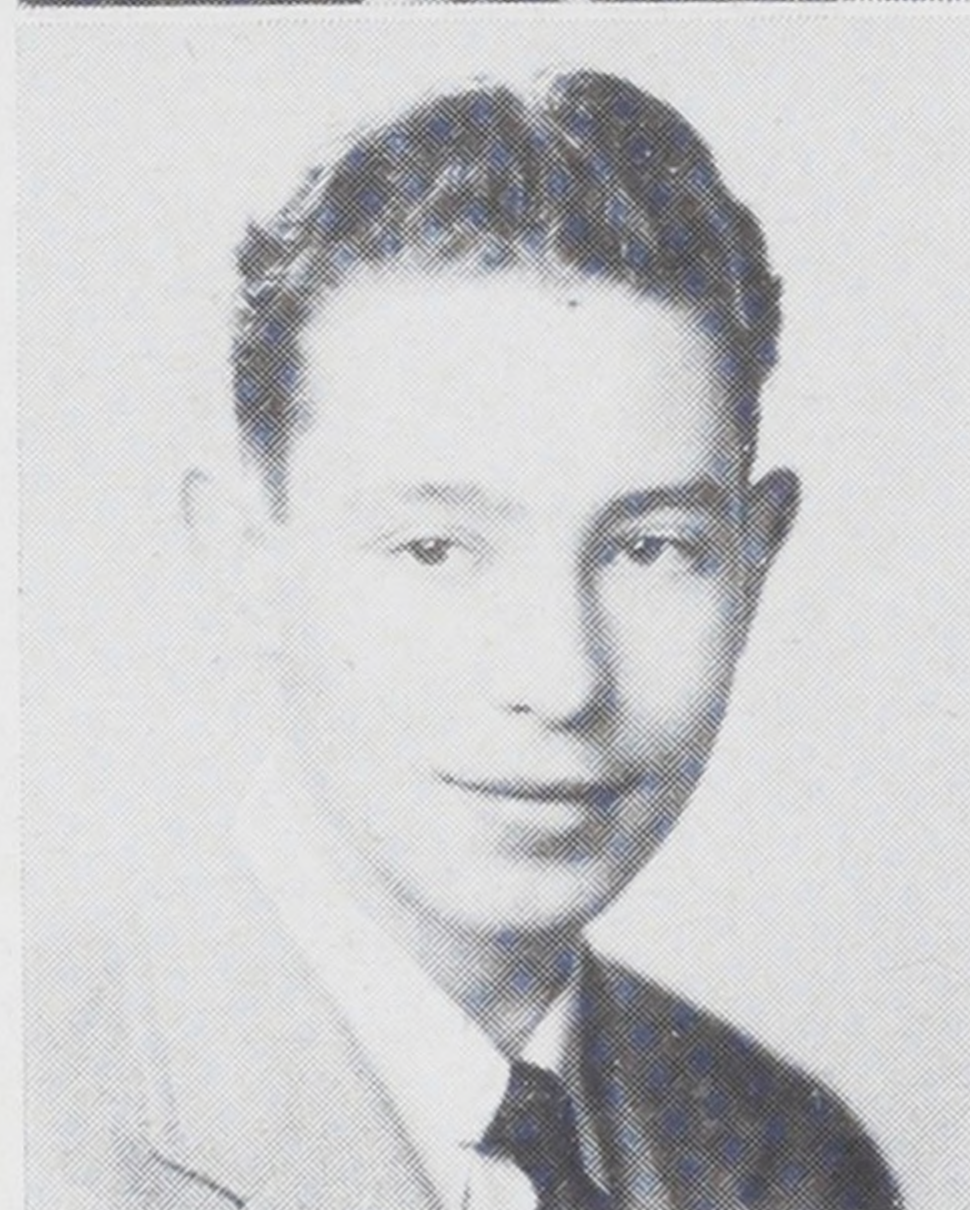


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Class Captain; Tech Pep Staff; Type-Hi Club.

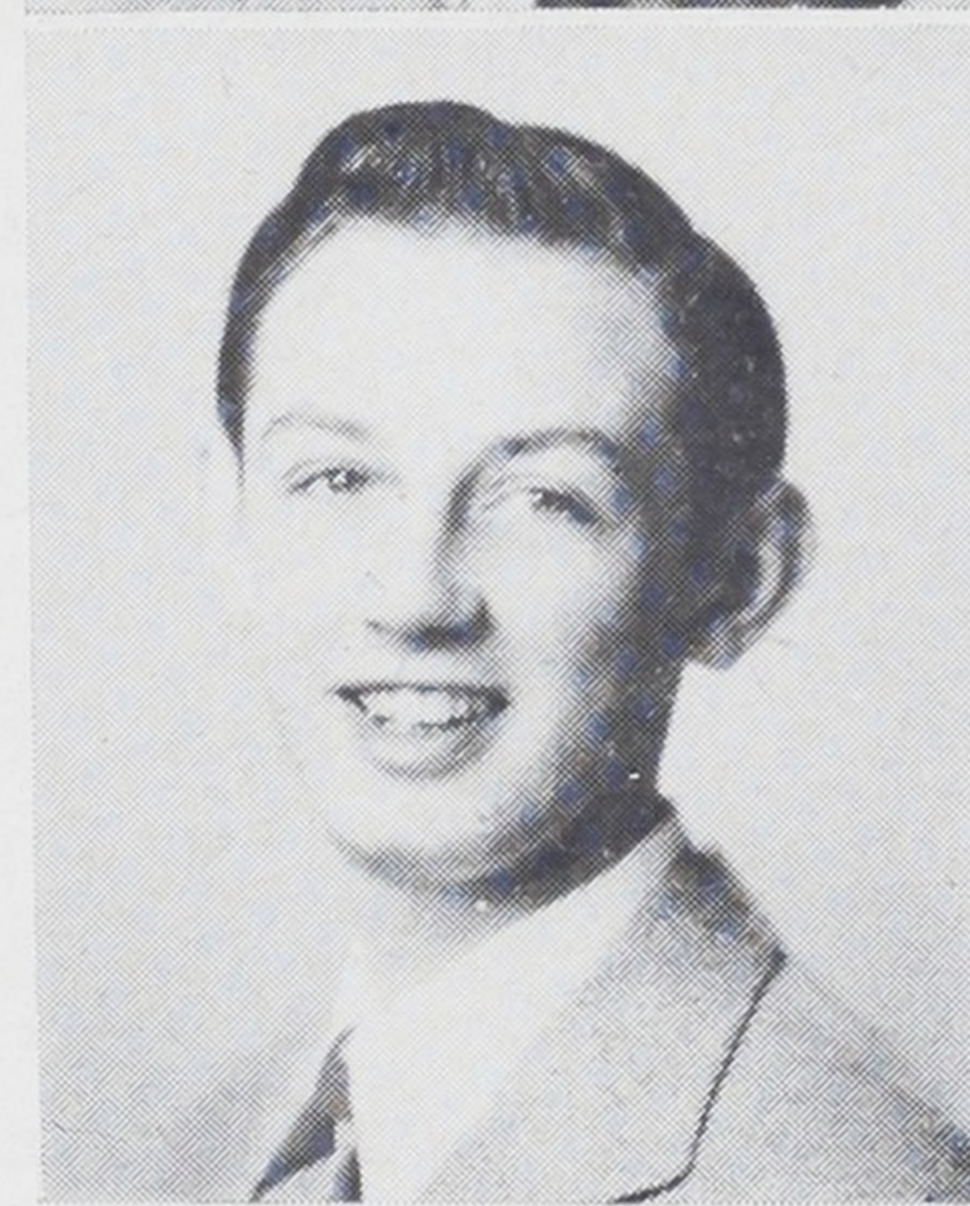
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JENSEN, FORREST D.  
*Technical Aviation*  
Secretary, Senior Class; Class Play Staff;  
Executive Board; Fire Squad; Minuteman; Tech  
Pep Staff; Aviation Club; Orange B Club;  
Bronze Scholarship Pin; Football.



JONES, CAROL W.  
*Technical Electrical*



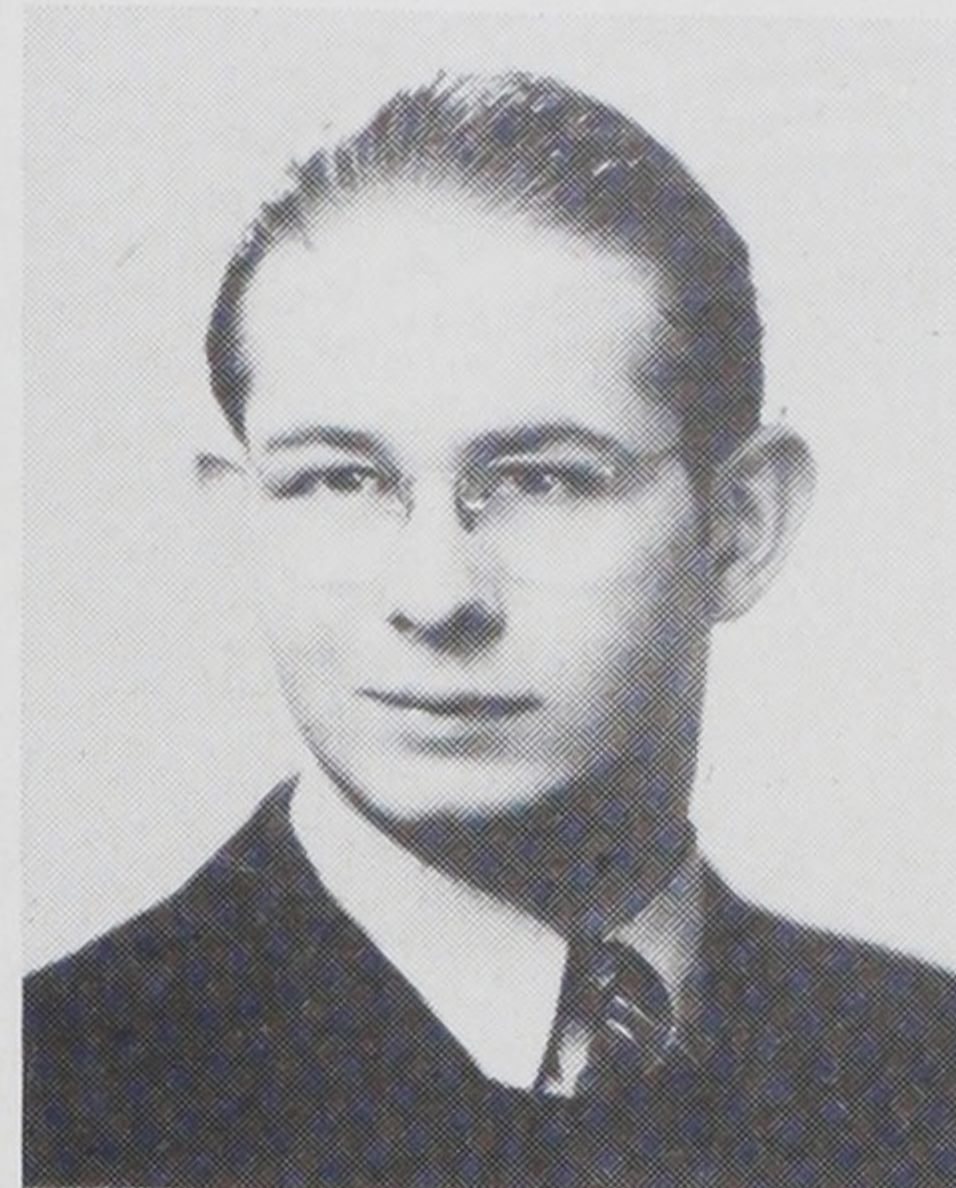
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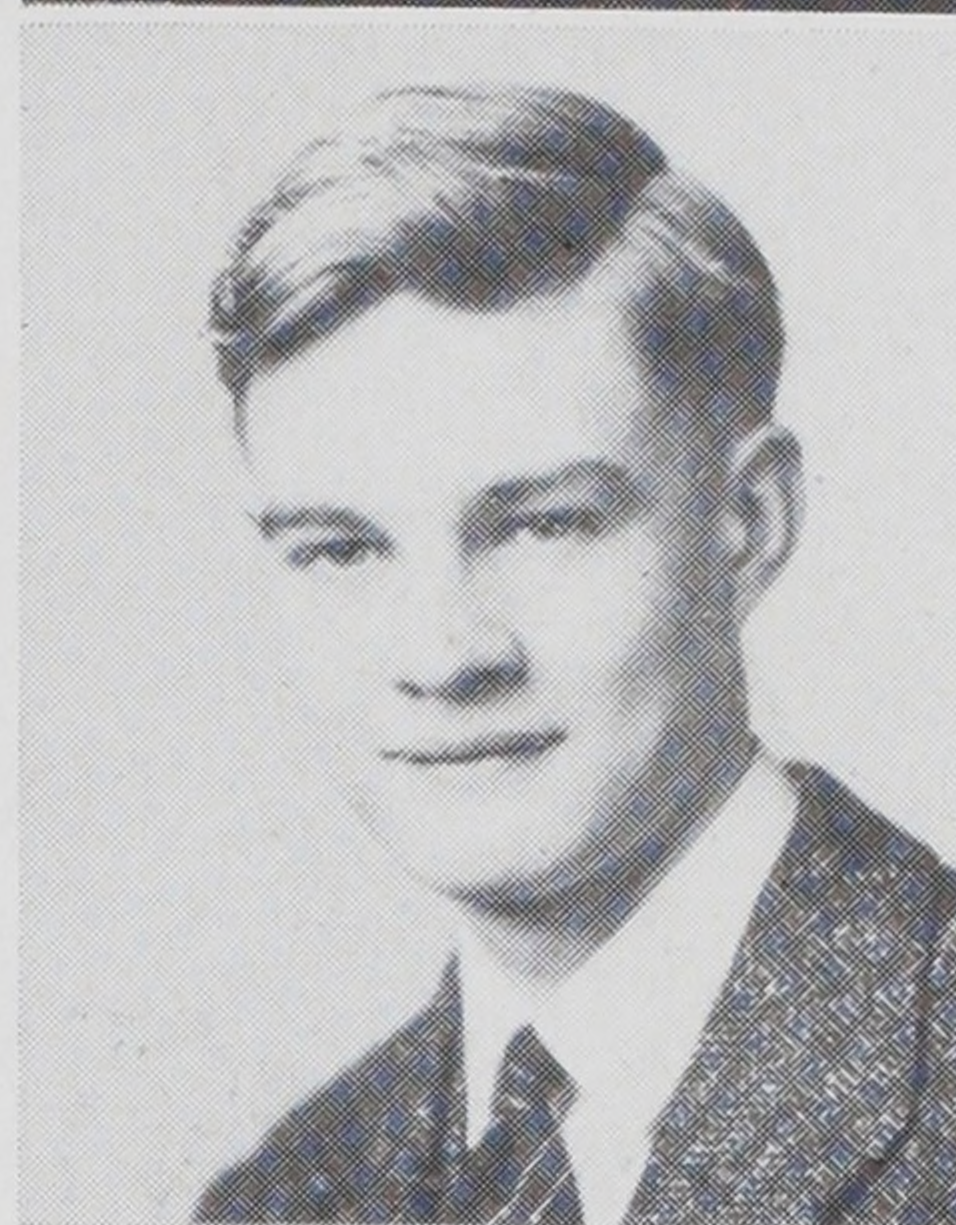


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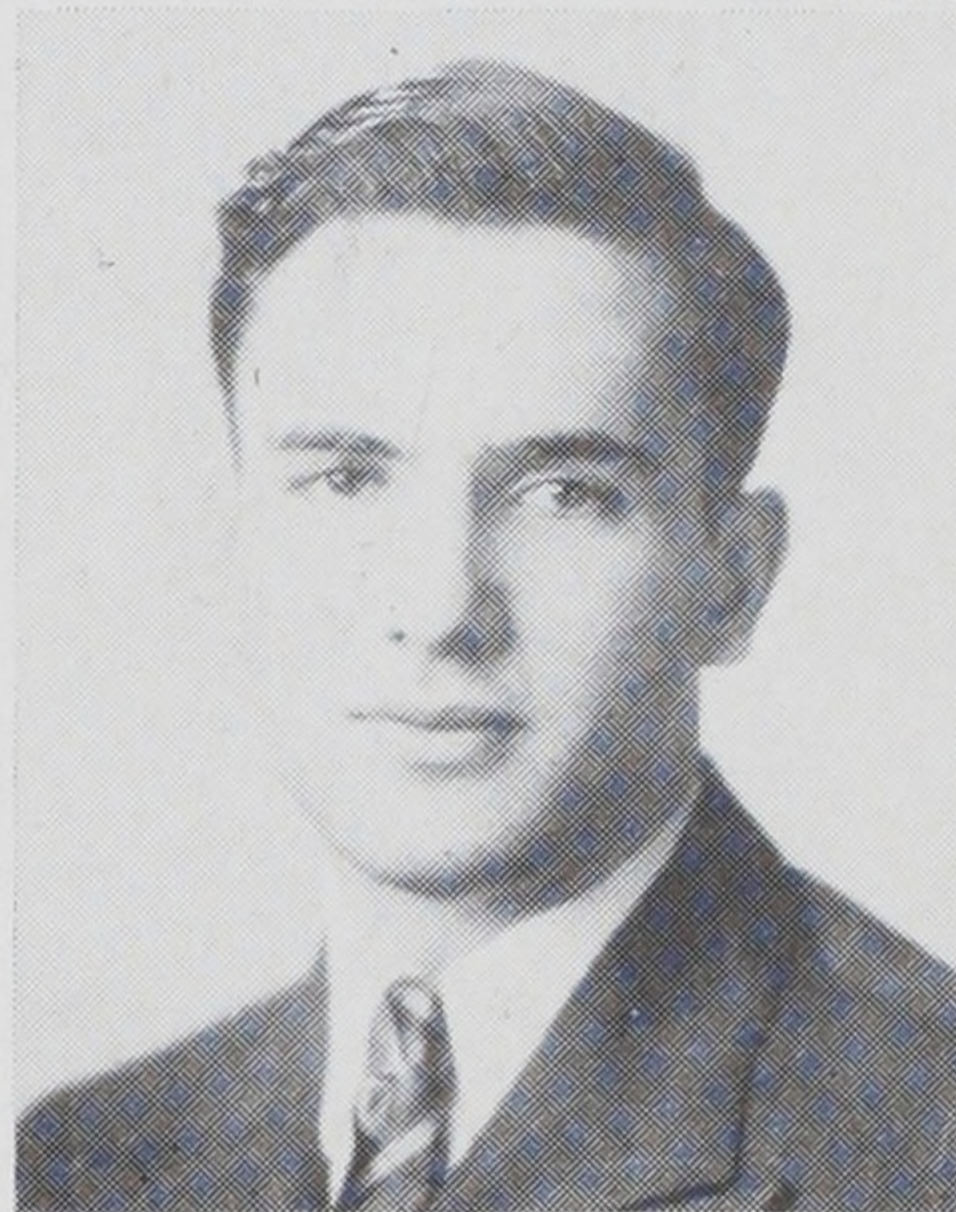
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*Technical Gas Engine*



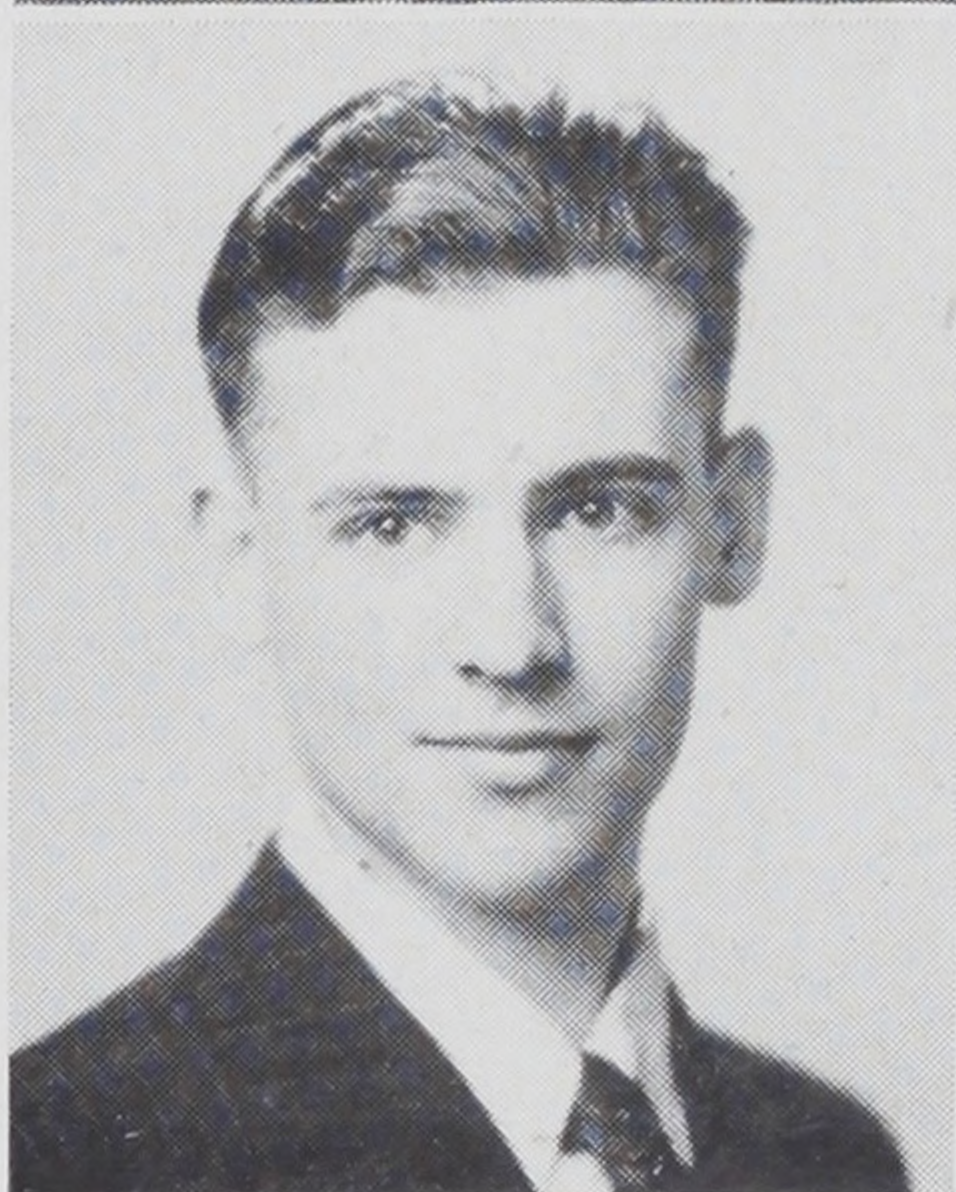
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Glee Club; Minuteman; Machinist; Secretary,  
Oyer-un-Gon; Bronze Scholarship Pin.



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Sergeant-at-Arms, Senior Class; Orange B Club;  
Bronze Scholarship Pin; Football.

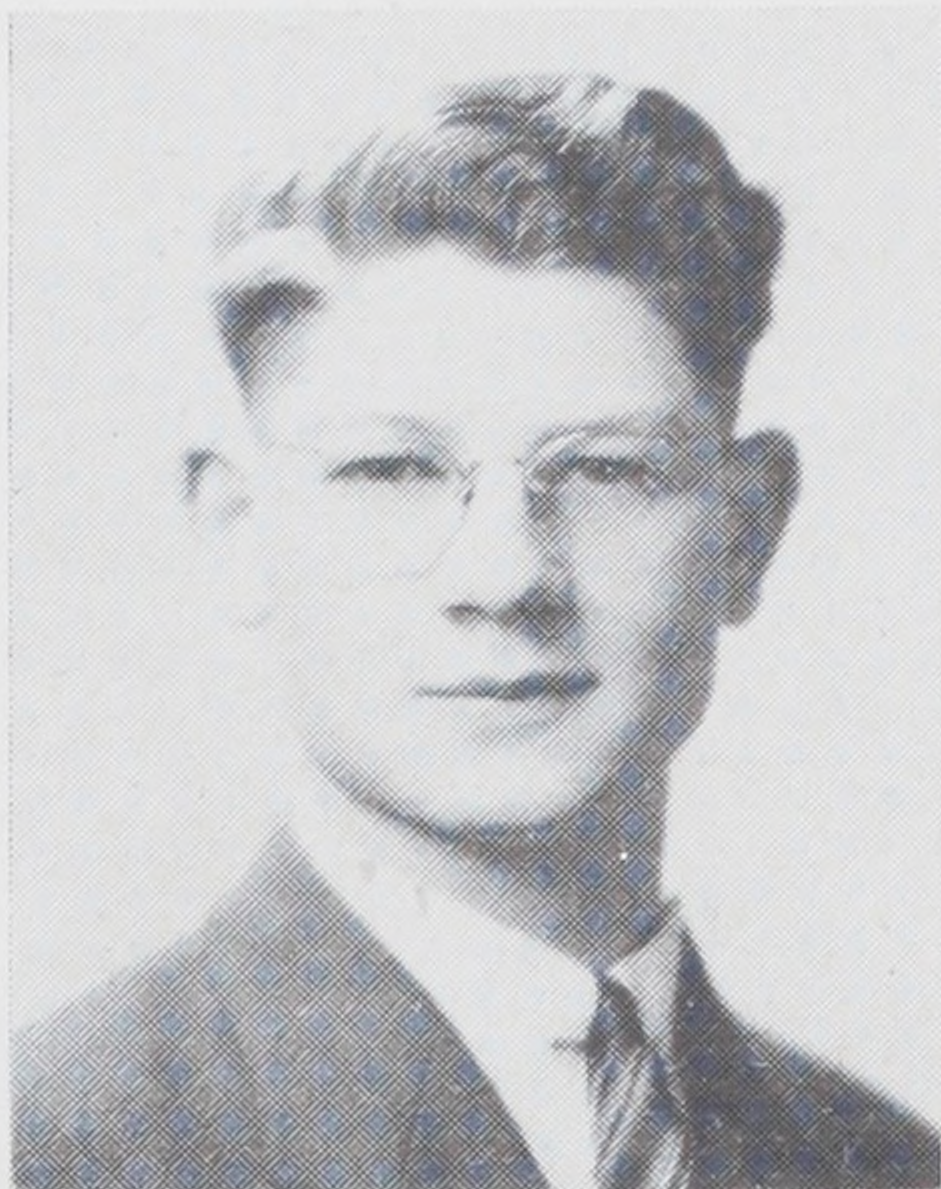


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*Technical Printing*  
Mechanical Editor, Poly Tech; Mechanical  
Editor, Tech Pep; Bronze Scholarship Pin;  
Vice-President, Type-Hi Club.





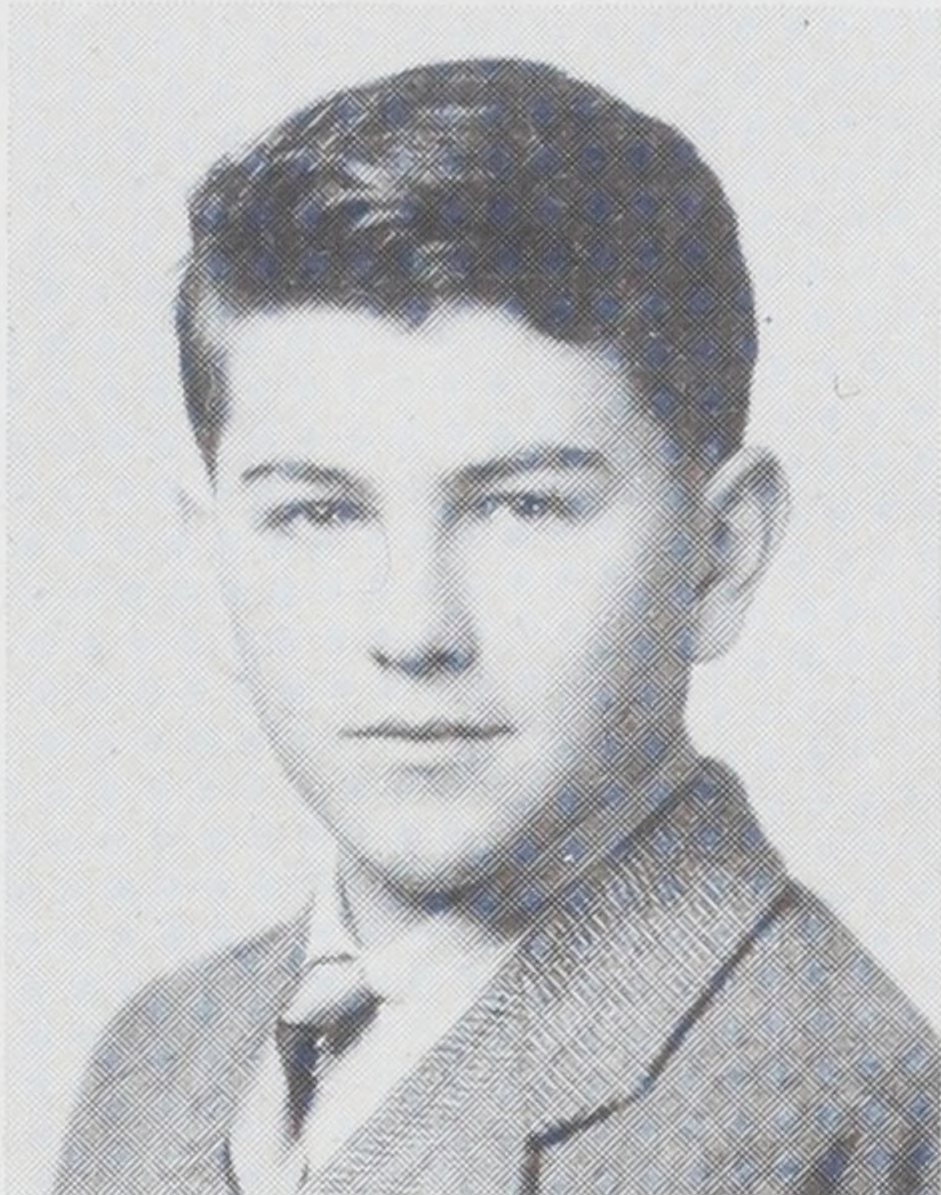
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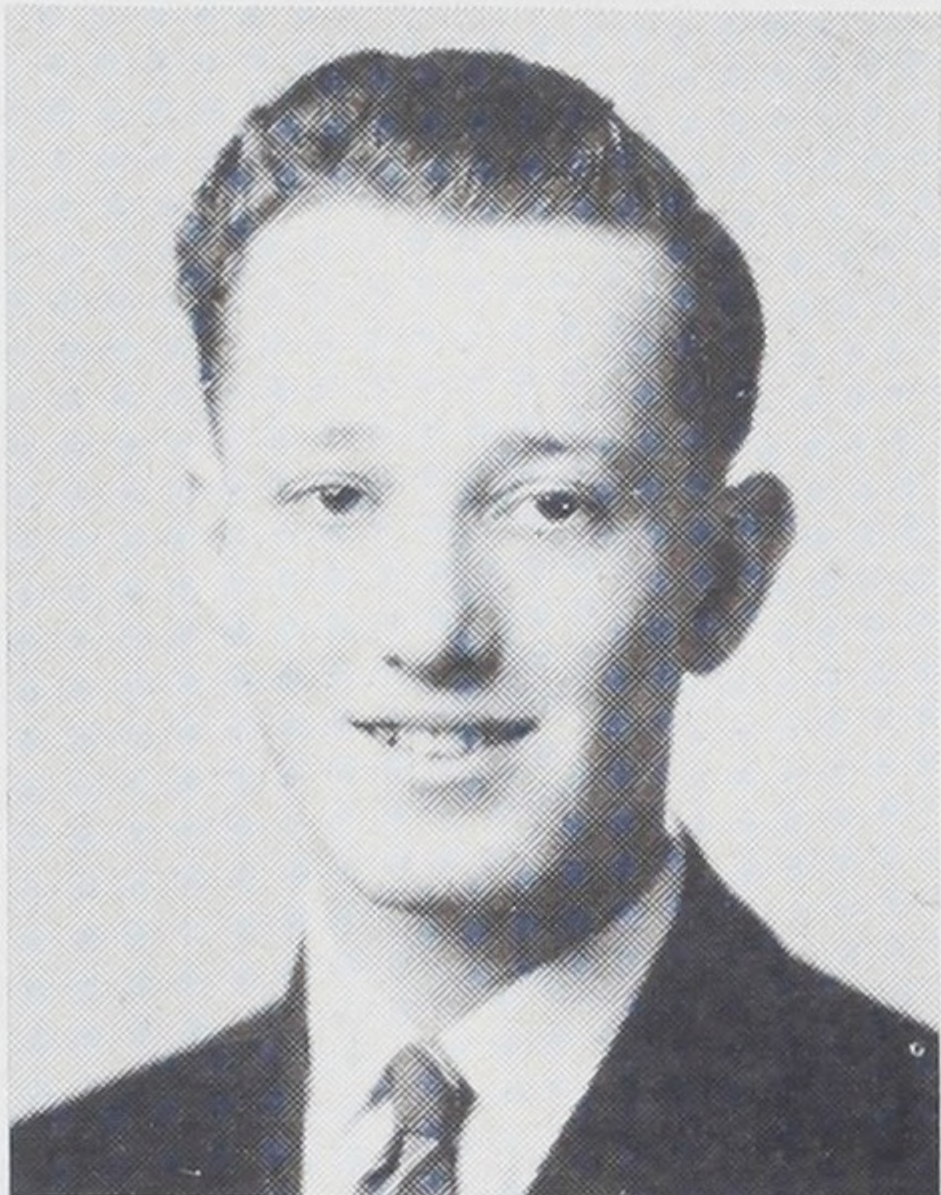
Band; Class Captain; Glee Club; Minuteman;  
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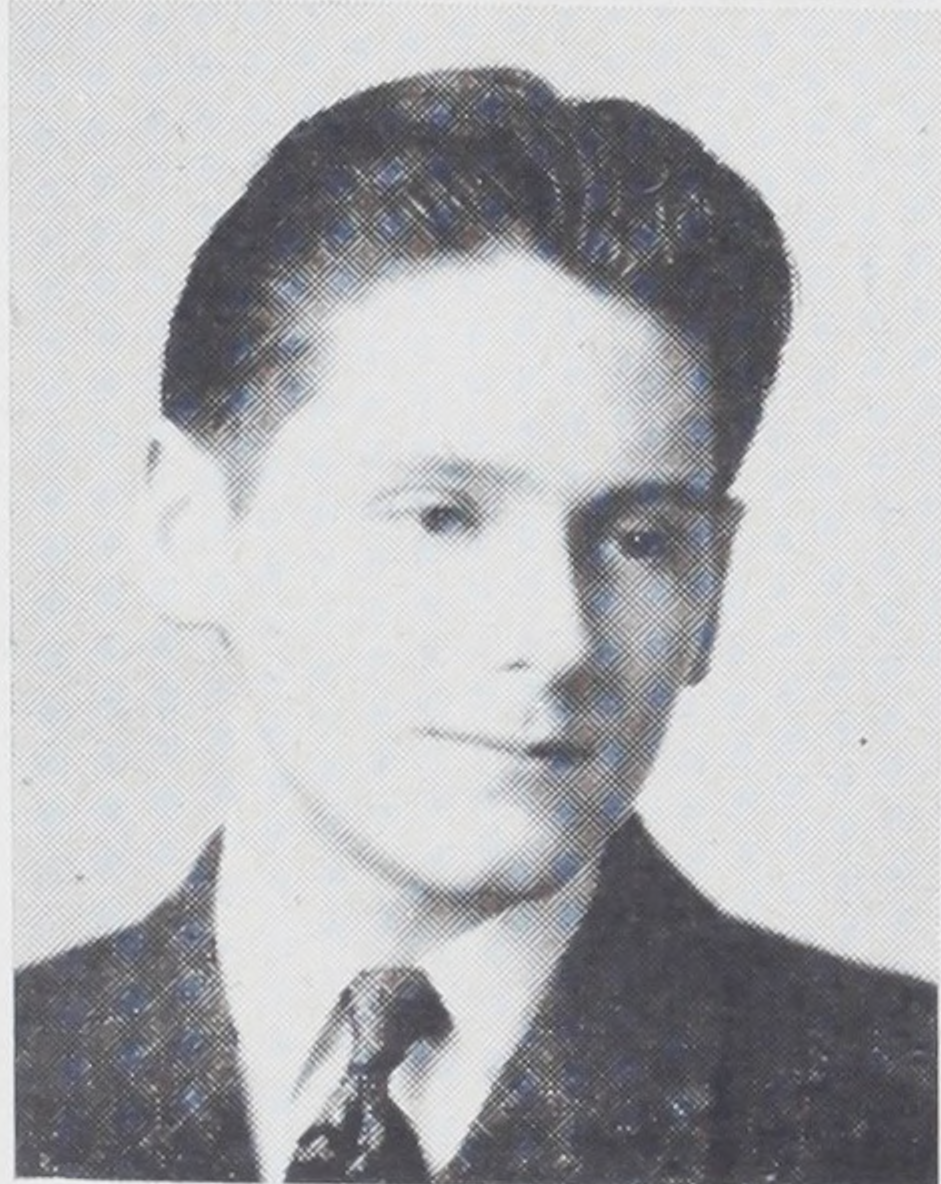
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Tech Pep Staff.



