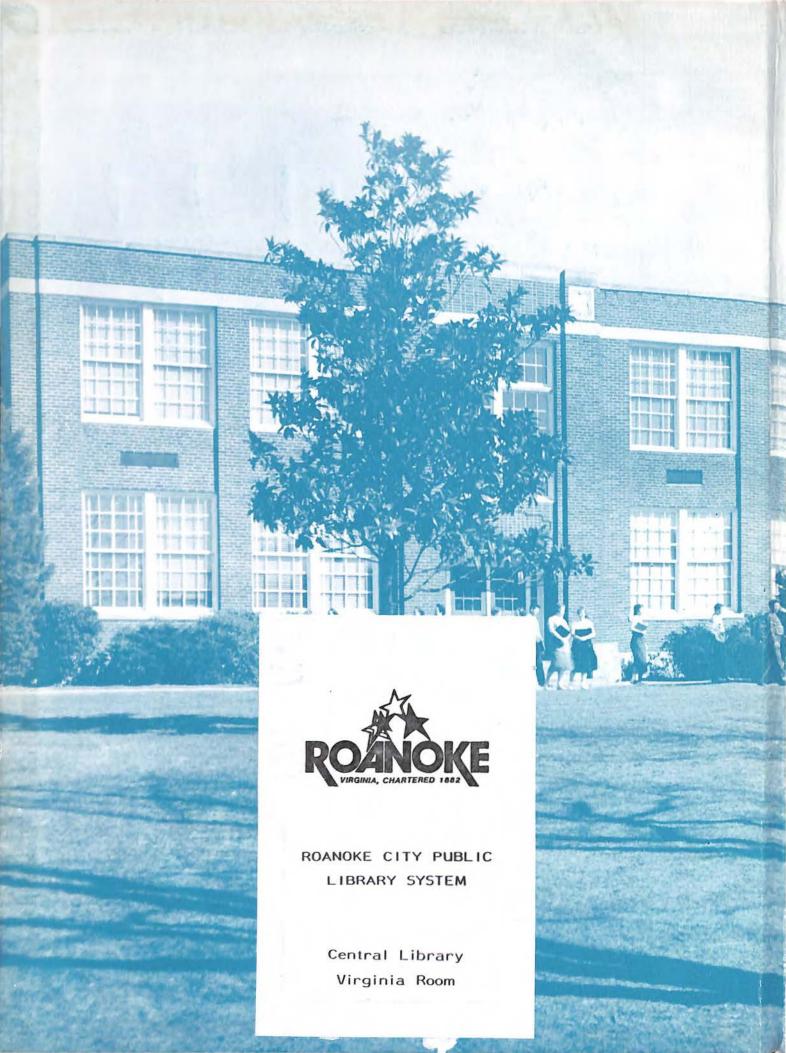
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These were the scenes that greeted us on September 8, the first day of the 1953-54 school year. In some ways, Fleming was strange to all of us. The new addition was to be used for the first time.

After a whole summer of relaxation we felt ready to go. It wasn't long before strange faces became familiar and the activities were in full swing within a few days. Almost before we knew it we were right in the midst of another year at Fleming.

Foreword

I am a student at William Fleming High School. From past experience I know that each year in school holds many memorable experiences never to be forgotten. For this reason I've decided to keep an album of memories, so that I might look back in years to come, and relive the happy, joyful days of 1953-54.

The Administration comes first in my album because it plays the foremost part in the set-up of our school's schedule. Classes come next as the first weeks of school are spent in making old and new acquaintances and becoming accustomed to the new classrooms and subjects. Sports, playing an important role in any student's school life, follows in line. Activities provide much enjoyment and social entertainment, thus I place them next. A section is set aside for the dramatics department because of its outstanding work. Closing my album are advertisements from friends of the school, which help to make the publication of this memory book possible.

And, so it is, I'll always have "My 1953-54 Album of Memories" to remind me of the wonderful days spent as a student at William Fleming High School.





Assembly Highlights

1—H. Beuing with several Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts symbolizes good citizenship throughout the world. This was part of a program promoting better school citizenship. 2—College Day—a big event for Juniors and Seniors. Representatives from nearly forty colleges and universities came to talk to the upperclassmen about their future education. 3—3-D shenanigans by the Colonel staff. This assembly launched the selling drive for the annual. 4—Government assembly to climax Citizenship Week. P. Shafer, B. Brown, D. Doss, D. Parker and E. Brown in a courtroom scene. 5—"Dum da dum dum". Shades of Dragnet. B. Howard, A. Meyer, L. Potts, P. Powell and A. C. Myers in a skit from the annual staff assembly. 6—The "Sob, Sob, Sob" story of a family without an annual. D. Doss, R. Downard, J. Willhide, B. Wingo, J. Taylor and J. McNeer. 7—Congratulations are in order. These students were voted the Honor Citizens of the school from each homeroom during Citizenship Week. 8—Choir assembly. Fleming's outstanding choir participated in numerous assemblies during the year. 9—S. Rierson, S. Farrar and S. McCue trip the light fantastic for the G.A.A. assembly. 10—The traditional Y-Teen-Hi-Y Christmas Pageant with J. McNeer as Mary and C. Ayers as Joseph. 11—A. Meyer, choir members, and B. Stamback commemorate Fleming's war dead during a special service on Memorial Day. 12—A. Meyer and F. Brown, posing as Fleming graduates, relive high school memories for the Senior Assembly.

Assemblies were always one of the high points of the week for Fleming students. These assemblies included everything from musical solos to womanless May Days. In addition to student productions, there were many Southeastern Assemblies during the year.

Scenes at Fleming

1—E. Gorman, T. Hulvey, R. Hardy, J. Leffell and C. Ayers help distribute the Christmas baskets donated by the students. 2—Annual pictures—a busy day for photographers and annual staff members alike. J. McNeer poses for photographer. 3—B. Goldsby, Mr. Caldwell—College Day representative, B. Howard, Norma Martin—student-nurse, and R. Downard discuss vocational and educational opportunities. 4—Practice, practice, practice. The band members prepare for that all-important trip to Washington, D. C. 5—Fleming's choir takes time out from a busy schedule to sing Christmas carols. 6—Future scientists? F. Hill, H. Beuing and C. Wosaba entered prize-winning exhibits in the Science Fair held at Roanoke College in April. 7—An apple for teacher. Miss Pinkard holds the time-honored present for a school teacher. 8—Fleming students filled twenty-six Christmas baskets for needy families in the Roanoke area. 9—An indispensable part of school life—our cafeteria personnel, Mrs. Cabaniss, Mrs. Harris and Mrs. Stevens. 10—Flemingites kick up their heels at the Christmas Dance, B. Goldsby crowns the queen, P. Shafer. 11—Coach Crabtree gets an apple for a birthday present. Many happy returns of the day, Coach! 12—Annual staff version of a Christmas party. Front: B. Root, P. Shafer, A. C. Myers, J. Willhide. Back: R. Crawford, L. Potts, R. Downard, M. Sink and P. Willhide. 13—Mrs. Loomis, Fleming's rookie legionnaire, takes her stand in Dixie. 14—Part of Fleming's cheering section "whoops it up" at a basketball game.

One of the things we will remember most about Fleming will be the many activities. Each student found some activity to interest him and as a whole, the students threw themselves enthusiastically behind the activities. This response was the main reason for the success of the year.





The Colonel Staff

Priscilla Shafer	Bernard Howard
BILL ROOT Business Manager	JOHN WILLHIDE MARTHA SINK Sports Editors
Jo Ann McNeer	LOUISE POTTS RUTH DOWNARD Activities Editors
Ann Meyer \ Junior Editors Bobby Newman	Dean Doss
PEGGY POWELL \ Other Grades Editors	RONNIE CRAWFORD
Bernard Wingo	Peggy Willhide Script Writer
BILL ROOT Photographers JIMMY TAYLOR	Mrs. Virginia Kirkwood Sponsor

To put an album together required a lot of work and it could not be done by one person alone. A staff composed of students labored diligently throughout the school year. They solicited ads and subscriptions, took pictures and then began the difficult job of putting the album together. They have tried to record all the important events throughout this school year. It was their hope that in years to come this album would recall many pleasant memories to those students who were a part of this year at Fleming.

Administration



This was a familiar scene during the year, our teachers meeting with Mr. Coulter to plan the school events. Fleming gained eight new teachers this year. They were welcome additions to the faculty. The faculty met several times each month to plan the schedules and activities for the school.

Our School Board



The Roanoke City School Board is shown here. They met the first Monday in every month. Reading from left to right they are: Mr. J. P. Cruickshank, Dr. A. L. James, Mr. LeRoy H. Smith (Chairman), Mr. A. F. Fisher, Mr. J. S. McDonald, Dr. E. W. Rushton, Mr. R. Q. Hite, Mrs. G. C. Ligon, Rev. G. L. Keller, Mr. J. B. Andrews.

Our Superintendent



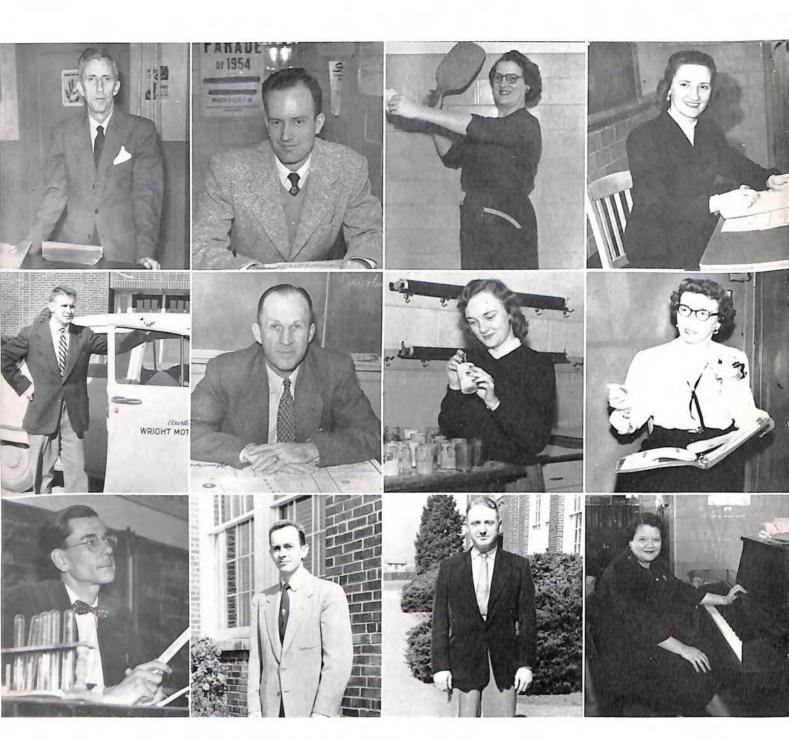
Here is Roanoke City's new superintendent, Dr. E. W. Rushton. Dr. Rushton came to Roanoke rom Orangeburg, South Carolina, to replace retiring superintendent, Dr. D. E. McQuilkin.



Our Principal

Our principal, Mr. W. Albert Coulter, standing beside one of the trophy cases. Mr. Coulter's job of supervising an active school like Fleming is practically an endless task. He was always ready with advice and counsel on any project we wanted to undertake.

Long hours were spent by Mr. Coulter, at the beginning of each semester, making plans to fit the needs of the seven hundred fifty students under his supervision. Throughout the year he took a personal interest in each one and his sympathetic understanding helped to make a happier life for the boys and girls at Fleming.



Our Teachers

First Row: Mr. Donald Baker, B.S., Industrial Arts, Drafting; Mr. R. E. Berwald, B.S.M., Music; Mrs. Virginia II. Boyd, B.S., Physical Education, Bible; Miss Dorothy J. Carbaugh, A.B., Commercial

Second Row: Mr. Philip Crabtree, B.S., Mathematics, Physical Education, Coach; Mr. Con Davis, A.B., Physical Education, Coach, Mathematics, Social Science; Miss Jean Dawson, B.F.A., Art; Mrs. Genevieve Dickinson, B.S., B.E., M.S., Dramatics, English

Third Row: Mr. Tom Dixon, A.B., Mathematics, Chemistry, Physics; Mr. Dean L. Egge, B.A., History, English; Mr. Paul Foster, B.A., General Science; Mrs. Roma Gustin, B.A., Language



Our Teachers

First Row: Miss Ruth Hutcherson, B.S., B.S. in L.S., Librarian; Miss Margaret C. James, B.S., Commercial; Miss Gayle Johnson, B.S., M.Ed., Mathematics; Mr. Robert J. Kirk, B.S., History, Coach
Second Row: Miss Pearl Kirkwood, B.S., Mathematics; Mrs. Virginia Kirkwood, B.S., M.Ed., Mathematics, Counselor:
Mrs. Catherine G. Loomis, B.S., English; Miss Margaret Martin, A.B., M.A., Biology, Science, Physical Education
Third Row: Mrs. Virginia Mason, B.S., English; Miss Thelma Morris, A.B., Government, Mathematics; Mrs. Ruth Painter,
B.S., Biology; Mr. Hartwell Philips, B.Ind.E., Industrial Arts, Mathematics

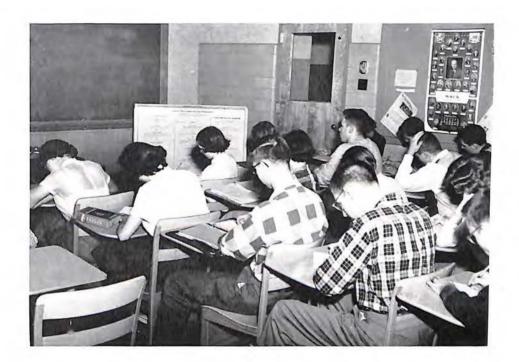


Our Teachers

FIRST Row: Miss Janice Pinkard, B.S., General Science; Mrs. Elizabeth L. Powell, B.S., M.Ed., Mathematics, Counselor; Mr. Earl J. Quinn, Jr., B.S., English, Government, Social Science; Miss Frances Sanderson, Principal's Secretary Second Row: Mrs. Dailey B. Sloan, B.S., Home Economics; Mr. Fred Smith, B.S., Athletic Director; Mrs. Mary S. Townsend B.S., M.S. in Ed., English; Mrs. June C. Webb, A.B., Music

Third Row: Miss Jean Webster, B.S., Home Economics, Science; Mrs. Edith Wilkerson, A.B., Social Science, English; Mrs. Nellie Young, B.A., M.Ed., English, Social Studies

Classes



Here is a scene familiar to every student. Classes were the center of our activities all year. Of course very few students will remember everything taught to them during the year, but if several things from each class stick with them, the time will have been well spent. Who can ever forget the dissections in biology, or the "unusual" experiments in chemistry, Latin verbs and speech class. All these well known things have become a part of everyone who has experienced them.

Leaders of The Class of '54



Tommy Wilhelm, Barbara Pearn, Mrs. Virginia Mason, Robert Venable, Joyce Rogers

OFFICERS

ROBERT VENABLE	resident
Tommy Wilhelm	
BARBARA PEARN Secretary-Tr	
JOYCE ROGERS	Reporter

SPONSORS

Mrs. Virginia Mason	Miss Margaret James
Mrs. Virginia Boyd	Mr. Tom Dixon

It has been more than they expected—their Senior year. Memories that time can never erase have become a part of them. Activities—election of officers, ordering of calling cards and announcements, banquet, Senior Day, Capping, Baccalaureate, Commencement—are in the background but will live on and on in their minds.

Reluctantly they leave; however, they realize there are other goals to be attained. Therefore, they depart with a feeling of confidence and courage to face the future.

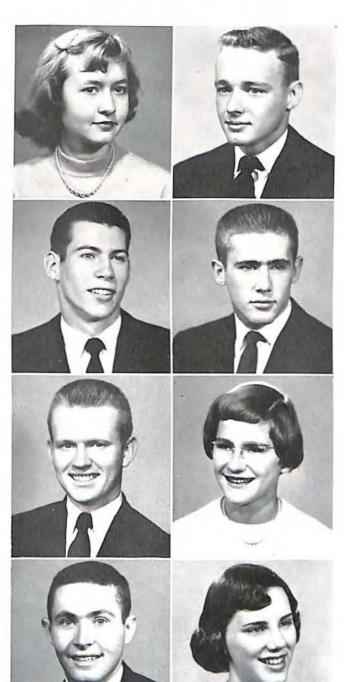
Peggy Rose Anderson Commercial Club; G. A. A.

