

Our School

The first school in the Homer area was a cabin on the Herrington homestead west of the present site. School was first held there in the school year of 1924-25 with six students, some of whom are still living in Homer.

The next year, school was held in the cabin across the road to the south of the Skyway Theater.

In the summer of 1926 the first school with teachers' quarters included was built. School was held there until the Spring of 1929 when it was destroyed by fire. That summer it was rebuilt. This one existed until 1941 when the old half of the present building was built because of a large increase in enrollment. The new addition was built in 1951 and was occupied in the Fall of 1952. In the past years, many improvements have been made on the schoolground and inside the building.



The staff takes great pleasure in dedicating the 1955 Mariners in dedicating Madelene Y. Bassett. Log to Miss Madelene Y.

High School Faculty



Merrill Hatcher
University of Missouri, B. S.
University of Wyoming, M. A.
Superintendent, English



Madelene Y. Bassett Drake University, B. A. Business Education Government



Stephen J. Harcharik University of Alaska, B. S. University of Syracuse, M. A. Science, Math, Economics

Semiors

CLASS COLOR Blue and White

CLASS FLOWER
White Gardenia

CLASS MOTTO
They conquer who believe they can.



EMERY ROBIRTS

Palmer Territorial School, 1,2,3; Annual Staff, 4; Paper Staff, 4.



GWEN EDENS

Paper Staff, 4; Annual Staff, 4; Class Treasurer, 4; Secretary Student Body, 3; School Patrol, 2; Ski Class, 2,3; School Plays, 1,2,3.

Seniors



LAURA LOFGREN

Paper Staff, 1,2,3; Annual Editor, 4; Honor Society, 1,2,3; Class President, 4; Ski Team, 1,2,3,4; School Play, 2; School Patrol, 2.



BUD RANDALL

Columbia Academy, 1,2,3; Annual Staff, 4; Paper Staff, 4; Vice President Class, 4.



BILL KRANICH

School Patrol, 2; School Play, 2; Ski Team, 1,2,3, 4; Honor Society, 3; Fire Chief, 3; Student Body President, 3; Paper Staff, 1,2,3,4; Annual Photographer, 3, 4; Student Council, 4.



BUNNY CAMPBELL

Student Council Secretary and Treasurer, 4; Annual Staff, 4; School Plays, 1,2; School Patrol, 2.

Senior Class Will

We, the Homer High School Graduating Class of 1955, being of extraordinary intelligence and unique physiques, do hereby declare this to be our first Will and Testament and hereby make our mark.

We leave:

To the teachers our eternal gratitude.
To the Class of 1956 the honor of being seniors.
To the Class of 1957 the hope for a greater choice of subjects.
To the Class of 1958 the wish for a complete sports' program.
To the Class of 1959 the dream of a new high school complete with gymnasium and auditorium.

Gwen Edens leaves her captivating smile to Punky Campbell.

Bunny Campbell divides her many dates between Jo Willard and Marilyn Alm.

Laura Lofgren leaves her interest in insects to James Seljevold.

Bill Kranich leaves his inventive genius to Bob Browning.

Emery Robirts leaves his ability to sing to Bill Sibson.

Bud Randall leaves his talents on the violin to Rosy Ost.

Bill Kranich leaves the privilege of taking pictures for the Annual to Sidney Templeton.

Gwen Edens leaves the assistant editorship of the Idi-Odyssey to Bob Evans.

Emery Robirts leaves the art of drawing pictures to Bill Clyde.

Laura Lofgren leaves the honor of being senior class president to Nelson Berry.

(Signed) _ The Class of '55

Witnessed in the presence of:

(Signed) Stephen J. Harcharik (Signed) Merrill Hatcher

Senior Class Prophecy

The distinguished-looking young man spoke to the reception clerk and was ushered into the office of the editor of the Homer Gazette. Bill Kranich, the world-famous roving photographer and special events' reporter, finally recovered from his surprise at finding Gwen Edens at the editor's desk. Business had to wait for reminiscences of olden days, but finally came to the attention of these important people.