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KENNY, EDGAR H.

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First Aid; Bronze, Silver Scholarship Pins.

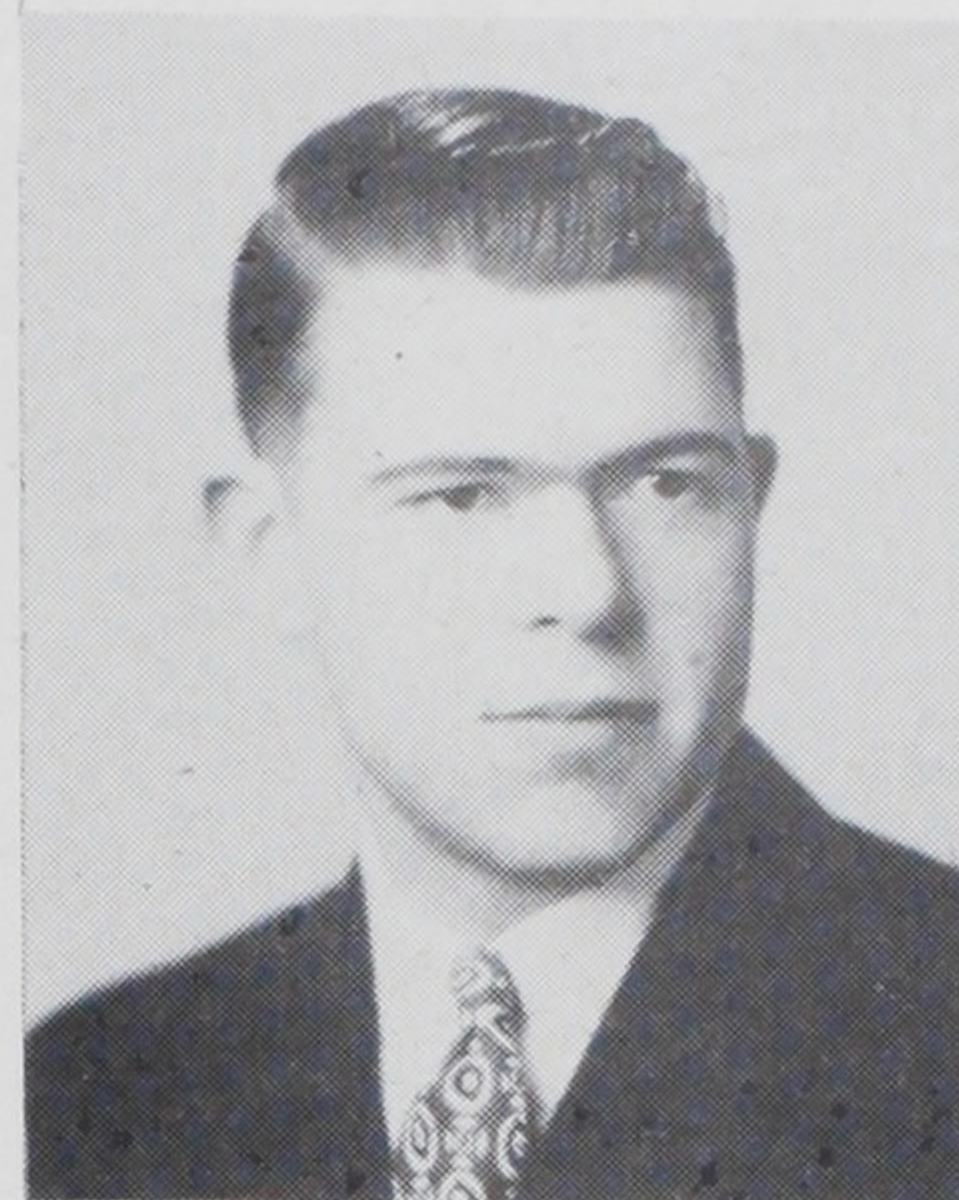


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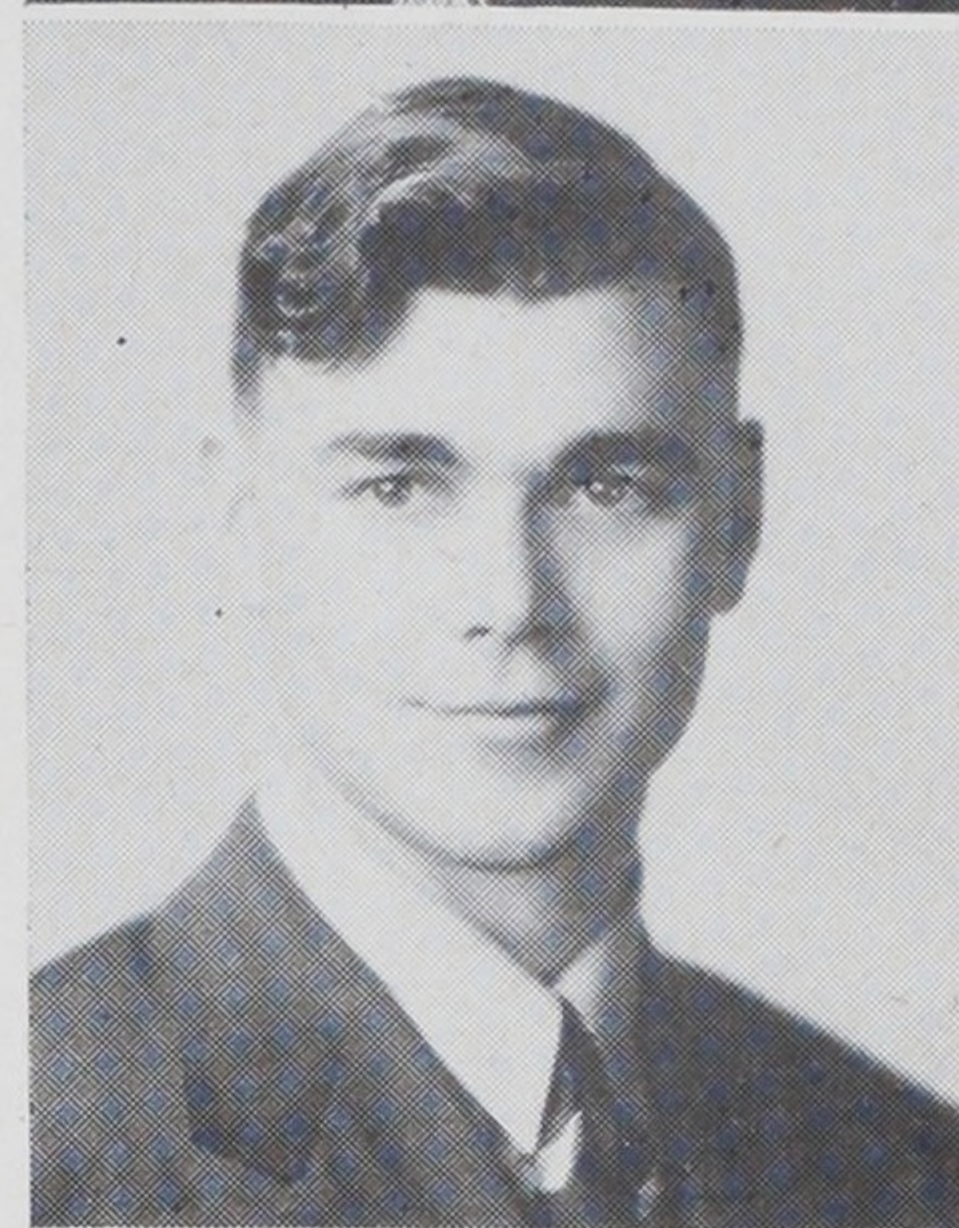
Executive Board; Fire Squad; Sergeant-at-Arms,  
Aviation Club; Orange B Club; Bronze Scholar-  
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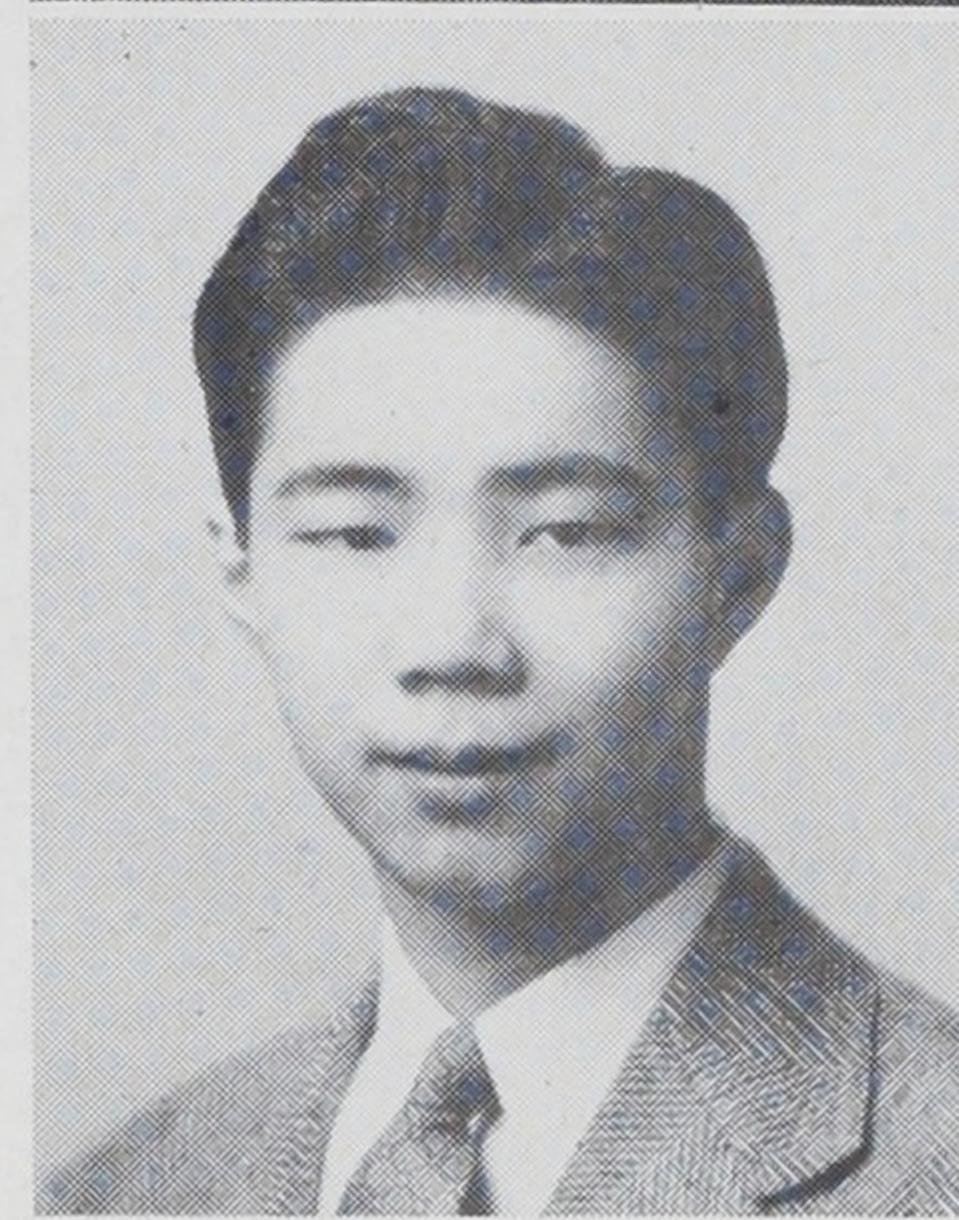
Minuteman; Bronze, Silver, Gold Scholarship  
Pins.



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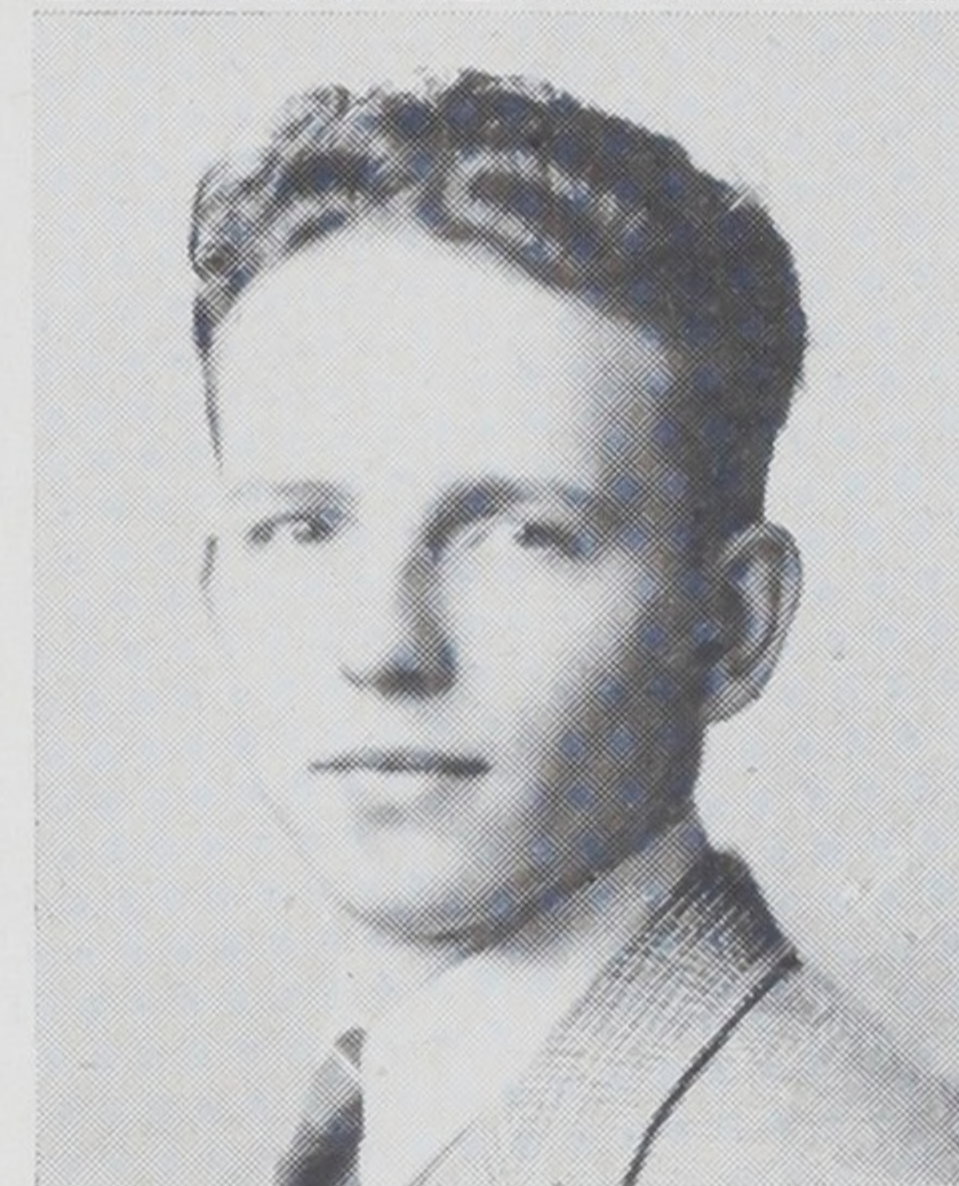
Class Captain; Assistant Baseball Manager.



LUYBEN, WILLIAM J.

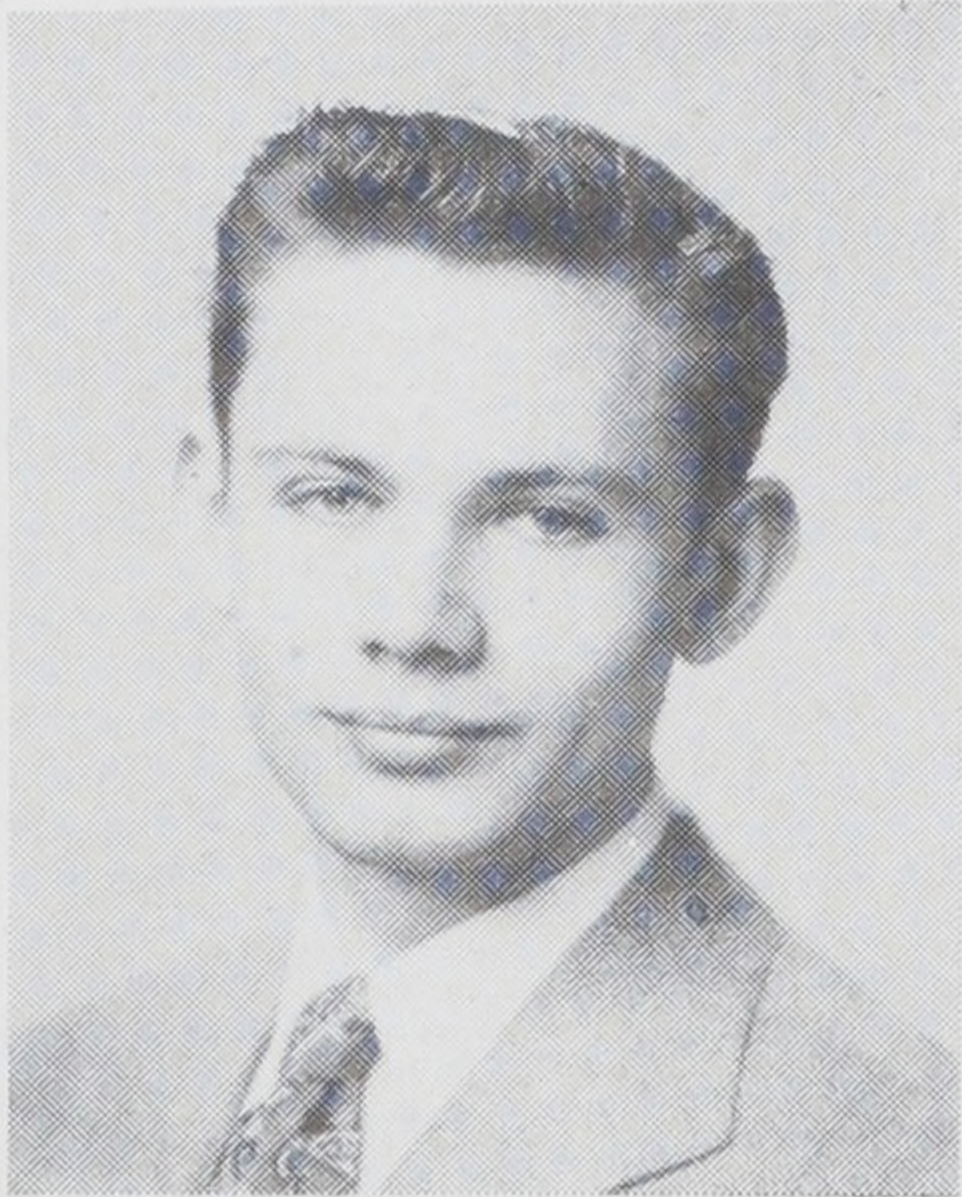
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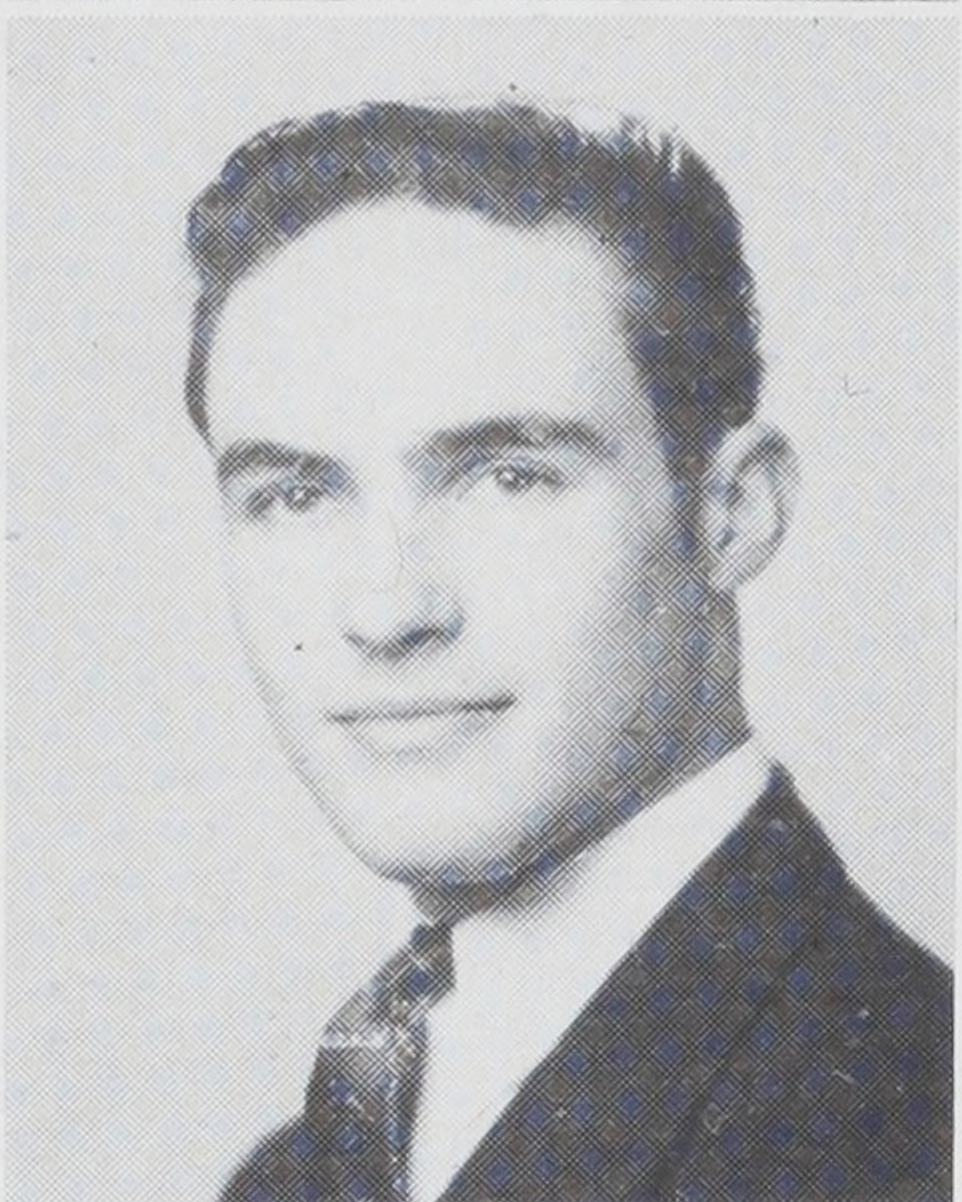
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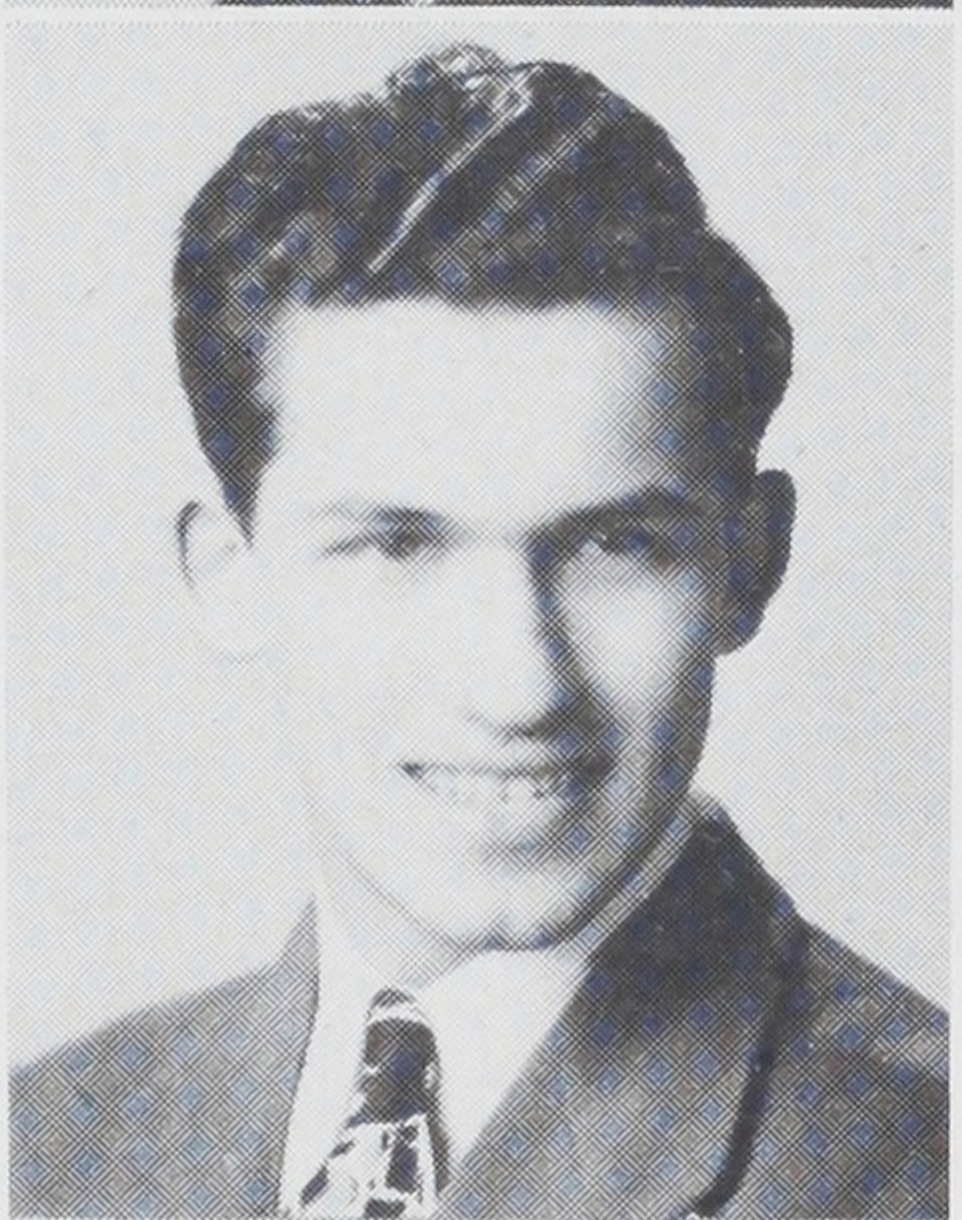
First Aid; President, Vice-President, Cavaliers Club.



OLIN, RUSSELL O.

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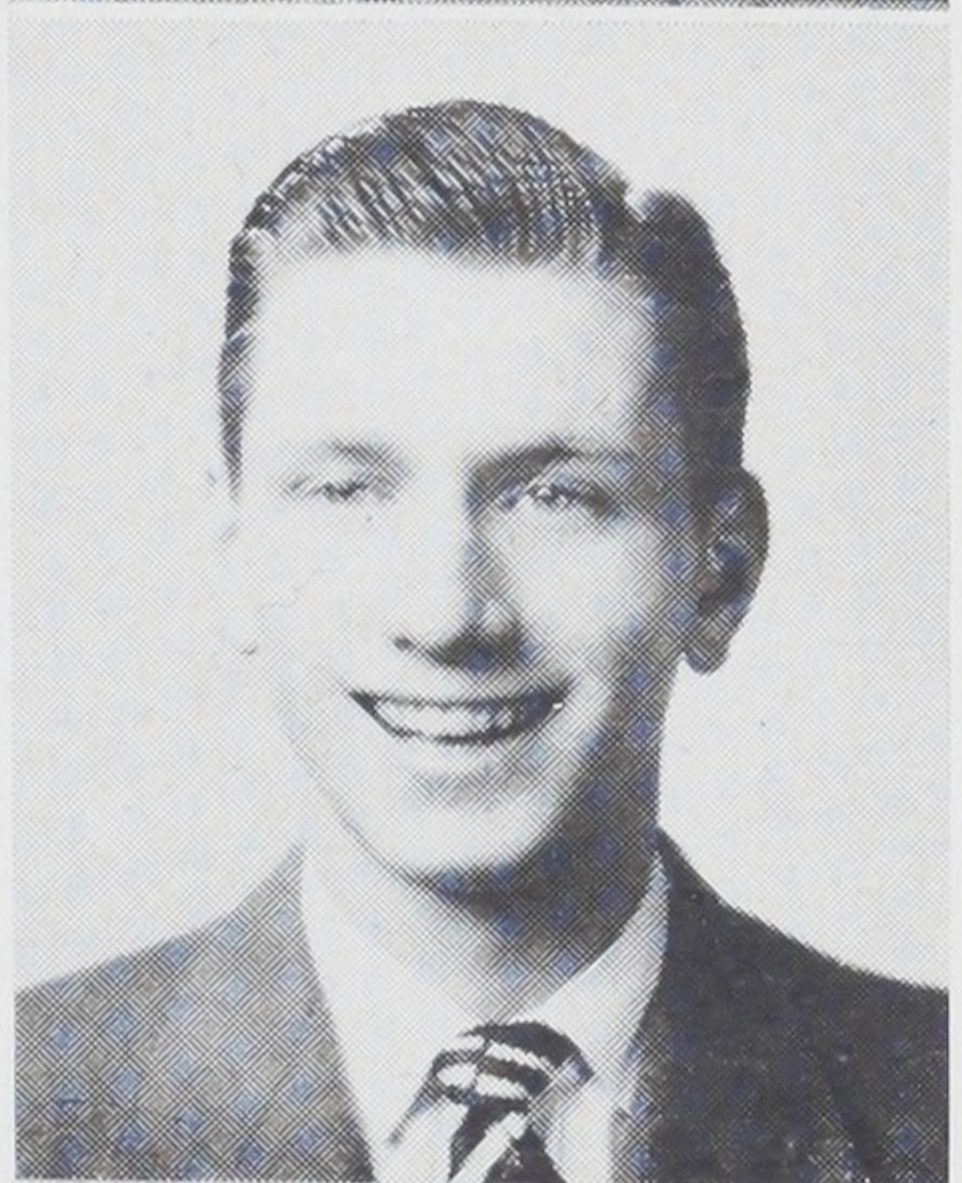
Stage, Auditorium Crew; Band; Class Play Staff; First Aid; Glee Club; Minuteman; Orchestra; Cavaliers Club; Treasurer, Craftsman Club; Oyer-un-Gon Club.



PASSMORE, PHILIP F.

*Technical Mechanical*

President, Auditorium Crew; Class Captain; Minuteman; Hi-Y; Treasurer, Orange B Club; Track.



PEARCE, LELAND T.

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Class Captain; Lieutenant, Fire Squad; President, Treasurer, Hi-Y; Orange B Club; Hockey.

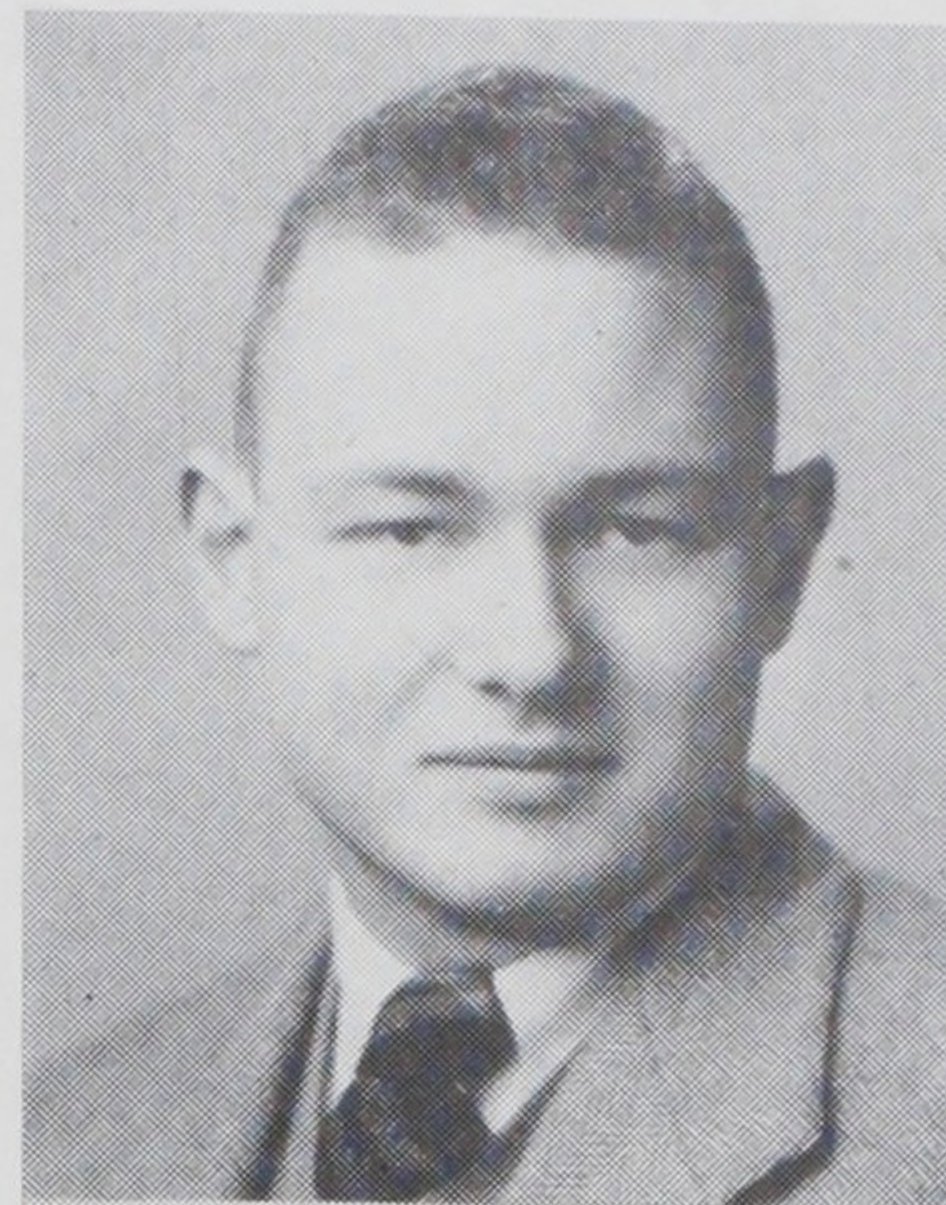


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McKELLAR, ROBERT F.