DAVID WESLEY AYERS Literary Club; Red Cross; Thespians; Art Club; Secretary, Varsity Club.

WILBERT EDGAR BAKER Poetry Club.

Beta Club; Football; Hisorian, S. C. A.; Secretary, 'arsity Club; Wrestling.

CHARLES EVERETTE BOYD Varsity Club; Football; Track; restling.



GILMER CORNELIUS AYERS
President, Senior Hi-Y; Beta
Club; S. C. A.; Rotas; President,
Tenth Grade; President, Junior
Class; Vice President, Senior
Hi-Y; Chaplain, Junior Hi-Y.

CORBIN BENARD BAILEY Varsity Club: Co-Captain, Football Team; Vice President, Junior Class.

Helga Beuing Art Club.

BETTY JANE BOWSER Senior Y-Teens; Literary Club; Red Cross; G. A. A.



RUBY JEAN BRILLHART
President, G. A. A.; Senior
Y-Teens; Commercial Club; Red.
Cross; Secretary, Ninth Grade;
Vice President, Art Club.

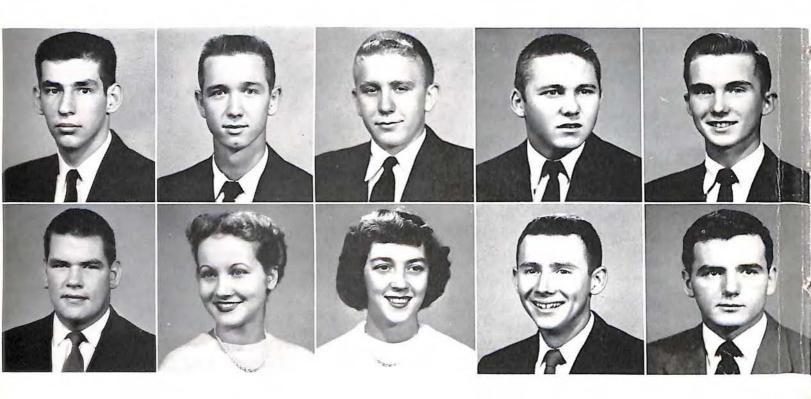
EDWARD LEONARD BROWN Choir; Treasurer, Thespians; Senior Masque; Literary Club.

ROBERT DWAIN BROWN No Activities.

SHERRILL WAYNE BROWN No Activities.

WILLIAM GLOVER BRYANT Varsity Club; Art Club.

Marvin James Burnette, Jr. Senior Hi-Y; Band; Poetry Club; Red Cross.



WILLIAM EARL CAMPBELL

JANET MARIE CARTER Band; Poetry Club; Varsity Club; Football, Wrestling; Vice President, Junior Hi-Y.

Newspaper Staff; Literary Senior Masque; Secretary, Choir; Secretary, Thespians.

MARGARET RAY CHURCH Beta Club; Thespians; RONNIE JULIAN COLEMAN No Activities.

GEORGE WORTH COPENHAVER, JR. Varsity Club.

Shirley Lee Craft
Senior Y-Teens; Beta Club;
Cheerleader; Vice President,
Commercial Club; G. A. A.;
Vice President, Ninth Grade.





JOYCE ANN CRAWFORD
Beta Club; Thespians; Commercial Club; Cheerleader;
G. A. A.; Secretary, F. H. A.;
Treasurer, Junior Y-Teens; Head
Junior Cheerleader.

James Ronald Crawford No Activities.





RONALD ORLANDO CRAWFORD Senior Hi-Y: Art Club; Annual Staff; Treasurer, Ninth Grade; Varsity Club; Wrestling.

Nancy Nadine Creger Co-Editor, Newspaper.



Patricia Lee Cregger Library Club; Senior Y-Teens.

James Lawerence Crowgey Senior Hi-Y; Poetry Club.



ELINOR BLANCHE DELONG Senior Y-Teens; Literary; Beta Club: Thespians; Secretary, Senior Masque; Choir.

Barbara Gray Doss Senior Y-Teens; F. H. A.





HAROLD DEAN DOSS
President, Thespians; Literary
Club; Annual Staff; Treasurer,
Senior Masque; Choir; Vice
President, Tenth Grade; President, Choir; S. C. A.

ELEANOR VIRGINIA DYE Choir; Thespians; Senior Masque; G. A. A.; Literary Club; Senior Y-Teens. MILDRED CHRISTINE FIREBAUGH F. H. A. James David Fralin Poetry Club; Varsity Club. Lois Trene Gibson Commercial Club.

CHARLES WILLIAM
GOLDSBY, JR.
President, Varsity Club;
Vice President, S. C. A.;
Vice President, Art Club,
President and Vice President;
Junior Hi-Y; Rotas; Football; Wrestling.



EDWARD JAMES GORMAN Varsity Club; Treasurer, Senior Hi-Y; Manager, Football Team. James Edward Gray President, Rotas. Annie Pauline Gray
President, F. H. A.; Commercial Club; Beta Club;
S. C. A.; Newspaper Staff;
Treasurer and Secretary,
F. H. A.; Reporter, Tenth
Grade.

CLINE EDWIN HALL Beta Club; Thespians; Senior Masque; Rotas; Choir. ELIZABETH MARIE HAMBRICK
Beta Club; Thespians;
Senior Masque; S. C. A.;
Newspaper Staff; Treasurer.
F. H. A.; Vice President,
G. A. A.; President, Choir.

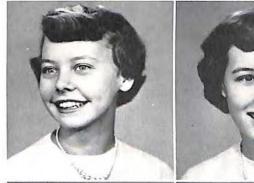
ALVIN RAY HARDY President, Beta Club; Band; Senior Hi-Y.





Shirley Ann Hayden
Beta Club; President, F. T. A.;
Senior Y-Teens; G. A. A.; Vice
President and Secretary, Senior
Masque; Historian, S. C. A.;
Secretary, G. A. A.

PHYLLIS LORRAINE HEDGE Commercial Club; Senior Y-Teens.



JOAN MARIE HICKS
Commercial Club; Senior
Y-Teens; Treasurer, Ninth
Grade; Junior Cheerleader;
Treasurer, F. H. A.

BARBARA COLEEN HODGES Senior Y-Teens; F. H. A.; Treasurer, F. H. A.



Mallory Brooks Hollins No Activities.

Bernard Hartwell Howard President, S. C. A.; Rotas; Varsity Club; Football.



John Thomas Hulvey Varsity Club: S. C. A.; Senior Hi-Y: Poetry Club: Thespians: Vice President, Senior Masque: Vice President, Choir: Basketball Manager.

Jo Ann Hurley Senior Y-Teens.

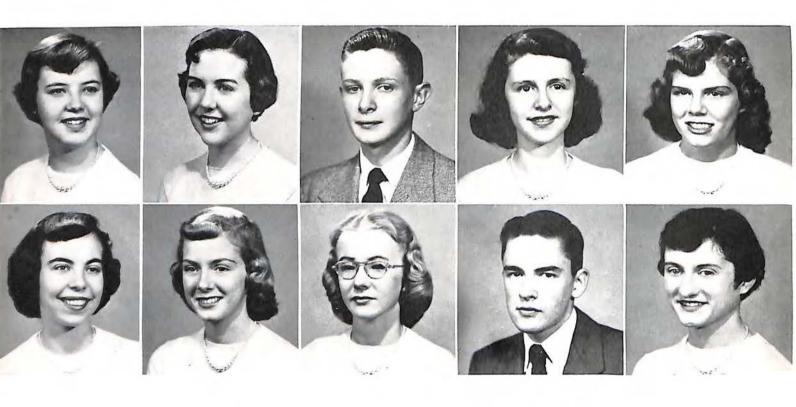


JULIAN JAMES JACKSON No Activities.

Beverly Marie Johnson Senior Y-Teens; Commercial Club.

Shirley Ann Johnston
Vice President, Senior
Y-Teens; G. A. A.; Beta
Club; S. C. A.; Head Cheerleader; Secretary, F. H. A.

DONALD RAY JORDAN Band; Beta Club; Rotas. Margaret Lynne Kealey Historian, Library Club; Co-Sponsor, Junior Library Club CECILIA BOYD KELLEY G. A. A.



PHYLLIS JUNE KELLEY G. A. A., Senior Y-Teens; Commercial Club; Beta Club. Sara Davis Kelley Majorette; G. A. A. CAROLE MARIE KINGERY
Choir; Beta Club; Thespians; S. C. A.; Senior
Y-Teens; Senior Masque;
Secretary, F. H. A.

Roy Calvin Laughlin Varsity Club.

ROBERTA ELLEN LEE Senior Y-Teens.

JOHN BENTON LEFFEL, JR. Band; Rotas; Beta Club; Secretary, Senior Hi-Y.





PATRICIA MAY LILLY G. A. A.; Senior Y-Teens; Secretary, Library.

HAZEL VICTORIA McGRADY Commercial Club; Beta Club.





Jo Ann McNeer President, Senior Y-Teens; F. T. A.; Annual Staff; S. C. A.; Vice President and President, F. H. A.; Literary Club.

Robert Kirk Maxey No Activities.





HERBERT EVERHART MAXEY No Activities.

VICTOR RICHARD METZ Senior Hi-Y; Varsity Club; Choir; Band; President, Junior Hi-Y; President, Tenth Grade.





ELIZABETH ANN MEYER
S. C. A.; Beta Club; Annual
Staff; Literary Club; Vice President,
Thespians: President,
Senior Masque; Senior Y-Teens.

Russell Sidney Moon, Jr. Varsity Club; President, Art Club; Co-Captain Football Team.





NANCY SCOTT MOORE Editor, Newspaper; S. C. A.; Thespians: Vice President, Senior Masque; Beta Club; Senior Y-Teens.

NEIL LEWIS MULLEN Art Club.

ALFRED CHAMBERS MYERS Band; Annual Staff; Presi-Recorder-of-points, dent, Band; Treasurer, Junior G. A. A.; Senior Masque.

Eleanor Antonia Nichols

CATHERINE ANN OWENS No Activities.

Patricia Jane Palmer Thespians; Senior Masque.



LLOYD JAMISON PARCELL No Activities.

Daniel Davis Parker Thespians; Senior Hi-Y; Poetry Club; Senior Masque. GLENN ELWOOD PAXTON Art Club.

Barbara Ann Pearn S. C. A.; Beta Club; Senior Y-Teens; Secretary-Treas-urer, Senior Class.

DONALD LEE PERDUE Art Club; Poetry Club. Treasurer,

WAYNE LEWIS PETERS No Activities,





Louise Morrow Potts Secretary, S. C. A.; Senior Y-Teens; F. T. A.

Franklin Roosevelt Pugh Senior Masque; Art Club; Varsity Club.





Mary Ellen Purves Senior Y-Teens; G. A. A.

RUTH RILES No Activities.





WILLIAM ANTHONY RHODES Beta Club; Band.

CARL DANE ROBBINS Art Club.





JOYCE ANN ROGERS
Senior Y-Teens: F. H. A.:
Art Club; Choir; Reporter,
Senior Class.

WILLIAM HENRY ROOT Beta Club; Rotas; Treasurer, Junior Hi-Y; Business Manager, Annual.





ALVIN CLARENCE ROSE
Art Club: Varsity Club:
Poetry Club: Captain, Golf
Team,

IRENE PRISCILLA SHAFER Beta Club; Cheerleader; President, Eighth Grade; President, Junior Y-Teens; Vice President, Junior Class; F. T. A.

TWYLA JUNE SINK

IVA VEST SMITH

SHIRLEY DELORES SOWDER Senior Y-Teens; Commercial Club; Art Club.

BLAIR CRISPIN STONE No Activities.



NORMAN TERRY In the Service,

ROBERT LUTHER VENABLE Varsity Club; S. C. A.; Beta Club; Senior Hi-Y; President, Senior Class.

LEWIS VEST In the Service.

Patricia June Virts Senior Y-Teens; Commercial Club; G. A. A.; Majorette.

REGENA CLEO WHITE Senior Y-Teens; Secretary, Commercial Club; Secretary-Treasurer, Eighth Grade.

Harry Gray Wigington Varsity Club; Art Club; Senior Hi-Y; Manager, Football Team.

Margaret Jane Willhide Senior Masque; Senior Y-Teens; Literary Club; Annual Staff; Secretary, Beta Club.



THOMAS FREDERICK WILHELM Varsity Club; President, Ninth Grade; Vice President, Senior Class.

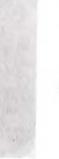




BETTY SUE WINGO Secretary, Choir.







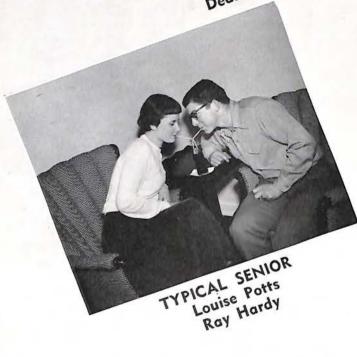
CHARLOTTE MARIE WISEMAN G. A. A.; Senior Y-Teens; Beta Club.

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Bobby Ray Firebaugh No Activities. Allan Alphonso Green, Jr. No Activities.



SIENIOR





BEST ALL-ROUND Jo Ann McNeer Bernard Howard



MOST DEPENDABLE
Pauline Gray
Bill Root

MIRROR



MOST ATHLETIC Elizabeth Hambrick Russell Moon





BEST LOOKING Sara Kelley Lewis Peters

Leaders of The Junior Class



SEATED: P. T. Johnson, Miss Carbaugh STANDING: C. Ayers, J. Roberson, J. Taylor, R. Hudson

OFFICERS

P. T. Johnson		resident
	Vice P	
CAROLYN AYERS		ecretary

SPONSORS

Miss	DOROTHY CARBAUGH	MR.	ROBERT KIRK
Mrs.	GENEVIEVE DICKINSON	MR.	CON DAVIS

The Junior Class began the year with an assembly of variety acts and a mock Senior Class Night which was dedicated to the Seniors.

During the fall, the Juniors sponsored several hops including a Victory Hop after the Byrd football game. Marilyn Main was crowned the "Victory Queen".

To climax the year's activities, the Junior Class honored the Seniors with the traditional Junior-Senior Prom.