Bill was in town to interview Dr. Laura Lofgren, head of the Natural Science Research Laboratory and to photograph the six-legged chicken she had developed. This would provide lots of drumsticks for the Sunday dinners of people all over the world. Laura always had been interested in six-legged creatures, so the new chicken wasn't too far from her regular field of research.

Gwen accompanied Bill to the laboratory and after the photographs had been taken, the three of them went to dinner as guests of the management of Randall's Restaurant. Yes, Bud was the owner of the grandest eating place in Alaska. After a sumptuous meal, the four former fellow students attended the world's premier of the new opera, "Hilarious Holiday." The star of the performance, was none other than the great Emery Robirts and the author, yes, you guessed it, was Edith (Bunny) Campbell. (In case you missed the reports, Bunny won the 1965 Nobel Prize for Literature.)

After the performance, the author and star joined the four in the private box and they all attended the reception in the high school gyme. All agreed that there was no place like Homer and no class like '55.



Junior

Robert Evans



Marilyn Alm



Nelson Berry



Bill Clyde



Rosemary Ost

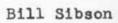
Class







Robert Browning







Joann Willard

James Seljevold



Sophomore Class



Ted Robirts



Myrtle Sibson



Ronald Elliott



Victor Bowers



Lois Nichols



Lee Browning



_10_David Perry



Dorene Hollis



James Wickersham



George Jensen

Freshmen Class



Erling Kvasnikoff



Bill Waddell



Roy O'Connor



Sharon Elliott



Ray Kranich



Jon Jensen



Gertrude Choate



Phillip Nichols



Barbara Alm



Lois Sholin



Jessie Templeton



Carolyn Johnson



Leo Ost



Dick Clyde



Ruth Nielsen



Halbert Maxwell



Roberta King

Grade School Faculty



Robert S. Safley Southwestern University, B. A. Seventh and Eighth Grades



David Schroer Carthage College, B. S. Sixth Grade



Gay Adams
Washington State College
Colorado University
Fifth Grade



Theo Edwards Appalachian State College Elon College Fourth Grade

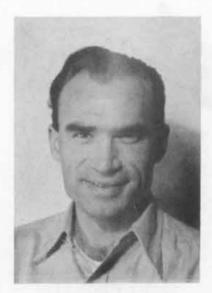


Esther Anderson Oregon College of Education Third Grade



Katherine H. Hatcher
University of Connecticut, B. A.
Second Grade

John Spencer
University of Alaska, B. A.
First Grade





Eighth Grade

Bottom Row, Left to Right Linda Wickersham Willie Flyum Mr. Safley Robert Seitz William Carlson

Middle Row, Left to Right Bobby Campbell Carolyn Choate Patricia King Enid Waddell Michael Flyum

Top Row, Left to Right Danny Jones
Dorothy Robirts
Betty Johnson
Chuck Gjosund



Seventh Grade

Bottom Row, Left to Right Bill Smith Mike Lawrence Jill Hering William Hollis Jean Wickersham

Middle Row, Left to Right Martin O'Connor Mr. Safley

Sherian Johnson Margaret Seitz

Top Row, Left to Right Carolyn McLaughlin Pat Jones Grace Clyde Clarence Templeton Homer Herndon



Sixth Grade

Bottom Row, Left to Right Connie Jo Parks Louis Gjosund Mr. Schroer Pauline Wennersten Jimmy Graham Marilyn Jones

Middle Row, Left to Right Janice Jones
Robert Hegdahl
Patricia Hatfield
Nancy Hatfield
Sherry Belnap
James P. Scott

Gail Johnson

Top Row, Left to Right
Marilyn Browning
Betty Slone
Pricilla Smith
Gordon Franklin
Nelson Moyer
Beth Wennersten
Harry Gregoire
Donald Bellamy

Not Shown
Beverly Edlund



Fifth Grade

Bottom Row, Left to Right
Judy Engel
Marilyn McLaughlin
Raymond Bellamy
Jerry Engel
Woodie McLay
Sharon Rollins