*Technical Printing*

Executive Board; President, Glee Club; Vice-President, Student Body; Minuteman; Secretary, Aquatic Club; Sergeant-at-Arms, Radio Actors Guild; Secretary, Hi-Y Club; Vice-President, Treasurer, Public Speaking Club; Manager, Basketball; Vice-President, Senior Class.



MILLER, WALTER

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MOFFETTE, THOMAS R.

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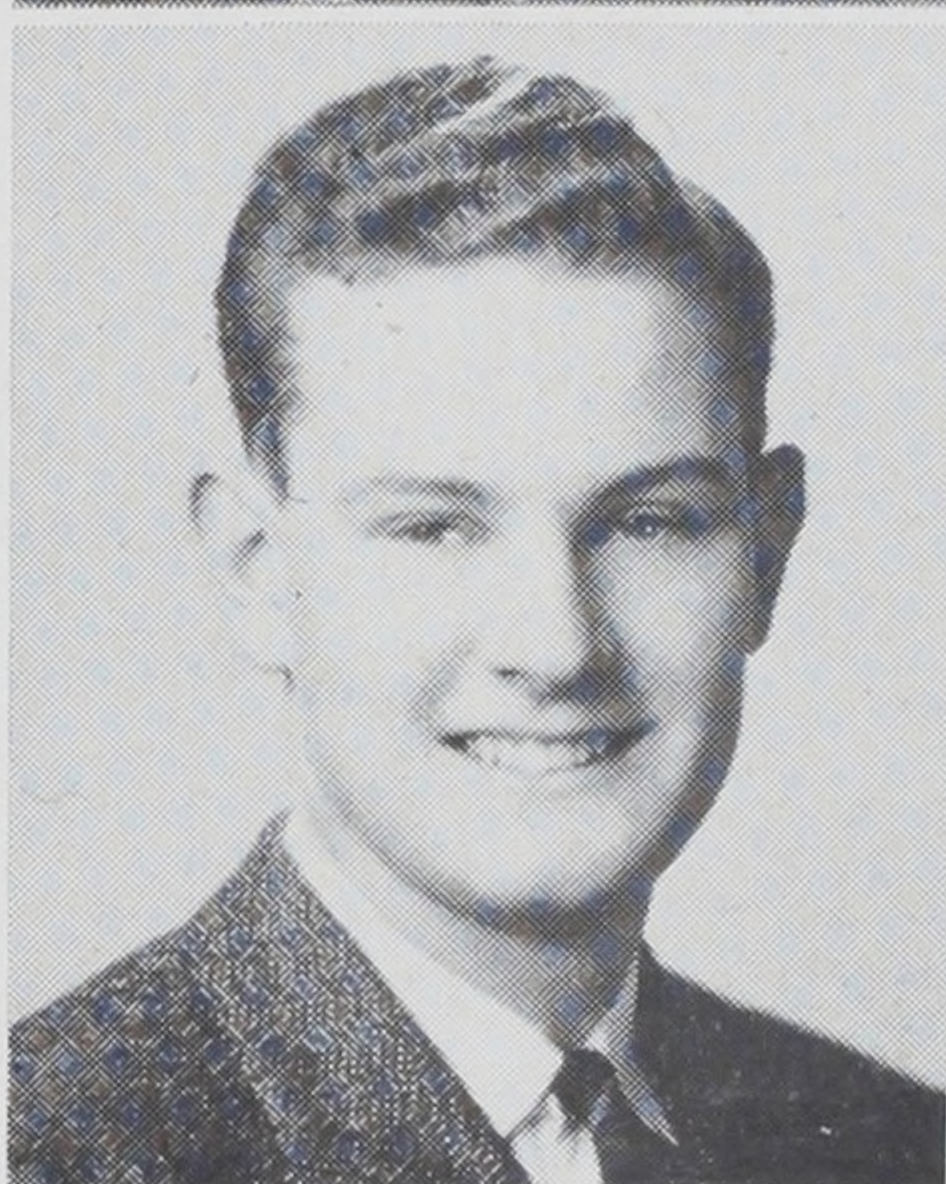
Executive Board; First Aid; Minuteman; Assistant Editor, Poly Tech Staff; Editor-in-Chief, Tech Pep Staff; President, Secretary, Treasurer, Sergeant-at-Arms, Radio Actors Guild; Bronze, Silver, Gold, Special Gold, and Ruby Scholarship Pins; Poly Steppers.



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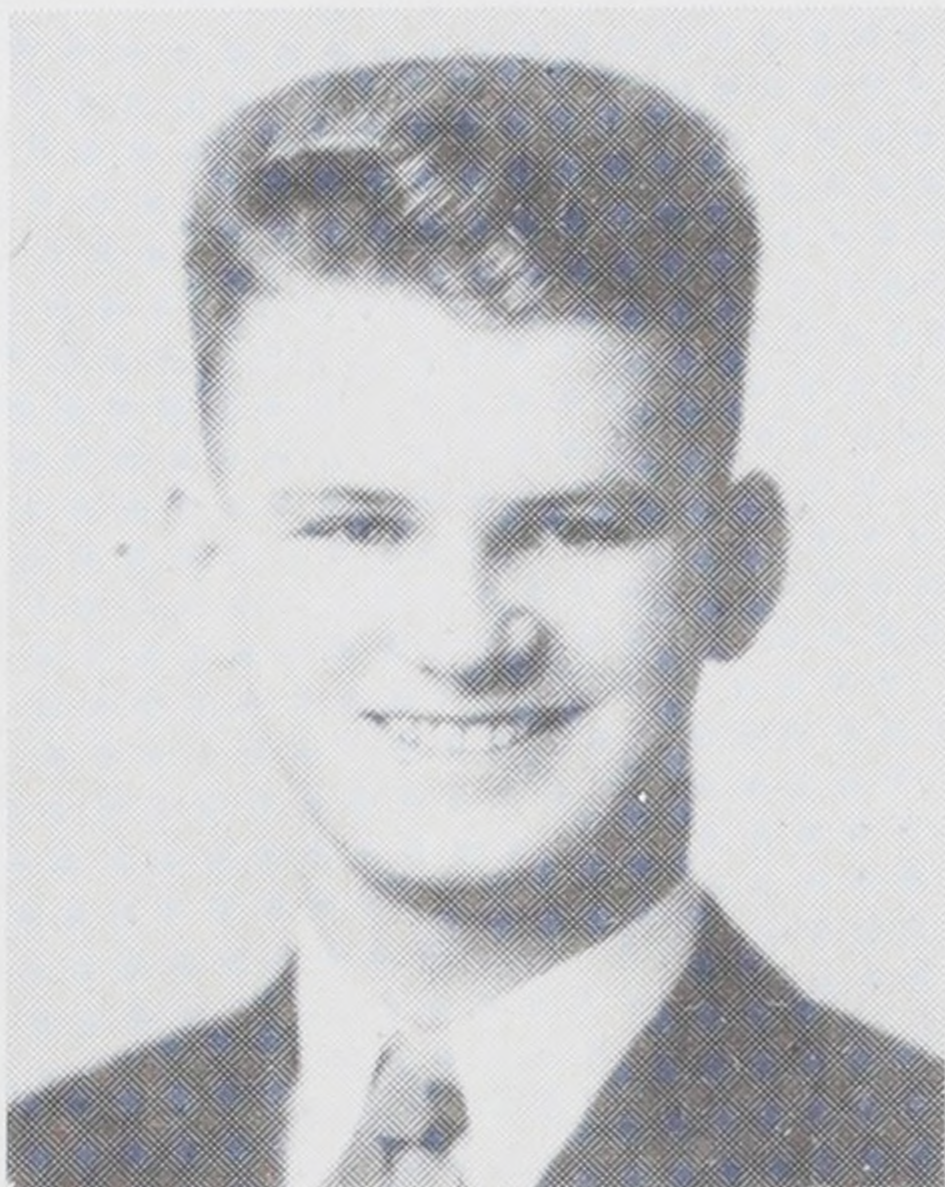
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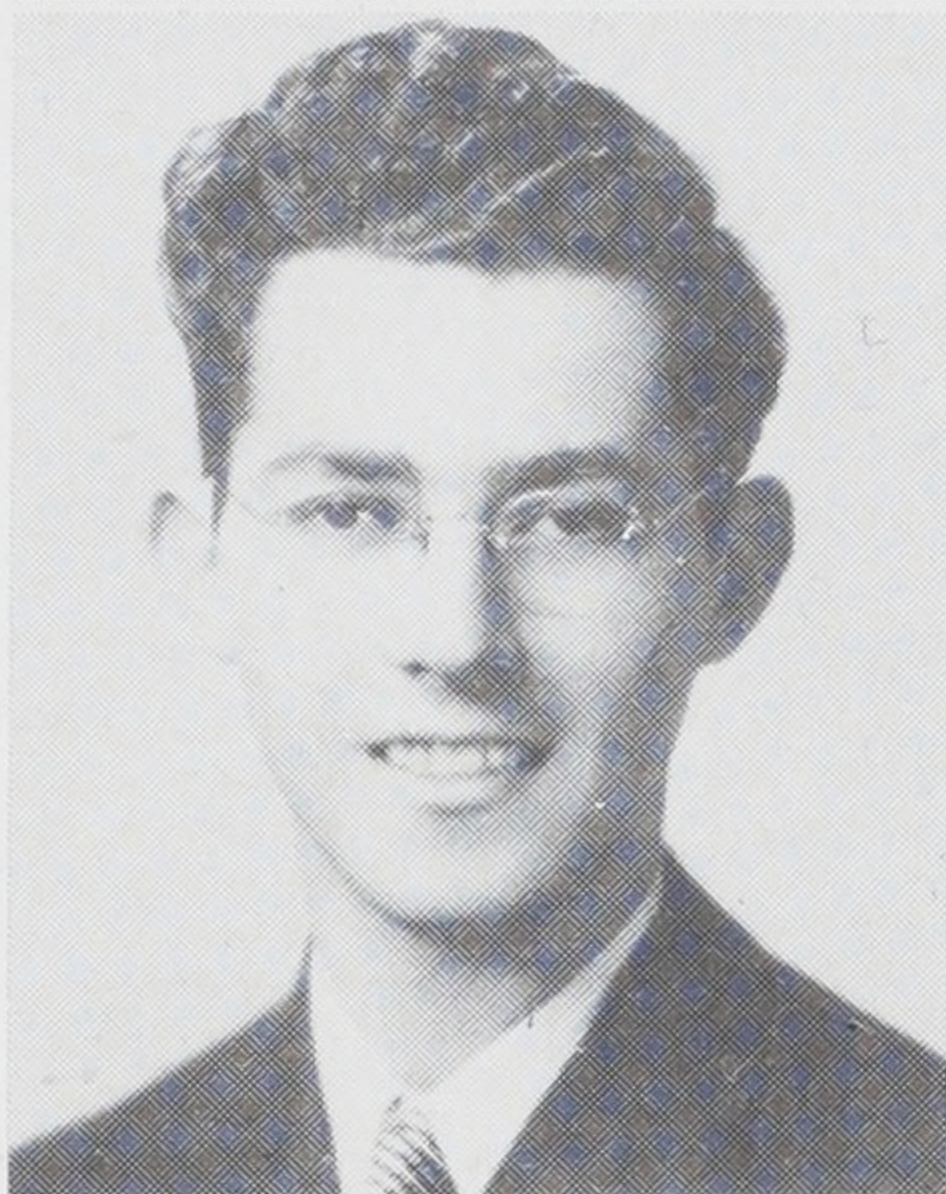




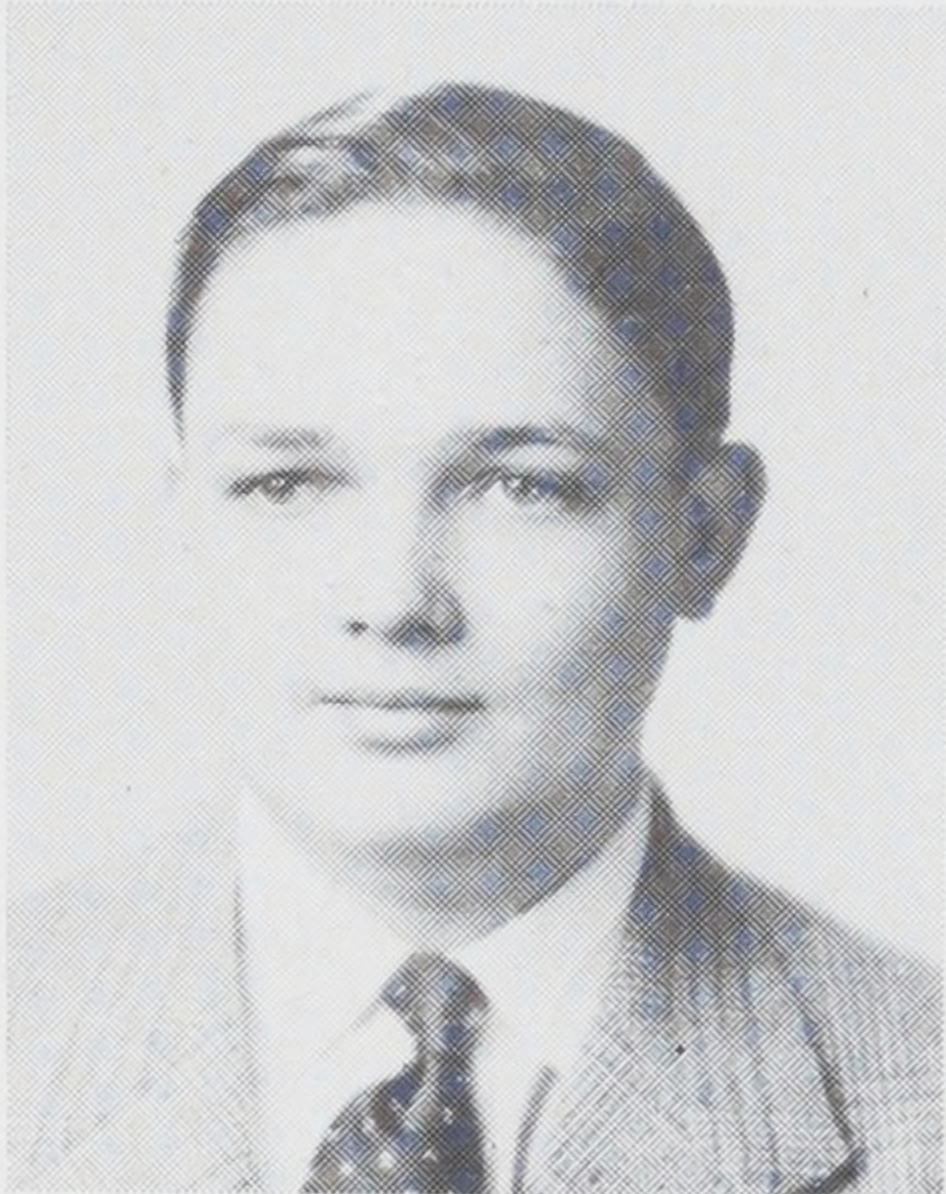
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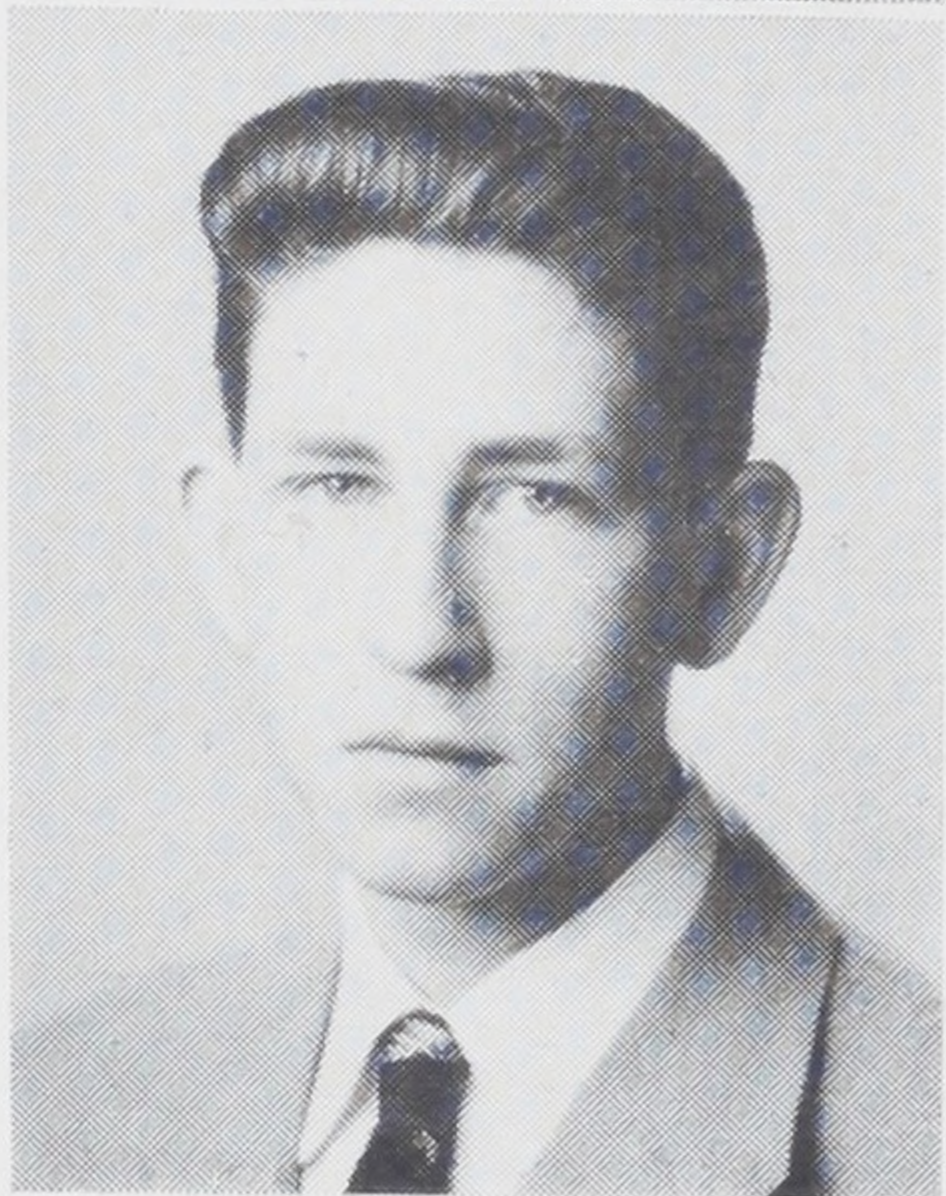
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Technician, KBPS Staff.



MARKS, JERRY A.  
*Technical Electrical*  
Glee Club; KBPS Staff.



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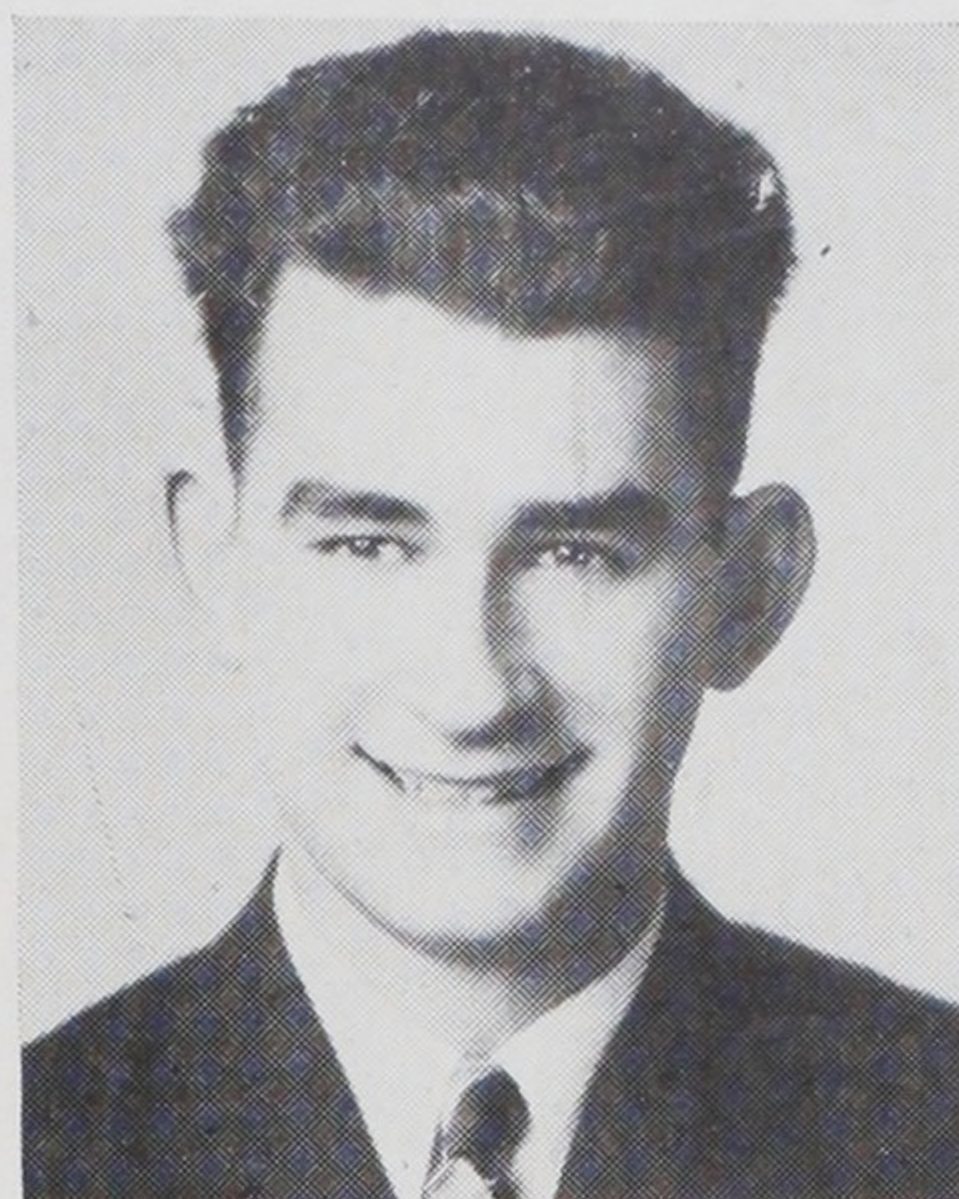
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Glee Club.



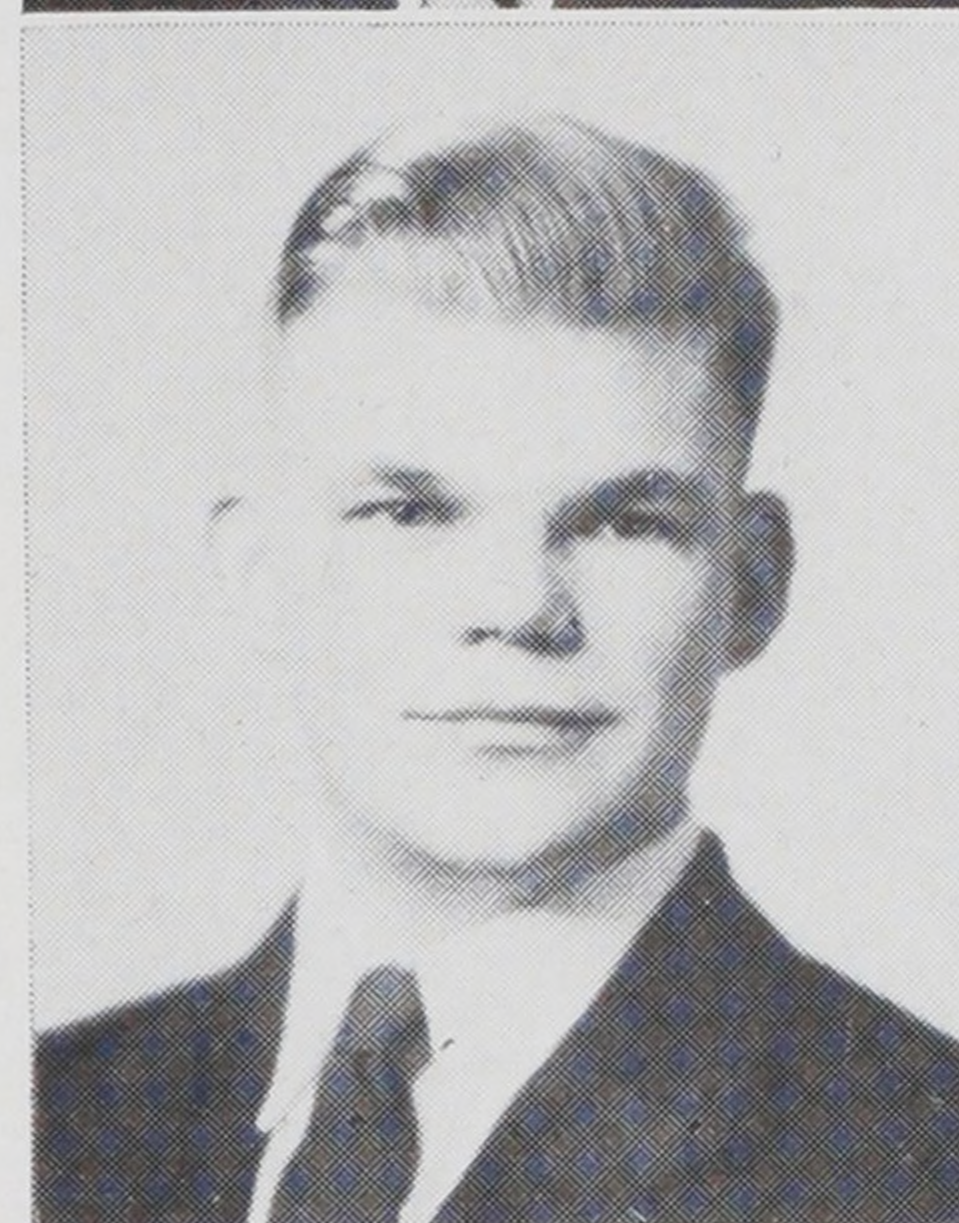
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*Technical Aviation*  
Band; Aviation Club.

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Usher, Auditorium Crew; Band.



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*Technical Electrical*

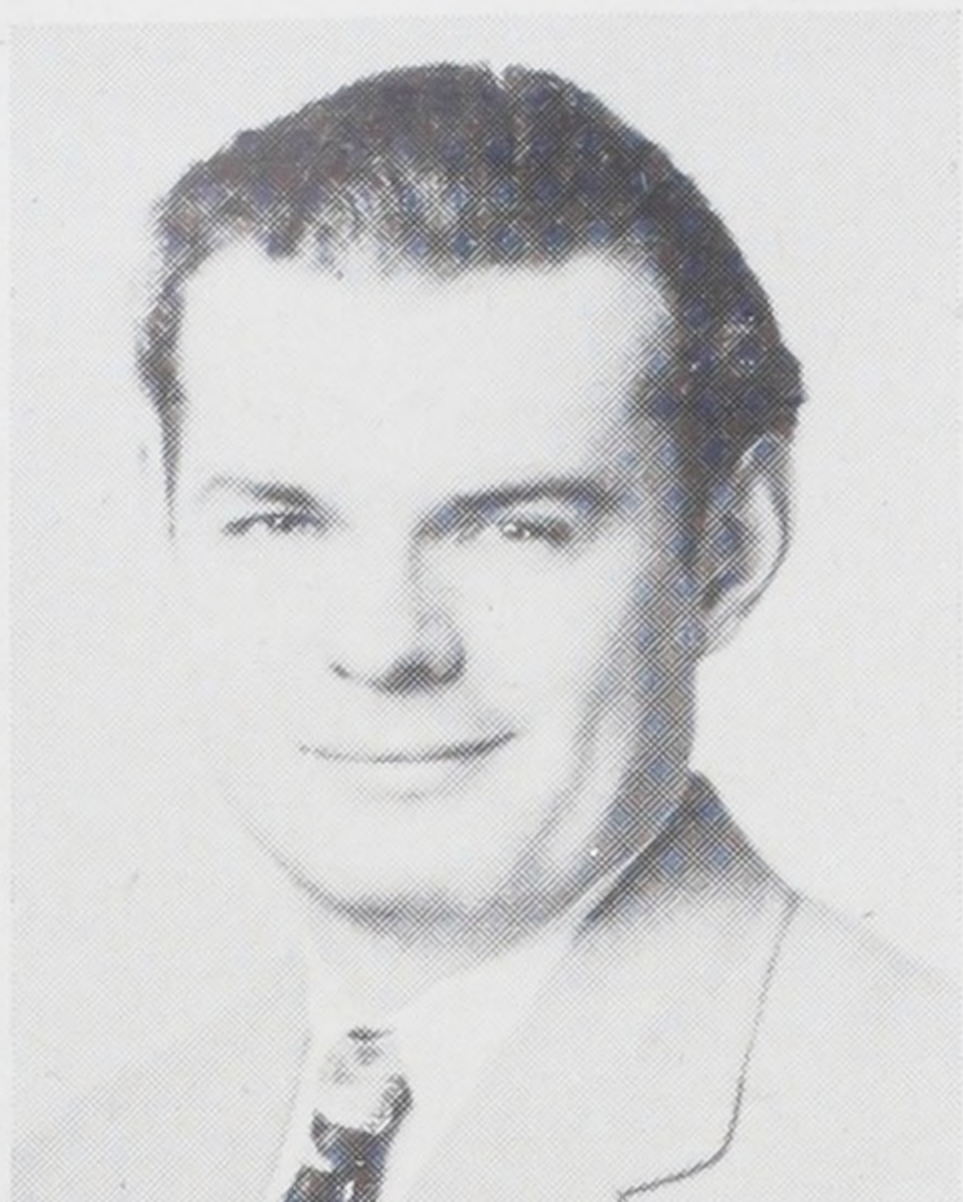


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President, Sailing Club.





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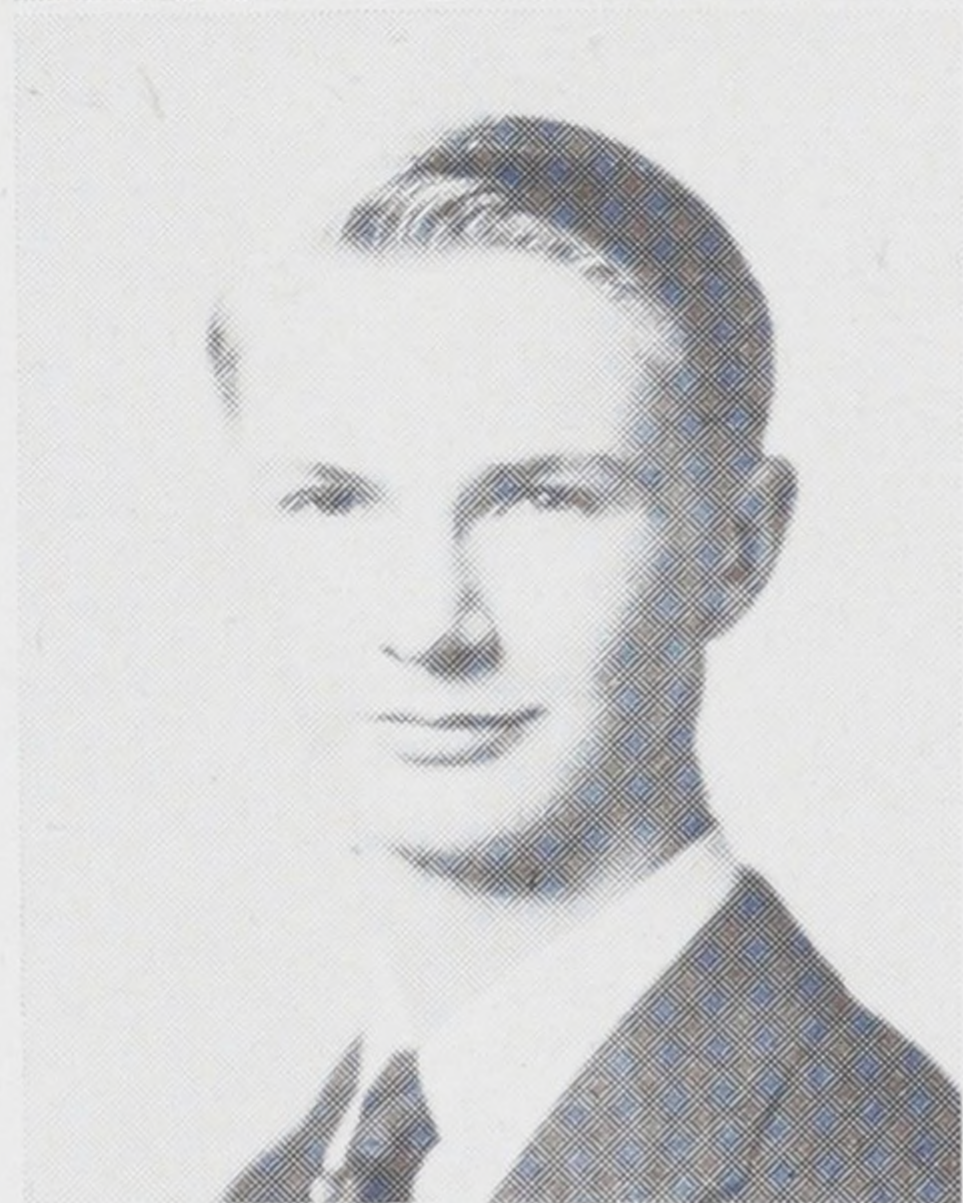
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First Aid; Tech Pep Staff; Poly Steppers; Vice-President, Radio Club.



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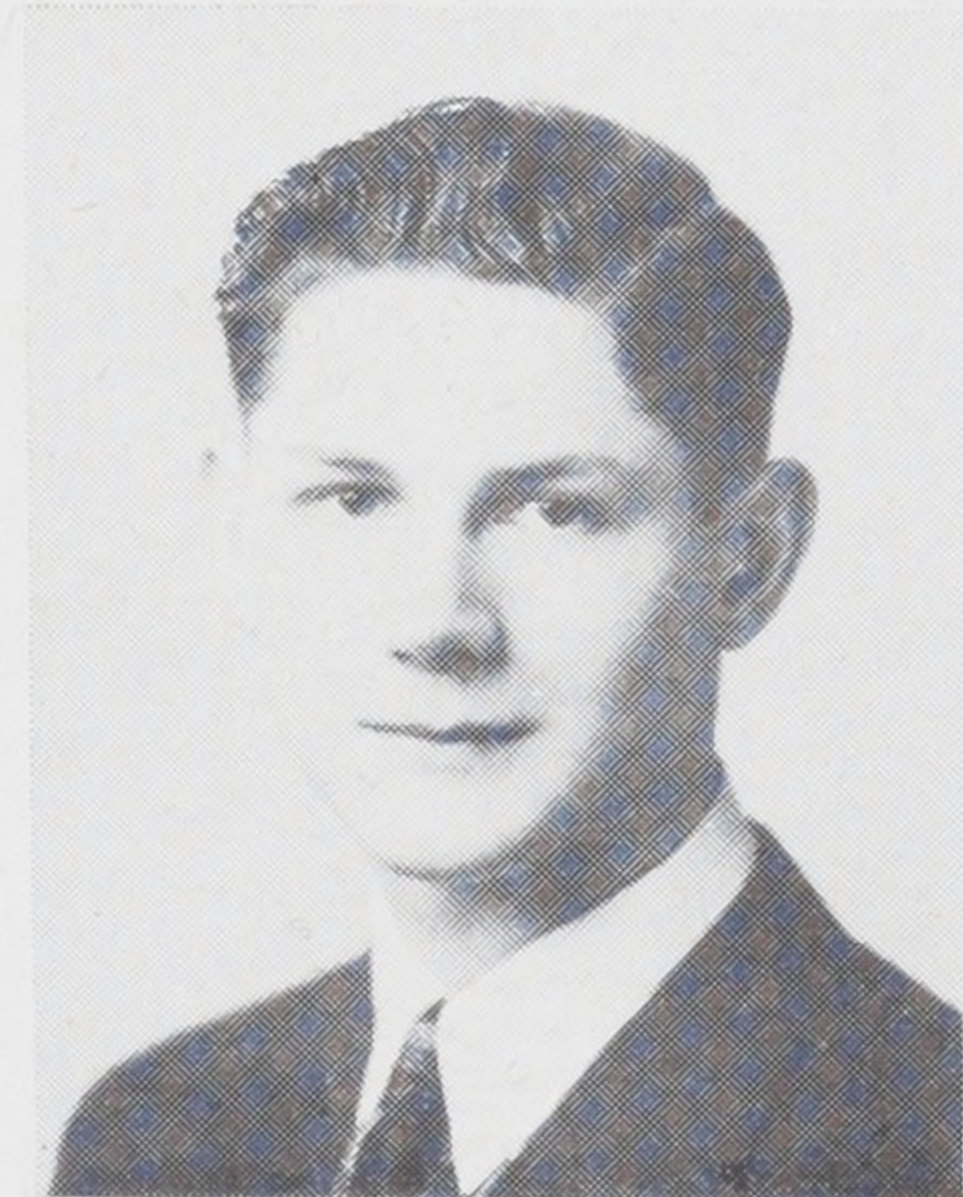
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*Technical Mechanical*

Usher, Auditorium Crew; Glee Club; Treasurer, Machinists Club.