Eddie Adams Annette Anders Carleton Assaid John Athan Charles Arrington

Charles Atkinson Carolyn Ayers

Myrna Baldwin

Betty Ballantine Donald Basham

Peggy Bishop

Charles Bowling

Marcheta Breeden

David Brewer

Phyllis Brumfield

Billy Burnette

Nancy Callahan

Nolan Cassell

Betty Catron

Buddy Cochran

Minnie Cole

Jackie Connell

James Conner

Hurley Cox

Sarah Coyner

Sybil Cramer

Norma Croft

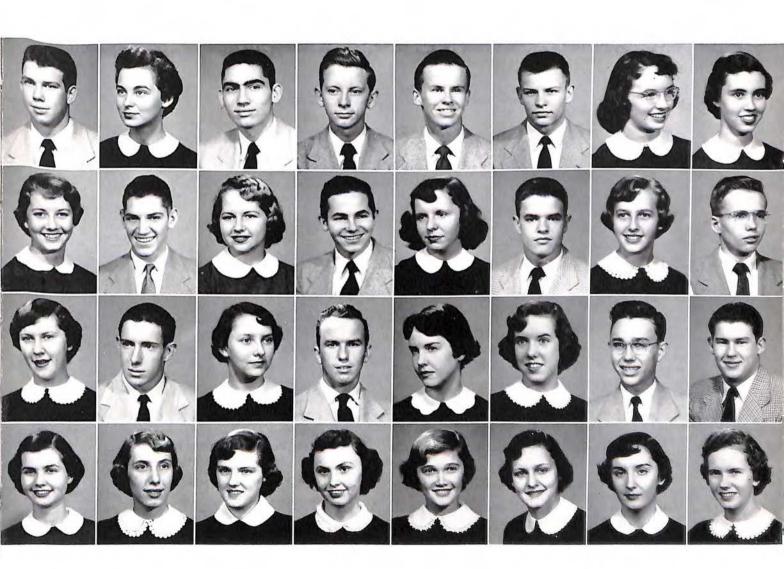
Sandra Dick

Ruth Downard

Eleanor Durham

Janice Edwards

Mary Elizabeth Fagg

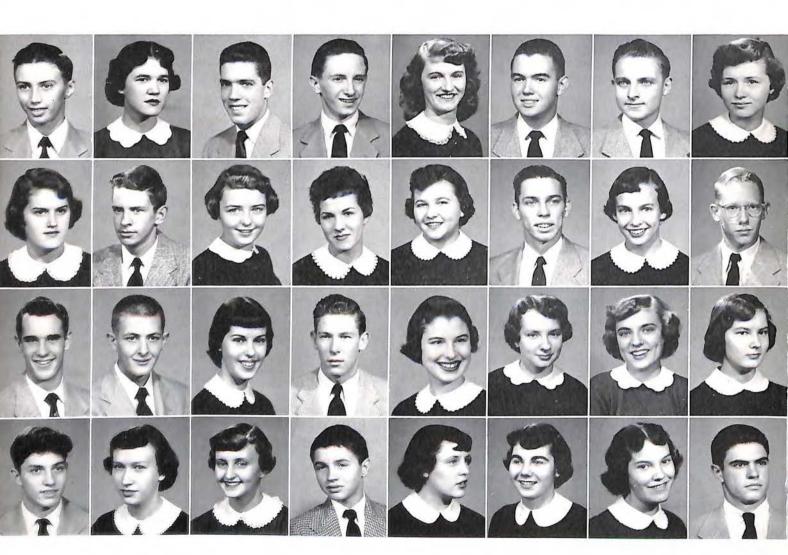


Donald Ferrell
Phyllis Ferrell
Don Fisher
Don Geiser
Lolene Gibson
John Gilbert
Kenneth Glass
Charlotte Gray

Grace Green
Bobby Greer
Marilyn Hacker
Yvonne Hackworth
Artennis Hall
LeRoy Hall
Frances Hart
James Harth

Scott Haskins
Sonny Hauser
Jean Hopkins
Frank Horton
Becky Hudson
Barbara Hurst
Gwenette Hurst
Barbara Jennings

Pete Johnson Rose Johnson Alleene Johnston Howard Jones Mary Keene Anne Keziah Lorraine Kingery Don Kinum

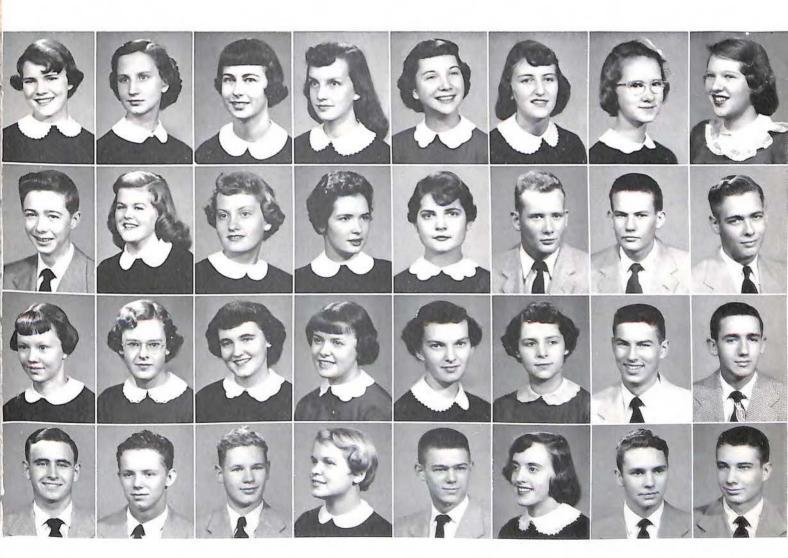


Alice Lanford
Evelyn Lavender
Margaret Lavinder
Joyce Layman
Dolores Law
Gretchen Lemon
Julia Pat Light
Peggy Lucado

Joe Lucas
Loretta McBride
Ireland McGrady
Marilyn Main
Nancy Markham
Charles Martin
Don Martin
Lowell Maxey

Sarah Meador Christine Miller Regina Minton Pat Muddiman Dorothy Mullen Ruth Nance Bobby Newman William Palmer

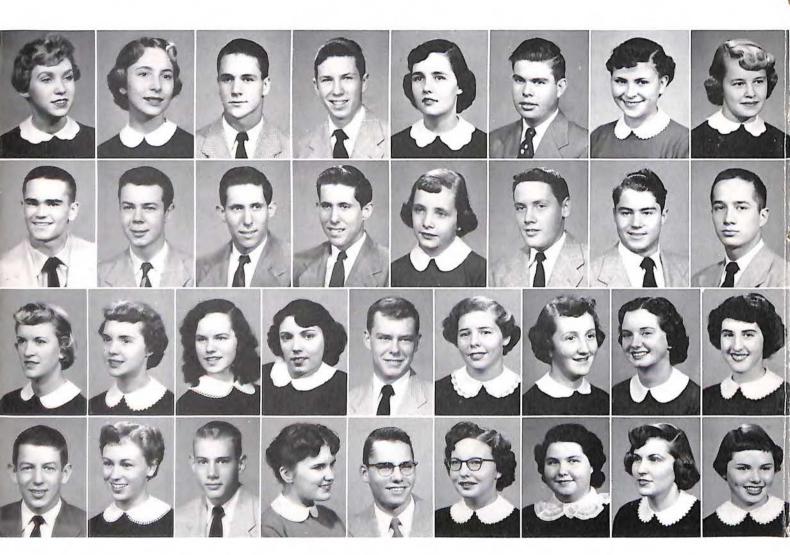
Ted Patterson
Danny Peters
Charles Petersen
Gail Pipkin
Bob Pirrung
Peggy Powell
Don Prillaman
Bob Pugh



Jeanette Rakes
Sondra Rierson
Jimmy Roberson
Don Sanders
Shelva Sarver
Richard Sens
Norma Shank
Martha Sink

Howard Sprinkle Bobby Stamback Bill Stevens Bob Stevens Doris Stultz John Stultz Carl Swisher Jimmy Taylor Virginia Thomas
Barbara Thompson
Ola Tolley
Arlene Toms
Leon Turner
Hattie Umberger
Janie Vaught
Loretta Vest
Pat Wax

Denny Weddle Sara Whitehead John Willhide Charlene Willis Bernard Wingo Loretta Wood Nona Wray Ann Wright Eva Yates



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David Updike

Junior Memories



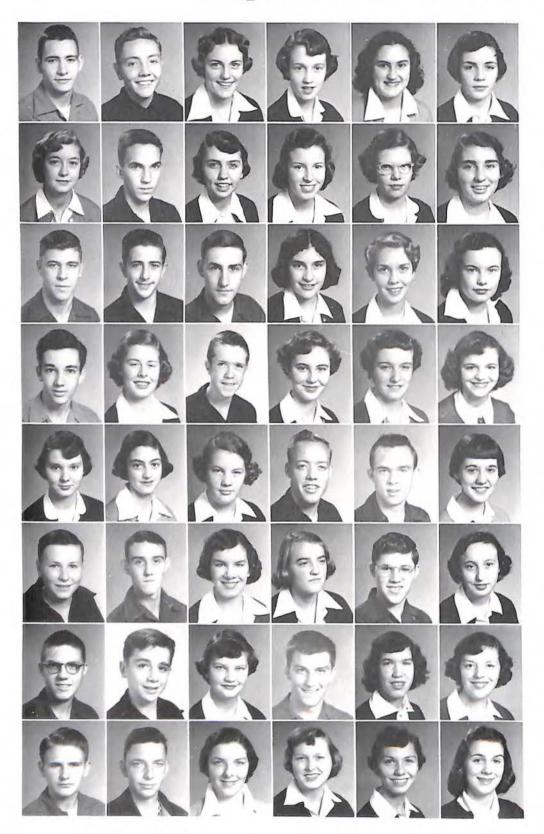
1. Time: A week before the Byrd game. The Fleming gym.

PLACE: Occasion: The Victory Hop.

Pete Johnson crowns Marilyn Main Victory Queen as her court watches. There was quite a ball that night. Scene:

- The Bake Sale committee seems interested in something. Anything good to eat? (This picture is due to the skill and craftsmanship of Jimmy Taylor.)
- 3. We must have won that game. Check those Ipana smiles they are flashing. First Row: P. Powell, S. Whitehead, R. Downard. Second Row: A. Wright, S. Martin, H. Sprinkle, P. Johnson.
- 4. Robert Venable receives the key to the school from Pete Johnson, on behalf of the seniors. Twelve years of hard labor acknowledged at last!
- 5. Looks as if Buddy Cochran had quite a night! This pose proves that he can read as well as manage a basketball team. Here he delivers the "Last Will and Testament" of the Junior Class.

Sophomore Class



Max Fleming, President Jerry Ferguson, Vice President Mary Lee Deyerle, Secretary Jackie Nash, Treasurer June Ferris, Reporter Nan Albaugh

Pat Anderson John Arthur Linda Austin Joan Basham Jeanette Belcher Norma Boblett

Ronald Bower Bobby Bowman Harold Bray Elaine Brown Helen Brown Norma Brown

Robert Brown Susie Brown Billy Bryant Jean Buchanan Shirley Buck Dora Jean Campbell

Norma Campbell Gloria Carter Lois Chaney Meredith Clarke Ira Clingenpeel Ruth Clingenpeel

Billy Cochran Melvin Conner Iris Cooper Reva Crawford Harvey Creasy Ramona Creger

Marvin Croft Raymond Cronin Nancy Cundiff Gene Cunningham Betty Jane Dooley Norma Dority

John Duke Robert Dunlap Sallie Dunlap Jill Edwards Phyllis Edwards Sandra Farrar

Sophomore Class

Sylvia Foley Nancy Foster Ralph Frink Joyce Gates Donald Gilmer Frank Gisiner

Eugene Gordon Ronald Griffin Jean Grimes Patricia Hammer Ronnie Harper Mary Ann Harrison

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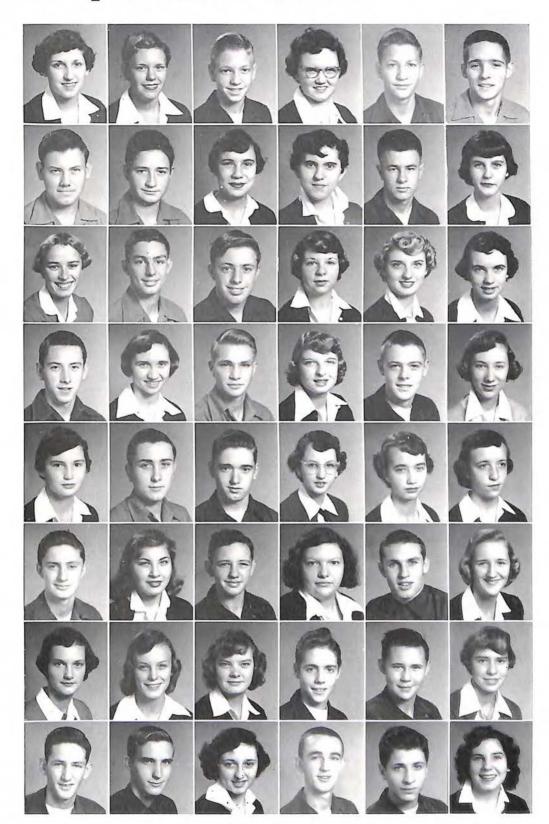
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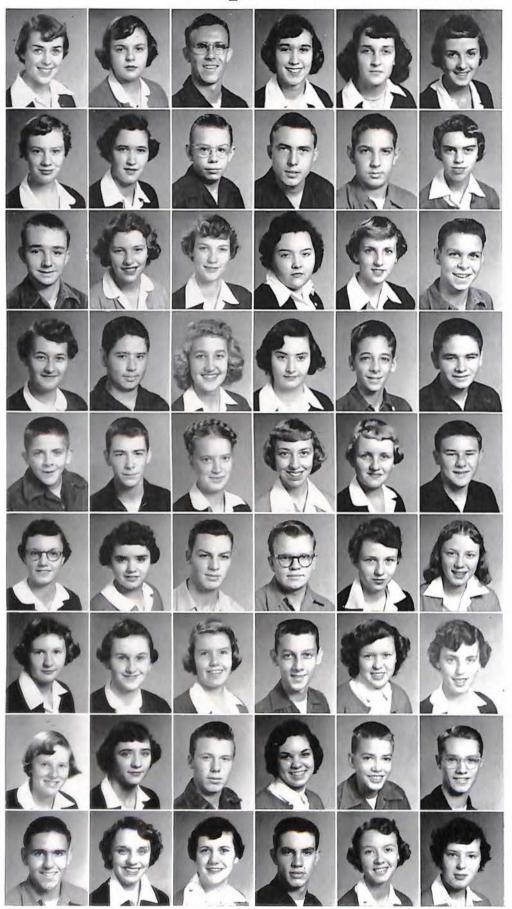
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Pat Owen
Betty Ann Oxley
Larry Pack
Hazel Painter
Joyce Painter
Patricia Paul

Betty Jean Payne Connie Pedigo Warren Pegram Alva Peregoy Jim Pierce Frances Powell

Jack Quinn Shirley Radford Carolyn Rakes Jean Rakes Marilyn Reid Orvil Reedy

Phyllis Rickman Cecil Riley Claudine Riley Carolyn Roberson Chester Rogers Ted Rowe

Don Rucker David Runion Velda Rutledge Jo Anne Saunders Sandra Saunders Jack Simms

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Ruth Townsend Peggy Vandergrift Benny Wallace Fern West Tommy Wiley John Williams

Adrian Willis Joann Willis Marilyn Wilmer Gibby Wingfield Peggy Lou Wood Martha Woolwine

Freshman Class

Dean Price, President
Dickie Woolwine, First Vice President
Ruswin Sutphin, Second Vice President
Joyce Smith, Secretary
Bob Trinko, Treasurer
Norma Updike, Historian
Joyce Adams

Kay Albaugh Bobby Allen Larry Atkins Billy Aveson Lawrence Barger Joe Beard Zaida Beckwith

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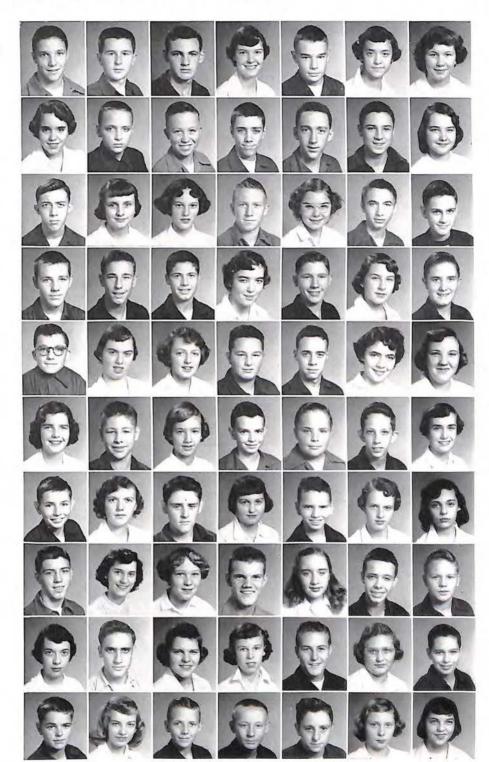
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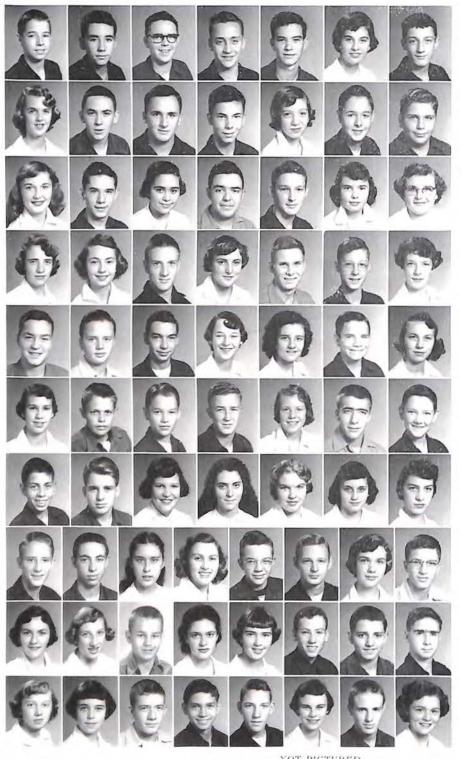
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Bobby Aveson Cecil Bowles Theodore Brammer Norma Burger