Middle Row, Left to Right Cruz Bilboa Lois Ost Joe Blatchford Mrs. Adams Jimmie Greer Jacquelyn Thompson Charlie Blatchford

Top Row, Left to Right
Mary Robirts
Connie Johnson
Laura Wennersten
Grover McCain
Gordon Bagley
Arthur Smith

Not Shown Martha Marteeny



Fourth Grade

Bottom Row, Left to Right Mina Ekalook Metta Ost Carl Nelson Melody Belnap Sharon Ann Moyer

Middle Row, Left to Right Dianne Jones
Kathy Slone
Rosa Lea Billups
Albert Jensen

Dianna Hatfield Jimmy Choate Miss Edwards

Top Row, Left to Right
John Klingbiel
Sharon Hatfield
Kurt Nelson
Harold Robbins
Eileen Fisher
Harold Fee



Third Grade

Bottom Row, Left to Right Shirley Slone Carol Morris Lynn Herndon Darlene McLaughlin Val McLay Johnny Hollis

Middle Row, Left to Right Duane Perk Billy Choate Leroy Nichols Peggy Scott Margaret Green Patsy Engle Mary Wickersham David Wyant

Top Row, Left to Right
Mrs. Anderson
Don Nielsen
Lynn Moe
Ted Fee
Jack Wennersten
Kathy Tillman
Jean Cole
Judy Lawrence
Joann Wennersten



Second Grade

Bottom Row, Left to Right Arnold Nielsen
Bonnie Marie Thompson
Thomas Gregoire
Marvin Bellamy
Pamela Waddell
David Bradley Nixon

Middle Row, Left to Right
John Michael Pate
Dorothy Hatfield
Betty Jean Gjosund
Patricia Stutes
Lissa Moe
Thomas Tice
Dennis O'Connor

Top Row, Left to Right
Mrs. Hatcher
David Choquette
Ronald Parks
Larry Slone
Virginia Choate
June Harrington
Georgia Petersen
Susan Jackson
Dorothy Johnson
Roald Ost

Not Shown Lani Edlund Cheryl Miller



First Grade

Bottom Row, Left to Right
Johnny Robirts
Gene King
Gary Kramer
Patsy Feyer
Jackie McLaughlin
Bert McLay
Howard Johnson
Mike McCain

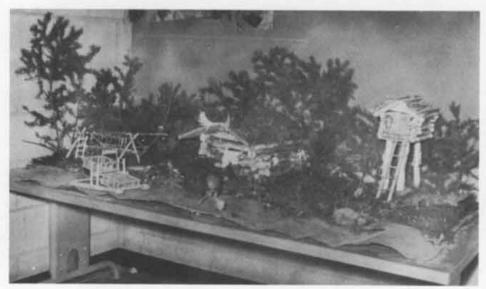
Middle Row, Left to Right
Annie Rollins
Steve Walli
Jim Straub
Bobby Sollee
Tania Uminski
Stormy Stutes
Steve Franklin
Sarah Jones

Ernie Belnap Judy Johnson Dale Myhill Ben Bellamy

Top Row, Left to Right
Mr. Spencer
Joe Smith
Sheryl White
Bennie Foss
Allan Blatchford
Andy Blatchford
Edgar Slone
Johnnie Johnson
Margaret Wickersham
Johnny Blatchford

Not Shown Esther Marteeny

School Activities



7th and 8th Grades Alaskan project



School is out!!



Ball game at Kenai



Cheerleaders





Mrs. Wickersham and Mrs. Hollis, Cooks



First Grade Diners



Second Graie Diners

Hot Lunch Program



Mr. Hatcher and the line-up



P.T.A. mothers at work



Yearbook Staff

The 1955 Mariner's Log Staff was composed of the six members of the Senior Class. The entire photography and developing of pictures was done by Bill Kranich with the assistance of some of the staff members.

Since the existence of the Homer School, this is the second Annual which has been produced.