SCHIERMAN, ROBERT H.

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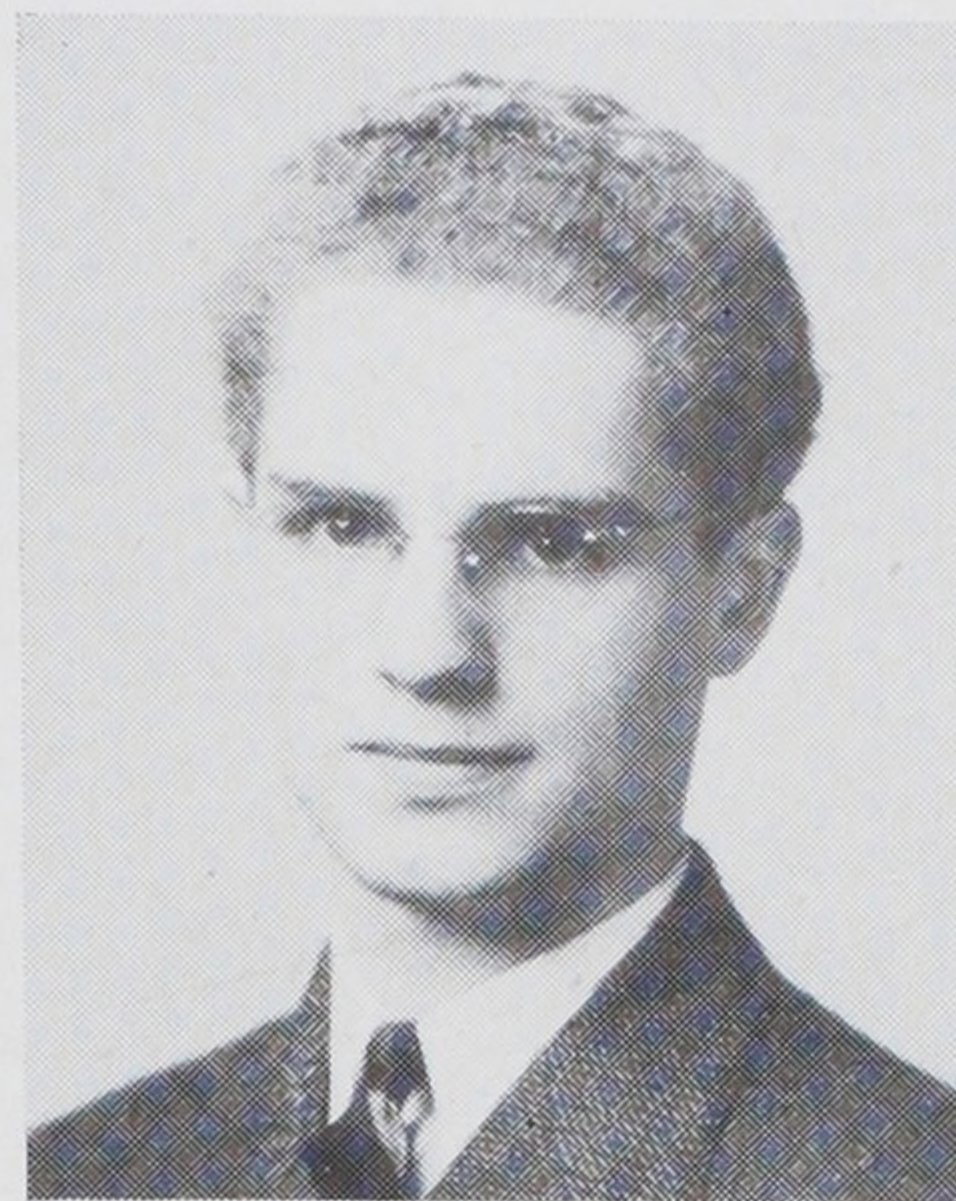


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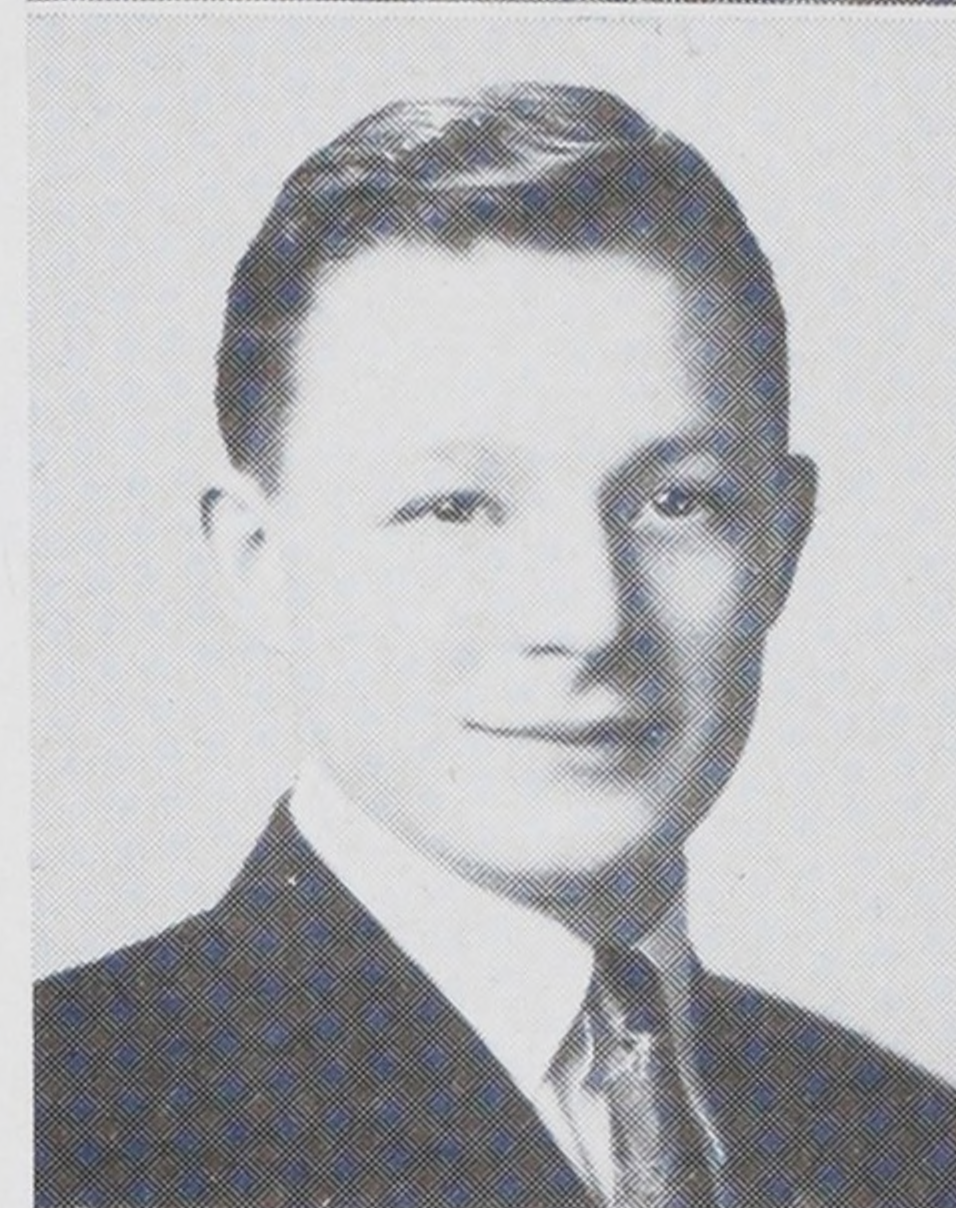
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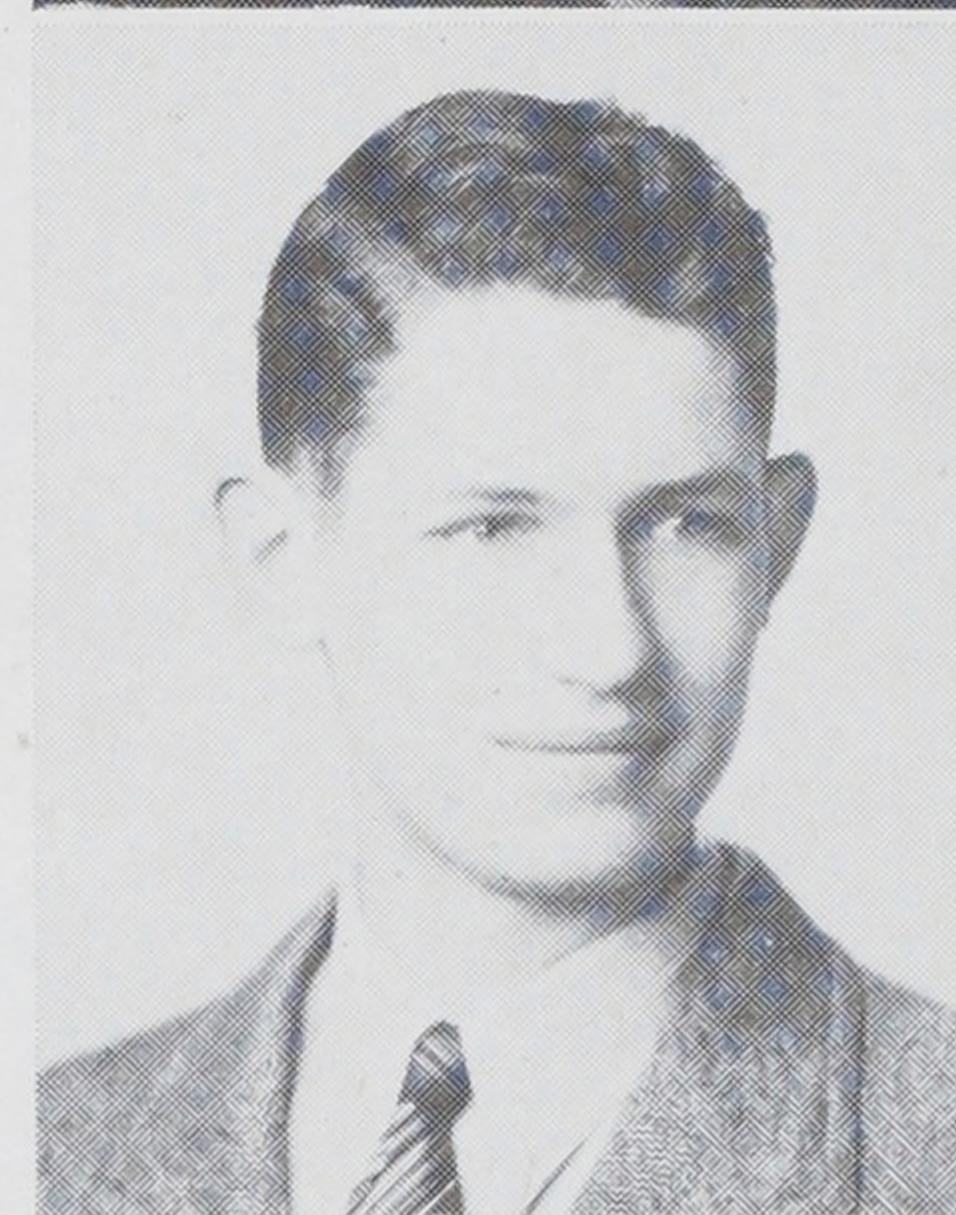
Sergeant-at-Arms, Aquatic Club; Orange B  
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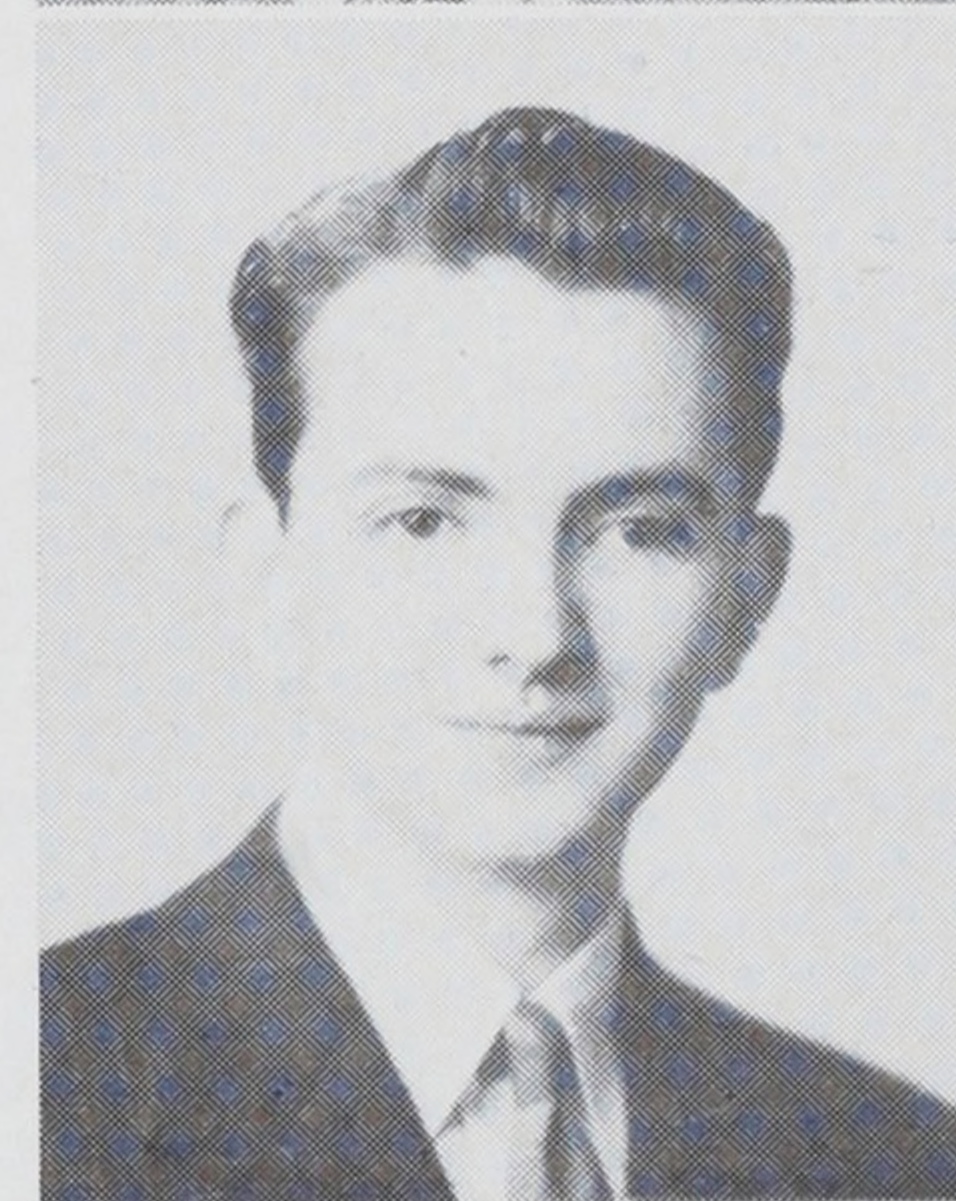
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Band; Technician. KBPS Staff.

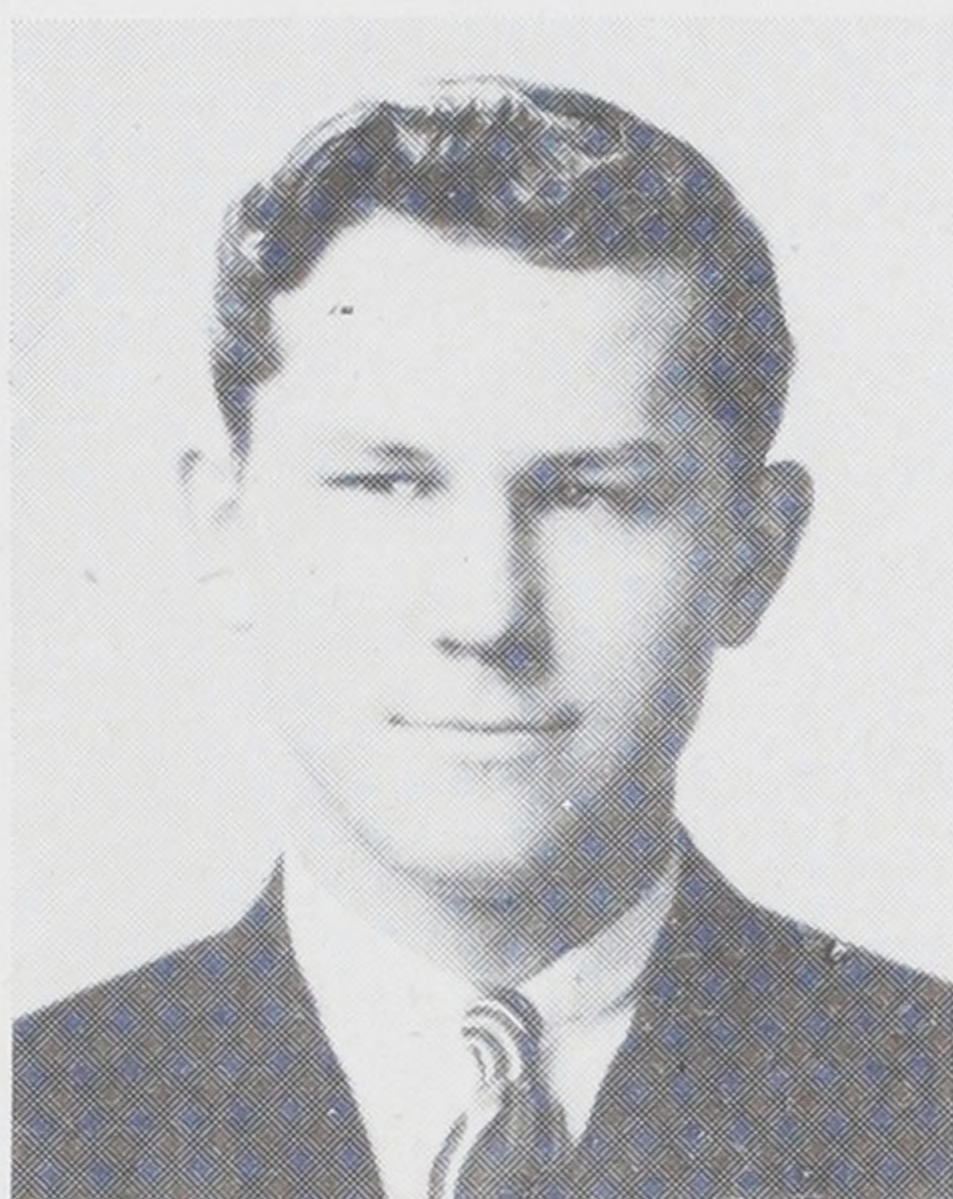


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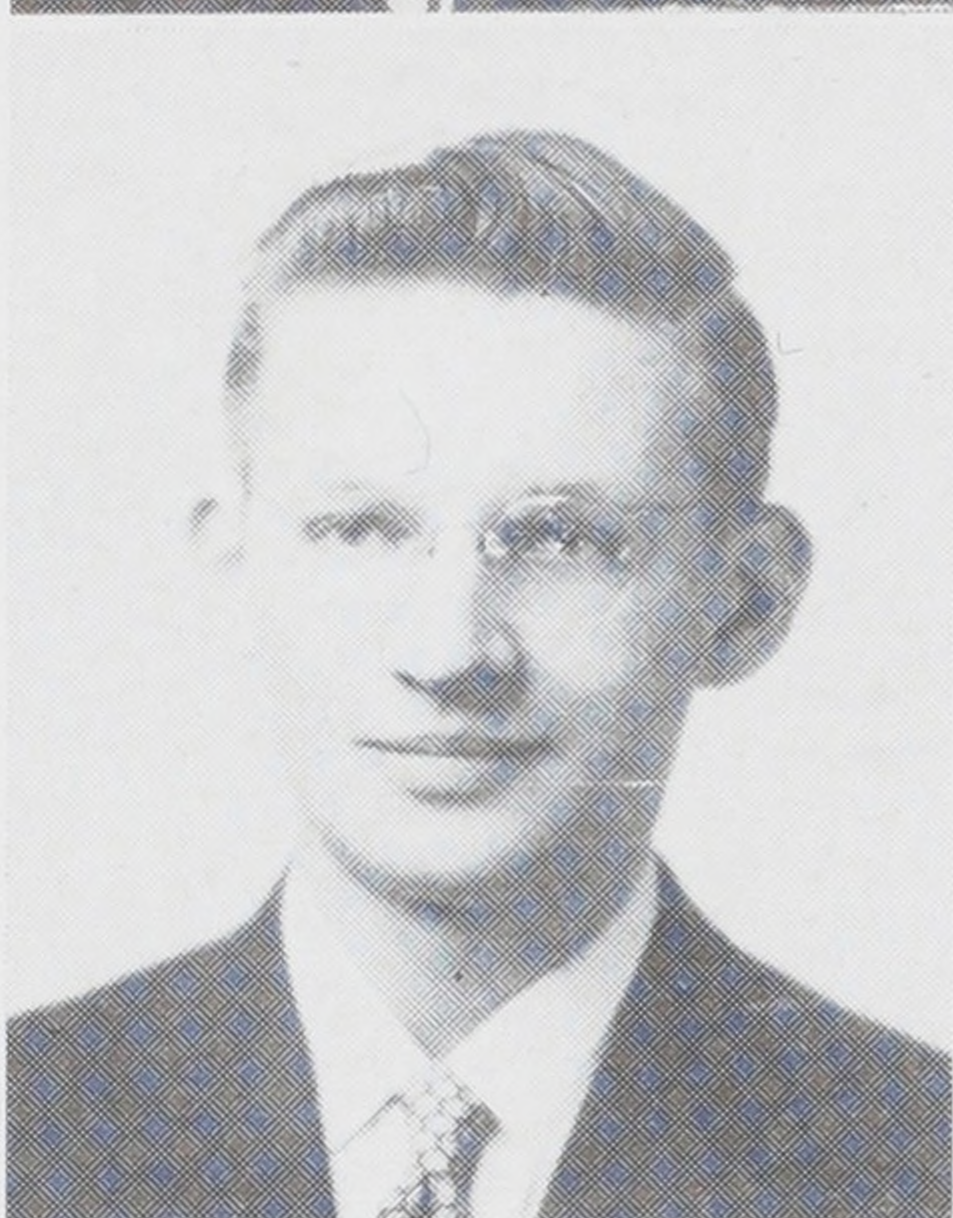
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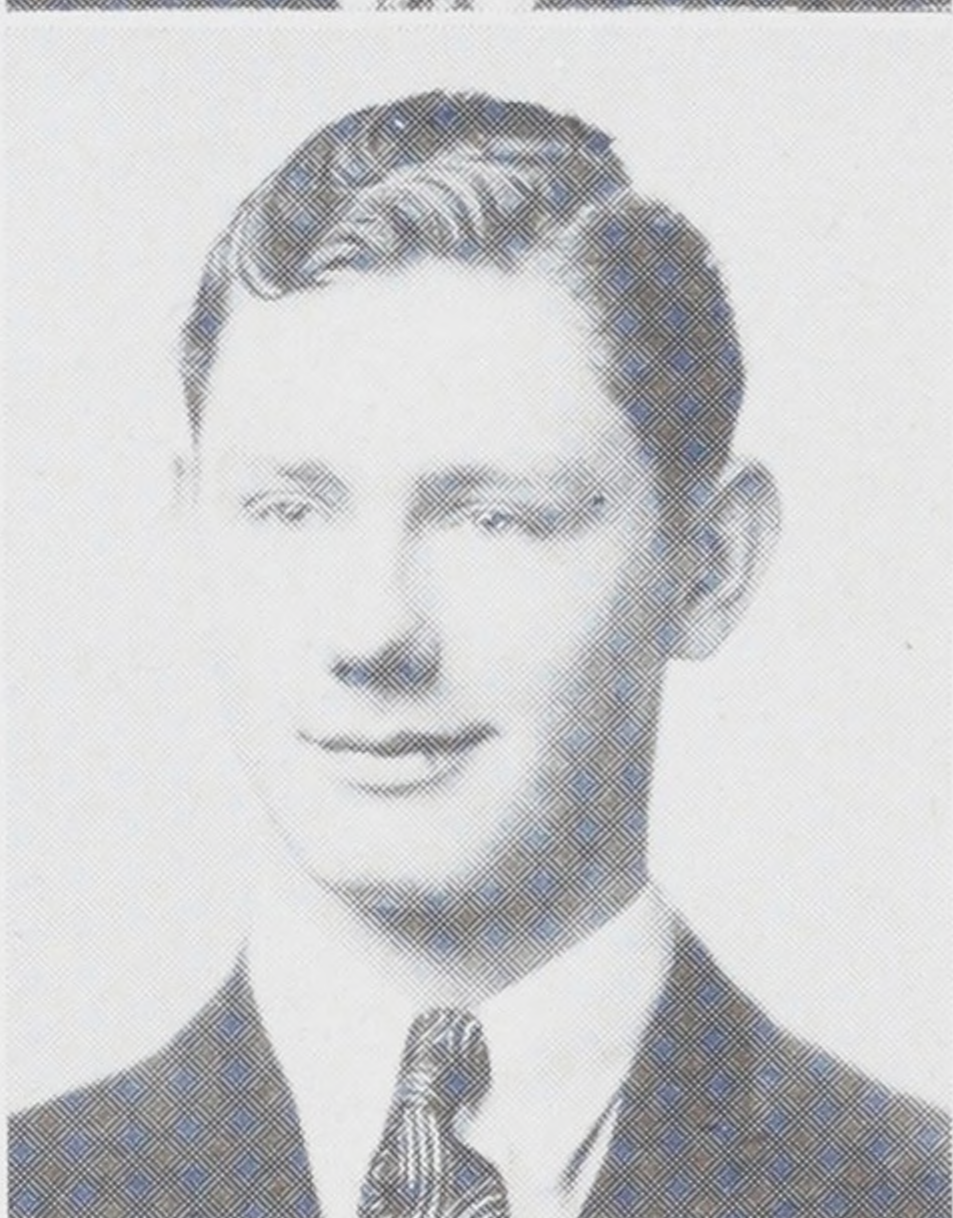
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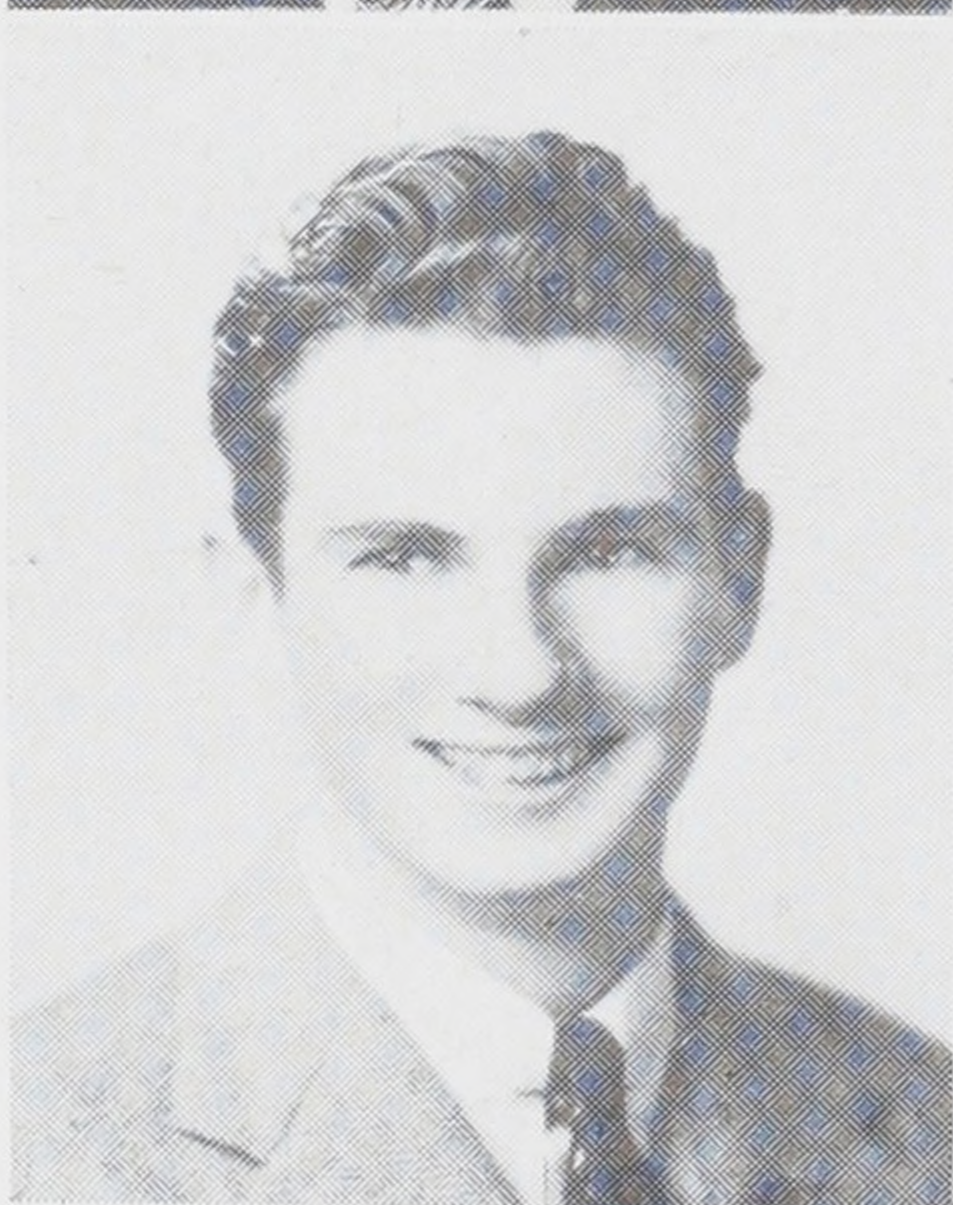
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*Technical Aviation*  
Class Play Staff; Poly Steppers.



SUNDELL, EDWARD E.  
*Technical Electrical*  
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*Technical Aviation*  
Bronze Scholarship pin; Track.