David Carter Wayne Fizer

Freda Overstreet Ronald Sizer

Edward St. Clair Donald Thomas

Paul Jacobs Mickey Jamey Eddie Jones Richard Jones Donald Keaton Francis Keaton Ralph Key

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Charles Sledd Jack Smith Lorene Smith Leona Snow Barry Stevens Warren Stewart Ann Strickler Roger Smiter

Ann Thomas Ann Thomas Betty Thompson Billy Thompson Rebecca Turner Carol Vaughan Julian Venable James Walker David Waltz

Jane Webb Carolyn West Wayne Wills Kenneth Williams Jackie Winso Connie Wood Bobby Woodson Norma Zollman

Nathan Wall Pattie Webb

Carol Young

Eighth Grade

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Harry Cochran
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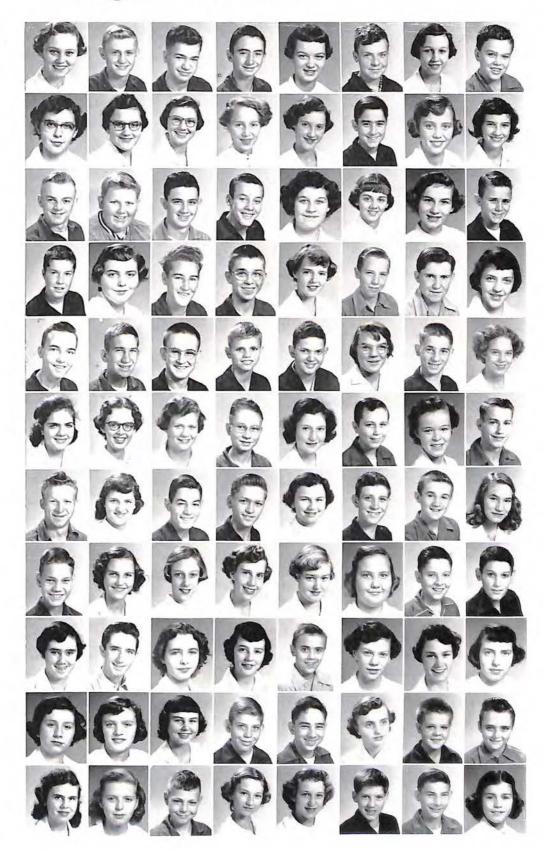
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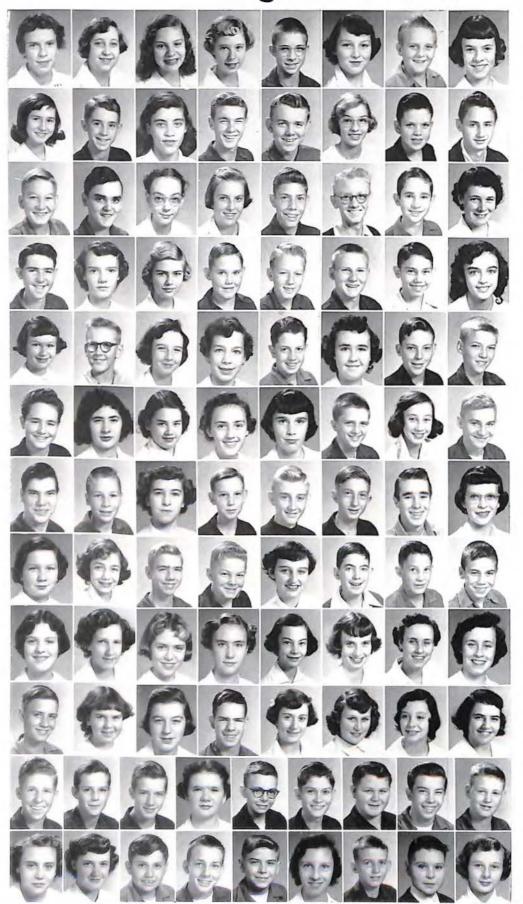
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Waldo Lyle Leon Marshall Lois Martin Betty Mauk Gary Maxey T. E. Mays Jerry McBride Billie McCann

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Warren Peters Ethel Phillips Elizabeth Potts Carolyn Powell Barbara Powers Sam Prillman Patricia Pring Jesse Pruett

James Purdy Donald Ragland Patricia Ragland Daniel Ratcliff James Rector Ronald Reid Louis Ribble Margaret Richards

Shirley Richards Bonnie Lou Richardson Roy Richardson Liston Riles Judy Riley Fred Ring Reginald Rose Maurice Rowe

Sandra Rubenstein Dianne Rushton Barbara Sizer Cindy Slaughter Sandra Smithers Ruth Sowder Kay Stewart Kim Stewart

Pred Stump Ann Tankersley Juanita Thomas Thomas Tolley Tracy Trout Carol Trumbull Katherine Turner Margaret Umberger

Robert Underwood Kenneth Venable Bobby Wade Janice Wade A. W. Webb Calvin Weddle Donald Weeks Gerald Wells Robert Whitmore

Helen Widener Ava Williams Donald William Marion Windley Mason Wingo Charlotte Witt Darrell Wood Charles Wosaba Shirley Ann Wray



A Typical Day At Fleming

In the first row of pictures we see the boys getting off to a good start with a morning chat, the Girls' Chorus making their first appearance this year, and a typical scene between classes in the "Halls of Fleming." The second row shows students laboring over problems in Algebra class, Science classes returning from a field trip, Future Homemakers of America preparing a meal in their Home Economics class, and lunch time—a favorite period of the day. The last row consists of students learning the inside story of animal and plant life in Biology class, boys in Shop building boats, lamps, and magazine racks, Red Cross projects requiring the aid of these boys and girls, and peace and quiet prevailing in the library, a gathering place for the studious.

During the school year, students at Fleming became familiar with three different types of schedules. The first was known as the regular schedule with all periods fifty-five minutes long and a four-minute break between each. Roll call lasted eight minutes, while the lunch periods ran about twenty-five minutes. In the second type of schedule, known as "long roll call" schedule, the periods were shortened by a few minutes in order that roll call might be increased to twenty-five or thirty minutes. During that time, the clubs and organizations would meet and transact their business. The third type was called "assembly" schedule, which meant that there would be an assembly that morning, following roll call. Here again, it was necessary to deduct a few minutes from each period in order to allow enough time for a good forty-minute program. Maybe a bit confusing at first, but we all became accustomed to it in a short time.



1—May Court: First Row: J. Carter, M. Sink, P. Shafer, E. Dye, S. Brown, B. Hudson; Second Row: N. Martin, B. Atkins, S. Whitehead, S. Kelley, L. Potts, C. Crockett, J. Brown, L. McKinney, J. Brillhart, C. Wise, S. Thornsbury. 2—Maid of Honor: Priscilla Shafer; Queen: Carol Crockett; Spirit: Eleanor Dye. 3—"Sleepy Time Gal": L. Vest, N. Albaugh, P. Anderson, J. Crawford, C. Kelley, B. Thompson, F. Hart. 4—Some of the May Court girls chanting, "Rain, rain, go away, so that we can have May Day". 5—The Queen: C. Crockett; her train-bearer, C. Leffel; and the two pages, C. Wood and J. King. 6—D. Jamison, President of the Hi-Y, crowns the Queen, C. Crockett, 7—"Gone Fishin": First Row: K. Albaugh, J. Brillhart, D. McAllister, C. Vaughan; Second Row: Y. Jennings, S. Black, N. Updike, M. McDaniel, B. Hambrick. 8—"Don't Let The Stars Get In Your Eyes": P. Edwards, M. Moyer, R. Downard, M. Fagg, P. Creasy, D. O'Brien. 9—"Alexander's Ragtime Band": P. Wood, V. Thomas, L. Wood, P. Virts; "Pretend": J. Connell, B. Geiser, C. Rakes. C. Rakes.

May Day 1953

For the first time in seven years "Mr. Weather-man" prevented the May Day Festival from being held on the scheduled day. Even

the next day, he tried to interfere, with showers here and there. But there was music in the air.

On May 7, the Queen, Carol Crockett, was crowned by Donnie Jamison and enjoyed the program to the theme, "Songland", with Eleanor Dye as the "Spirit of Song", Freddy Vaughan, in narrating the program, introduced selected dances and songs. And so another beautiful May Day was enjoyed by a host of friends.

Sports



Sport fans and Fleming Boosters can certainly be proud of the outstanding record hung up by the 1953-54 athletes. Last year, one of the most successful years in Fleming's history, established a high standard for the future teams at Fleming to live up to. The teams this year have repeated last year's triumphs.

All the teams; football, basketball, wrestling and track have made a name for themselves in both the District and the State.

DISTRICT SIX



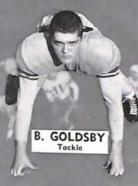




















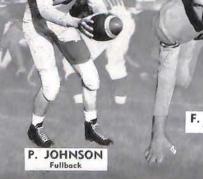








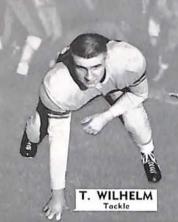
THE COLONELS





R. MOON, Co-Captain
All-City-County Tackle

CHAMPIONS



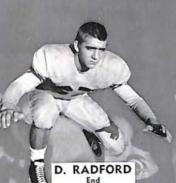






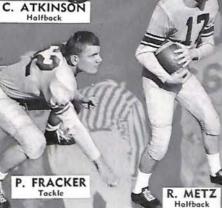




















D. FISHER













BAILEY, Co-Captain Captain All-City-County All-American Halfback

District Six Football Champions

Even with twenty lettermen returning from last year's squad, Fleming's record was not expected to be good this year. Out of the twenty, very few had had very much game experience. The coaches sought their crying towels early.

Even though the team lacked experience, the Colonels came through to their second straight District Football Championship. The so-called inexperienced lettermen plus the newcomers to the squad never quit trying. It was this spirit that gave Fleming the championship.

Led by two fine Co-Captains, Fleming really frightened Jefferson before bowing 19-12 in the opening game of the season. It was the first time in several years that Fleming had scored on the Jeffites. For this reason, the Colonels were, perhaps, a bit overconfident and had trouble tying Appomattox 7-7. Bouncing back strongly, Fleming played one of it best games against a powerful George Washington of Danville squad, tying the Cardinals 14-14.

The second setback of the year came at the hands of one of the best teams Andrew Lewis has produced in several years. This was an "off" night and nothing seemed to go right for the Blue and Gold. The Andrew Lewis game was the last defeat for Fleming. The Colonels ran through, over, and around the next five opponents. They beat Martinsville, 20-0 in the Home-Coming Game; Pulaski, 33-0; Lexington, N. C., 28-6; Blacksburg, 31-13; and trampled William Byrd, 43-0 to clinch the Championship.

This year's team worked as a unit. Teamwork was essential because of the lack of experience. Then, too, the students backed the team wholeheartedly with everything they had. The team owes a debt of thanks to every student who attended the games.

In the coming years, any student, player, or supporter looking back through this annual will be sure to remember the 1953-54 Colonels as one of the best Blue and Gold teams ever to take to the field.

SCHEDULE-1953-54

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SEPTEMBER	ti – Jefferson	12	19
	18—Appomattox	7	7
	25 Danville	14	14
OCTOBER .	2—Open		4.4
	9—Andrew Lewis	6	12
	16- Martinsville	20	0
	23 — Pulaski	33	0
4.	30 Lexington, N. C.	28	6
NOVEMBER	13—Blacksburg	31	13
	19-William Byrd	43	0
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Opponents 71 Points

Fleming 194 Points

Our Coaches



Coach Con Davis, Coach Fred Smith, Coach Phil Crabtree

This page is a tribute to the coaches who, through their patience and guidance, brought to William Fleming District Championships in football and basketball for 1953-54. To climax all this, the 1954 basketball team won the State Group II Championship.

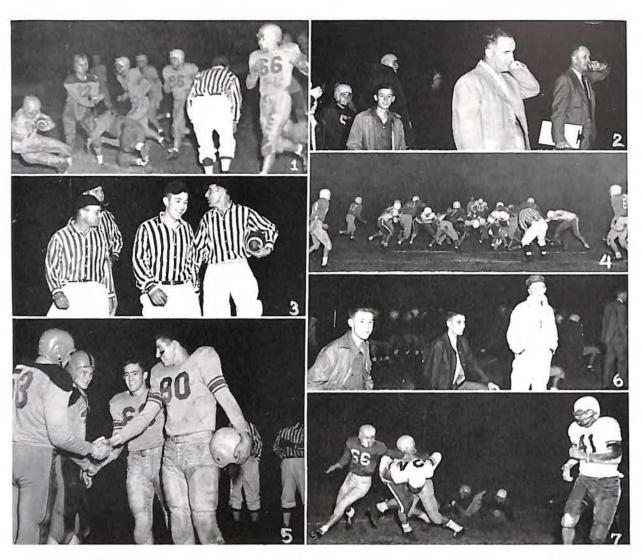
The coaches not only created outstanding athletes, but they gave to the boys whom they coached the spirit of fighting back even when the odds were against them.

This year's football team did not set an outstanding scoring record. Probably it was not the best in the history of Fleming, but it had the ability to come from the depths of a losing season into a championship.

Coach Crabtree, who succeeded Coach Davis as basketball coach, stepped into the job and because of his fine coaching, District and State Basketball Championships were added to Fleming's honors.

Coach Smith took over a wrestling team which had lost most of its first team wrestlers; however, he brought it through the season with only one defeat. Fleming's wrestling team, the only one in District Six, is a tribute to the organizational ability of Coach Smith.

Through the efforts of all three coaches, Fleming produced a District Championship track team in 1953 and 1954.



The March to the Championship

1—Touchdown in the Byrd game. 2—Worried Coach?? 3—The beloved officials. 4—Hold that line, boys! 5—Corbin Bailey and Russell Moon meet Byrd. 6—The hardest workers on the team. 7—We stop Andrew Lewis.



JOE LUCAS

BOB PIRRUNG

ED GORMAN

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Wrestling 1954



FIRST Row: D. Peters, S. Hauser, J. Crowgey, D. Geiser, J. Taylor
SECOND ROW: B. Campbell, R. Crawford, D. Blount, D. Radford, D. Fisher, D. Kinum, J. Roberson
THIRD Row: B. Aveson, K. Brammer, E. Gorman, M. Ruddo, J. Ferguson, T. Rowe
FOURTH Row: Coach Smith, W. Wills, D. Martin, H. Sprinkle, S. Boyd, D. Basham, H. Cox, B. Howard
FIFTH Row: B. Burnette, B. Bowman, E. McAllister, D. Brewer, G. Wingfield, E. Adams, R. Fisher

Last June, Coach Smith was worrying over the prospects of this year's team because he was losing eight of his first string wrestlers.

Wrestling season 1954 came and went with the Colonels having one of their best teams in history. The matmen racked up nine wins and lost only one match.