Staff members and their positions are as follows:

Laura Lofgren-------Editor
Gwen Edens------Assistant Editor
Bill Kranich-------Photography
Bunny Campbell--Advertising Manager
Bud Randall-------Sales Manager
Emery Robirts-------Reporter
Miss Bassett------Faculty Adviser

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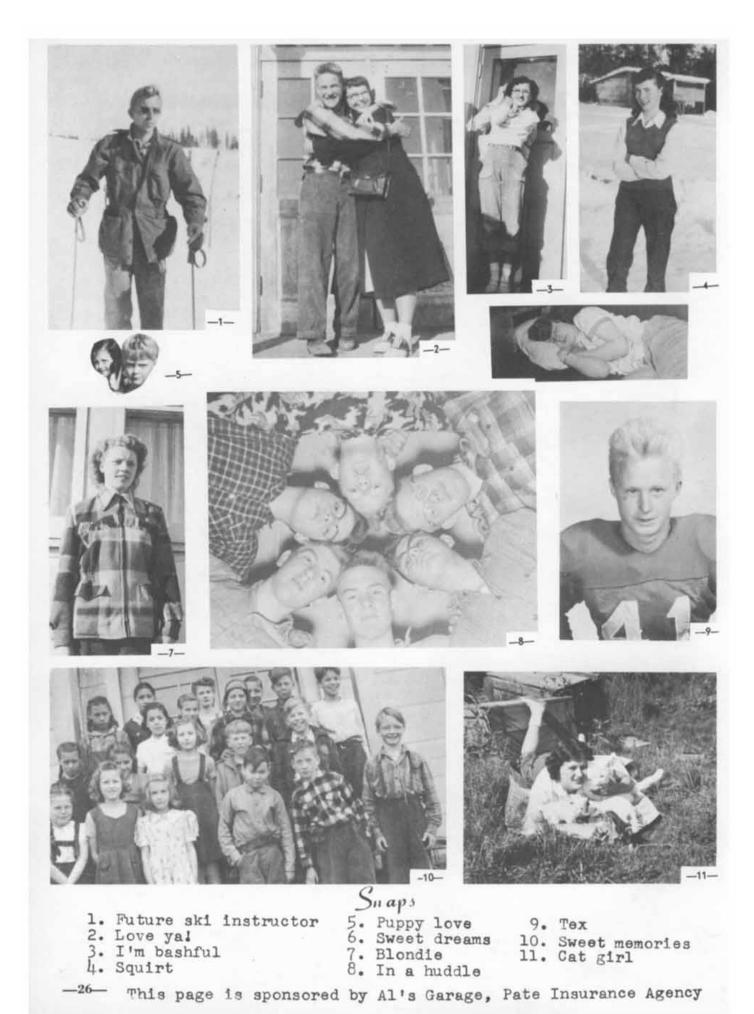
Sales campaign started



Editor and Assistant Editor working on the layouts



Picture man and helper look over the situation



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Newspaper Staff

Homer's Idi-Odyssey is an all-school newspaper which is published once a month by the high school students.

In previous years it has been supported in part by local advertisements, but this year it was a financially self-sufficing, non-profit project. Subscriptions at one dollar each were sold to help defray heavy expenses involved in production.

This year's staff was headed by Punky Campbell, editor-in-chief, and included the following staff:

Punky Campbell-------Editor
Gwen Edens------Assistant Editor
Ray Kranich-------Technician
Ronald Elliott------Technician
David Perry-------Technician
Myrtle Sibson------Typist
Joann Willard------Typist
Miss Bassett------Faculty Advisor

Working On The

Newspaper







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Around The Clock

5:00 A.M.--James is thinking about getting up to do his algebra.

5:30 A.M. -- Laura arises.

6:00 A.M. -- James is now crawling out of bed.

6:15 A.M. -- James is studying his algebra -- you have to face reality you know.

6:30 A.M. -- A few ambitious kids think about arising.

7:00 A.M.--Bill S. rolls over for just some last minute shut-eye.

7:30 A.M.--Bill K. is tossing the idea of getting up around in his head for just a little while longer.