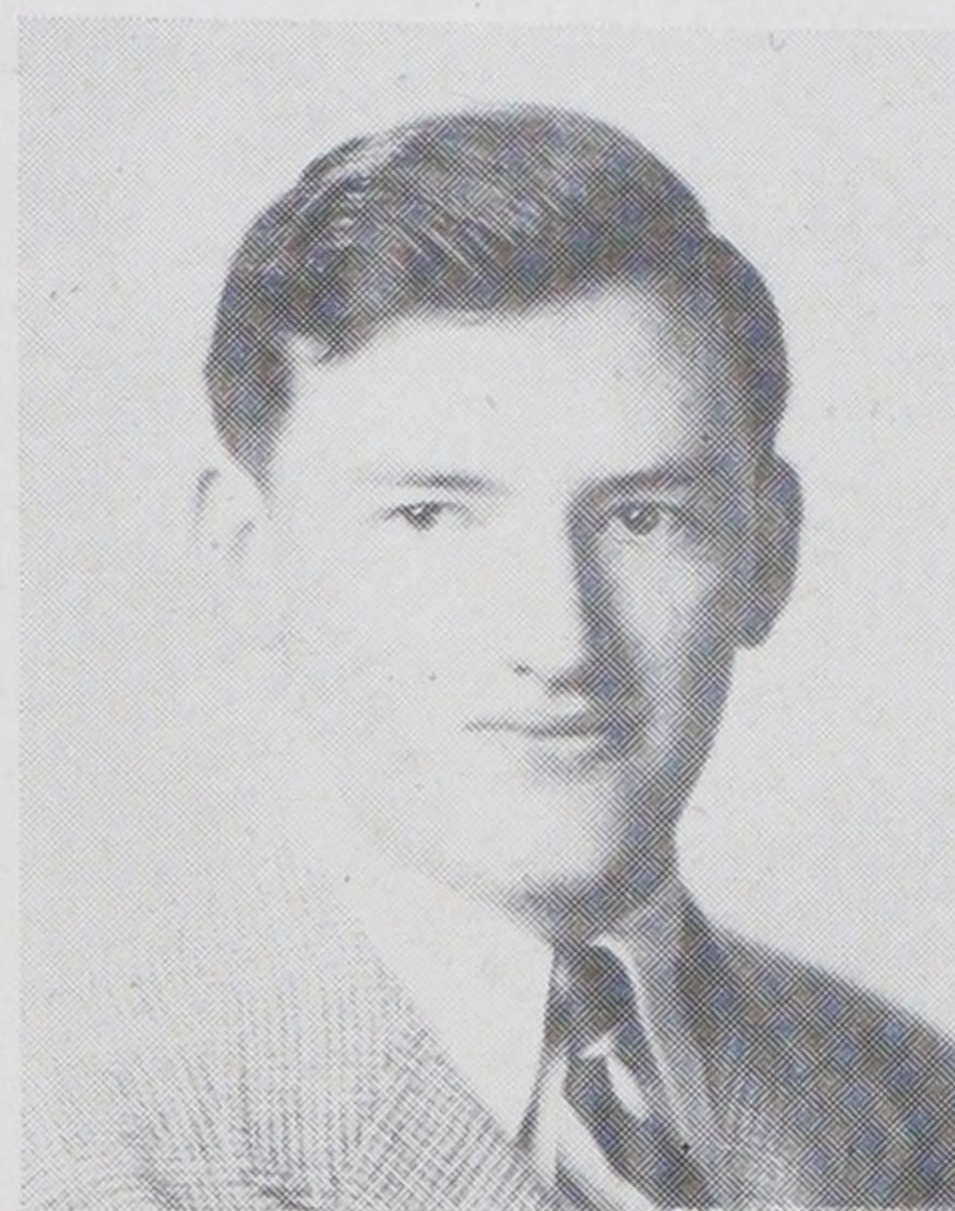


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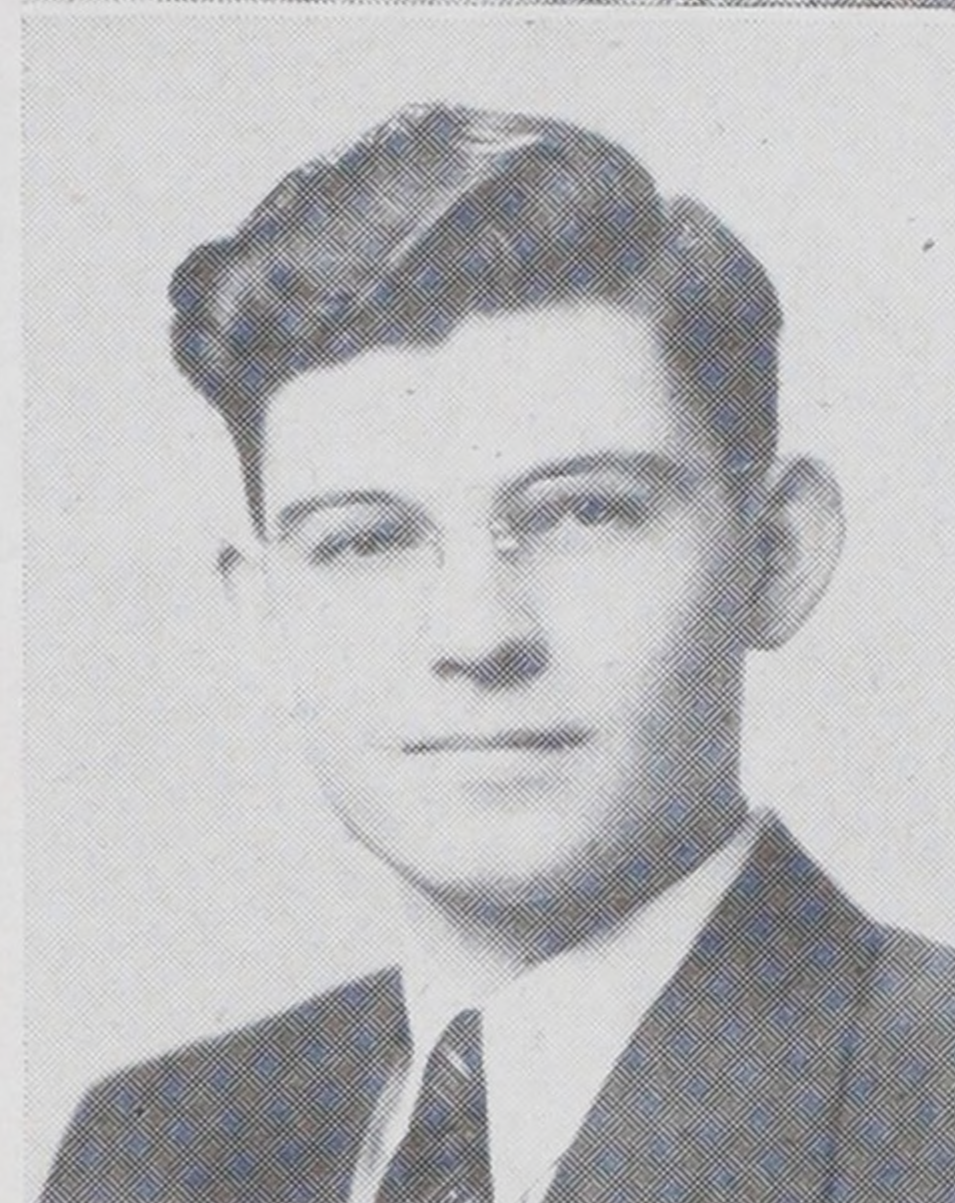


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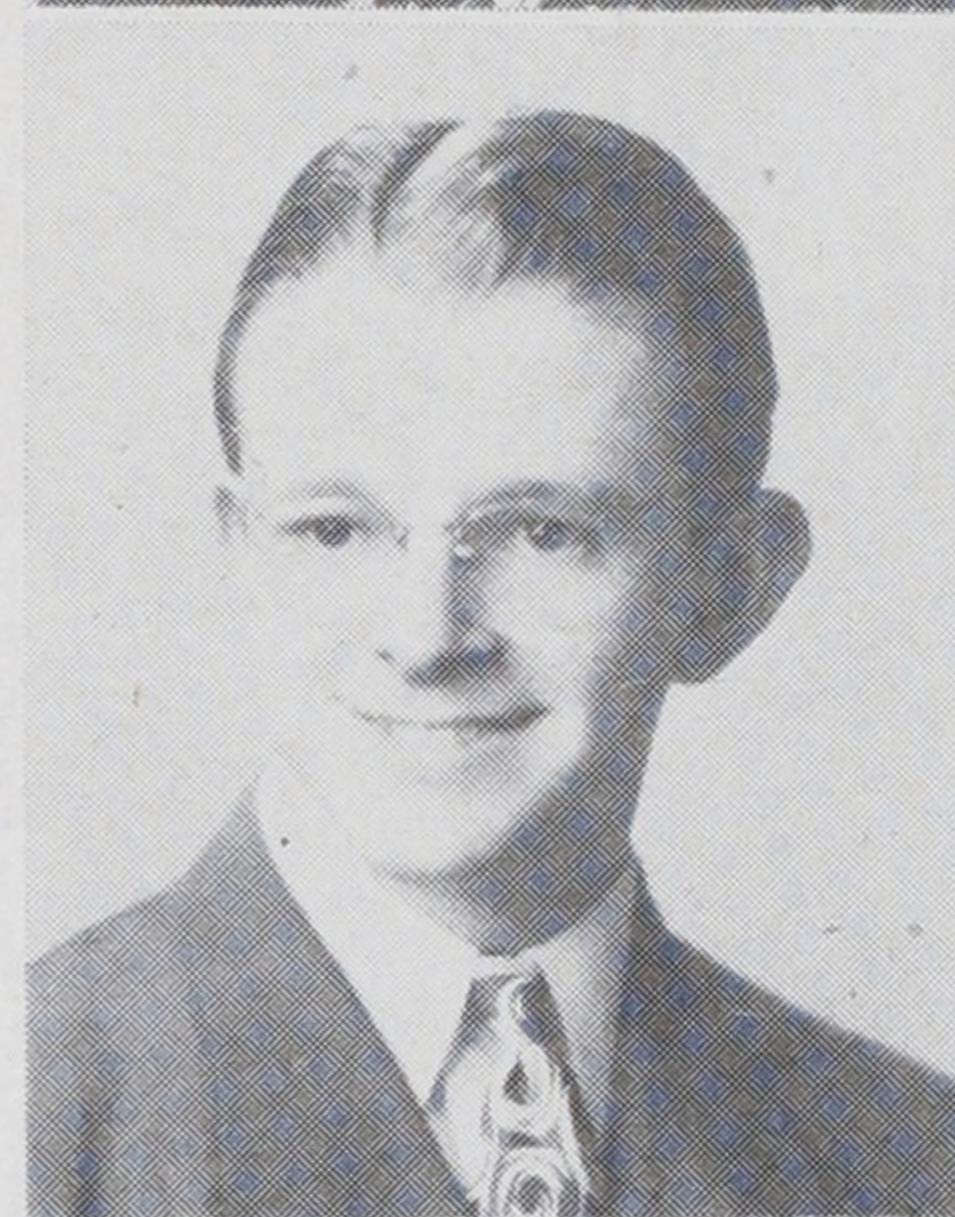
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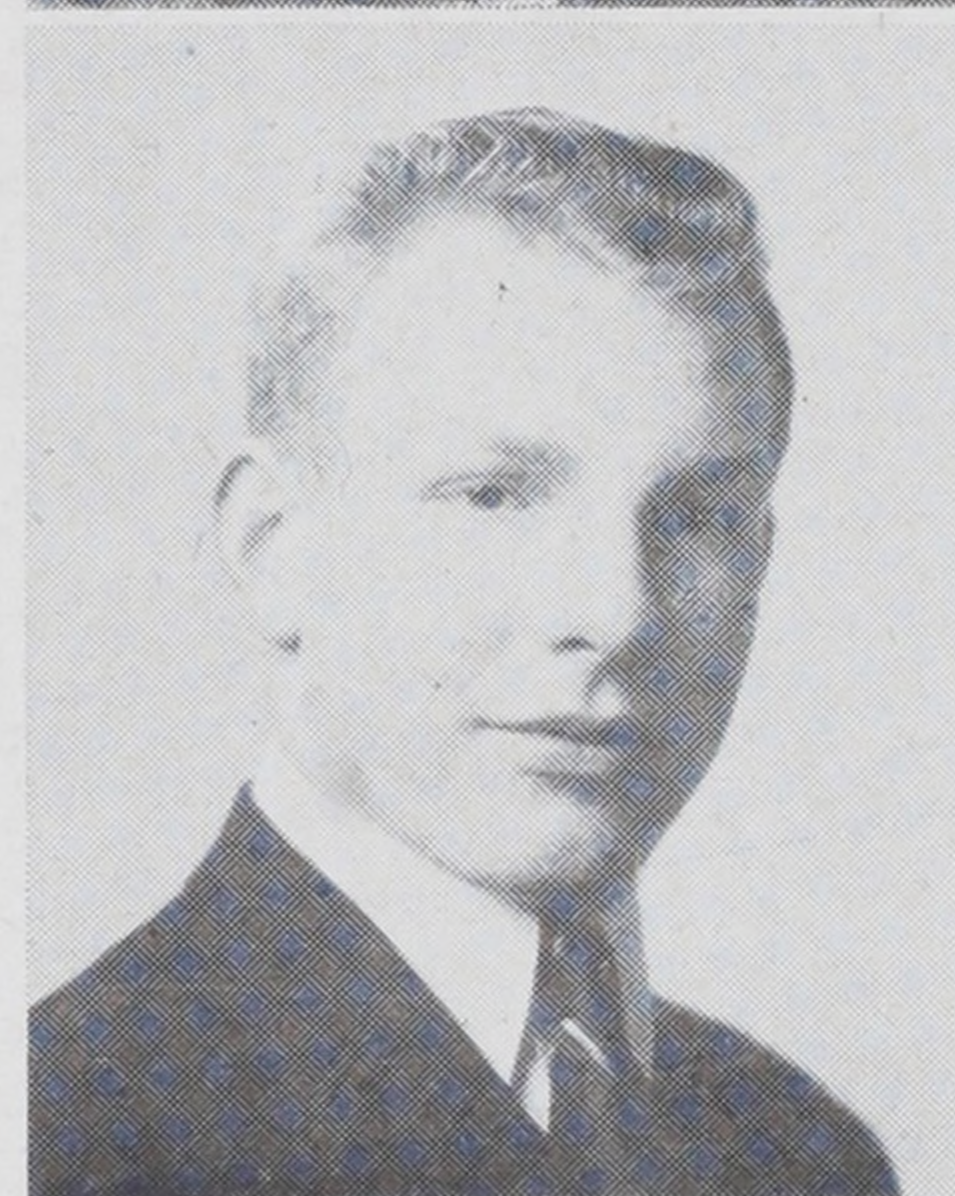
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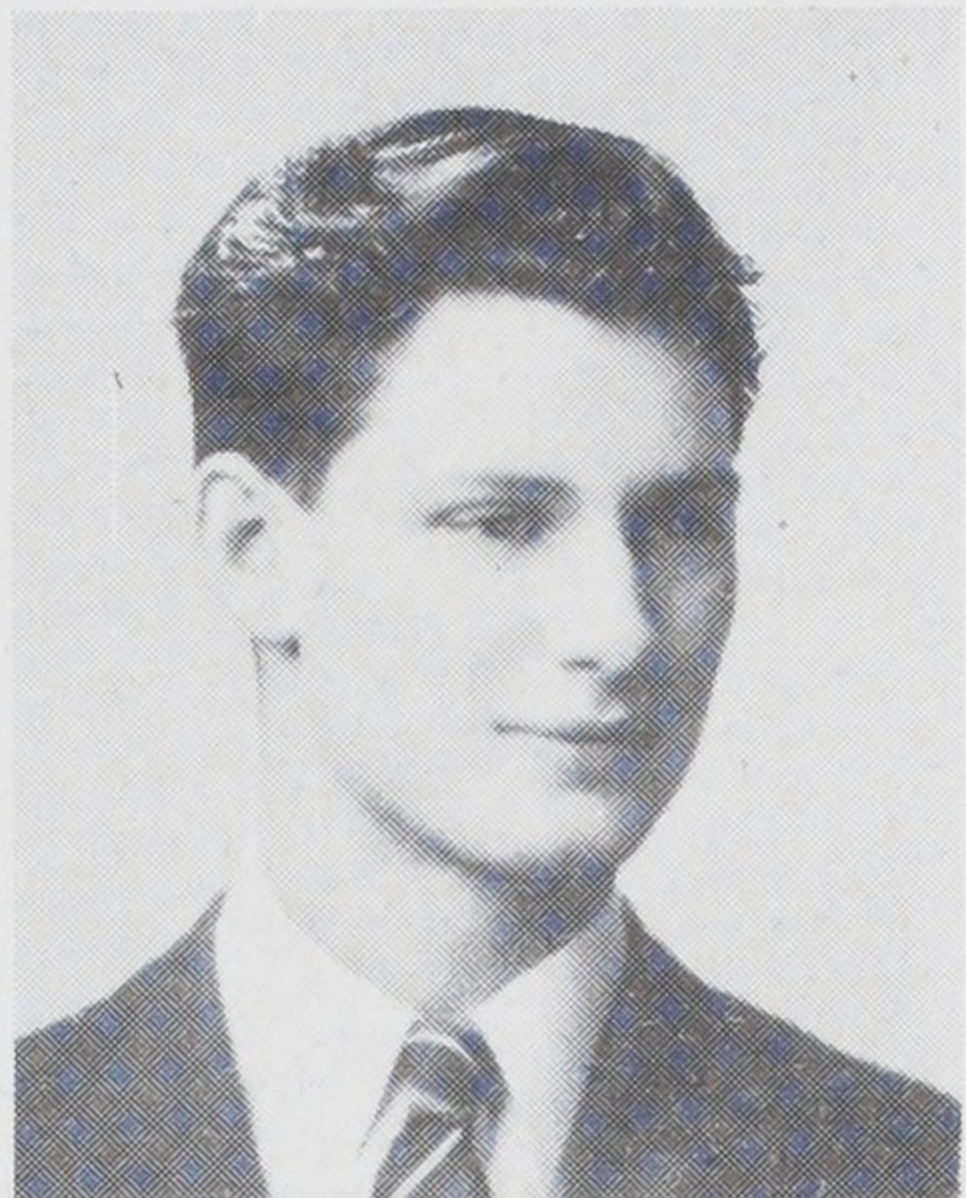


WHITE, BOB L.  
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Machinist Club; Baseball, Jr. Football.





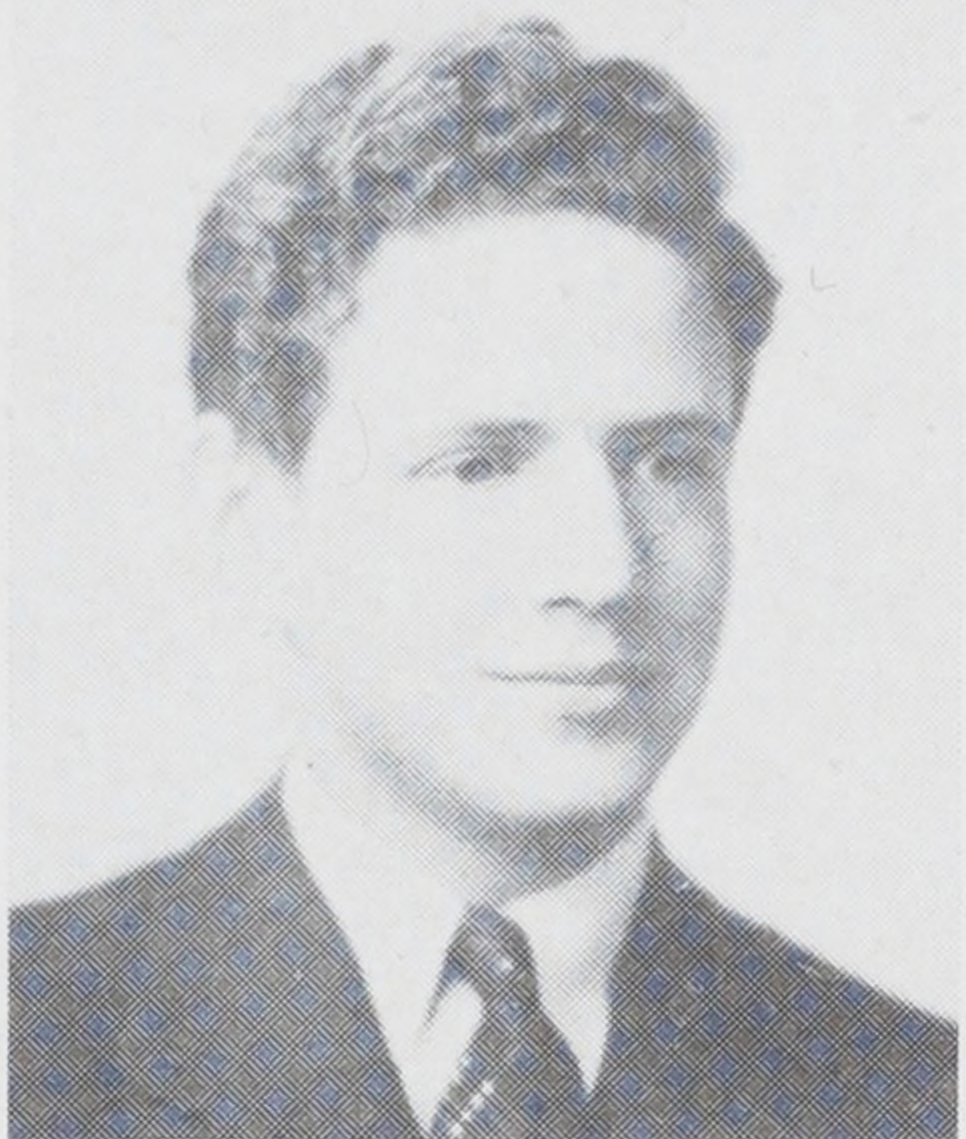
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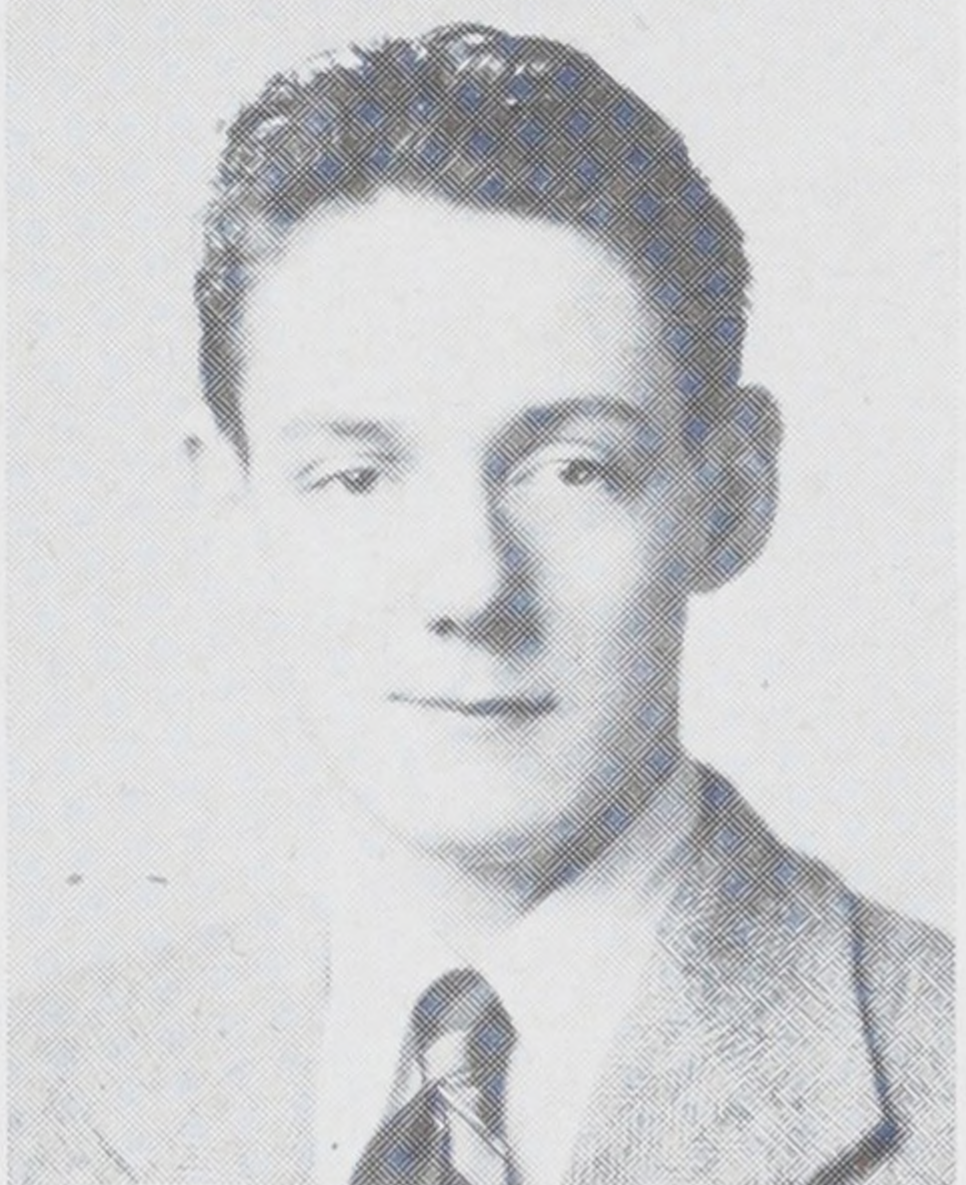
Fire Squad; First Aid; Bowling Club; Camera Club; Orange B Club; Football; Basketball.



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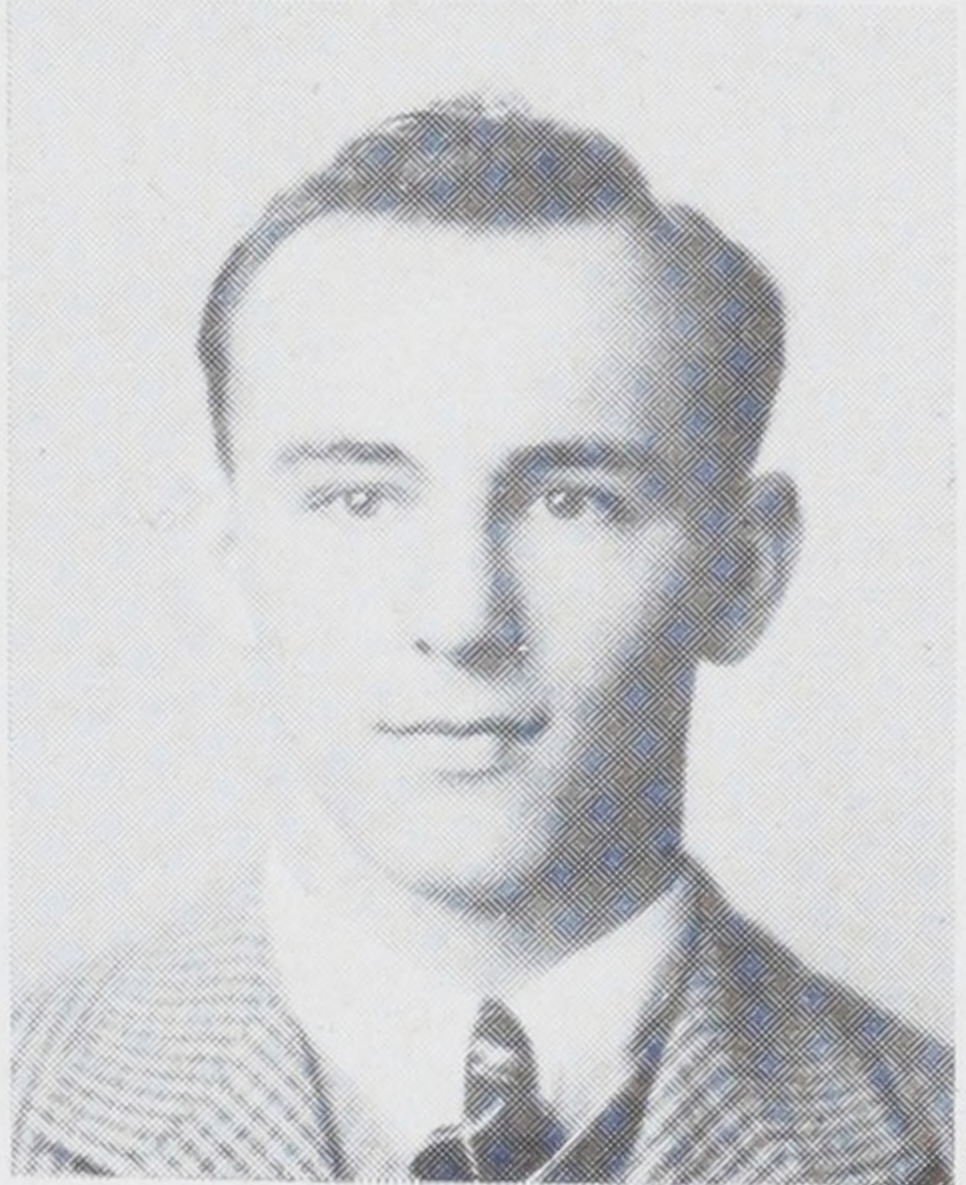
Track.



WRIGHT, WALTER W.

*Technical Mechanical*

Vice-president, Secretary, Auditorium Crew; Class Captain; Executive Board; First Aid; Glee Club; President, Minutemen; Sailing Club; Vice-President, Sergeant-at-Arms, Machinists Club; Orange B Club; Vice-president, Sergeant-at-Arms, Public Speaking Club; Bronze, Silver, Gold, Special Gold Scholarship pins; Mgr. Baseball.



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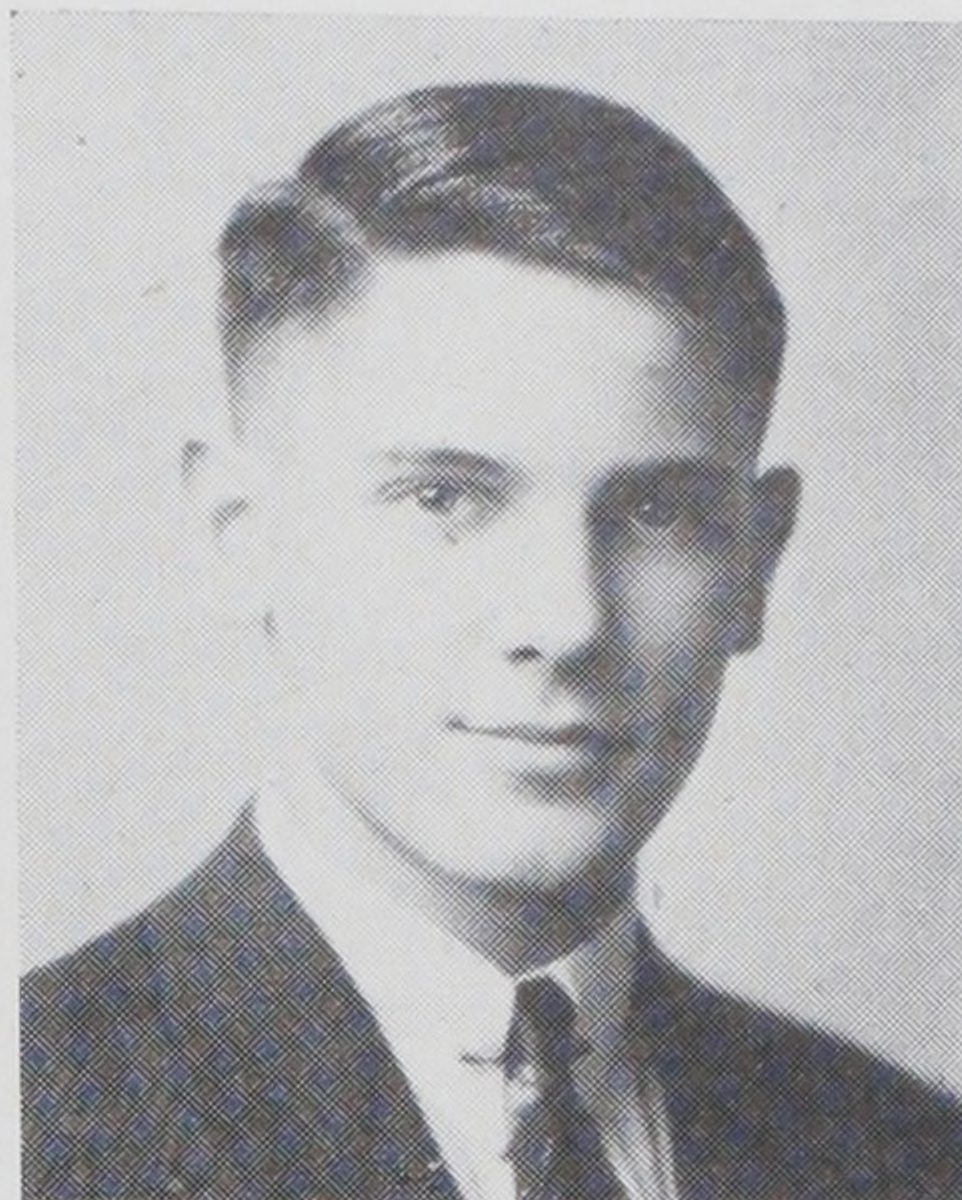
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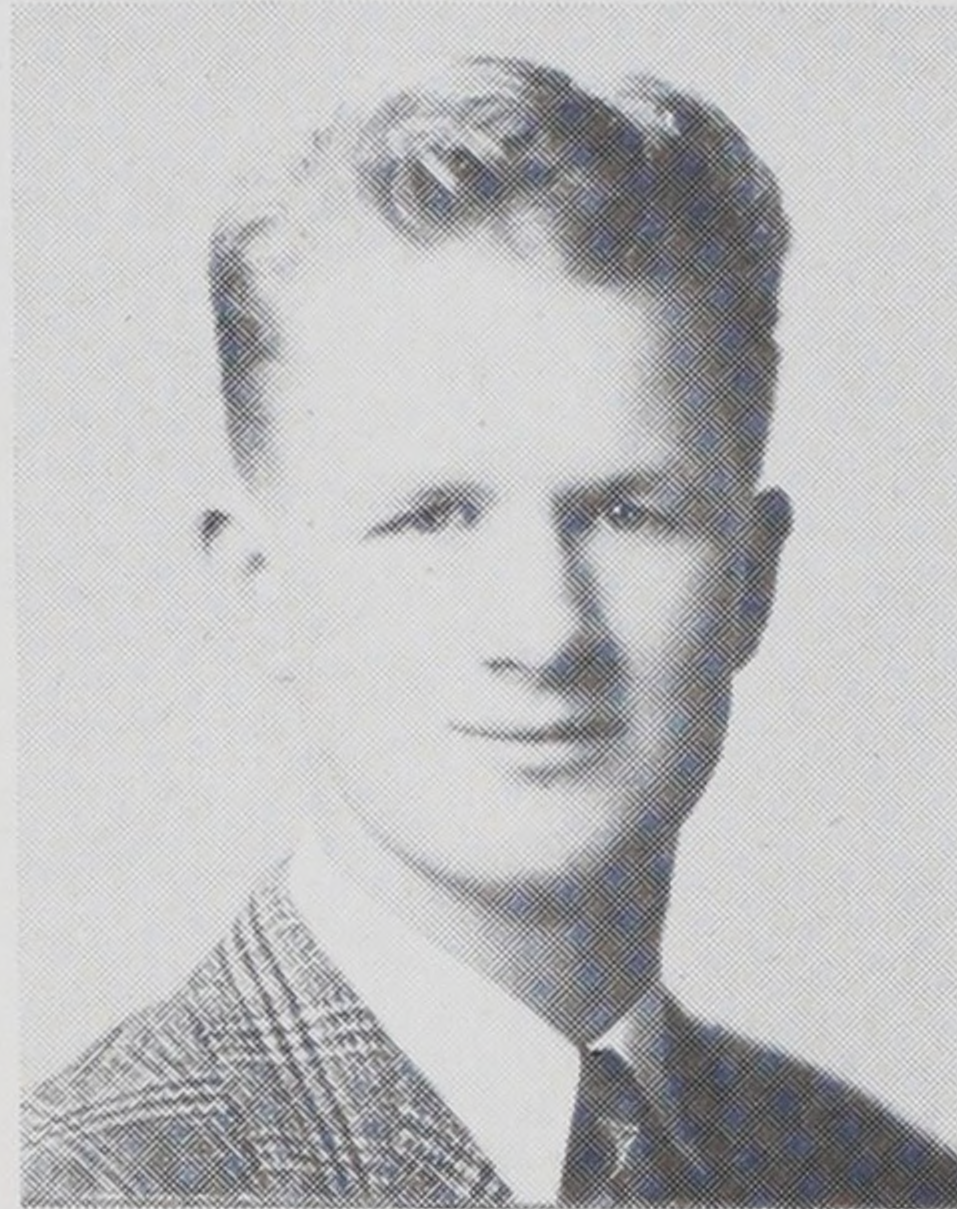
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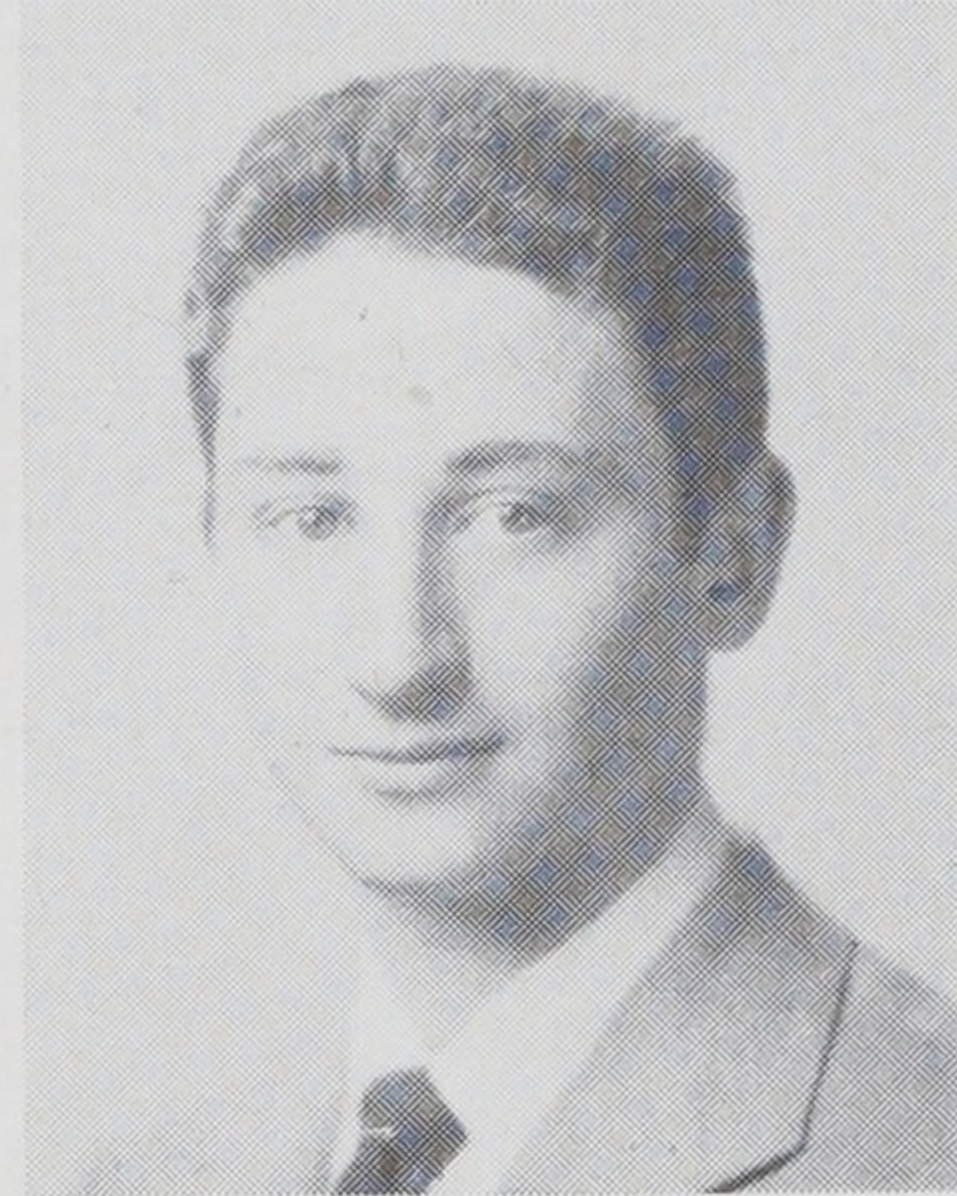
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Executive Board; Aviation Club.