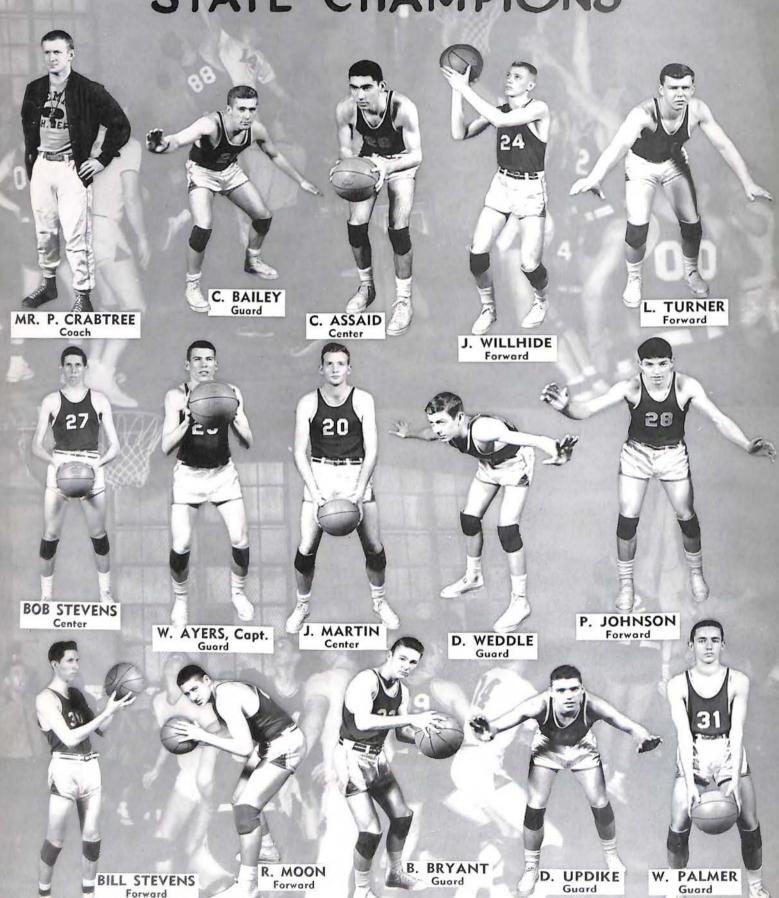
The Colonels started the season by drubbing George Washington of Danville 55-2. The next week they defeated Jefferson 31-18. The week after, the Colonels defeated A. M. A. by the score of 41-8; squeezed by Beckley 19-17; and whipped South Norfolk 36-18; V. M. I. Freshmen 18-12; lost to Beckley 16-19; and beat V. M. I. 20-13.

Most of the credit for this year's winning team goes to the hard work of the boys and untiring efforts of Coach Smith.

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	SCHEDULE-1954		
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JANUARY	13—George Washington, Danville	55	2
	16—Jetterson	31	18
	20-A. M. A	41	8
	28—Beckley	19	17
	30—South Norfolk	36	13
FEBRUARY	3—Danville	58	0
	6—Jefferson	3.1	18
	11-V. M. I. Freshmen	18	1.3
	17—Beckley	16	19
	20—V. M. 1	20	1.3

DISTRICT SIX AND STATE CHAMPIONS



District Six and State Basketball Championship

This year's basketball team was one of the tallest in the history of the school. The "lanky" Colonels became the trade-mark of the write-ups in the newspapers. The Fleming cagers came through in great style and not only won the State and District Championships, but also tied for the City-County Championship.

The first task was for the new coach, Mr. Phil Crabtree, and the team to get accustomed to working together. This was done easily and quickly as the record shows. To Coach Crabtree, the team attributes a large part of its success.

The team was made up of the five returning lettermen, several boys from the Junior Varsity and two or three newcomers. Led by Captain Wesley Ayers, the team rolled up a seasonal record of 16 wins and 4 losses in the regular season. Two of these losses were avenged and the other one was to a former State Championship team.

Teamwork was one of the major factors in the success of this winning team. The Colonels were superior in height, could hit from the outside, and had the speed and reflexes to drive inside for lay-ups. When the first team needed a rest, the reserves were ready to go. It was a well-rounded out-fit that composed this year's Varsity.

Another very important factor in the Colonel's success was the fine sportsmanship of the student body. A pep band was organized to support the team which was something new to Fleming.

Many great teams will come after this year, but the 1953-54 squad will always be remembered as the first Fleming team to win a State Championship and will always rank high in the list of our school's Champions.

SCHEDULE-1953-54

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		We	They			$W_{\mathcal{E}}$	They
DECEMBER	5—Alumni	56	47	FEBRUARY	2-Bassett	57	28
	11-E, C, Glass	36	44		5-Fieldale	72	42
	15—Blacksburg	63	53		9-Franklin	54	38
	18—Bassett	63	34		12-Byrd,	59	30
JANUARY	8—Martinsville	46	32		15-Lewis	62	61
	12-Lewis	54	43		19-Fieldale.	68	48
	15-Byrd	31	42		20—Radford	59	46
	18-Jefferson	50	39		23—Jefferson		61
	26—Blacksburg	51	38		26-Radford		56
	29—Martinsville	52	53	March	ı—Franklin	65	38
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March	4 Radford	70	54	MARCH	11—Farmville	65	39
	5 - Galax	54	37		12-Fishersville	62	57
	6-Martinsville		51		13-Bristol		53

Won 22 Lost 4

District Six Track Champions

The 1953 Track Team was undoubtly one of the best well-rounded teams in the history of Fleming. Track, unlike most sports, depends somewhat on individual ability. The Colonels, in winning the District Championship, broke seven records and outclassed their opponents. The Blue and Gold also came in second in the State Meet as well as having several individual winners,

Fleming track members had all the requirements of a good track team. They had speed, endurance, and the brawn to come through in the field events. In a sport, involving individual participation, the team spirit was exceptional and each boy rooted for the other.

In regular season, the Blue and Gold lost only two meets. The first was in the City-County Meet to Jefferson and in the dual meet with Jefferson the second was lost by only one point. The Colonels' victories included wins over such Group One powers as E. C. Glass, G. W. of Danville, and Andrew Lewis. Fleming also won over every team in District Six without any trouble.

The 1953 track team was one that happens once in a "Blue Moon" and it will be remembered as one of Fleming's greatest.

SHOT PUT:

D. Woods, B. Goldsby, R. Moon, J. Fralin

Discus:

B. Cruickshank, R. Moon, B. Goldsby

HIGH TUMP:

D. Divers, D. Wood, C. Vest, J. Hicks, B. Stevens

POLE VAULT:

R. Caldwell, P. Johnson, B. Brown, B. Bowman

BROAD JUMP:

D. Wood, C. Bailey, D. Woods

HIGH HURDLES:

D. Wood, H. Sprinkle, D. Woods, L. Turner

Low HURDIES.

C. Bailey, J. Roberson, B. Bryant, D. Kinum

100-YARD DASH:

C. Bailey, B. Bryant, D. Kinum

220:

L. Pack, D. Wood, C. Bailey, J. Roberson

440:

B. Wingfield, D. Updike, B. Oliver

880:

B. Stevens, J. Willhide, C. Ayers, R. Venable

MILE:

R. Laughlin, R. Venable, D. Brewer

880 RELAY:

L. Pack, W. Ayers, R. Metz, J. Roberson

MILE RELAY:

B. Wingfield, B. Oliver, D. Updike, H. Sprinkle, R. Caldwell

Junior Varsity Football and Basketball



JUNIOR VARSITY FOOTBALL

First Row: J. Pierce, B. Wade, L. Barger, P. Evers, R. McFarland, D. Martin, M. Fleming, L. LeBrie
Second Row: J. Ferguson, W. Stewart, R. Jones, A. Willis, Coach Ray Lucas, Coach Phil Crabtree, D. Craig, D. Brewer,
D. Price, J. Taylor

Third Row: J. Williams, B. Aveson, L. Miller, K. Brammer, R. Sutphin, J. Ferguson, H. Bosvling, D. Woolwine Fourth Row: R. Wade, J. Authur, G. Pritchard, E. Hogan, B. Brammer, W. Wills, S. Hauser, T. Rowe, J. R. Dunkley

JUNIOR VARSITY BASKETBALL

FIRST Row: L. Pack, D. Woolwine, D. Price, B. Aveson, W. Stewart, L. Barger, R. Key
Second Row: J. R. Dunkley, S. Cole, R. Brown, M. Janney, P. Fracker, R. Griffin, C. Rogers, Coach Bob Kirk

Girls Take Part In Sports



1—Gold Basketball Team: First Row: E. Dye, B. Bowser, L. Hambrick, M. Hacker, M. Main: Second Row: S. Meador, J. Anders, P. Kelley, E. Nichols, C. Wiseman, M. Purves. 2—Award Winners: First Row: S. Buck, N. Dority, C. Rakes, R. Townsend, B. Stubbs; Second Row: C. Pedigo, L. McKinney, J. Gates, S. Hayden, N. Mitchell, D. Jones. 3—Ninth Grade Volleyball: Front to Back: K. Albaugh, M. McDaniel, B. Hambrick, S. Harper, D. O'Brien, F. Showalter, P. Creasy; First Row: D. McAllister, N. Updike; Second Row: A. Hicks, J. Brillhart, S. Black, 4—May Day Dance: M. Hacker, J. Edwards, J. Gates, M. Purves, E. St. Clair, D. Stultz, C. Jennings. 5—Just the gang, lined up and half starved. 6—Play Day Team: J. Brillhart, K. Turner, N. Updike, J. Edwards, D. McAllister, B. Munsey. 7—May Day committee prepares May Pole. 8—Award Winners: First Row: M. Sink, E. Dye, M. Hacker; Second Row: E. Nichols, C. Wiseman, M. Purves, P. Kelley, M. Main, Mrs. Boyd. 9—Blue Basketball Team: First Row: N. Dority, A. Hall, M. Baldwin, C. Pedigo; Second Row: L. McKinney, N. Mitchell, D. Jones, R. Townsend; Third Row: C. Rakes, J. Gates. 10—Coach Smith referees while the Blue and Gold teams battle it out.

The Lady Colonels

"What? Only gym every other week?"

"What can you accomplish with just every other week for gym?"

This year the girls had to alternate with the boys and have gym very other week, but it didn't seem to make much difference to the girls as they were as enthusiastic as ever.

The year started off with volleyball, having a Blue and a Gold team in the league and also a ninth grade team. The Lady Colonels averaged three games a week during the season. Although they won no medals, they enjoyed it as much as any of those who did.

After volleyball, came ring tennis, a new sport for most of the girls, but it seemed to go over very well.

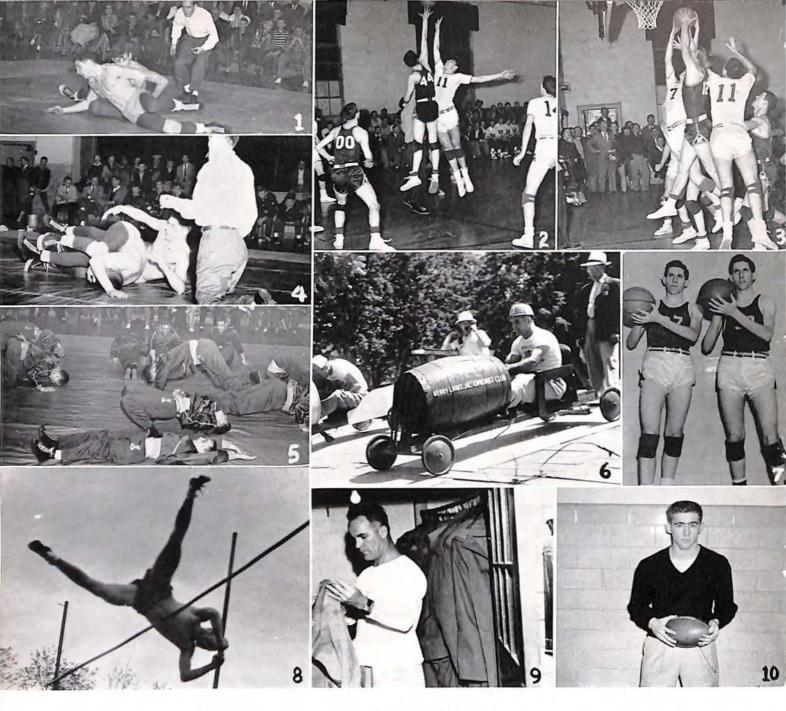
Basketball season came next with the best participation the girls have yet had in this sport. The league teams proved to be a pretty good match for any team in the league. The Blue Team took third place in the league, and the Gold team came in fourth. The Blue team, also, topped the Gold by beating them 26-17.

Following basketball came paddle badminton which was somewhat of a change after basketball.

Then, as the weather permitted, the different squads took to the field for softball. It seemed as though every time the score would get real close, it would start raining and everyone would have to take out for the gym.

The following girls, having received the required number of points, were awarded letters: Peggy Anderson, Jean Brillhart, Artennis Hall, Shirley Hayden, Cecelia Kelley, Eleanor Nichols, Sondra Rierson, and Charlotte Wiseman. Several other girls received their numerals and stars.

In answer to the question at the beginning, which was never answered, the girls feel as though they have accomplished a lot and have had a very successful and active year.



The Boys in Action

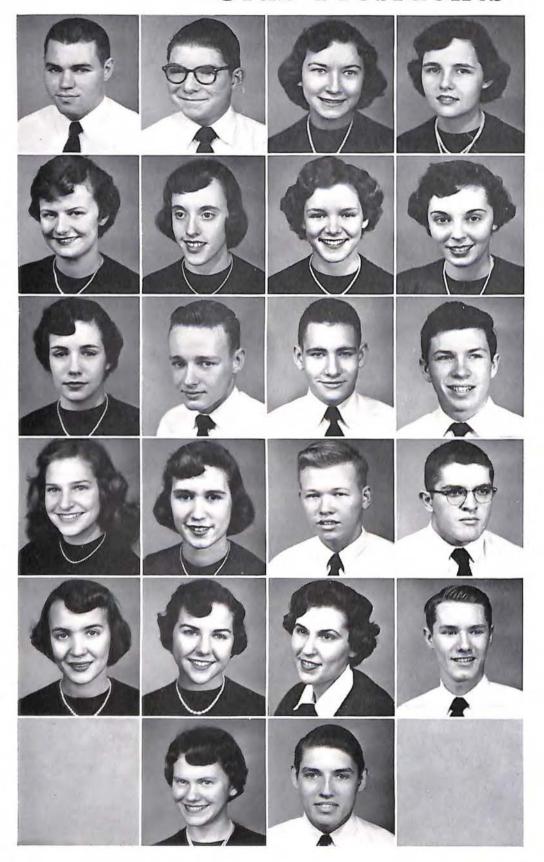
1—Ronnie Crawford escapes from Danville. 2—Carlton Assaid (11) outjumps Martinsville. 3—We outrebound Martinsville. 4—Sonny Boyd pins South Norfolk. 5—Warm up good, boys!! 6—Coach Fred Smith and "Little Napoleon." 7—Our varsity basketball twins, Bob and Bill Stevens. 8—Up! Up! and away. 9—Coach Smith checks the equipment. 10—Fleming's All-American, Corbin Bailey.

Activities



A very important part of each student's life here at Fleming was the clubs. The school offered a wide variety of extracurricular activities. There were social clubs, music clubs, dramatic and sport clubs. The clubs sponsored the major part of all the activities at Fleming. These activities included everything from dances, suppers and bake sales to slumber parties, hops and parades. Leading the parades were the above majorettes, Patty Virts, Virginia Thomas, Shirley Hurt, head majorette, Sara Kelley and Donna McAllister.

Club Presidents



Bernard Howard
Student Cooperative
Association
Ray Hardy
Beta Club
Pauline Gray
Future Homemakers of
America

Shelva Sarver Future Business Leaders of America

NANCY MOORE
Fleming Flash
PEGGY POWELL
Junior Red Cross Council
SHIRLEY HAYDEN
Future Teachers of America
JO ANN McNeer
Senior Y-Teens

NAN ALBAUGH
Junior Y-Teens
CORKY AYERS
Senior Hi-Y
MAX FLEMING
Junior Hi-Y
DON SANDERS
Band

ELIZABETH HAMBRICK Choir HAZEL PAINTER Library Club EDWARD GRAY Rotas BILL GOLDSBY Varsity Club

JEAN BRILLHART
Girls' Athletic Association
SHIRLEY JOHNSTON
Senior Cheerleaders
ANN WRIGHT
Junior Cheerleaders
JOHN WILLIAMS
Literary Club

Ann Meyer Senior Masque Dean Doss National Thespians

Student Cooperative Association



(S): Mrs. Gustin, Mrs. Loomis, B. Howard, B. Goldsby, L. Potts, S. Hayden, N. Moore, P. Shafer, A. Peregoy, C. Stultz, B. Blevins, L. McKinney, S. Hurt, B. Root, E. Hambrick, H. Painter, D. Price, B. Mills, A. Wright, B. Hambrick, T. Trout (C): J. Willhide, H. Cooper, C. Hancock, C. Ling, C. Kingery, D. Sanders, D. Weddle, S. Cole, N. Albaugh, H. Engle, M. Ruddo, B. Pearn, C. Lyle
(A): M. Richards, P. Gray, R. Venable, P. Johnson, J. Edwards, P. Powell, C. Arrington, D. Doss, T. Hulvey, R. Hardy, M. Fleming, A. Meyer, S. Johnston, J. McNeer, C. Ayers

\.. Sponsors Mrs. Roma Gustin LOUISE POTTS Secretary ... President Mrs. Catherine Loomis SHIRLEY HAYDEN Historian BILL GOLDSBY Fice President

The Student Cooperative Association, sponsored by the P. T. A., serves as the coordinating head of all club activities

and major school projects. Every student is a member.

The council is composed of club and class presidents, homeroom representatives, and S. C. A. officers, who are elected annually by the student body. The council meets monthly and the officers preside at an assembly each month.

This year the S. C. A. conducted the first assembly, in which they welcomed all the old and new students. In October the S. C. A. worked with government classes in sponsoring Good Citizenship Week.

The homeroom representatives helped with the newspaper subscription drive this year. They also elected marshalls for the first that the classics the auditorium at the close of assemblies. for the first time to direct the students leaving the auditorium at the close of assemblies

This was their first year to elect a representative, Sara Kelley, for the Pythian Bowl Game.

S. C. A. delegates attended the District Meeting in the fall at Blue Ridge, and the State Convention in the spring at Radford College.

The Spring Formal was a big success and was enjoyed by all.

The council members set the wheels rolling this year by making S. C. A. pins available to each member.

This proved to be a very successful year for the S. C. A. because of the wholehearted support of every student and the wonderful guidance of the sponsors, Mrs. Gustin and Mrs. Loomis.

Beta Club









Ray Hardy	President
JOHN WILLHIDE Vice I	President
PEGGY WILLHIDE	Secretary
Margaret Lavinder	reasurer
Mrs. Elizabeth Powell	Sponsors

The Beta Club got off to a good start this year by welcoming fifty-one new members at an induction service in assembly, October 16.

On November 15, the Beta Club sponsored an assembly with the Reverend Bob Richards as guest speaker.

At the Home-Coming Game, the club was in charge of selling programs.

In December, the annual Beta scholarships to former club members were awarded to Jo Ann Dobbins and Jess Fleming.

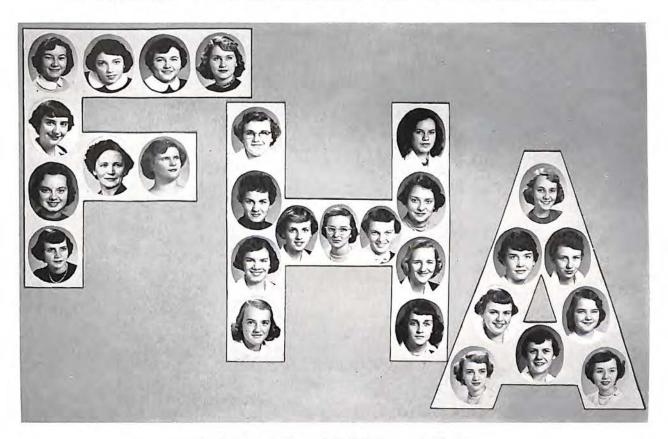
Several members of the club traveled to Richmond in the spring to take part in the Beta Convention.

On April 2, the club sponsored the Addison Choir in assembly.

The new officers for 1954-1955 were installed at the Beta Club Banquet which wound up a very successful year.

- (1) FIRST Row: A. Anders, C. Ayers, C. Arrington, S. Craft, C. Ayers, M. Church, M. Baldwin, R. Downard
 - Second Row: E. DeLong, S. Dick, S. Coyner, M. Breeden, J. Connell, P. Brumfield, D. Blount
- (2) FIRST Row: S. Hayden, E. Hambrick, R. Hardy, A. Keziah, M. Fagg
 - Second Row: C. Kingery, C. Hall, B. Hurst, M. Hacker, D. Jordan, Mrs. Powell, C. Gray, S. Johnston
- (3) FIRST Row: P. Muddiman, Miss Johnson, M. Lavinder, A. Lanford, N. Moore, B. Pearn, A. Meyer
 - Second Row; B. Pirrung, S. Meador, P. Powell, P. Kelly, J. Leffel, W. Rhodes, C. Miller
- (4) FIRST Row: M. Willhide, T. Sink, P. Gray, A. Toms, M. Sink, H. McGrady, S. Whitehead, P. Shafer, D. Sanders
 - Second Row: B. Root, C. Wiseman, J. Willhide, R. Lenable, S. Sarver, O. Tolley, J. Roberson, II. Sprinkle

Future Homemakers of America



- (F) P. Gray, A. Toms, A. Hall, J. Rogers, J. Edwards L. Vest, Mrs. Sloan, Miss Webster
- (H) A. Mays, O. Tolley
 Y. Hackworth, B. Catron
 I. Cooper, M. Reid, B. Doss, D. Mullen, S. McCue
 R. Crawford, J. Painter
- (A) T. Sink
 M. Cole, B. Smothers
 B. Oxley, P. Webb
 I. Smith, M. Wilmer, B. Hodges

PAULINE GRAY	
TWYLA JUNE SINK	Vice President
Mrs. Dailey B. Sloan Miss Jean Webster	

This year the Fleming Chapter of F. H. A. adopted a new point system. Under this system, any member could earn the F. H. A. emblem by taking part in different phases of club work. By doing this, they automatically earned their F. H. A. degree. A Fleming girl and adviser headed the Federation Degrees Committee. The club's activities for the year included bowling parties, a picnic, a spaghetti supper, and a bake sale. The F. H. A. gave clothes to the Welfare Department and adopted a welfare child.

Members of the club attended and participated in both the spring and fall Federation meetings.



First Row: H. McGrady, B. Johnson, S. Graft, O. Tolly, A. Toms, S. Sarver, C. White, J. Hicks.

Second Row: V. Thomas, L. Vest, N. Markham, F. Hart, J. Crawford, J. Rakes, M. Hacker, P. Virts, P. Kelly, S. Dick

Third Row: N. Shank, G. Green, N. Craft, J. Musselman, D. Stultz, J. Hopkins, M. Deyerle, D. Sowder, P. Edwards, L. Wood, Y. Hackworth, S. Gibson, S. Cramer

Standing: Miss James, Miss Carbaugh, J. Layman, P. Wax, J. Brillhart, P. Anderson, P. Gray, C. Gray, P. Hedge, A. Hall, D. Law, E. Lavender, J. Edwards, N. Foster, P. Owen, B. Catron, L. Gibson

Future Business Leaders of America

Shelva Sarver	President
SHIRLEY CRAFT First Vice	President
JOYCE CRAWFORD Second Vice	President
Cleo White	
Arlene Toms	Treasurer
Ola Tolly	
Pauline Gray	
Miss Dorothy Carbaugh Miss Margaret James	Sponsors

The Fleming chapter of the Future Business Leaders was chartered by the U. B. E. A. for the first time this year. This club gives each business student, who is enrolled in two or more business subjects, an opportunity to learn about the ways of operating an organization, ways of preventing minority controls, the ways of bringing about desirable social and economic changes through organization. This is the first year that the Business Department at Fleming has had the opportunity to capitalize on the advantages of a national organization as a means of developing leadership qualities.

The club scheduled excursions to neighboring communities to study employment opportunities. As their second main project for the year, the club members furnished stenographic and clerical services to the school, to civic clubs, and to various welfare organizations.

First Row: P. Gray, N. Moore, Mr. Quinn, N. Greger, M. Fagg

SECOND Row: A. Hall, T. Hulvey, R. Townsend, M. Kealey, J. Hicks

Third Row: J. Carter, E. Brown, E. Hambrick

FOURTH ROW: G. Rakes, S. Sarver, C. Peterson



The Fleming Flash Staff

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With the exception of Hulvey and Peterson this year's Fleming Flash could have been called "The Ladies" publication!

The staff members had a marvelous time getting the weekly paper out, if sometimes difficult. They certainly hope it has been of interest.

They will remember the long hours they stayed after school and the trips to Hardy's . . . the trouble Mary "Liz" and Marilyn had with the mimeograph machine . . . yes, and the help they were given by the "out-of-class" members of the staff: Ruth, Liz, Janet, and Carolyn . . . then too there was the newspaper staff assembly . . . and as the year wore on the representatives to S. I. P. A. . . also Nancy Moore and her expression of graditude to Nancy Creger and Pauline for their ever present assistance, which turned out to be much more than just assistance . . . the way they would rush and run to meet the deadline and then feel dejected if they missed it . . the outing they had in the spring, which was so much fun . . . and finally you the readers, who put up with their paper when it was good and when it was bad.

Yes, you've made each one of the weekly projects something that truly lives, because without you the paper would be of no avail.

It's yours and they hope it pleased you.

Art Club

Russell Moon	
ALVIN ROSE	Vice President
Joyce Rogers	Secretary
CHRISTINE FIREBAUGH	Treasurer
Don Perdue	Bulletin Board Chairman
Margaret Kealey	Publicity Manager
Miss Jean Dawson	Sponsor

After two years of inactivity, the Art Club was reorganized this year. Pete Terry was elected president of the club, but after he entered the service a new election was held at mid-term. A slate of officers headed by Russell Moon as president was elected.

The club's purpose was to cover advanced art work not done in the classes.

The main project of the year was to decorate the bulletin boards in the halls. The club did a fine job in this respect. The bulletin boards were always neat and attractive.

The Art Club climaxed the year's activities with an all day outing in the spring.



(1) B. Allen, G. Paxton, C. Firebaugh, B. Thompson, J. Rogers, M. McDaniel, R. Moon, M. Kealey, D. Blount, R. King, N. Albaugh, J. Carter, Z. Beckwith, B. Bryant

(2) R. Crawford, C. Robbins, H. Beuing, P. Webb, T. Ferrell, J. Nash, D. Jones, C. Thornsbury, C. Jennings, D. Perdue, A. Rose, D. Metz, H. Wigington, Miss Dawson



First Row: N. Cundiff, J. Gates, E. St. Clair, C. Stultz, J. Nash, J. Edwards
Second Row: Mrs. Townsend, J. Belcher, S. Metts, B. Turner, R. Townsend, C. Pedigo, C. Roberson, G. Carter
Third Row: P. Wood, D. Parker, J. Fralin, T. Hulvey, B. Newman, B. Stamback, C. Rakes

Poetry Club

Chrystella Stultz	President
Jackie Nash	President
EMELYN St. CLAIR	Secretary
Diane Pilson	Treasurer
JILL EDWARDS	
Mrs. Townsend	Spancor

The Poetry Club of William Fleming was organized December 9, 1952. Green and white, as their colors, and the motto, "Lead a happier life with poetry," were adopted.

Several members attended the meeting of the Virginia State Poetry Society.

The club held an initiation party for the officers in March. They invited Mrs. Carlton Drewry, wife of the President of the Virginia State Poetry Society, to be guest speaker.

Pins were made available to members for the first time this year.

The Poetry Club wound up their activities with a bake sale in late March.



FIRST Row: D. Field, D. Henninger, M. Burnette

SECOND ROW: C. Faughan, D. Woolwine, B. Baker
THIRD ROW: J. Garland, W. Ayers, N. Updike, J. Owens, W. Anders, D. Rucker, E. Brown
FOURTH ROW: T. Rowe, B. Bowser, J. Brillhart, D. Sanders, S. Rubenstein, S. Farrar
FIFTH ROW: D. Jones, A. Lanford, Mrs. Painter
Sixth Row: P. Powell, D. Kinum, S. Brown

Junior Red Cross

Peggy Powell	. President
Don Kinum	
Susie Brown	. Secretary
ALICE LANFORD Program DARLENE JONES	Chairmen
Mrs. Ruth Painter	Sponsor

The Junior Red Cross was organized for the purpose of giving young people an opportunity to participate in local Red Cross activities as well as in world-wide projects.

The new sponsor, Mrs. Painter, has been certified by the Red Cross to teach First Aid. Early in the fall, the club elected representatives from each homeroom to the council. Their job was to keep the students in their homerooms informed about the club's activities.

Most of the meetings were concerned with First Aid in connection with the Civil Defense Program.

One of the major activities of the club was the Enrollment Campaign.

At Christmas, the Junior Red Cross filled thirty-two stockings for the veterans.

The club sponsored numerous programs at the Veterans' Hospital, and helped in the National Red Cross campaign by distributing posters in Roanoke stores.

Future Teachers of America

SHIRLEY HAYDEN	President
	Vice President
June Ferris	Secretary
Barbara Pearn	Librarian
RONNIE BOWER	
JANET CARTER	
MISS THELMA MORRIS MRS. ELIZABETH POWELL	Sponsors

The Fleming F. T. A. was organized in January and became affiliated with the N. E. A. in the early spring. The N. E. A. is a national organization that seeks to encourage young people to become teachers, provides them with specific information about opportunities in various fields of education, and acquaints them with the inspiring story of the schools.

The Pledge of F. T. A. is as follows:

The good teacher requires:

Physical Vitality. I will try to keep my body well and strong.

Mental Vigor. I will study daily to keep my mind active and alert.

Moral Discrimination. I will cultivate in myself goodwill, friendliness, poise, upright bearing, and careful speech.

Helpfulness. I will learn the art of helping others by doing helpful things daily in school and home.

Knowledge. I will fill my mind with worthy thoughts by observing all that is beautiful in the world around me, by reading the best books, and by association with the best companions.

Leadership. I will make my influence count on the side of right, avoiding habits that weaken and destroy.

These things will I do now that I may be worthy the high office of teacher.

The Fleming F. T. A. members gave programs at each meeting which concerned the teaching profession. The big event of the year was the dinner given by the club in honor of the faculty members. Club members also participated in city-wide activities for Future Teachers. Some of the senior girls entered the essay contest sponsored by the A. A. U. W. of the Roanoke Branch.

Much progress was made this year by the F. T. A. because of the efforts of the officers and the cooperation of each member.



First Row: R. Townsend, R. Bower, S. Hayden, J. Ferris, J. Carter Second Row: P. Shafer, J. Musselman, B. Pearn, C. Rakes, N. Moore, P. Lilly, Miss Morris Third Row: P. Palmer, J. Gates, S. Meador, J. McNeer, H. Beuing, L. Potts

Senior Y-Teens

Jo Ann McNeer. Shirley Johnston. Becky Hudson. Barbara Thompson Betty Ballantine Elinor De Long Louise Potts	President Tice President Recording Secretary Corresponding Secretary Treasurer
MARTHA SINK ANNETTE ANDERS PHYLLIS KELLEY MARY ELLEN PURVES SHIRLEY CRAFT ANN MEYER RUTH DOWNARD	· Committee Chairmen
SHIRLEY HAYDEN MARY ELIZABETH FAGG CAROLE KINGERY VYNNA BALDWIN	Choir Directors

The Senior Y-Teens is an organization composed of girls from the eleventh and twelfth grades.

The club sponsored such programs as a reception, Christmas pageant, Mother-Daughter Banquet, Fashion-Talent

Show and Holy Week Services.

The local Y. W. C. A. offered opportunities to those belonging to a city-county-wide organization. In this organization, the girls participated in World Fellowship Week; the Virginia State Mid-Winter Conference at Danville; the Annual Meeting and Dinner of the Y. W. C. A.; the Hi-Y-Y-Teen Banquet; and as always, camp at Kiwanianna.

The Y-Teens have certainly experienced the good feeling that comes from belonging to their own club, local Y. W. C. A., city-county group, and a State, National, and World organization. All in all, it has been a good year, and it is hoped that the life of each Fleming girl has been inspired, and they themselves have been happier because they have been Y-Teens.