ZAIR, SAUL E.

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Band; First Aid; Minuteman; Aquatic Club;  
Oyer-un-Gon.



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Army

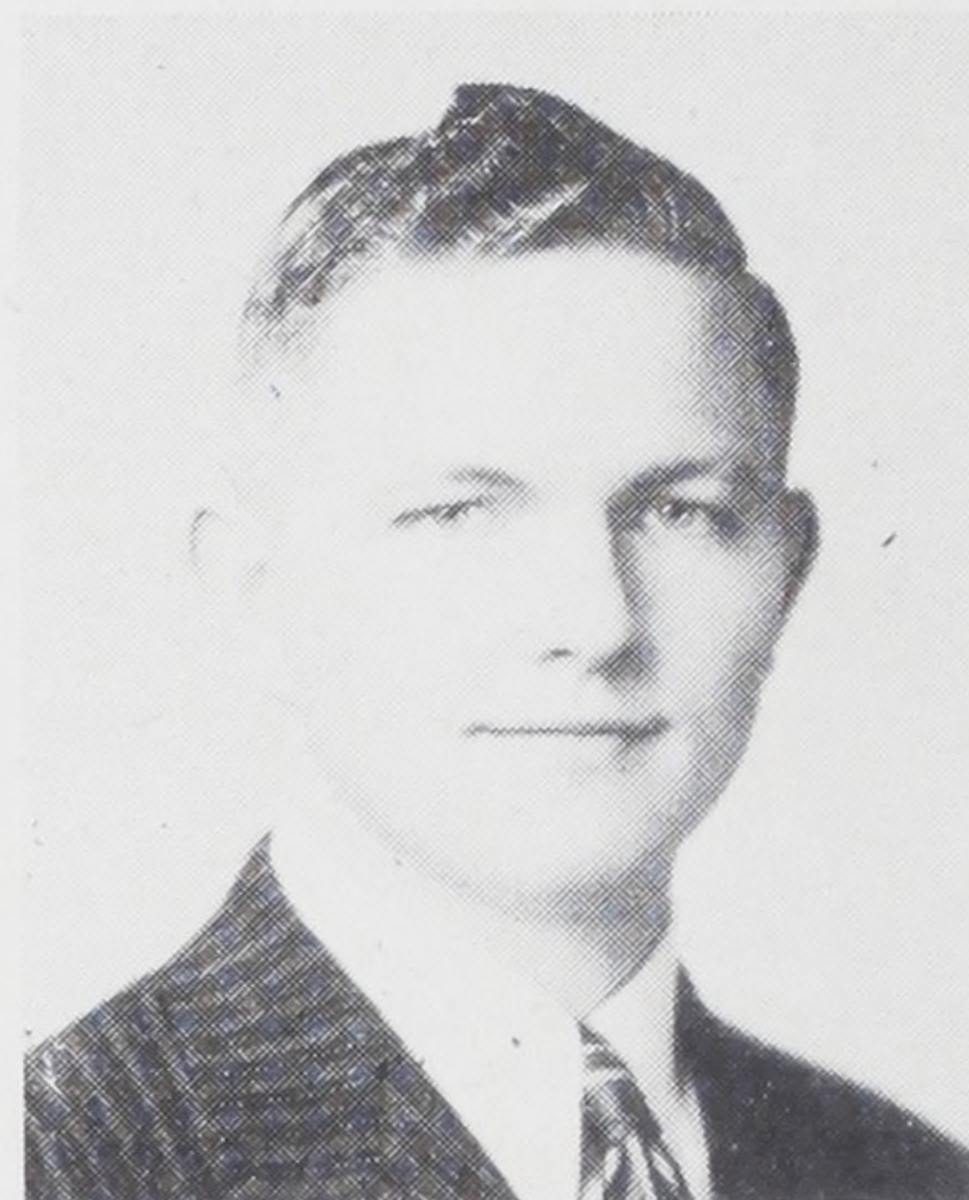




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WHITBREAD HUGH A.  
*Technical Electrical*



JOHNSON, DOUGLAS J.  
*Technical Aviation*  
Fire Squad; Orange B  
Club; Football.

## CAMERA SHY

BETTENDORF, ARLIE C.  
*Technical Course*

CHERNEY, BERNARD E.  
*Technical Course*

FAHEY, JOSEPH R.  
*Vocational Course*

PLANT, STEWART D.  
*Technical Course*

SPENCER, RUSSELL L.  
*Technical Course*

STOVER, DALE  
*Technical Course*

## IN THE SERVICE

BALCOLM JACK A.  
*Navy*

BJORNSEN, FRANK L.  
*Merchant Marine*

BRANSON, JIM H.  
*Army*

CUSTER, WILLIAM D.  
*Army*

DOERN, ROBERT E.  
*Marines*

ECKERT, ROBERT A.  
*Navy*

WALSH, ALLEN P.  
*Navy*

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*Army (Deceased)*

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*Army*

WHITBREAD, HUGH A.  
*Navy*

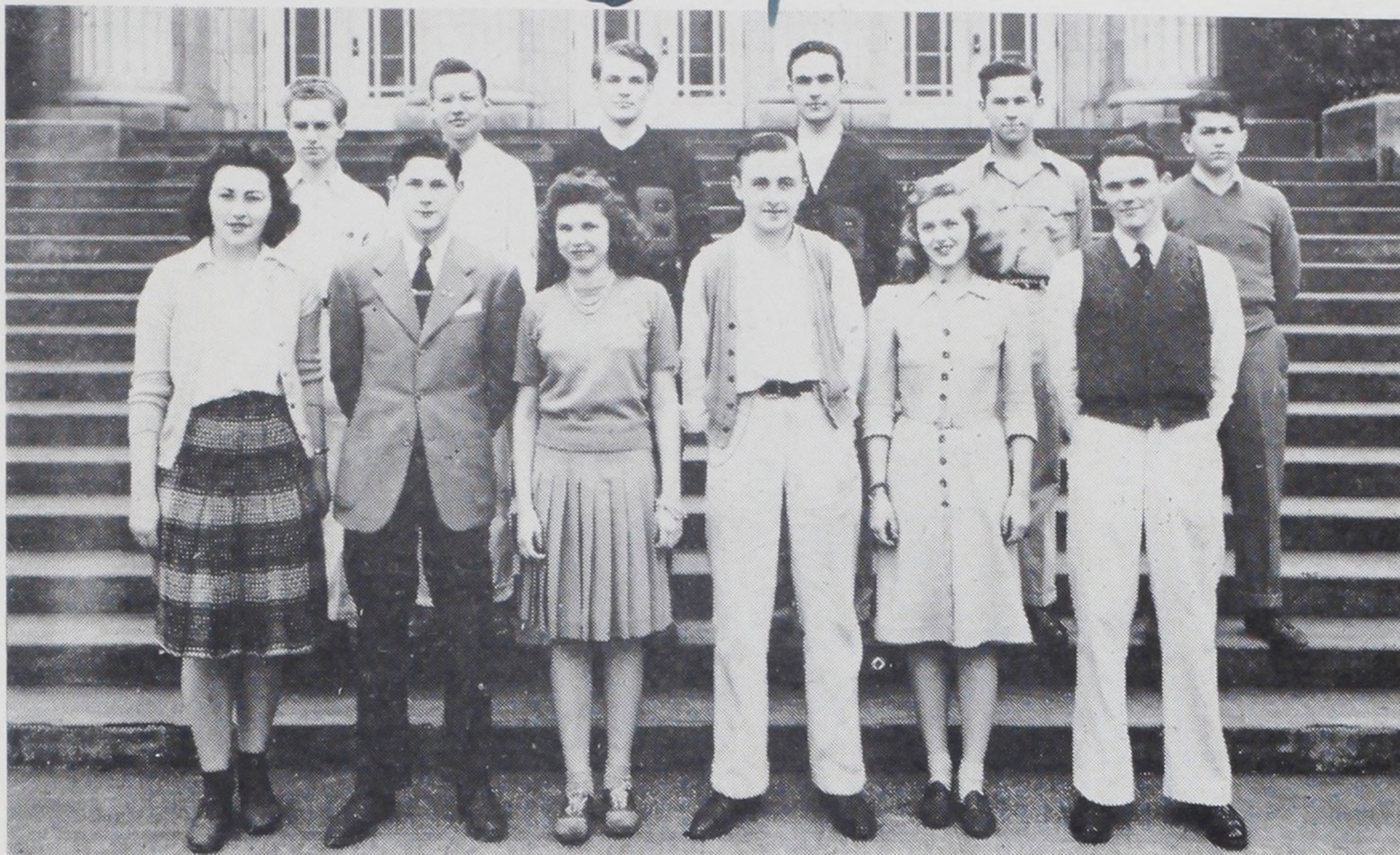
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*Navy*

QUIMBY, RAYMOND L.  
*Navy*

SIRIANNI, RUDY E.  
*Navy*



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## CLASS PLAY STAFF

First Row—Gwen Harper, Schierman, Jean Wortman, Clausen, Mary Ostroot, Cassidy.  
Second Row—Schillereff, Sundell, Jensen, Olin, Stevens, Kemp.

One of the most important events of the June '44 Senior Class and to many of the students of Benson was the presentation of the Senior Class play on Friday, April 21, before a huge crowd in the Benson Auditorium. "Grumpy," a comedy in four acts, was put on in a professional manner with the difficulties encountered during the presentation more than repaid.

The play was built around Grumpy, a brilliant old criminal lawyer, who attempts to recover the stolen diamond which had been left in Ernest's charge. After incessant probing and tireless efforts which resulted in a series of never ending complications he exposes the thief and returns the diamond safely to Ernest, his grand nephew.

The great character lead, Grumpy, was magnificently played by Ralph Clausen who captured the praise of many in the audience. The part of Ernest Heron, the big, rough, trifle noisy, yet perfectly well-bred grand nephew of Grumpy, created a niche for Dennis Cassidy to shine in. The much-sought after heroine, Virginia Bullivant, was a counterpart to Mary Ostroot of Grant High School, who played the part faultlessly. Russ Olin displayed some wonderful acting in the play as the villain, Jarvis. Ruddock, the old valet of Grumpy, was beautifully played by Bob Schierman, and, as might be expected, the combination drew many laughs. Ed Sundell took the part of Keble, Jarvis' man, who was fond of Susan, the maid, realistically played by Jean Wortman of Jefferson High School. The part of Valentine Wolfe, the double-dealing "fence" for the diamond, was enacted by Forrest Jensen. The combination of Bob Schillereff as Dr. Maclaren and Gwen Harper of Grant High School as Mrs. Maclaren, revealed some fine humorous acting. Merridew, the footman, and Dawson, the servant, were capably played by Ken Stevens and John Kemp.

Doris Smith and Lydia Doll were directors, and the school is fortunate in having such experienced directors.



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## CLASS WILL

Robert Andrew leaves his instructors in dismay.

Jack "Ax" Barger leaves his three sports' ability to Ed Paul.

Frank Bjornsen leaves his gift of gab to any freshie in trouble.

Elio Ceccanti leaves his hair to Tarzan.

Andrew Cordano leaves his candle of knowledge so that others may see by it.

Frank "Knobby" Dressler leaves his shortness as a warning to the freshies.

Bob Frost leaves his physique for "Frank Sinatra".

Bud Deibele leaves a few vitamin pills for undernourished lower classmen.

Eugene Groeger leaves for the Army.

Robert Harvey leaves his gas engine skill to his instructors.

Calvin Husbands leaves his muscles to the U. S. Navy.

Carol "Spike" Jones leaves his sleepy eyes to anyone working a shift in the shipyards and going to school.

John Kemp wills his open air taxi to aid in the future development of the taxi-cab.

Jerry Marks leaves his crooning talent to "Sinatra".

Melvin Nielson wills his pugnacity to Mr. Weagent.

Tom Pearce wills his Model "A" to anyone who can start it.

Bob Schierman leaves his leadership to Mr. Roosevelt.

Bob Schillereff leaves his demerits in the projection booth.

Herb Schmit wills his motorcycle to any person whose insurance policy is paid up.

Dale Smith leaves the girls to Bob Clark.

Russell Spencer wills his straw hat and bow tie to anyone.

Dale Stover leaves everything except his address book.

Ed Sundell leaves Mr. Gibson in a rage.

George "Lovely" Yost wills his curly hair to Mr. Patterson.

Roy Wright leaves his knowledge of transformers to any radio shop freshie.

(Signed)

"June '44 Class"



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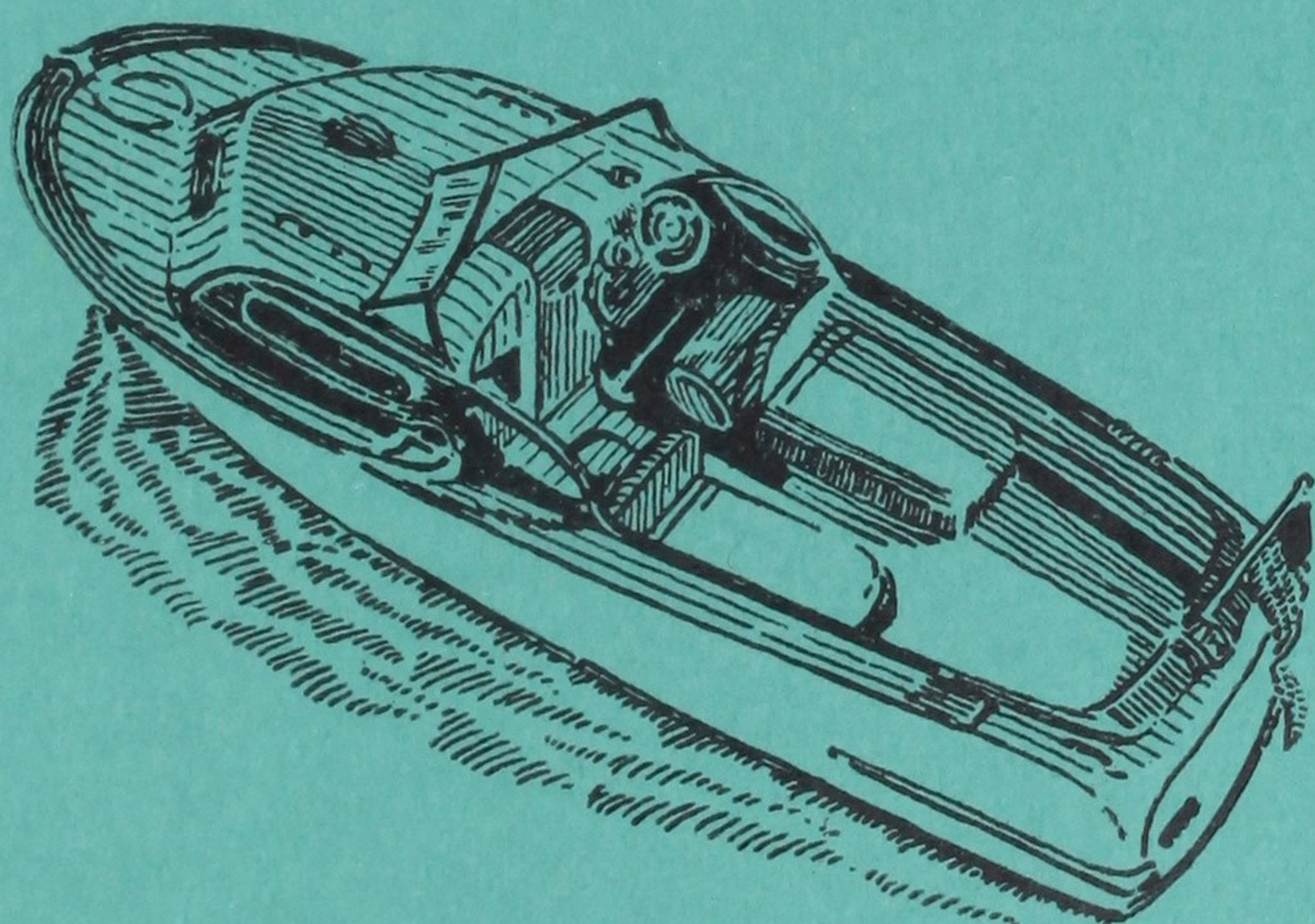
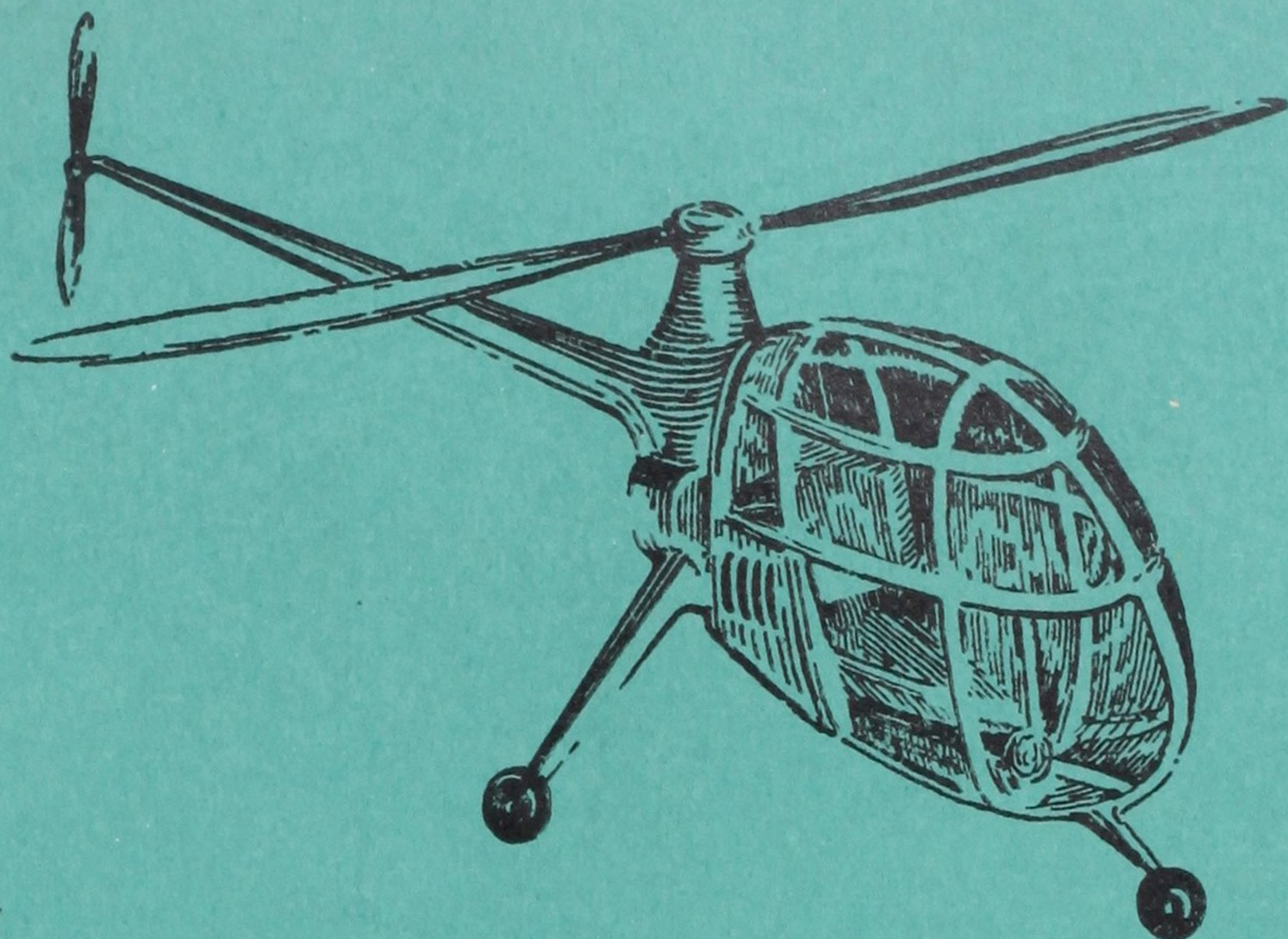
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## LIBRARY

Benson's library contains over 6000 technical, literary, historical, and economic books. In addition to many gifts of periodicals by publishing companies the library regularly subscribes to fifty-three magazines which are paid for by the library, the school district, and the student body. We also have a large selection of pamphlets and trade catalogues.

With exception to the main library of Portland, Benson maintains the largest and most complete technical selection in the city and it rates high in the Northwest. An outstanding feature of the technical department is the collection of trade catalogues which is said to be the largest of its kind for any high school in the United States.

Benson's library was started in 1917 when Simon Benson, the founder of our school, gave \$1000 towards the purchase of technical books. He also donated many books from his personal library. Its growth from then to its present size of over 6000 has been aided by donations and contributions from graduating classes, the student body, the Winch fund, and the English department. The History department has contributed a large number of historical books, outstanding of which are the "Chronicles of America."

Our librarian, Miss Morrison, has been at Benson since the fall of 1929 and has seen the library double in size during her period of service. Each term she instructs the English I classes in the use of the library catalogue, and, on request, she enlightens other classes in various subjects pertaining to the library.

The bound volumes of magazines with the "Industrial Arts Index" and the "Readers' Guide to Periodic Literature" form a good reference library.



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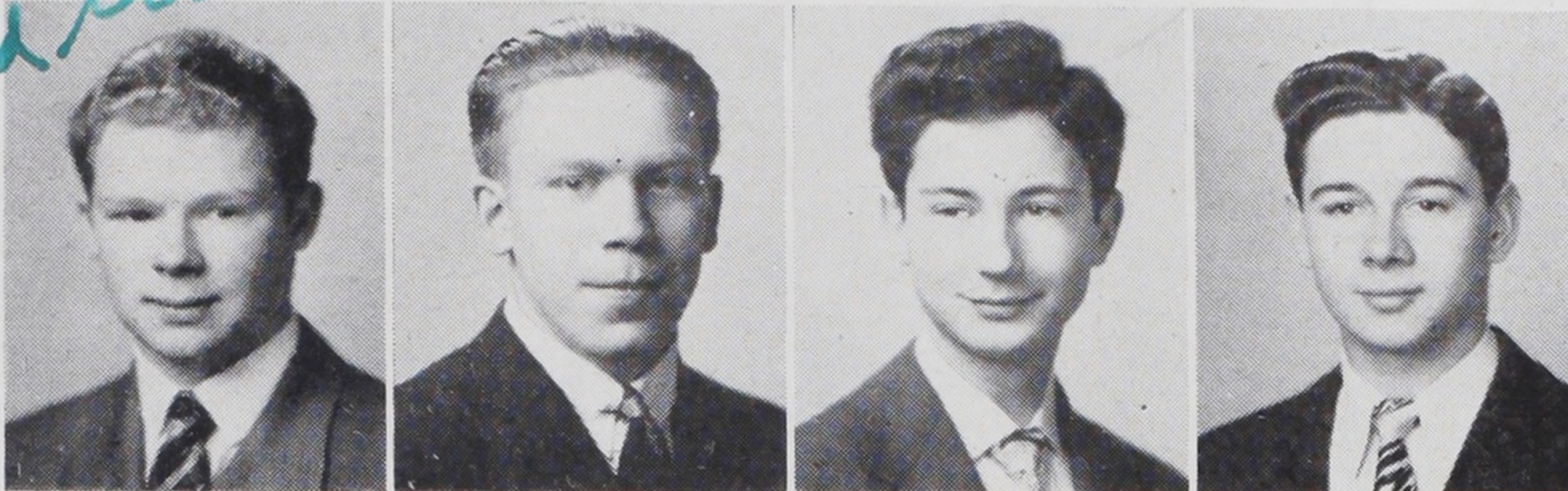


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## STUDENT BODY OFFICERS



Keller

Fletchall

Gann

Hamilton

The election of Student Body Officers is held as follows:

The President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer, as well as the Student Representatives shall be elected by the members of this organization in the manner hereinafter provided, and shall hold office for the school term following their election.

Not later than the first day of December and the first day of May of each term, the Executive Board shall appoint an Election Committee of five members and shall post the names and the departments of the same on the bulletin board. The nomination shall be made by petition presented to the Election Committee on or before the first school Friday in January and the third Friday in May, and the election Committee shall thereupon immediately post a list of nominees on the bulletin board. The nomination petition shall be signed by not less than five per cent of the qualified electors for the office and shall contain the written consent of the nominee to his nomination.

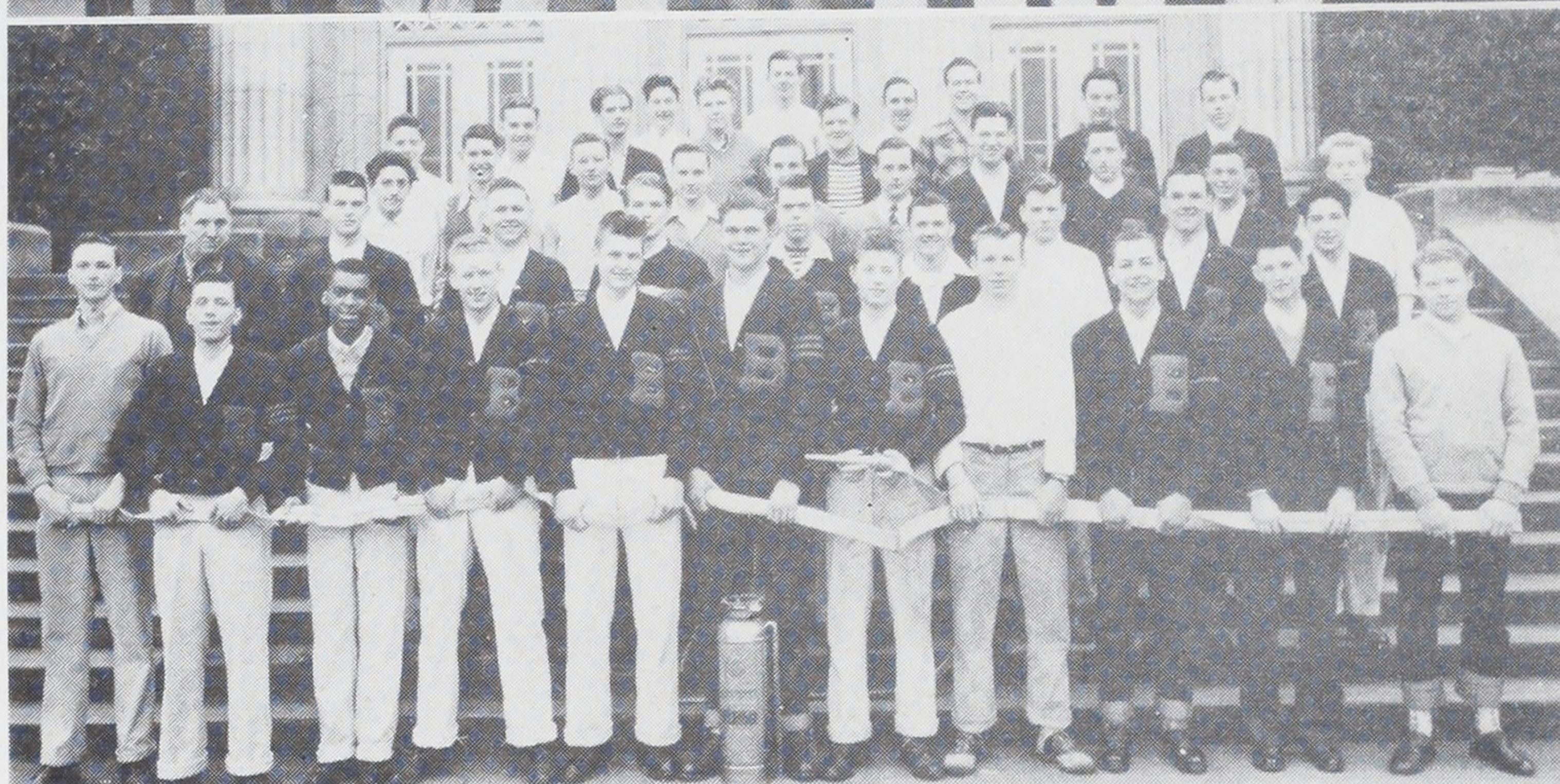
The election shall be held on the Friday before the fifteenth of January and on the fourth Friday of May of each term. The election shall be by ballot and shall be conducted by the Election Committee.

The candidates receiving the highest number of votes cast for an office shall be declared elected. If two candidates are to be elected, the two receiving the highest number of votes cast for the office shall be declared elected. In the case of a tie vote for an office, the Executive Board shall within one week after the election, elect to the office one of the candidates receiving the tie vote.

In the last election for the Spring term of 1944 Ted Keller was elected President; Richard Fletchell, Vice-President; Steve Gann, Secretary, and Howard Hamilton, Treasurer.



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## EXECUTIVE BOARD

First Row—Gates, Petrie, Gann, Fletchall, Keller, Palm, Hamilton, Starvaggi, Mr. Bittner.  
 Second Row—Hilliard, Harrison, Watson, Shepherd, Hawkins, Bottemiller, Myers, Leonard.  
 Third Row—Michel, Kroner, Bartels, Lyons, Wright, Robbins.

*Purpose*—To provide the school with a representative body for the democratic enactment of legislation.

*Officers*—President, Ted Keller; Vice-President, Dick Fletchall; Secretary, Steve Gann; Treasurer, Howard Hamilton; Sergeant-at-Arms, Bob Palm. Advisor, Mr. Bittner.

## FIRE SQUAD

First Row—West, Pearce, Shepherd, B. Barger, Warren, Bartels, J. Barger, White, V. Wilson, R. Wilson, Keller.  
 Second Row—Haskell, Steinmetz, Johnson, Jensen, Kroner, Binford, Glass, Paul, Starvaggi.  
 Third Row—Stratikos, Schmidt, Sundell, Groeger, Bogh, Ross, Dotson, Portwood, Petrie, Tachern.  
 Fourth Row—Yost, Nielson, Chapple, Kelly, Devin, Sahli, Morre, Palm, Gann, Butler, Dressler.

*Purpose*—An organized group of boys whose duty it shall be to systematize the matter of evacuating the school building and taking all precautions in case of fire or air raids.

*Officers*—Chief, Jack Barger. Advisor, Mr. Haskell.

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*Jim Semick*



## MINUTEMEN

First Row—Binton, Hitsman, J. Barger, Wilson, B. Barger, Miss Craig, Wright, Chappell, Fox, Leong Eling, Arnold.  
 Second Row—Wilcox, Goddard, Nielsen, Curry, Russetti, Robbins, Baker, Utter, Martin, Useldinger.  
 Third Row—Garrison, DeLucea, Morgan, Park, C. Hays, Pearson, Light, Delaney, VanRaden, Nelson.  
 Fourth Row—Vaughn, Davis, Bracken, Kroner, Edwards, Vann, Gitschlag, Jacobsen, Fenwick.  
 Fifth Row—Tate, Bingham, Hungle, Coles, Clearwater, Murphy, D. Hays, Beyer, Bush.

Under the supervision of Miss Craig, minuteman advisor, the minutemen sell tickets to entertainments held at the school, athletic contests, student body tickets, Junior Red Cross membership and a large sum of War Samps and Bonds. Their biggest project is in the spring of each year when the minutemen conduct the ticket sale for the Tech Show.

## BAND

First Row—Fitch, Wilson, Darling, Slayman, J. Hawkins, Robertson, Rizor, Wright, Michel.  
 Second Row—Hoare, Roaney, Huffman, C. Hawkins, Litton, Wuner, L. Edwards, Carlson, Roberts, Smith, Bergeron.  
 Third Row—Wagner, Chalmers, Leuch, Nelson, Mills, Steinert, Wood, Olson, Pederson, Brown, Bertelson, Ostensoe.  
 Fourth Row—Shipsted, Kallack, Dyck, Fish, Varney, Hood, Bolf, Propst, Westbrook.  
 Fifth Row—Byers, Watson, Cox, Sherman, Binford, Zaik.

Officers—President, Gordon Litton; Vice-President, George Rizor; Secretary-Treasurer, LaVerne Edwards. Advisor, Mr. Burns.

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## GLEE CLUB

First Row—Leong, McPherson, Dow, McKellar, Anderson, Thorsen, Burkhart.  
 Second Row—Otto, Mitchell, Butzien, Lowe, Florance, Rech, Metz.  
 Third Row—Curry, Morrison, Wexler, Young, Kelly, Attwood.  
 Fourth Row—Mr. Burns.

*Purpose*—To assist boys interested in the development of their voices, and to provide a musical organization to represent Benson in contests, festivals, Christmas, and Easter programs, and school assemblies.

*Officers*—President, Bob McKellar; Vice-President, Ken Atwood; Secretary-Treasurer, Owen Burkhart. Mr. Burns, Director.

## TECH PEP STAFF

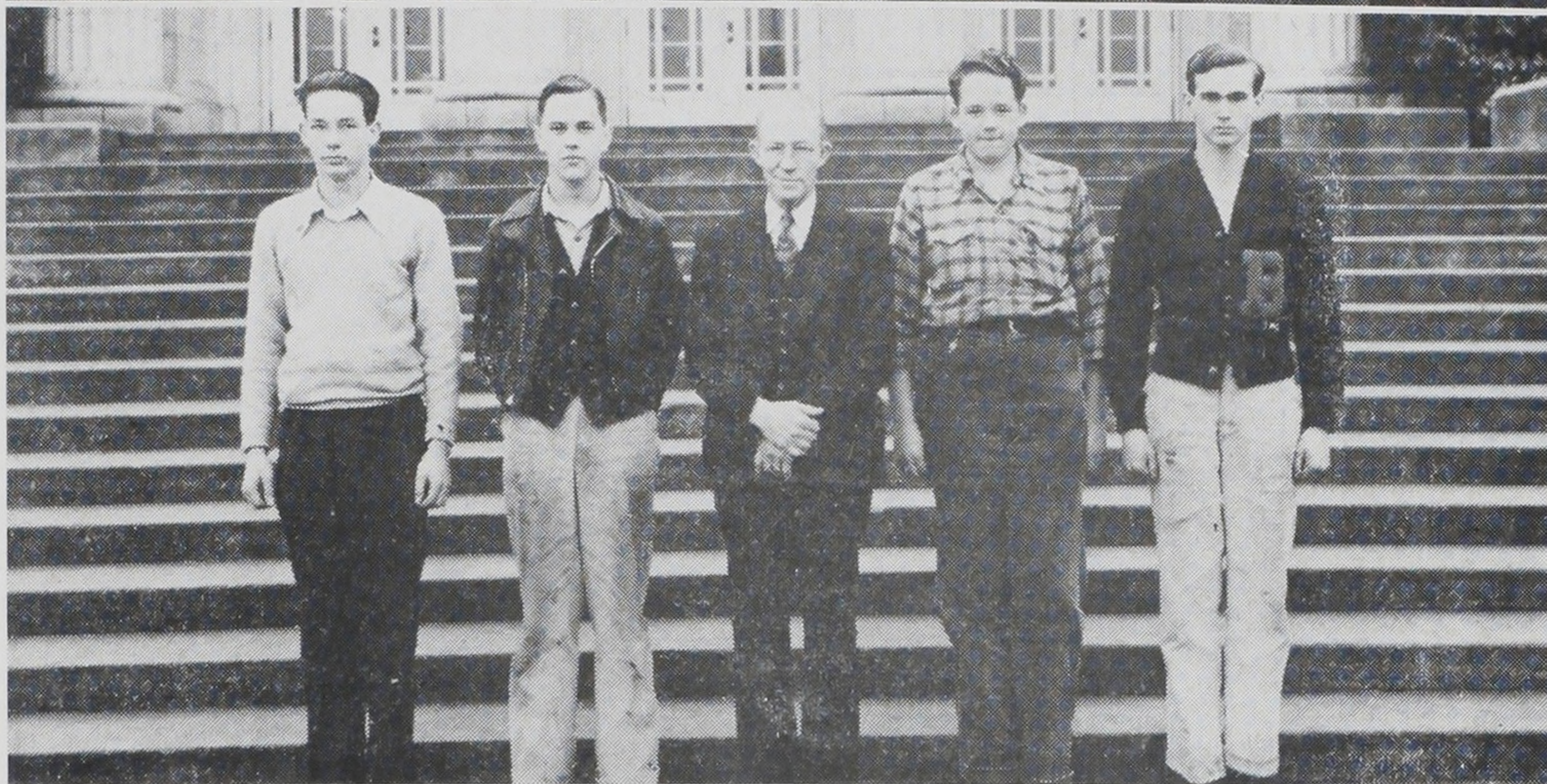
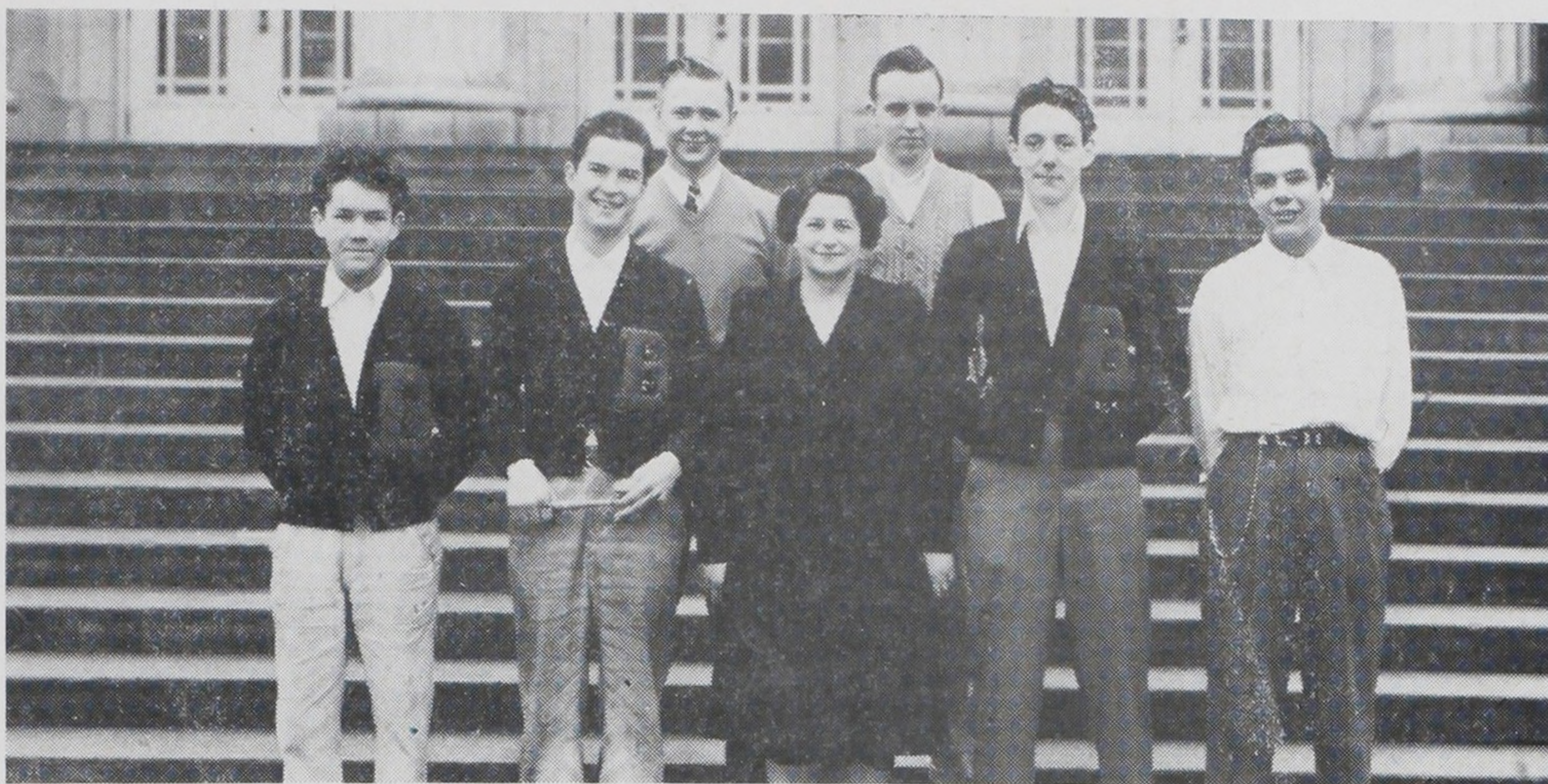
First Row—Wetzler, Mercer, Gann, Warmoth, Clark, Starvaggi, Fifield.  
 Second Row—Kuhns, McCroskey, Schmidt, Zebbender, Metz, Glass, McGary.  
 Third Row—Jenkins, Steinmetz, Jensen, Dotson, Jacques, Clausen, Huskey, Fisher.  
 Fourth Row—Swayzee, Schuh, Ragner, Mezeteir, Ross, Portwood, Valentine.

*Purpose*—The Tech Pep Staff devotes itself to the distribution of news about the school, and by a determined effort, through its editorial columns seeks to encourage school spirit.

*Staff*—Editor-in-Chief, Bob Clark; Assistant Editor, Ed Warmoth; Sports Editor, Bob Leter; News Editor, John Starvaggi; Managing Editor, Dick Mercer; Feature Editor, Dick Fisher; Mechanical Editor, Otis Huskey. Advisor, Mr. Willis.



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## CAFETERIA BOARD

First Row—Clark, Sommer, Mrs. Macklin, Wright, Robbins.  
Second Row—Edwards, Johnson.

*Purpose*—To act on the behalf of the student body in studying and solving the problems relating to the cafeteria maintenance and improvement.

Advisor, Mrs. Macklin.

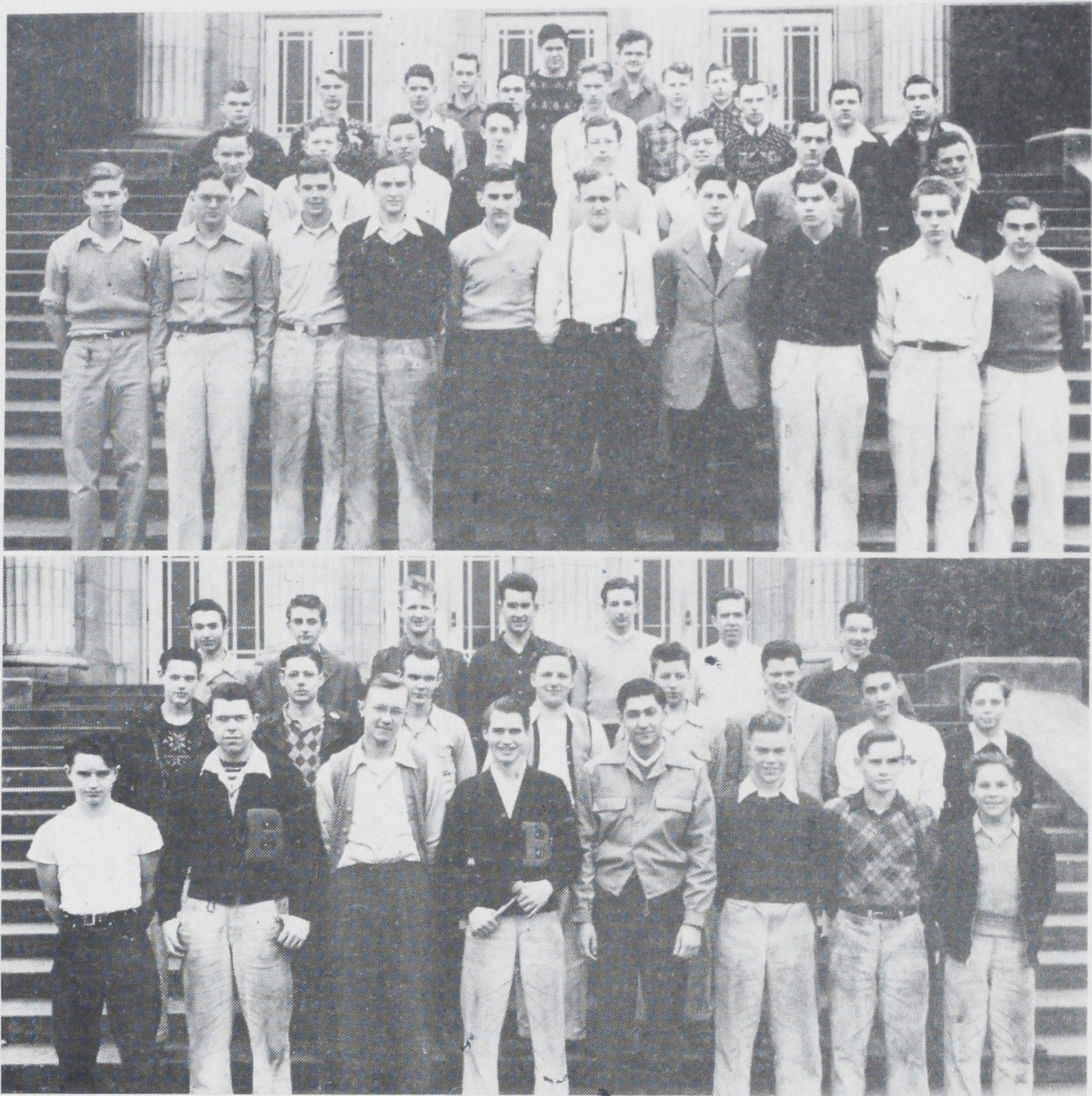
## CANDY STAND

First Row—Hemlree, McCormick, Mr. Holden, James, Brainerd.

Advisor, Mr. Holden.



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## AUDITORIUM STAFF

First Row—Dimbat, White, Soward, Feilly, Gitschlag, Cox, Scherman, Chandler, Schillereff, Hartung.  
 Second Row—Groeger, Sutton, Sundell, Wright, Graber, Watson, Ross, Petrie.  
 Third Row—Propst, Sanders, Schmidt, Olin, Crenshaw, Sherman, Brokaw, Binford, Coats.  
 Fourth Row—Karns, Young, Robinson, Roaney.

*Purpose*—To prepare setting and lights of the stage for programs in the auditorium. To maintain discipline in all activities in the auditorium. To operate projector, public address system and spotlights.

*Officers*—President, Phil Passmore; Vice-President, Dale Curry; Secretary-Treasurer, Richard Gitschlag; Sergeant-at-Arms, Ray Cox. Advisor, Mr. Sieforth.

## AVIATION CLUB

First Row—Cooly, Kroner, Branson, Aaron, Bocci, Neely, Soihl, Jarling.  
 Second Row—Stewart, Tonnesen, Jacobson, Gilsdorf, Nitzel, Fee, Babeckos, Bates.  
 Third Row—Zeller, Lindstrom, Young, Plaisance, Pedersen, DeGiovanni, Onthank.

*Purpose*—To stimulate and further the interest in aviation and the building of flying models.

*Officers*—President, Dick Aaron; Vice-President, Jim Branson; Secretary, Charles Bocci; Treasurer, Beryl Cooly; Sergeant-at-Arms, Lionel Kroner.

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## CAVALIERS CLUB

First Row—Snook, Wibe, Oekerman, Wilson, McCafferty, Wagner.  
Second Row—Mr. Strickland, Patterson, Hamilton, Walker, Priest, Wilkins, Perkins.

*Purpose*—To provide an opportunity for Benson students to learn and practice the art of fencing.

*Officers*—President, Bill Oekerman; Vice-President, Glade Wilson; Secretary-Treasurer, Gene Wibe. Advisor, Mr. Strickland.

## ARCHITECTURAL CLUB

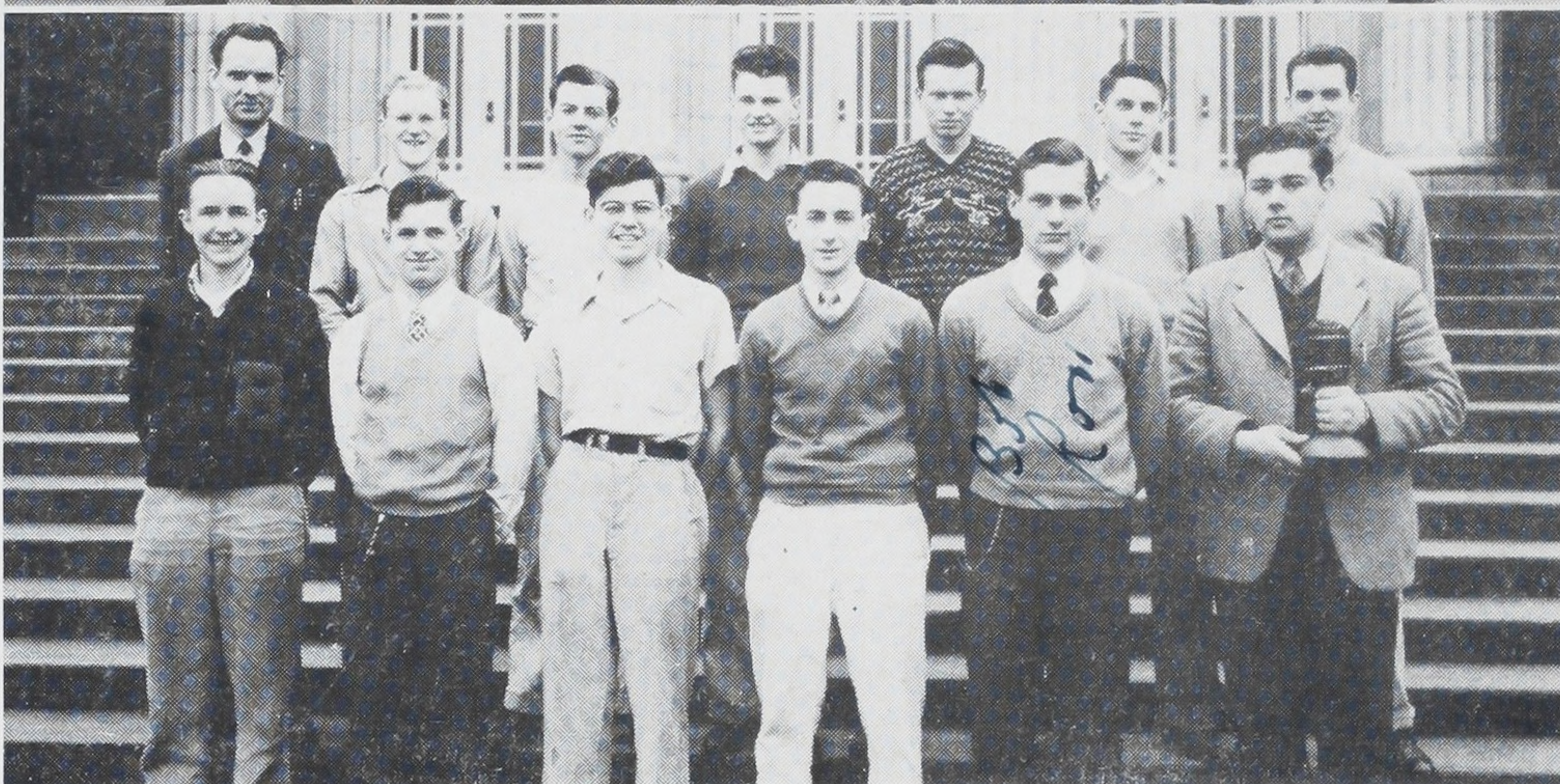
First Row—Chin, Rich, Cole, Stratikos, Vaughn, Sinclair.  
Second Row—Christiansen, Jensen, Hale, Erb, McGarry.  
Third Row—Hawkins, Elliot, Monstis.

*Purpose*—To give the drawing student an insight of the subject beyond his regular course.

*Officers*—President, Gregg Stratikos; Vice-President, Dale Erb; Secretary, George Cole; Treasurer, Jim Elliot; Sergeant-at-Arms, Bill Vaughn. Advisor, Mr. Wild.



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## AQUATIC CLUB

First Row—Sch'ewitz, Dressler, Robinson, Chapple, Decker, Breniser.  
 Second Row—Combs, West, Wright, Werstlein, Grant, Holbrook.  
 Third Row—Mr. Klink, Smith, Wilmot, Drury, Furman.

*Purpose*—To promote swimming and life saving in Benson, which is not a recognized sport in the high schools.

*Officers*—President, Don Robbins; Vice-President, Bob Dressler; Secretary, Jerry Decker; Treasurer, Lawrence Breniser; Sergeant-at-Arms, Bob Schlewitz. Advisor, Mr. Klink.

## KBPS STAFF

First Row—Butzien, Baker, Watson, Lombardi, Ross, Papantonis.  
 Second Row—Mr. Weagant, Frost, Butler, Lyman, Nelson, Wright, Smith.

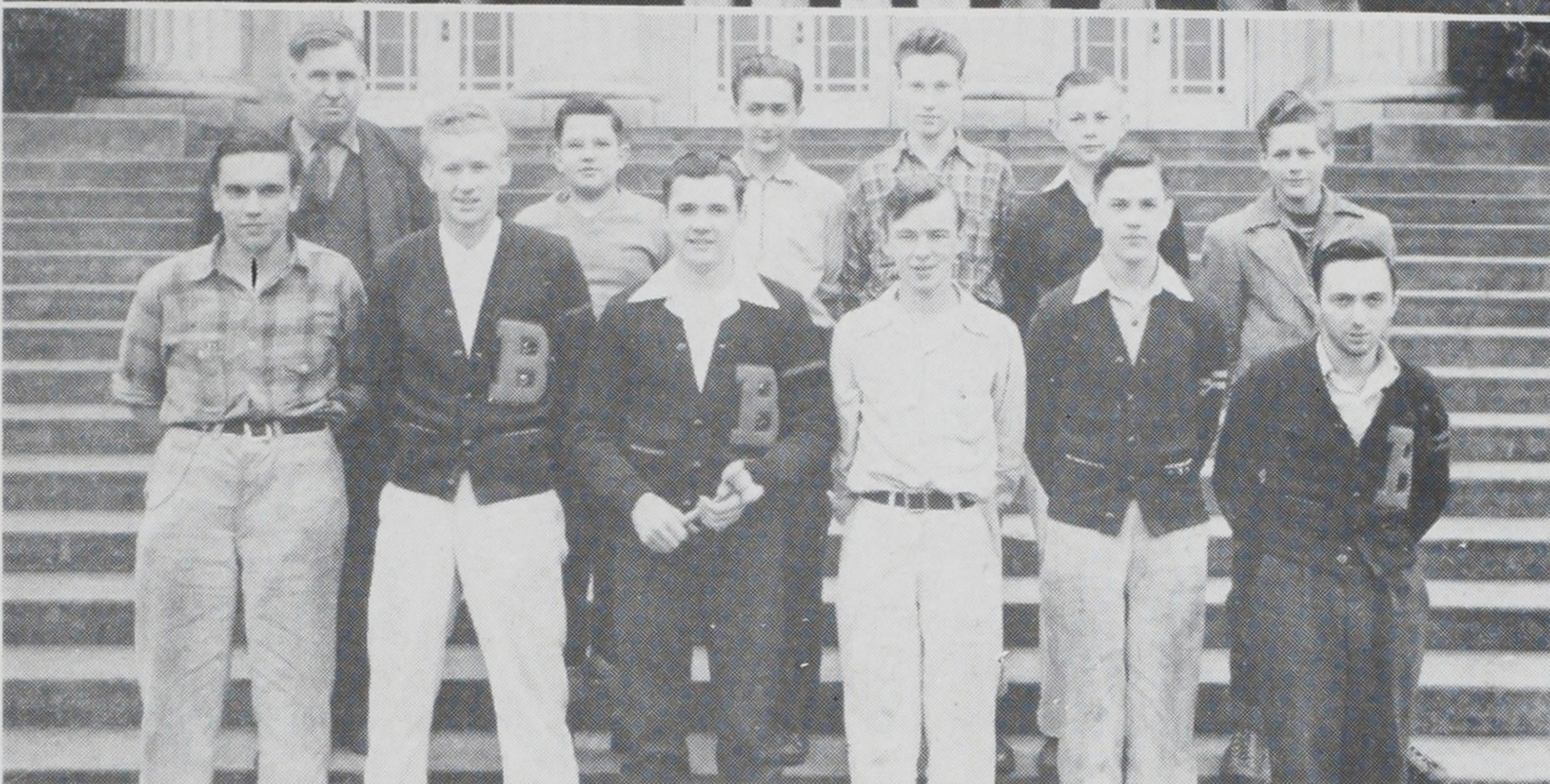
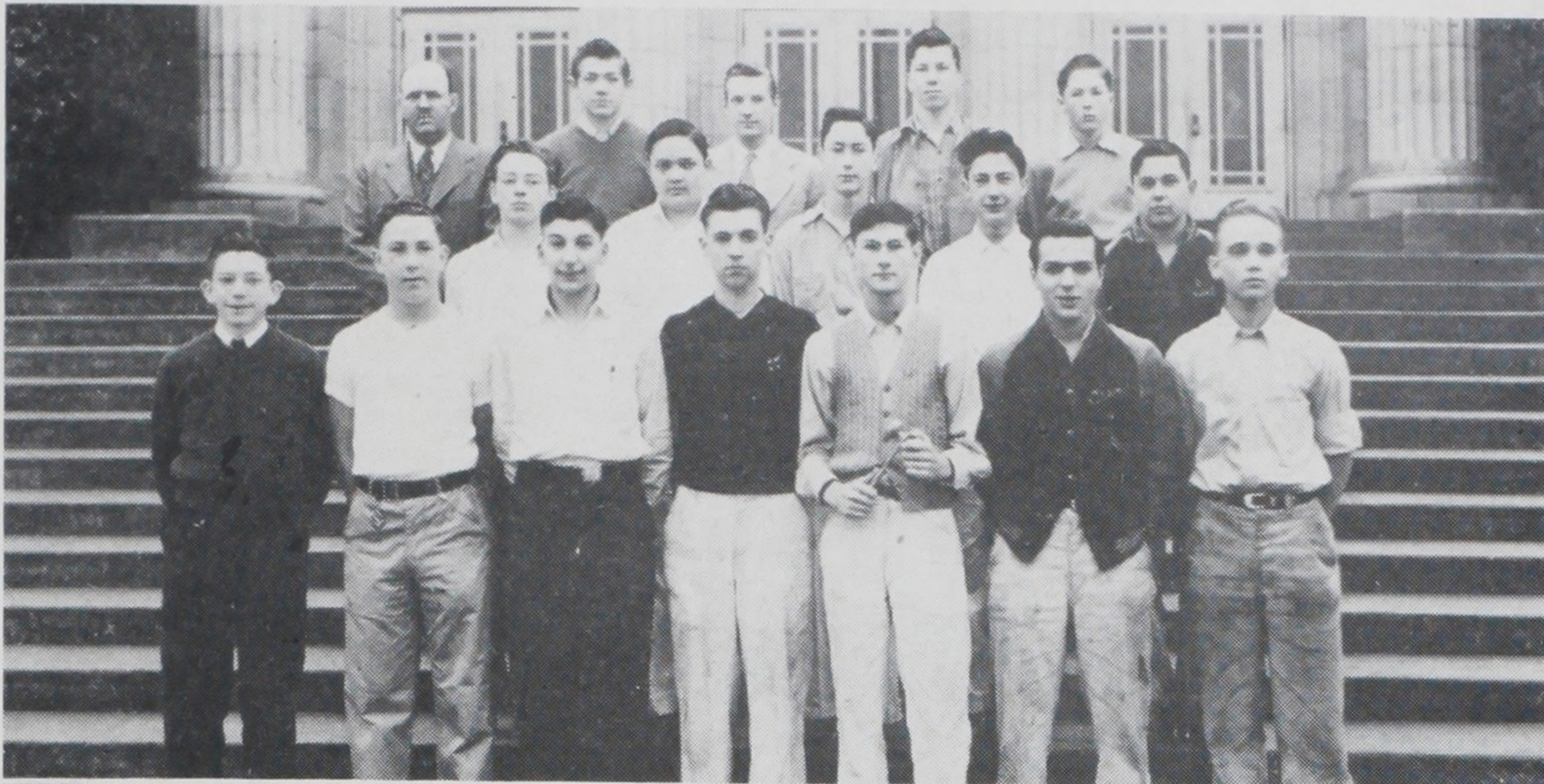
*Purpose*—To advertise the facilities of the Portland School System and to provide a means of educating students in the art of radio broadcasting.

Advisors, Mr. Weagant, Mrs. Gilmore.



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*Group Photo*



## TYPE-HI CLUB

First Row—McCroskey, Krieger, Wetzler, Huskey, Praegitzer, Fossati, Snyder.  
Second Row—Harvey, McAllaster, Walton, Gann, Mathis.  
Third Row—Mr. Miller, Jacobsen, Ostensoe, Jacques, Peake.

*Purpose*—To further the knowledge of printing and advertise school activities.

*Officers*—President, George Praegitzer; Vice-President, Otis Huskey; Secretary-Treasurer, Don Snyder; Sergeant-at-Arms, Constantine Fossati.

## BOWLING CLUB

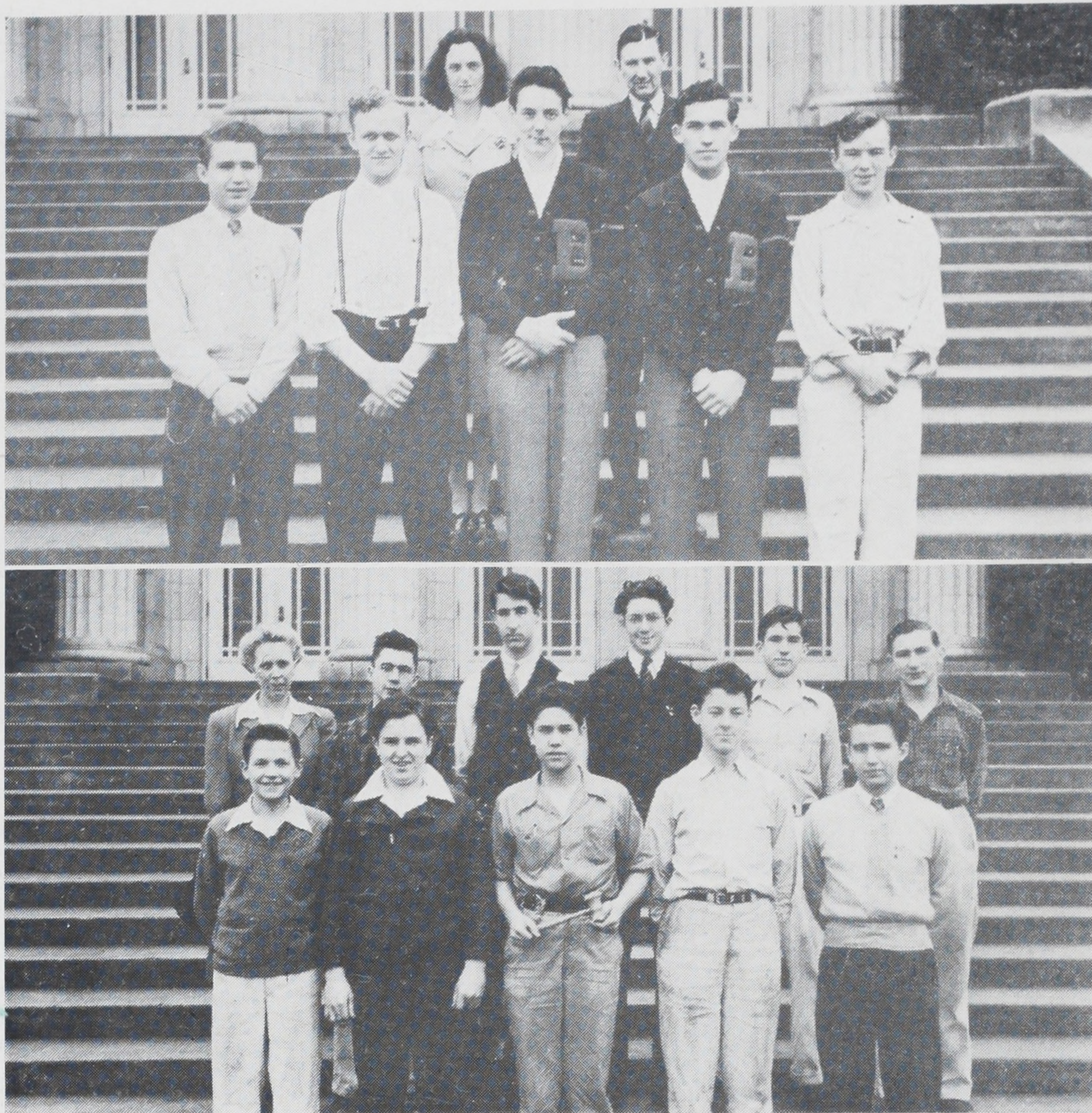
First Row—Zenger, B. Barger, Binford, Balch, McCormick, Fife'd.  
Second Row—Mr. Haskell, Brandt, Park, Dewey, Fullerton, Schumacher.

*Purpose*—To stimulate an interest in the art of bowling.

*Officers*—President, Milton Binford; Vice-President, Bob Barger; Secretary Paul Zenger; Treasurer, Bob Balch; Sergeant-at-Arms, Jack McCormick. Advisor, Mr. Haskell.



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## JR. RED CROSS COUNCIL

First Row—Myers, Cox, Wright, Passmore, Balch.  
Second Row—Miss Craig, Mr. Sieforth.

*Purpose*—To promote and carry out Red Cross activities throughout the school and community.

*Officers*—President, Walter Wright; Chairman, Phil Passmore. Advisors, Miss Craig, Mr. Sieforth.

## RADIO ACTOR GUILD

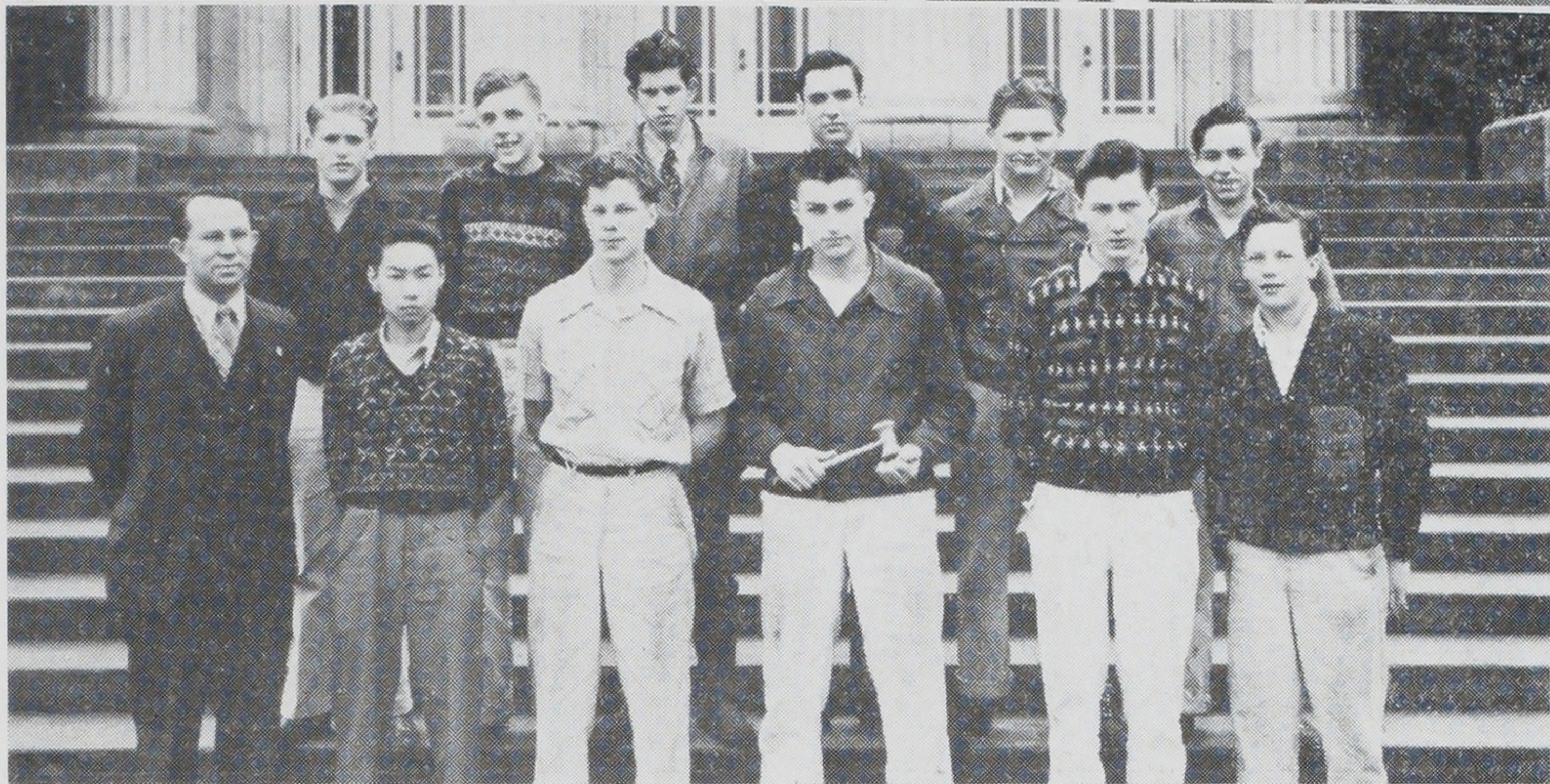
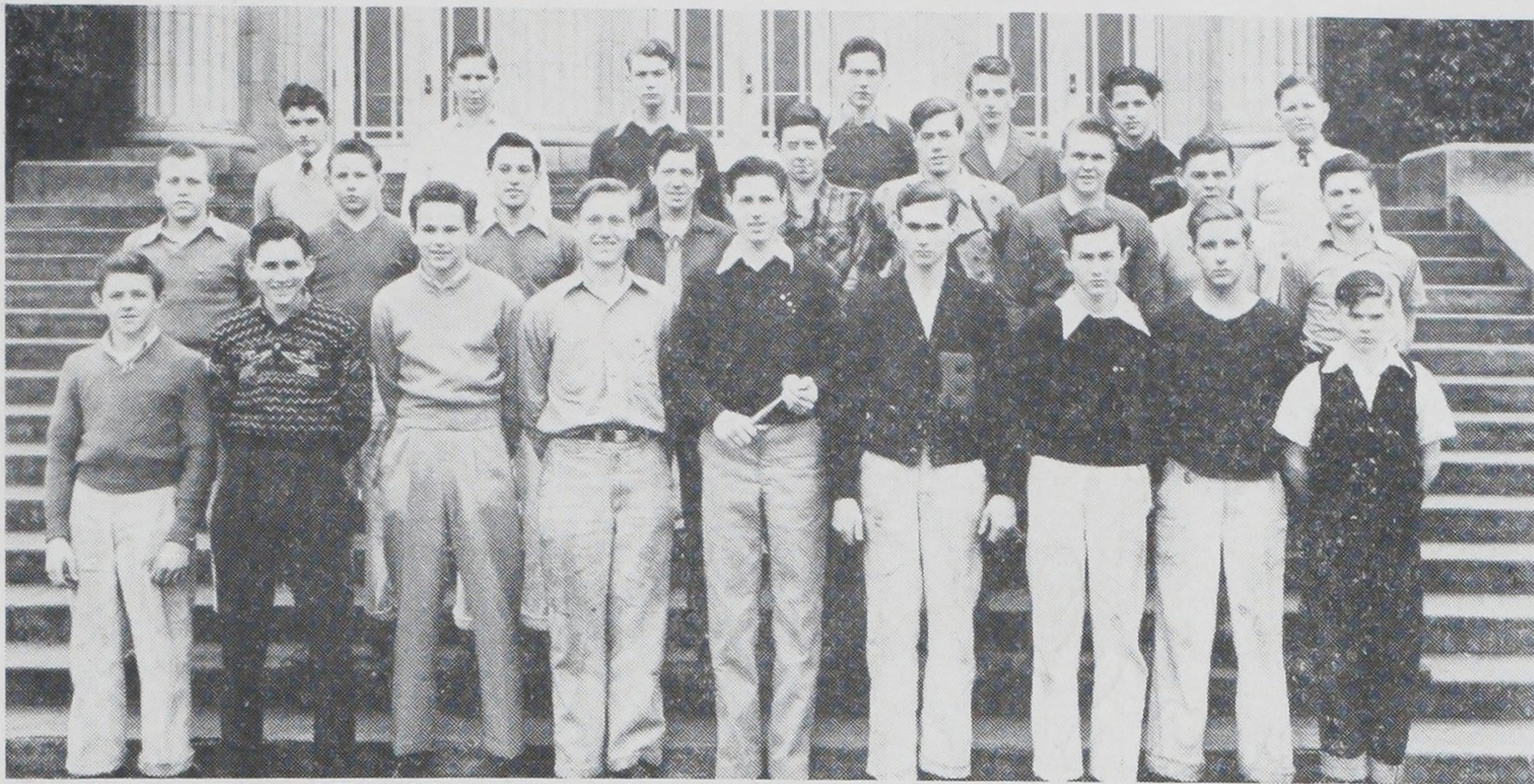
First Row—Fub'icover, McPherson, Anderson, Prindle, Myers.  
Second Row—Miss A. Downer, Pearlman, Wexler, Young, Hays, Bolf.