FIRST ROW, NEXT TO WALL: E. Lavender, G. Hurst, J. Edwards, D. Mullen, B. Catron, V. Thomas, L. McBride, S. Coyner, R. Minton, M. Main, Mrs. Young, B. Thompson

Young, B. Thompson

Second Row: N. Callahan, M. Breeden, C. Ayers, M. Lavinder, A. Lanford, N. Markham, Y. Hackworth, A. Johnston, S. Meador, C. Gray, G. Lemon, A. Wright, P. Powell, A. Anders, M. Fagg

Third Row: P. Wax, C. Miller, J. Vaught, P. Brumfield, F. Hart, J. Hopkins, P. Ferrell, J. Connell, G. Pipkin, A. Kesiah, P. Muddiman, M. Baldwin B. Ballantine Fourth Row: J. Layman, R. Nance, M. Hacker, L. Vest, E. Yates, P. Light, S. Rierson, B. Hurst, M. Sink, R. Downard

R. Downard

FIRST ROW, NEXT TO WALL: J. Hurley, P. Lilly, B. Pearn, N. Moore, R. Lee, P. Kelley, M. Purves, E. DeLong

Sowder, E. Nichols, C. Wiseman, S. Hayden, L. Potts, J. McNeer SECOND Row:

THIRD ROW: P. Gregger, I. Smith, E. Dye, J. Hicks, C. White, J. Rogers, P. Shafer, A. Meyer, S. Johnston Fourth Row: Mrs. Young, P. Virts, J. Brillhart, P. Hedge, M. Willhide, S. Craft, C. Kingery

Tob Left Y-TEEN CHOIR

FIRST Row: N. Keith, B. Richardson, P. Murphy H. Huffman, M. Baldwin SECOND Row: C. Firebaugh, H. Engle, S. Johnston, J.

Mills
THIRD Row: J. Cheatwood,
B. Mills, J. Gilbert, J. Mundy
FOURTH ROW: K. Stewart.

FOURTH ROW: K. Slewarl, C. Whitt, M. Cregger, R. Sowder FIFTH ROW: K. Stewarl, S. Smithers, R. Henry, M. Richards

Richards
Sixth Row: S. Rubenstein,
D. Rustin, C. Slaughter,
S. Wray, B. Hicks
SEVENTH ROW: W. Anders,
B. Bowles, M. Cumbie,
J. Cronin

EIGHTH Row: J. Heck, K. Turner, B. Blevins, B. Potts, C. Powell

Top Right TENTH GRADE

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FIRST ROW: C. Jennings*,
J. Edwards*, N. Albaugh,
S. Brown, J. Sink
SI COND ROW: C. Stultz*,
E. Brown*, H. Painter*,
Miss Webster
THIRD ROW: M. Deyerle*,
J. Gates*, C. Rakes*
FOURTH ROW: B. Lewis, G.
Carler, L. Austin, S.
Farrar
FIFTH ROW: S. Metz, R.

FIFTH Row: S. Metz. R. Townsend, P. Lilly, S. Saunders

Sixth Row: N. Mitchell. D. Jones, M. Reid, S.

D. Jones, a. Elmore
Seventh Row: B. Oxley,
A. Nichols, C. Pedigo,
J. Belcher
Bown R. Smothers,

Eighth Row: B. Smothers, N. Cundiff, J. Nash, S. Buck

Buck NINTH Row: P. Owen, P. Vandergrift, P. Wood, C.

Roberson
TENTH Row: N. Bobblett,
J. Basham, N. Foster, I.

J. Basham, N. Poster, 1. Cooper ELEVENTH ROW: L. Mc-Kinney, J. Ferris, E. St. Clair, B. Stubbs TWELFTH ROW: N. Karlet, C. Thornsbury, P. Ed-wards, B. Payne









Bottom Left NINTH GRADE

First Row: K. Albaugh, S. Black* F. Showalter* P. Creasy*
Second Row: T. Ferrell, Z. Beckwith, J. Peregoy, L. Giles*
Third Row: C. Young, B. Hambrick, M. Buchanan, J. Smith
FOURTH Row: A. Thomas, P. Webb, A. Strickler, E. Skinnell
FIFTH Row: F. Keaton, H. Cooper, N. Burger
Sixth Row: P. Callahan, J. King, D. McAllister, D. O'Brien, A. Hicks
*Committee Chairmen.

Bottom Right EIGHTH AND NINTH GRADES

FIRST ROW: J. Garland, B. Atkins, J. Arnold, T. Trout
SECOND ROW: J. Wade, G. Cruickshank, S. Richards, B. Powers
Third Row: C. Jordan, C. Johnson, B. Bray, C. Hancock
POURTH ROW: B. Baker, J. Guntner, B. McCann
FIFTH ROW: S. Atkinson, B. Turner, J. Falls, B. Humphreys
SIXTH ROW: P. Hart, D. Foley, M. Sharp, B. Munsey, I. Facette
SEVENTH ROW: S. Lawrence, C. Mays, J. Heck, D. Henninger

Junior Y-Teens

Nan Albaugh	President
Susie Brown	
Connie Wood	Recording Secretary
JEAN SINK.	
Kaye Albaugh	

The Junior Y-Teens took part in various activities this year under the guidance of their sponsor, Miss Webster. All the girls had an opportunity to participate in club activities through the Y-Teen Choir, the Dance Chorus, and the Teller. One of the main projects of the club was "adopting" two Y-Teen daughters, Della White and Nettie Seth-

The cabinet enjoyed their get-togethers when planning such activities as the Y-Teen Reception, the Christmas Pageant, Holy Week Services, Mother-Daughter Banquet, and many other events including the Junior Y-Teen slumber party.

It was the hope of the Junior Y-Teens that the life of each girl who belonged to the club would be enriched by the fellowship which is the very center of Y-Teen activities.



FIRST Row: R. Venable, J. Leffel, C. Ayers, E. Gorman, D. Weddle
SECOND Row: B. Burnette, M. Burnette, B. Cochran, J. Gilbert, R. Metz, B. Wingo
THIRD Row: T. Hulvey, J. Crowgey, B. Root, B. Goldsby, R. Crawford, D. Parker, R. Hardy
FOURTH Row: C. Arrington, C. Atkinson, D. Kinum, H. Wigington, F. Pugh, J. Willhide, E. Adams, Mr. Coulter

Senior Hi-Y

OFFICERS

CORKY A	Ayers	President
DENNY '	Weddle	Vice President
JOHNNIE	ELEFFEL	Secretary
Eddie G	Gorman	Treasurer
Robert	Venable	Cha plain
Scott H	IASKINS	rgeant-at-Arms
Mr. W.	A. Coulter	Sponsor

The Senior Hi-Y, composed of boys from the Senior and Junior classes, was organized for the purpose of maintaining a high, Christian character throughout the home, school, and community.

The Hi-Y and the Y-Teens presented their annual Christmas program on assembly.

Hi-Y members delivered Christmas baskets, filled by Fleming students, to some of the needy families in Roanoke.

The club sponsored a Father-Son Banquet and a spring outing to climax a very active year.

Junior Hi-Y

Max Fleming	
Wally Johnston	First Vice President
John Williams	Second Vice President
Chester Rogers	Secretary
DICKIE WOOLWINE	
Ronnie Griffin	Sergeant-at-Arms
Mr. Paul Foster	Sponsor

The Junior Hi-Y, after a late start in the fall, held regular meetings twice a month at the Y. M. C. A.

The activities and meetings of the club have been in keeping with its purpose, "to strengthen our bodies, develop our minds, worship God, and work together for a finer community and better world."

Two members and the sponsor of the club attended the Model General Assembly, a miniature legislature of Virginia to which Hi-Y clubs sent "senators" and "delegates".

The club entered a basketball team in the Y. M. C. A. Junior League. Their main project for the year was to continue the upkeep of Colonel William Fleming's grave located near the Monterey Golf Course.

An outing climaxed the year's activities.



FRONT: Mr. Foster
FIRST Row: R. Griffin, C. Rodgers, W. Johnston, M. Fleming, D. Woolwine, M. Ruddo, R. Fisher, J. Williams
SECOND Row: F. Miller, J. Fagg, L. Barger, G. Davis, B. Woodson, R. Moler, W. Potts, J. Ferguson, H. Bowling
Third Row: R. Cronin, B. Newman, T. Row, J. Quinn, R. McFarland, R. Nash, J. Venable, W. Willis, B. Bowman, D. Geiser

Band



First Row: C. Miller, P. Lilly, D. Jordan, A. Anders, C. Wosaba, N. Cundiff, J. Musselman, J. Connell
Second Row: P. Light, C. Trumbull, S. Hurt, R. Howell, T. Engleman, D. Rhodes, M. Breeden, J. Sutliff, T. Wiley, W. Burnette, W. Rhodes, A. Myers
Third Row: L. Miller, B. Patterson, F. Merit, K. Coffman, C. Dulaney, T. E. Mays, J. Leffel, W. Potts, R. Sutphin, B. Bozoman, S. Belcher, C. Peterson, M. Wingo, B. Bussey, F. Gordan, A. Willis, D. Sanders
Fourth Row: B. Newman, W. Johnston, B. Thompson, B. Campbell, B. Newman, H. Bray, D. Prillaman
Back Row: Mr. R. E. Berwald, R. Downard, O. Reedy, H. Bowles, R. Hardy, M. Burnette, B. Beyant

Don Sanders	President
RUTH DOWNARD	
CHRISTINE MILLER	
JOHNNIE LEFFEL	
Don Prillaman	rm Manager
Bobby StambackStude	nt Conductor
JIMMY SUTLIFF	
Mr. R. E. Berwald.	Director

The Band, directed by Mr. Berwald, enjoyed a very successful season this year. The membership included sixty-two members and six majorettes. The Band played at all the home football games and traveled with the team to several out-of-town games.

Early in the year, it went to the Band Festival in Bristol, returning with a Number 1 rating. At Christmas time, they took part in the Santa Claus Parade.

One of the high spots of the year came in March when the band gave its fourth annual Band Concert.

In May the Band went to Washington, D. C., to take part in the National A. A. A. parade. During the year, several Band members were chosen for the All-State Band held in Grundy, Virginia. Out of eleven members chosen, five played first parts.

Choir

ELIZABETH HAMBRICK	CAROLYN AYERS \	ts.
TOMMY HULVEY l'ice President	Annette Anders	
BETTY SUE WINGO Secretary	JEANNE RAKES \	15
RONNIE BOWER Business Manager	ELINOR DELONG	
Mrs. June Webb	SHIRLEY HAYDEN	or

The Fleming Choir began the year by giving a program for the Veterans Facility. Later they gave an Armistice Day Assembly and a Thanksgiving music program at school.

Christmas is always one of the busiest seasons for the Choir. This year the Christmas activities included a program for the Williamson Road Woman's Club, the annual Christmas Choral Sing at Jefferson High School, and a performance of "The Song of Christmas" Cantata.

At the beginning of the New Year, the choir sang for the Oakland, Huff Lane, and Fleming

P. T. A. groups.

Again this year, the Fleming Choir was asked to be in charge of the music for the World Day of Prayer Service at Huntington Court Church. On March 15, the choir joined with six other choirs and the Roanoke Symphony Orchestra in presenting the oratorio, "The Ordering of Moses".

The Choir gave programs at several local high schools. It was in charge of presenting Young Roanoke Sings for Station WSLS once each month. In addition to the mixed choir, a very suc-

cessful Girl's Choir was begun this year.

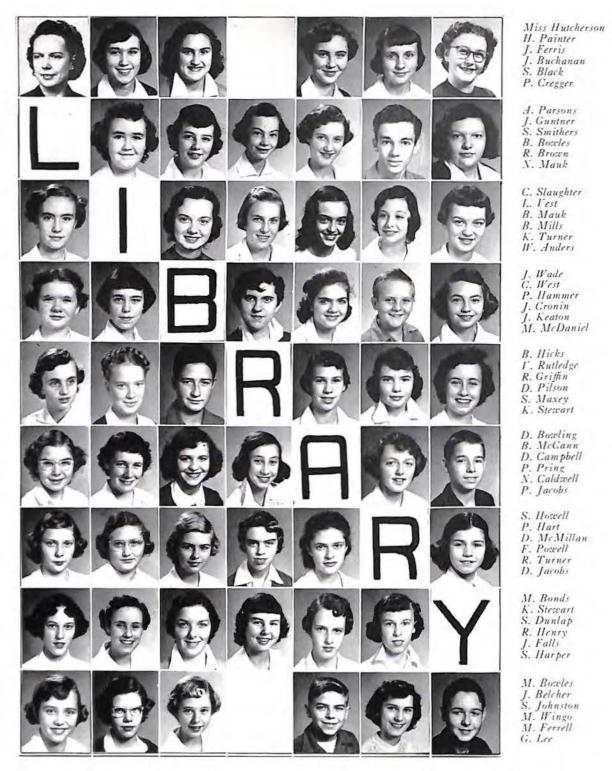
The Fleming Choir wound up the year with their Annual Spring Concert and the music programs for Baccalaureate and Commencement.



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SEVENTH ROW: B. Pirrung, S. Brown, J. Hopkins, H. Beuing, A. Johnston, E. St. Clair Eighth Row: R. Metz, E. Brown, B. Wingo



Library Club

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UNE FERRIS	l'ice.	President
JEAN DUCHANAN		Secretary
SUE BLACK		Treasurer
Miss Ruth Hutcherson	PROVINCE THE PERSON NAMED IN	Spansor

Membership in the Library Club is open to students from the eighth through the twelfth grades. They, also become members of the Roanoke City Library Club, which is composed of Library Club members from all the high schools in the city. The purpose of the club is to interest students in reading and making library work a career.

Members of the club may act as assistant-librarians. Upon receiving 300 points for working in the library, a club member receives a pin and a school letter when he or she has earned 500 points.

Monthly meetings are held in the library. The members take part on programs and special speakers are brought in. Socials and picnics are held during the year, and the city club has an annual picnic in the spring at Fishburn Park.

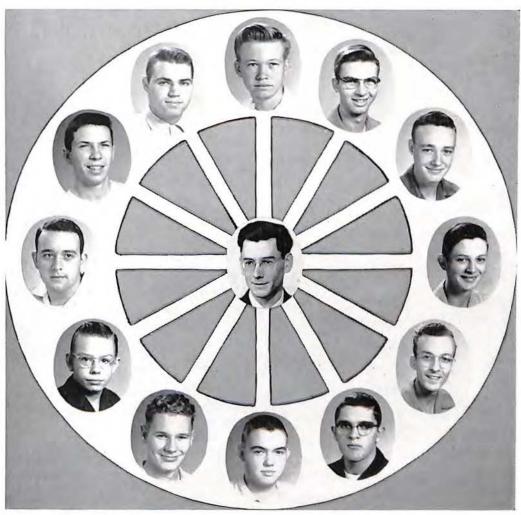
Rotas

Edward Gray	President
JOHNNIE LEFFEL	Vice President
Corky Ayers	
Donnie Jordan	
Mr. Tom Dixon	

The Rotas, an organization in the ninth through the twelfth grade, were in charge of duties usually done by the faculty throughout the year. The Rotas gave the boys the opportunity to familiarize themselves with the technical equipment of the school.

This was the second year of the organization of the Rotas and the first in which they had elected officers. The students were trained to operate the public address system, the movie machines, and the slide projectors. They also sold tickets at school activities, took inventory of the chemistry and physics stock, and operated lights and "floods" when needed.

All in all, it was a very profitable year for the Rotas.



Center: Mr. Dixon
Top, Clockwise: E. Gray, J. Leffel, C. Ayers, D. Jordan, C. Hall, B. Goldsby, J. Gilbert, C. Peterson, W. Pegram, B. Root, D. Sanders, B. Howard

Varsity Club



KNEELING: Coach C. Davis and Coach F. Smith

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Second Row: B. Stevens, R. Moon, R. Laughlin, R. Venable, H. Wigington, P. Fracker, C. Atkinson, A. Rose, B. Pugh, W. Ayers, T. Wilhelm, B. Howard, G. Wingfield, D. Kinum, H. Sprinkle, D. Updike, L. Turner, J. Willhide, G. Cunningham F. Pugh

BILL GOLDSBY	
Lewis Vest	
Don Blount	Secretary-Treasurer
Nr. B. C.	Sponsors

The Varsity Club is open to any boy who has won athletic letters in the major or minor sports which William Fleming offers.

The club, along with the G. A. A., sponsored the Christmas Dance as one of its main projects. Another of its fund raising activities was selling blue and gold hats to the students.

The main project for the year was the presentation to the school of all the trophies earned in the past years. Because of the large number and their expense, this project is expected to take longer than just one year.

This year, the Varsity Club also undertook the job of revising its constitution and bringing it up to date.

The club members sponsored a spring outing to wind up a busy year.

Girls' Athletic Association

Jean Brillhart Elizabeth Hambrick . Vice	President
Elizabeth Hambrick	President
Myrna Baldwin	Secretary
Shelva Sarver	Treasurer
ELEANOR NICHOLS Recorder	of Points

This year, the G. A. A. members were more active than ever before. The membership grew rapidly, and they were kept busy with many sports and activities. More and more girls were able to earn the coveted points toward class numerals and letters. In fact, so many worked for them that the sponsors and recorder of points were nearly driven to distraction keeping up with them.