*Purpose*—To plan and present educational programs over the radio.

*Officers*—President, Eugene Anderson; Vice-President, Phil Abraham; Secretary-Treasurer, Don Prindle. Advisor, Miss Downer.



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## SILVER SKATING CLUB

First Row—Flint, Leeding, Wright, Rocine, Wilmot, Bernard, Dow, Olander, Marcy.  
 Second Row—Jensen, Brinker, Wassinger, Besaw, Minton, Smith, Burbank, McMurry, Harrington.  
 Third Row—Utter, Kenton, McKinney, Lewellen, Lindston, Godfrey, Nelson.

*Purpose*—To teach the members to ice skate and preliminary figure skating. Also educational features.

*Officers*—President, Bill Wilmot; Vice-President, Art Minton; Secretary, Frank Wright; Treasurer, Cliff Brainerd; Sergeant-at-Arms, Rex Rocine. Advisor, Mr. Nichols.

## DEFENDER I. P. S. E. CLUB

First Row—Mr. Barr, Leong, Kisiner, Lewis, Samuelson, Gray.  
 Second Row—Schmidt, Hefferman, Chambers, Herrle, Darby, Clark.

*Purpose*—To improve one's self mentally and physically and also to learn ways and methods of self defense.

*Officers*—President, Bob Lewis; Vice-President, John Wyttenberg; Secretary, Otis Samuelson; Treasurer, Don Kistner; Sergeant-at-Arms, Emmett Herrle. Advisor, Mr. Barr.



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## PUBLIC SPEAKING CLUB

First Row—Wright, Cole, Warmoth, Elliot, Myers, Steinert, McCroskey.  
 Second Row—Schierman, Hembree, Mabon, Hoag, Soward, Jeremiah, Dyck.  
 Third Row—Mr. Karnopp, Haggald, Klingbeil, Morrison, Johnson, Durtschi, Wetzler.

*Purpose*—To give to the students of Benson an opportunity to improve their powers of speech.

*Officers*—President, Jim Elliot; Vice-President, Clay Myers; Secretary, Homer Stienert; Treasurer, Ed Warmoth. Advisor, Mr. Karnopp.

## OPTIMIST CLUB

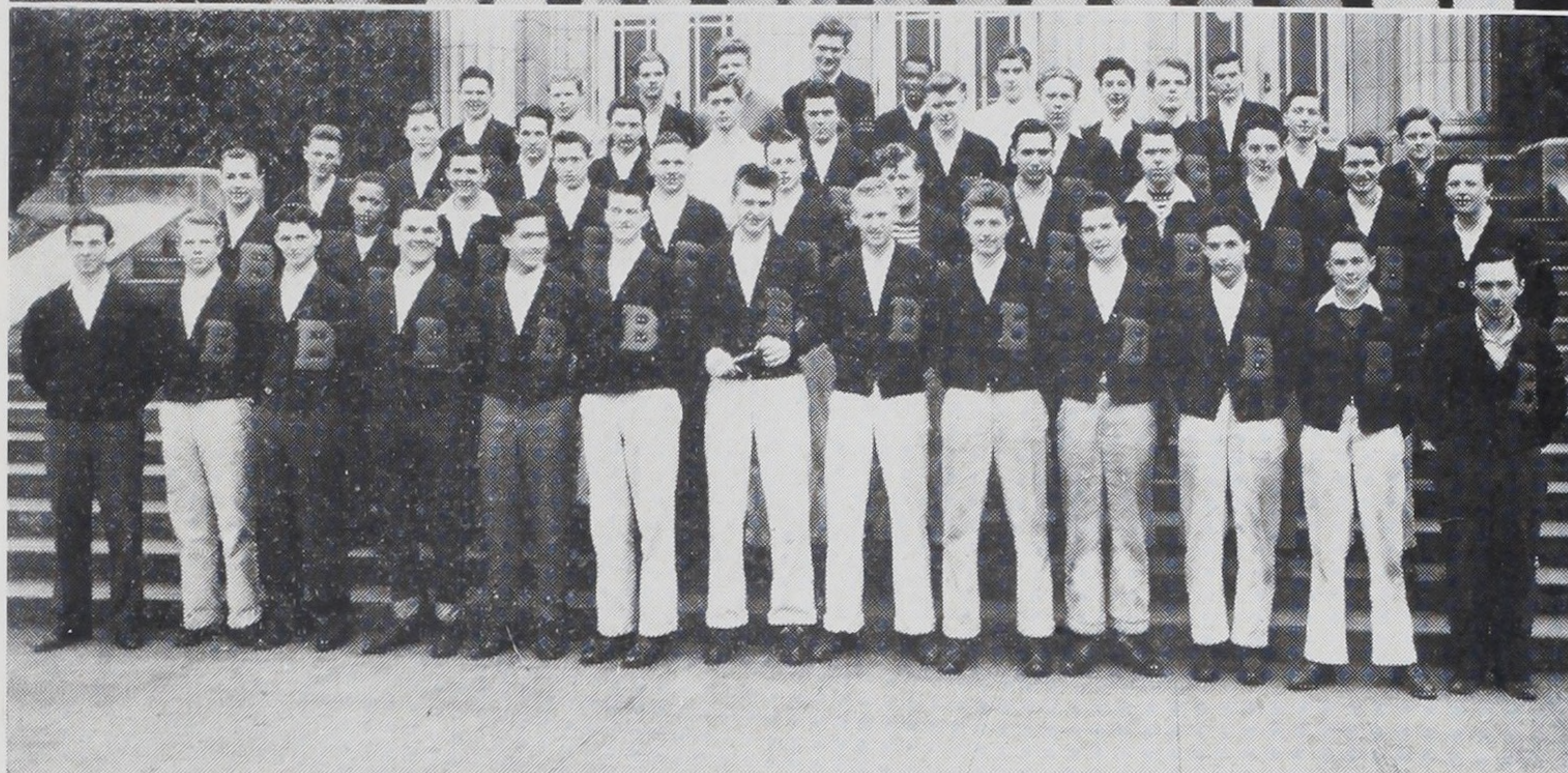
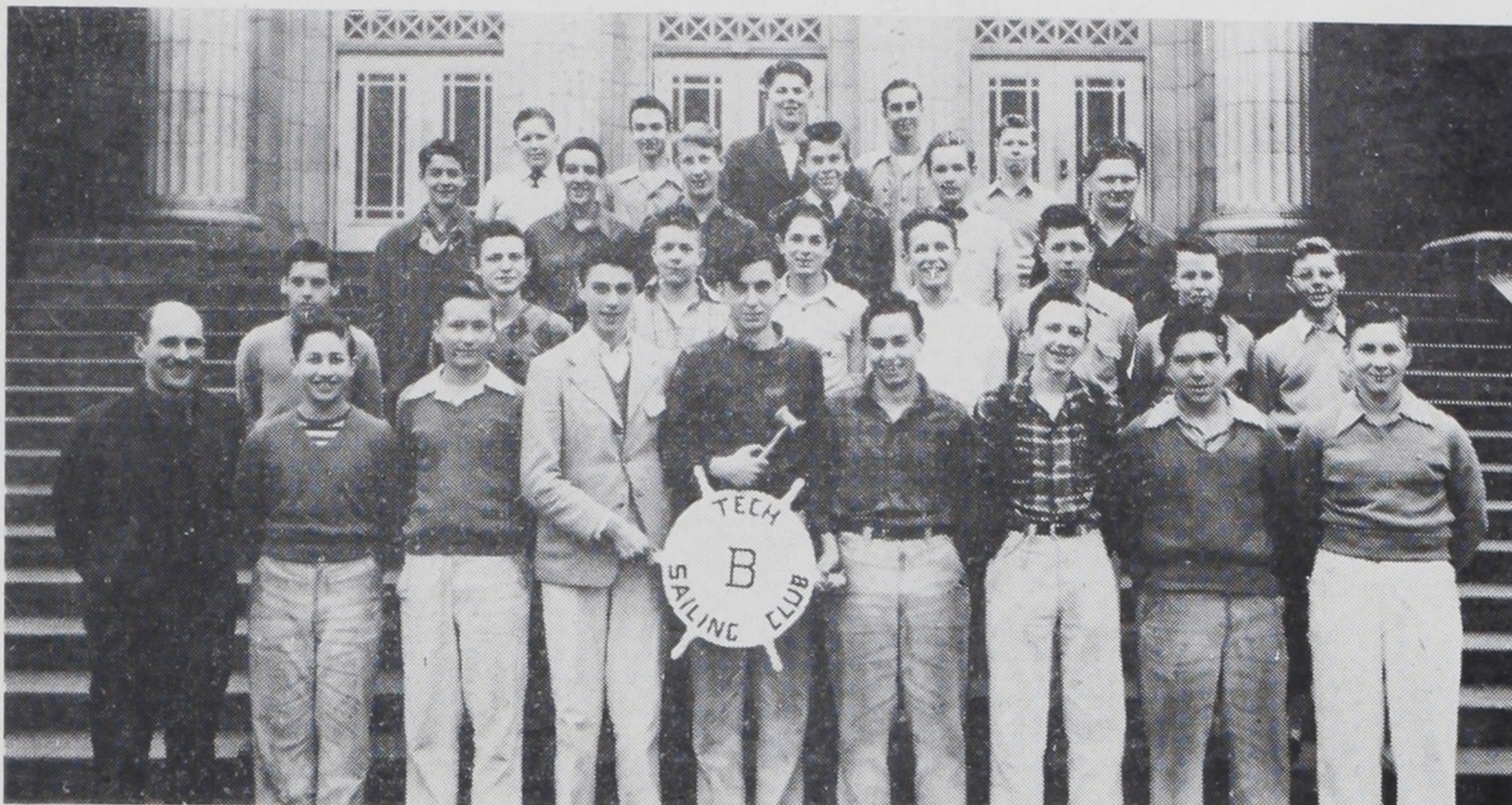
First Row—Klingbeil, Wright, Jeremiah, Keller, Mabon, Curry, Schierman.  
 Second Row—Bennett, Jenkins, Elliot, Morrison, Zografos, Hitsman, Myers.

*Purpose*—To promote an active interest in good government and civic affairs; to inspire respect for law; to promote patriotism and work for international accord and friendship among all people.

*Officers*—President, Duane Jeremiah; Vice-President, Jim Elliot; Secretary, Don Mabon; Treasurer, Walter Wright; Sergeant-at-Arms, Ralph Klingbeil. Advisor, Mr. McClintock.



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## SAILING CLUB

First Row—Mr. Oakes, Sherman, Linstead, Smith, Wilson, Clark, Sourbeer, Shea, Walker.  
 Second Row—Gustavson, Hansen, Berry, Cartales, Campbell, Nitzel, Witty, Svendsese.  
 Third Row—Kruger, Caisse, Pearson, Kroner, Slayman, Darby.  
 Fourth Row—Neilson, Zeller, Huffstutter, Durham, Dyck.

*Purpose*—To promote the building of sailing crafts and to learn their operation.

*Officers*—President, Don Wilson; Vice-President, Kenneth Clark; Secretary, Dick Linstead; Treasurer, Glenn Smith; Sergeant-at-Arms, Claude Sourbeer. Advisor, Mr. Oakes.

## ORANGE-B CLUB

First Row—Beckner, Bottemiller, R. Wilson, Paul, Passmore, Steinmetz, Warren, B. Barger, J. Barger, Sommer, Starvaggi, Benton, Fifield.  
 Second Row—V. Wilson, Hilliard, Binford, Portwood, Johnson, Palm, Devin, Herrle, Kroner, Wright, Aaron, Gray.  
 Third Row—Petrie, Schiewitz, Swayze, Moore, Switzer, DeLay, McCallum, Fletchall, Jensen, Pearce, Nelson.

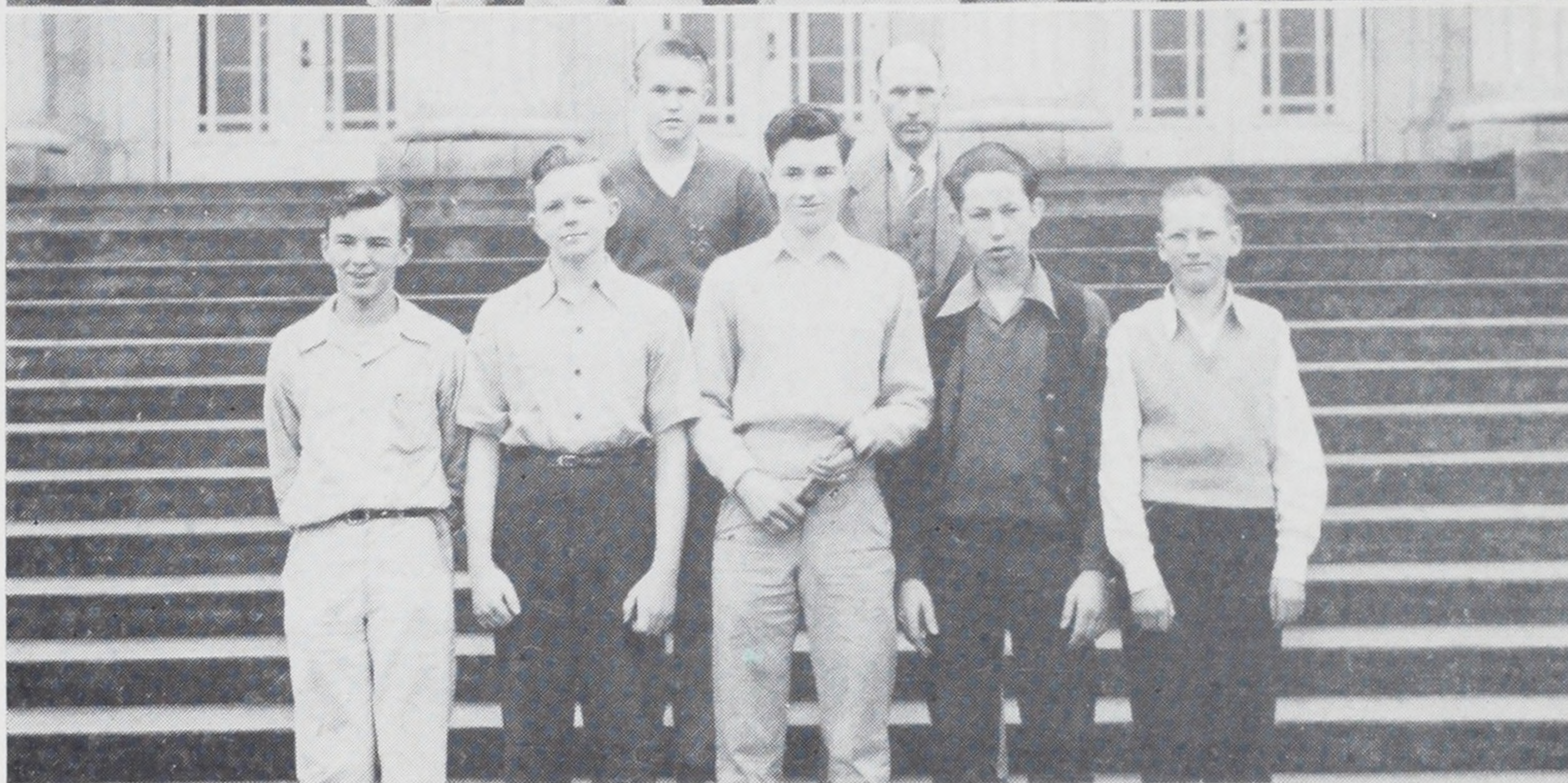
Fourth Row—Knighton, Keller, Chapple, Kelly, Bartels, Shepherd, Weyer, Gann, Encisco.

*Purpose*—To bring together Benson lettermen of good standing.

*Officers*—President, Ken Warren; Vice-President, Jack Barger; Secretary, Ed Steinmetz; Treasurer, Phil Passmore; Sergeant-at-Arms, Bob Barger. Advisor, Coach Patterson.



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## HI-Y CLUB

First Row—Pearce.

Second Row—Shepherd, Aaron.

Third Row—B. Barger, Warren, Bocci.

Fourth Row—Clark, Kimberley, Deible, McKellar.

Fifth Row—Glass, Hamilton, Mabon, Schierman, Delegato.

Sixth Row—Sommer, Paul, J. Barger, Clausen, Beckner, Passmore.

Seventh Row—Polits, Portwood, Steinmetz, Kauffman, Gann, Jeremiah.

*Purpose*—To create, maintain and extend throughout the school and community, high standards of Christian character.

*Officers*—President, Tom Pearce; Vice-President, Charles Bocci; Secretary, Dick Aaron; Treasurer, Ken Warren; Sergeant-at-Arms, Art Shepherd. Advisor, Mr. Taylor.

## CAMERA CLUB

First Row—Balch, Sutton, Kirby, Childs, Magness.

Second Row—Burbank, Mr. Wilfley.

*Purpose*—To further the interest of photography among the students by learning to take, to develop, and enlarge pictures, using their acquired equipment.

*Officers*—President, Verne Kirby; Vice-President, Grant Thorson; Secretary, George Krishnek; Treasurer, Ed Magness; Sergeant-at-Arms, Cliff Burbank. Advisor, Mr. Wilfley.



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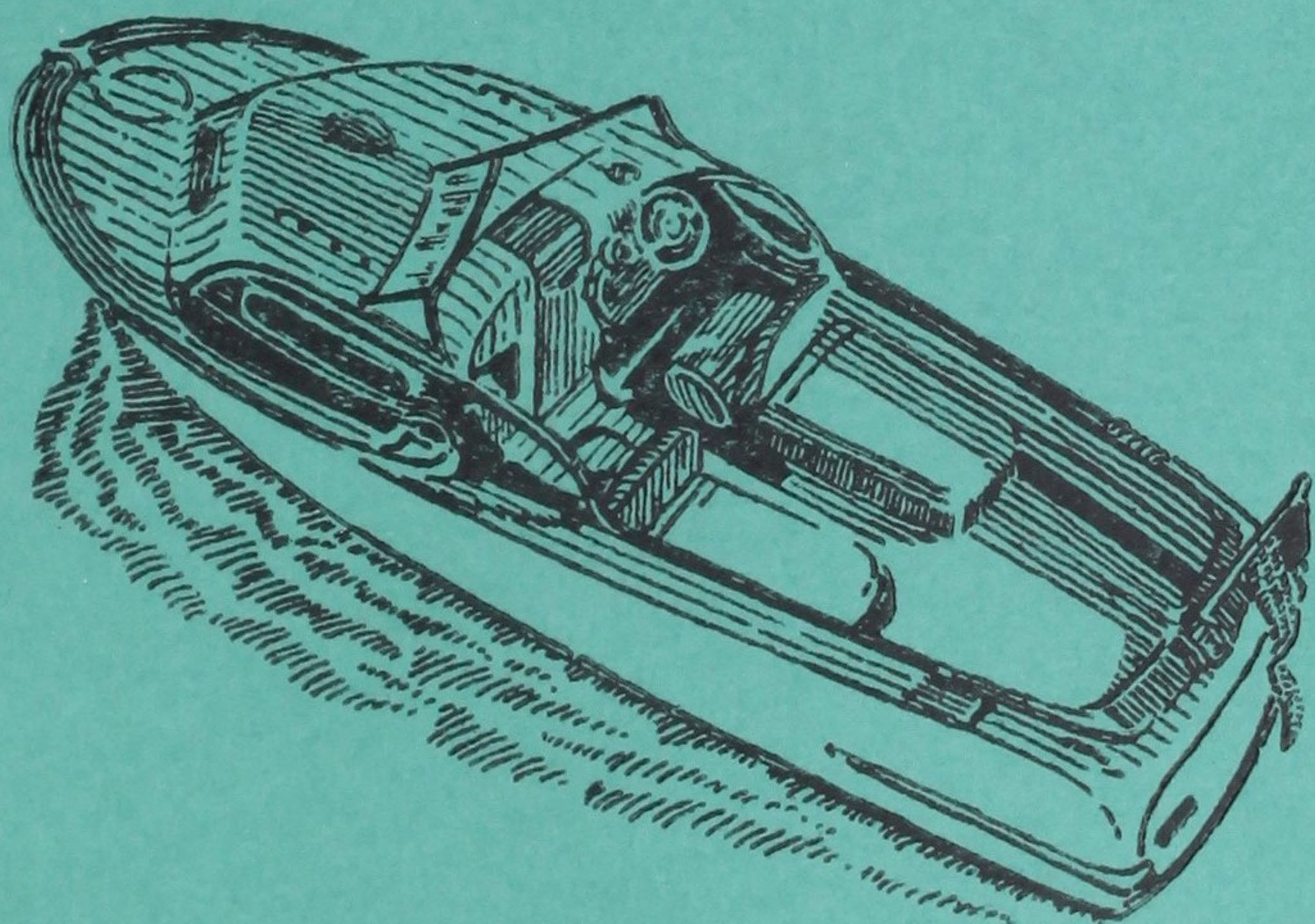
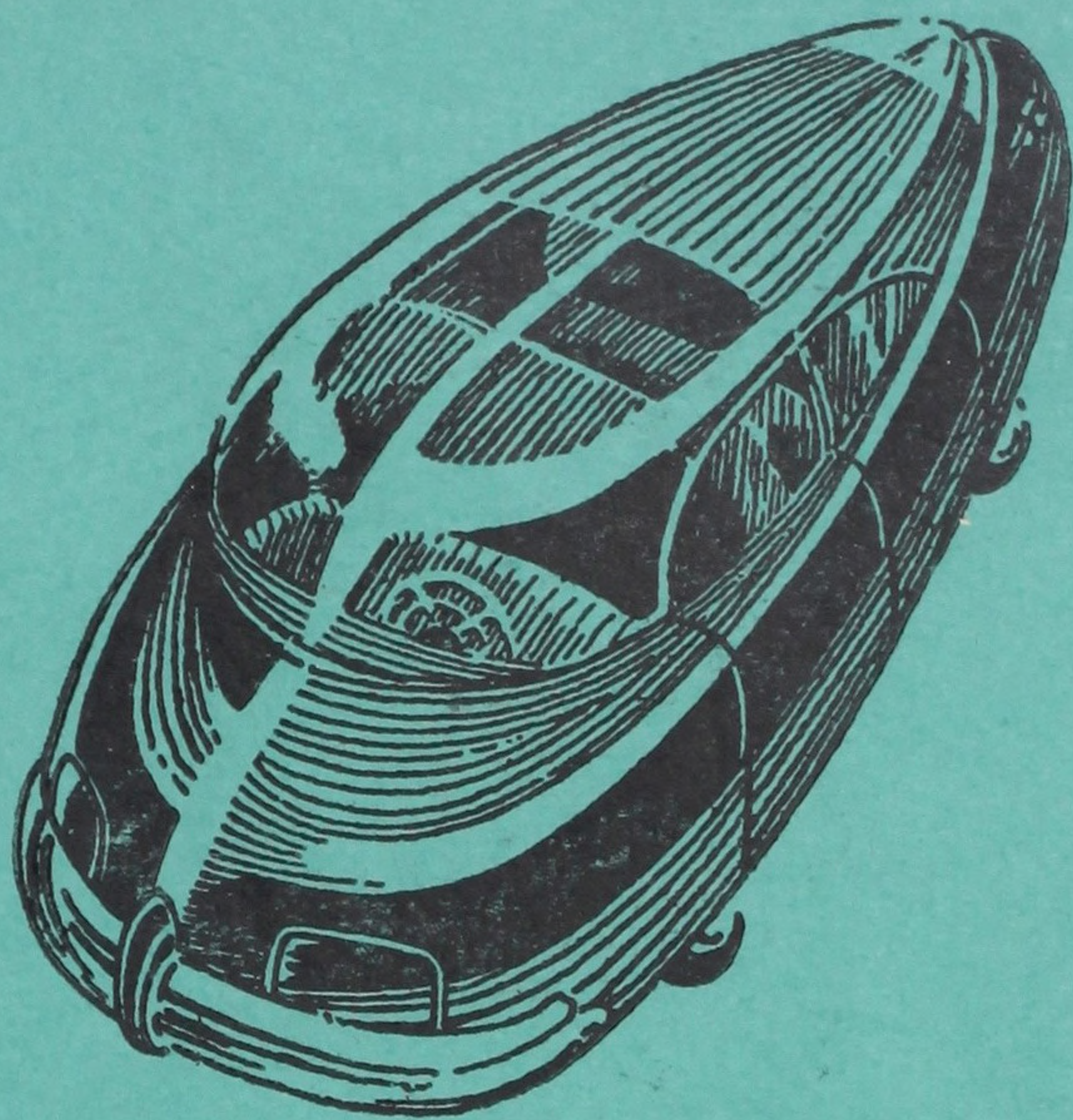
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First Row—Sitton, Paul, Shepherd, J. Barger, Beckner, Clark.

Second Row—Hamilton, Davis, Lyons, Bartels, Warren, B. Barger, Coach Patterson.

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## VARSITY BASKETBALL

The 1943-44 Basketball team could well be termed a hot and cold ball club. Even though they were more hot than cold they ended up in sixth place. It could be said that 17 points kept the team out of first place, as five games were lost by the small total of 17 points.

The team was truly as good as the squad of the year before that ended up in third place, but three overtime games and several other close ones provided the difference between the two club's final standings.

The team relied greatly on the services of Art Shepherd, who was the sparkplug of the team, and was at all times a constant threat to the opposition. Because of his heady playing on both defense and offense, he gained a guard position on the year's all-city squad.

Bartels was invaluable under the backboard in a league where almost every team had a six-footer under the boards. He was awarded a second string berth on the all-city team because of his fighting spirit and playing ability.

Jack Barger, who was only given an all city honorable mention deserves much praise for his playing, as at all times he was fully aggressive and because of his fight and hustle, inspired the team.

The team played both the man to man and the zone defense, but for the most part relied on the man to man. These types were used interchangeably in accordance with the opposition.

Offensively Benson was the hottest team in the league, racking up a total of over six hundred points for the season. The team differed very slightly from the one of the preceding season, as only Bryce Hanning, Chuck Harrison, and Bob Doern were missing.

The season's first string was composed of Art Shepherd and Eddie Paul, guards, Jack Barger and Ken Warren at forwards, and Bill Bartels at center.

Coach Patterson is to be praised for his fine work. For his second straight year he has made up a fine team. This year, because of some bad breaks, his club ended up pretty far down in the standings.

Franklin 30 .....	Benson 25
Sabin 28 .....	Benson 40
Roosevelt 36 .....	Benson 33
Washington 33 .....	Benson 31
Jefferson 21 .....	Benson 32
Commerce 25 .....	Benson 39
Grant 40 .....	Benson 20
Lincoln 29 .....	Benson 55
Franklin 27 .....	Benson 32
Sabin 24 .....	Benson 55
Roosevelt 38 .....	Benson 41
Washington 31 .....	Benson 29
Commerce 36 .....	Benson 37
Jefferson 39 .....	Benson 37
Grant 36 .....	Benson 33
Lincoln 37 .....	Benson 70



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First Row—Harrison, Childs, Chan, Ruscitti, Horenstein, Weistlein. Second Row—Dotson, Mgr., Stratikos, Baker, Humfeld, Sly, Furman, Caputo.

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## JUNIOR BASKETBALL

Benson Juniors, a team composed of freshmen and sophmores of little experience, had a fairly successful season, winning seven and losing 9 games, but as in everything, experience was a major factor in the winning of games.

The Junior's first string was capably filled out by Baker, Ruscitti, Horenstein, Stratikos, and Humfeld.

These players will more than likely make up a major part of the next year's varsity basketball squad.

The Junior's were a hustling ball club at all times, but the team was a small club. Just as in the cases of many college teams small player's were a liability. In the case of the Junior's fight and hustle replaced the necessary height and experience.

### SCORES---

Franklin 7 .....	Benson 22
Sabin 12 .....	Benson 21
Roosevelt 32 .....	Benson 24
Washington 33 .....	Benson 22
Jefferson 31 .....	Benson 14
Commerce 24 .....	Benson 25
Grant 32 .....	Benson 28
Lincoln 24 .....	Benson 25
Franklin 11 .....	Benson 32
Sabin 12 .....	Benson 42
Roosevelt 25 .....	Benson 28
Washington 33 .....	Benson 23
Jefferson 34 .....	Benson 24
Commerce 28 .....	Benson 15
Grant 21 .....	Benson 15
Lincoln 26 .....	Benson 15

## C SQUAD BASKETBALL

Even though the C's had an unsuccessful season, they nevertheless had a good club.

With a first string composed of Petrie, Gibbs, Murray, Clark, and Kaufman, they tallied a total of 107 points in eight games, one of which was a forfeit.

Despite the fact that almost every other club routed them they had, and maintained fighting spirit at all times.

The comparison of the C squad's 107 points against the opposition's 166 is very unimpressive, but in taking into consideration the size of the players it shows that the squad was well versed in the knowledge of a good defense and offense.

### Scores

Franklin 24 .....	Benson 12
Sabin 0 (Forfeit) .....	Benson 1
Roosevelt 26 .....	Benson 6
Jefferson 36 .....	Benson 23
Commerce 17 .....	Benson 11
Grant 10 .....	Benson 24
Lincoln 23 .....	Benson 17
Washington 20 .....	Benson 14



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Baseball Roster—Levin, Moore, Paul, J. Barger, Warren, Shepherd, Palm, B. Barger, Steinmetz, Beckner, Lyons, Case, White, Wilson, Daugherty, T. Ruscitti, Starvaggi, Gillsdorf, Clark, Shea, Schmidt, Bottemiller, Rithaller, V. Ruscitti, Oakerman, Baffaro, N. Fazzolari, Metz, Rocine, Sword, Oakerman, Kauffman, Baker, Stratikos, Boline, Trythal, Mgr., Roe.

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## BASEBALL

At the time of writing, the Portland Interscholastic league has not as yet begun play, consequently the write-up will have to concern pre-season statistics.

In preseason play the team boasted a good record, winning four out of five games, losing only to a powerful Gresham nine. They scored 59 runs to the opposition's 28. The squad had a batting average of .362 and a fielding average of .976.

Nine returning lettermen gave Coach Patterson a nucleus around which he could build the rest of his team. In changing Jack Barger from third to second base, and with Dick Moore on third, Art Shepherd at shortstop, he coached Bob White at first base, which gave him a strong infield, both at the plate and afield. A complete and efficient pitching staff headed by Ken Warren, Ed Paul, and Bob Palm, eliminated his worries for having a good mound staff. By converting Bob Barger, returning outfielder, into a catcher and with Ted Beckner also out for that position, he had a strong pair of ball-wise backstops. The foresight in changing pitcher Al Federici to an outfielder gave him a hard-hitting right fielder; and with Tony Fazzolari, Bob Devin, Jim Boland, and Ken Warren, who also plays outfield, he had an experienced outfield that with a little coaching could be made stronger.

Coach Patterson deserves much praise for developing such a well-rounded team. Previous to the season's opening he had drilled the squad in base running, fielding, sliding, and batting to be sure of having an alert and hustling team.

He had several skull practices at which he pointed out several player's faults, and what was necessary to correct them.

### *Team Roster*

Catchers—Bob Barger, Ted Beckner.

Infielders—Art Shepherd, Dick Moore, Jack Barger, Bob White, Ed Steinmetz, Tony Ruscitti.

Outfielders—Tony Fazzolari, Bob Devin, Jim Boland, Al Federici.

Pitchers—Ken Warren, Ed Paul, Bob Palm.

### *Preseason Batting*

Name	AB	H	R	E	Ave.
Warren, Ken .....	18	9	7	0	.500
White, Bob .....	8	4	3	2	.500
Boland, Jim .....	2	1	1	1	.500
Fazzolari, Tony .....	11	5	6	1	.454
Federici, Al .....	9	4	4	0	.444
Shepherd, Art .....	16	7	7	1	.431
Devin, Bob .....	14	6	8	1	.420
Barger, Jack .....	18	7	4	2	.385
Paul, Ed .....	6	2	1	1	.333
Moore, Dick .....	21	7	9	3	.333
Beckner, Ted .....	9	2	2	0	.222
Barger, Bob .....	10	2	3	2	.200



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Track Roster—Coach Hein, Carter, Clark, Yost, Schleiwitz, Polits, Swayzee, Gray, Sinclair, Fifield, Phillips, Delaney, Sitton, Binford, Fletcher, Portwood, Boozier, Chapple, Hilliard, Nelson, Switzer, Bauchman, Benton, R. Williams, De Giovanni, Bobecknos, Jamies, Roelli, Swire, Kroner, Webb, Huffstutter, Bottemiller, DeLay, Baker, Aaron, Sommer, Foust, Werstein, Dee, Kirby, Durtchi, Karns, Ragnone, Gibbs, Learner, Wetzler, Wright, Atwood, Woody.

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## TRACK

As no meets have been held, with the exception of the City Relays, the track write up will be based on trial runs and assumptions.

With strong contenders for honors in the 440 yard dash, shot put, and pole vault, Coach Hein has been girding the team for its first of the several tri-way meets.

Other than in the three aforementioned events, he has no sure winners, but has several prospects in view. His team is weakened mostly by the loss of several good sprinters.

Dick Fletchall has been putting the shot 42 feet and better in practice and he seems a heavy contender for the City Championship. Omar Switzer, shot putter and pole vaulter, has been lofting his lanky frame above the eleven foot mark in the pole vault.

Milton Binford, appears as a winner in the 440 yard dash by running several trial runs that were consistently fast. Bill Polits, miler, Chuck Bottemiller and Charles Boozier, 220 yard dash men, lead their respective field in these events.

Returning lettermen are: Dick Fletchall, Dee Swayze, Milton Binford, Charles Boozier, Charles Bottemiller, Phil Passmore. Bill Polits, Keith Petrie, and Bob Sommers.

Disappointing to the Techmen was the City Relays where the Trackmen of Benson only tallied three points. The relay teams at the time were under-trained and under-manned, which explained their failure to place significantly in the final scores.



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