For the first time the G. A. A.'s teamed with the Varsity Club in sponsoring the Christmas Dance. On March 3, the members had a pot luck supper in the Fellowship Hall of Huntington Court Church. One of the final activities of the year was a picnic supper. Though it was too early to swim, the girls had a grand time.

To climax the year, the G. A. A.'s sponsored May Day with the Varsity Club and Cheerleaders.

With a gracious queen and a lovely court to entertain her, dancers outdid themselves.

The G. A. A. members can well be proud of their club's accomplishments this year.



FIRST Row, Front to Back: E. Hambrick, M. Baldwin, S. Hayden, S. Kelley, C. Kelley, S. Johnston, G. Lemon, M. Sink, A. Hall, S. Metz, N. Updike, K. Albaugh, B. Hambrick, R. Townsend, N. Dority, P. McGuire, P. Anderson, R. Crawford

Second Row: J. Brillhart, S. Sarver, E. Nichols, P. Lilly, E. Dye, A. Wright, I. Thomas, M. Hacker, B. Ballantine, I. Cooper, S. Lawrence, J. Brillhart, M. McDaniel, J. Willis, Y. Hackworth, J. Gates, C. Wiseman, S. Buck, S. Meador

FIRST ROW, ACROSS: Mrs. Boyd, Miss Martin, N. Mitchell, M. Deyerle, J. Basham, C. Jennings SECOND ROW: B. Stubbs, D. Jones, N. Mauk, P. Virts, F. Hart, N. Markham Third Row: S. Rierson, J. Edwards, C. Pedigo, L. Giles, P. Edwards, L. Simmons, S. Harper, D. Stultz,

M. Fagg
FOURTH ROW: J. Sink, M. Breeden, L. McKinney, P. Creasy, P. Ferrell, B. Thompson, D. O'Brien, P. Callahan, P. Owen

FIFTH Row: C. Rakes, S. Brown, M. Purves, P. Kelley, S. Craft, J. Crawford, B. Bowser



Individual Pictures, From Top, Clockwise: J. Crawford, S. Johnston, S. Craft, S. Whitehead, A. Keziah, M. Sink, G. Lemon, P. Shafer
GROUP PICTURE, FIRST ROW: A. Keziah, J. Crawford, S. Craft, P. Shafer
SECOND ROW: Miss Martin, E. Durham, G. Lemon, S. Johnston, S. Whitehead, M. Sink, Miss Morris

Senior Cheerleaders

SHIRLEY JOHNSTON	,	lead Cheerleader
Joyce Crawford Priscilla Shafer	>	
Miss Thelma Morri Miss Margaret Ma	IS CRITIN	Sponsors

"Is everybody happy? Yeah man!"
All of Fleming's sports' fans really should be, for they experienced successful seasons in football, basketball, wrestling, and track. The cheerleaders were pleased with the teams and delighted by the fine sportsmanship and school spirit of the

Amid the pleasures, the squad had its difficulties also. Two members decided to "enjoy" appendectomies at the same time, a third transferred at mid-term, a fourth received a minor injury in Chemistry class, and a fifth lost her "wisdom" in a tooth extraction.

In spite of all this, the games had to go on and so did the cheerleaders with able assistance from the Head of the Junior Squad and the faithful alternate of the Senior Squad,

Each member was proud to yell for the "Champs" and to be a cheerleader during such an outstanding and eventful



Top: A. Wright, J. Basham, M. Deyerle, P. Edwards

MIDDLE: Miss Morris, Miss Martin BOTTOM: D. Pilson, J. Smith, P. Owen

Junior Cheerleaders

Ann Wright	 Cheerleader
PHYLLIS EDWARDS	 Cheerleader
MISS THELMA MORRIS MISS MARGARET MARTIN	 Sponsors

The Junior Squad began the year, even before school started in the fall, with practices during the summer. Almost before they knew it, the football season had come and gone leaving pleasant memories of a successful season behind. The basketball season followed close on the heels of football. The squad equally enjoyed both the games and the out-of-town trips.

The Junior Cheerleaders held several social activities during the year. They sponsored pot-luck suppers and helped with the bonfire at Home-Coming. The squad held slumber parties and decorated for hops.

Several times the Junior and Senior Cheerleaders had dinner together and afterward took part in parades before games.

The Junior Cheerleaders received valuable assistance from their sponsors, Miss Morris and Miss Martin, the Senior Squad, and of course, the Pep Band which did much to arouse school spirit.



The Cheerleaders Were Busy in 1953-54

1—Martinsville Dummy poses with the Junior Squad. 2—Both squads eat and make plans. 3—Senior Squad en route to Blacksburg. 4—Betty Ballantine, who served as the loyal alternate. 5—Shirley Johnston, the Head Cheerleader, and her girls send a note to the "Colonels" at Lynchburg. 6—Both squads took the role of athletes in their assembly program last fall. 7—Parading the town before the William Byrd game. 8—The Senior Squad looks upward, anxiously awaiting the forthcoming games. 9—Sixteen heads are better than one as both squads make plans for the District Tournament at Blacksburg. 10—The "Graduating Quartette" at Grant's Tavern—Priscilla Shafer. Shirley Craft, Joyce Crawford and Shirley Johnston. 11—Co-Captain Russell Moon crowns Joan Hicks Homecoming Queen of 1953, while Co-Captain Corbin Bailey looks on. 12—The Senior Squad "in action" at the Stadium. 13—Junior Cheerleaders enjoy a meal at Gill's before a game. 14—Shirley Johnston, Joan Basham, Pat Owen, Eleanor Durham, Shirley Craft and Anne Keziah serve as "paper hangers" for the Homecoming Celebration. 15—Joyce Crawford and Priscilla Shafer make last minute preparations before the bus trip to Blacksburg for the District Tournament. 16—A "Farewell" Party to Eleanor Durham, who left the squad at mid-term.

Dramatics



Fleming's Dramatic Department has recorded another outstanding year in their long history of successes. Their activities included several major plays, skits, debating teams, speakers and writers. Typical of the plays was the scene above, which was taken from "Jane Eyre", with Elinor DeLong and Dean Doss taking the leading roles.

The year was highlighted by the Thespian Silver Anniversary Celebration in March. Fleming's Thespians were the hosts to Thespian representatives from North and South Carolina and Virginia.

The William Fleming Dramatics Department has become very well known throughout the state.



FIRST Row: R. Townsend, C. Rakes, P. Muddiman, J. Edwards, P. Light, B. Hurst, P. Willhide, J. Williams Second Row: Mrs. Loomis, E. Yates, N. Moore, E. St. Clair, J. Connell, G. Hurst, M. Fagg, Mrs. Dickinson Third Row: S. Coyner, C. Stultz, J. Gates, S. Farrar, N. Cundiff, S. Meador, A. Meyer Fourth Row: E. Brown, E. Dye, D. Sanders, B. Bowser, J. Willhide, E. DeLong, D. Doss, C. Peterson

Literary Club

John Williams	
Janet Carter	Vice President
CAROLYN RAKES	
Eleanor Durham	····· Reporter
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The program of Fleming's Literary Club is triangular-forensic, literary, and dramatic.

The members can well be proud of the outstanding number of honors and awards that former members have received.

Isolde Wachter won the "Voice of Democracy" contest in 1953; the *Beacon* won State Honors; Debaters, Bill Jago and Robley Light; Boy's Speaker, Allan Ault; and Girl's Speaker, Isolde Wachter, captured District laurels at the Forensic

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Knowing the work that has gone into a literary letter, anyone who has earned one should certainly be proud of "a task well done and well rewarded".

Senior Masque

Ann Meyer	President
NANCY MOORE	e President
Elinor DeLong	Secretary
Eva Yates	. Treasurer
Mrs. Genevieve Dickinson Mrs. Catherine Loomis	Sponsors

The Senior Masque had a very busy year guided by their president, Ann Meyer. They helped in the production of all the plays given by the Speech Department and played an active part in helping with the Thespian Silver Anniversary. Different members of the club served on committees and worked closely with the Thespians in celebrating this important event.

The Senior Masque sponsored a hop in March. The club members also worked with the Thespians on the Tri-State Conference which was a convention of representatives and sponsors of Thespian troupes from Virginia, North Carolina, and South Carolina.

ACTING AND STAGE

(1) FIRST Row: E. Brown, E. DeLong, E. Hambrick, D. Sanders

Second Row: J. King, T. Mays, D. Doss, Mrs. Dickinson, C. Swisher, C. Hall

MAKE-UP

(2) First Row: S. Coyner, B. Newman, C. Kingery, T. Hulvey, J. Connell

Second Row: J. Gates, N. Cundiff, C. Stultz, S. Farrar, B. Hurst, J. Carter, P. Wood

LIGHTING, TICKETS, AND COSTUMES

(3) First Row: G. Hurst, S. Hayden, A. Anders, E. Dye

SECOND Row: P. Light, F. Gisiner, R. Townsend, E. Brown, C. Rakes, M. Church, P. Willhide, J. Edwards, J. Sutliff, S. Rierson, A. Meyer, E. Yates, C. Peterson, F. Pugh, N. Moore, D. Parker, E. Nichols

PROPS

(4) S. Whitehead, M. Sink, R. Downard, C. Jennings, N. Albaugh, B. Cochran, A. Wright, J. Hopkins, J. Gilbert, E. St. Clair, L. Vest, Mrs. Loomis, A. Kesiah











Front to Back: C. Peterson, C. Kingery, E. Yates, C. Hall, P. Palmer, J. Crawford, N. Moore, E. Brown, J. Carter
First Row: D. Parker, A. Keziah, A. Meyer, P. Muddiman, E. Dye
Second Row: T. Hulvey, E. DeLong, E. Hambrick, Mrs. Loomis, D. Doss, Mrs. Dickinson, M. Church,
S. Whitehead, D. Sanders

National Thespians

TROUPE 570

Dean Doss	President	Eleanor Dye	Recorder of Points
Ann Meyer	Lice President	Nancy Moore	
Janet Carter	Secretary	Mrs, Genevieve Dickinson	\ Sponsors
Eddie Brown	Treasurer	Mrs, Catherine Loomis	

SILVER ANNIVERSARY YEAR

Nineteen hundred and fifty-three ushered in a busy year for the Thespians of Troupe 570. Rolling down the calendar, they marked off production number one with an assembly program, "Shake-speare", given by the speech class. October saw the backstage crew working on the fall play, "Jane Eyre", making the headlines with praises for the distinguished performance. Dean Doss brought back honors with the "I Speak for Democracy" contest. Their next production was the annual "Dickens Christmas Carol". January ushered in an assembly program, "Antic Spring", which was given, also, at Hotel Roanoke. It was work, work, work, for the Thespians and Senior Masquers, with the Tri-State Anniversary Conference, held at Fleming and Hollins College with dances, workshops, banquets. They trouped together to Roanoke College to see "Mad Woman of Chillot". Mrs. Dickinson, as Constance, gave a magnificent performance. Production number six took them (hoping for another Distinguished Award) to the one act play festival at University of Virginia to give "Message From Khufu". The busy year for Thespians closed with the spring play.



The Show Is On

1—The Junior Masquers pose for a group picture after completing their rollicking comedy, "N for Nuisance", which they gave before the student body at an assembly program. 2—Elizabeth Hambrick, our representative in the American Legion Oratorical contest, and State winner in Girls' Public Speaking. 3—Elinor DeLong as Jane Eyre, and Elizabeth Hambrick as Mrs. Fairfax, in a scene from the fall play, "Jane Eyre". 4—Betty Bowser and Elinor DeLong put finishing touches on Elinor's eighteenth century gown for her role in "Jane Eyre", while Mrs. Genevieve Dickinson and Dean Doss do last minute arranging of stage props. 5—Dean Doss won first place in the city and regional contests of the "Voice of Democracy" contest sponsored by the Jaycees. 6—John Williams as St. John Rivers, Dean Doss as Edward Rochester, Elinor DeLong in the title role, Janet Carter as Rosamond Oliver, Ann Meyer as Beatrice Ingram, and Eddie Brown as Lord Linton, in the wedding scene from "Jane Eyre". 7—Dr. Rushton, Superintendent of the Roanoke City Schools, congratulates Eddie Brown, Janet Carter, Dean Doss and Elinor DeLong after their splendid performance of "Jane Eyre".



The Play's The Thing

TOP: A scene from the Eighteenth Century costume play, "Jane Eyre".

MIDDLE: Don Sanders as Professor Hardwin, Dean Doss as Ben, Harry Skinnell as Joe, and Eddie Brown as Butch, in a scene from the suspense-filled drama, "A Message From Khufu", our one-act play which won a Distinguished in the District and State Festivals for 1954.

BOTTOM: Don Sanders as Carr, Arthur Hill as Garth, John Simmons as Esdras, Dean Doss as Mio, and Janet Carter as Miriamne, in the one-act play, "Winterset", which won a Distinguished in the District and State play festivals for 1953.



TOP LEFT: A chatting and getting acquainted session before the banquet. Top RIGHT: The speakers' table. BOTTOM: A balcony view of the banquet hall adorned with crepe paper and balloons.

Thespian Tri-State Silver Anniversary Conference

On March 5 and 6, Thespian troupes from Virginia, South Carolina, and North Carolina were invited by Fleming Thespian Troupe 570 to participate in the Thespian Tri-State Silver Anniversary Conference. Approximately one hundred fifty persons registered for the conference. Those from neighboring schools commuted, and those from out-of-town were guests of the Fleming troupe.

The conference opened with a banquet and dance at the Vinton War Memorial on Friday night, March 5. After a delicious meal and a wonderful floor show by Thespian talent, Mr. Leon Miller, Executive Secretary of National Thespians, addressed the group.

On the following morning, workshops in acting, lighting, directing, and make-up were held, with professional teachers giving instruction. Lunch was served in the Fleming cafeteria and then the entire conference journeyed to Hollins College, where one-act plays were given by Buchanan High School and William Fleming High School. After the critics expressed their opinion on each play, Mr. Leon Miller gave a short talk on "The Importance of Being a Good Thespian".

At the evening session, Mrs. Elizabeth Ross gave several readings. The Hollins Dance Group presented a portion of their recent dance drama, "Daughter of Jorio". This concluded the 1954 Thespian Silver Anniversary Conference.



Dramatic Activities

t—Mrs. Ross of the Roanoke College faculty teaches a class in play directing during one of the workshops at the Thespian conference. 2—Out-of-towner's register on arrival for the Thespian conference. 3—Elizabeth Hambrick, Elinor DeLong and Carolyn Rakes as they portrayed their roles as the three spirits in Dickens' "Christmas Carol". 4—Mr. Leroy McFarland demonstrates stage make-up during a workshop at the Thespian conference. 5—After missing him at the train depot, Dean Doss and Elinor DeLong talk with Mr. Leon Miller, Executive Secretary of National Thespians, in the lobby of Hotel Roanoke. 6—Mrs. Loomis, Nancy Moore, John Williams, John Gilbert and George Copenhaver prepare to leave for the district one-act play festival, which was held at Franklin County High School. 7—A beautifully decorated bulletin board showing the work done by Fleming's Thespians in the Showtimer productions, a summer theater organization.

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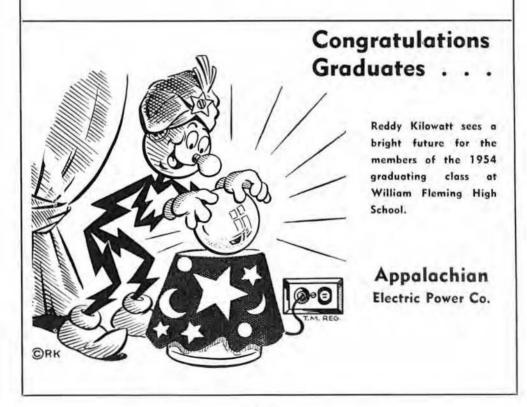
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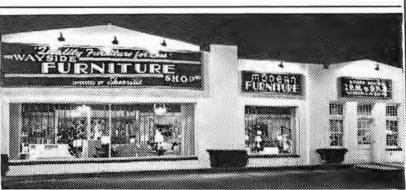


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