8:00 A.M. -- Ronald begins breakfast.

8:15 A.M .-- Last call for Gwen to get up.

8:25 A.M. -- Punky attempts to awaken Bunny for the last time.

8:30 A.M. -- Gwen is on the bus.

8:31 A.M. -- All conscientious teachers begin the routine trying to smile the while.

8:45 A.M. -- Bunny gets up and Ronald finishes breakfast.

8:55 A.M. -- Last minute gab sessions are coming to an end.

9:00 A.M. -- All good kids are in school.

9:30 A.M. -- Bunny and Bill K. are racing to the office for admit slips.

9:35 A.M. -- The usual tardy slips are issued by Mr. Hatcher to Bunny and Bill.

9:45 A.M. -- Bob Evans tells joke.

9:50 A.M. -- Everyone has stopped laughing at joke and class is resumed.

10:00 A.M. -- Bob Evans is still laughing at his joke as bell rings.

10:01 A.M. -- Girls get out lipsticks and start fixing their faces.

10:15 A.M. -- Clock is missing in typing class.

10:30 A.M. -- Clock is found and typing class is started.

10:45 A.M. -- Susu and Stud start private war.

11:00 A.M. -- Tired students are rudely awakened by class bell.

11:20 A.M. -- Punky wants to go eat.

11:30 A.M. -- Discussion in economics class gets into full swing.

11:40 A.M. -- Punky wants to go eat.

11:59 A.M. -- Everyone in the typing room eagerly waits for noon bell.

12:02 P.M. -- All students are feeding their faces.

12:15 P.M. -- Eighth grade girls begin to "swing out" in cafeteria.

12:20 P.M .-- Stud is still eating.

12:29 P.M. -- High school students get orders from teachers to finish ice cream cones before gong sounds.

12:37 P.M. -- Bud and Emery are in the office for admit slips. 1:00 P.M .-- Bunny is taking her afternoon nap. 1:35 P.M. -- Mr. Harcharik is busily making out test questions. 2:32 P.M. -- A hunt is made for students missing from study hall. 2:35 P.M. -- Mr. Harcharik is lecturing in Camera Club. 2:37 P.M. -- All missing students from study hall are found. 3:30 P.M. -- First graders get stomped in the mud as bell rings. 3:31 P.M. -- All good kids have been dismissed. 3:40 P.M. -- Mr. Hatcher retreats to office to begin work on reports. 4:00 P.M. -- Mr. Harcharik goes picture taking and gets stuck in the mud. 4:30 P.M. -- Gwen begins home work on shorthand. 4:45 P.M. -- Laura finally arrives home. 5:00 P.M .-- David Perry is still typing. 5:30 P.M. -- Mr. Harcharik gets out of mud and races home to prepare dinner. 6:00 P.M. -- Gwen completes home work on shorthand. 6:30 P.M. -- Mobile party gets started in Dale's and Booie's cars. 7:00 P.M. -- Mr. Spencer arrives home for dinner. 7:30 P.M. -- Bill S. wonders whether he should prepare assignments or go to town. 7:40 P.M. -- Bill S. goes to town. 7:45 P.M. -- Bill W. begins begging father for family car. 8:00 P.M. -- Mr. Hatcher hears air leaking from his tires. 8:01 P.M. -- Mr. Hatcher puts on his bathrobe, gets. camera and takes picture of boys removing air from his tires. 8:02 P.M. -- Boys head for tall tullies. 8:30 P.M. -- Laura goes to bed. 8:31 P.M. -- Bunny goes out. 10:00 P.M. -- All kids are now at the Dari Delite after show. 10:15 P.M. -- Bill W. is still begging for family car. 10:30 P.M .-- Plans are made for a big chicken feed. 11:00 P.M. -- Someone is sneaking up to chicken coop. 11:02 P.M. -- Shotgun discharges in the direction chicken coop. 11:03 P.M .-- A hasty retreat is made. 11:0h P.M .-- Plans for feed are abandoned. 11:30 P.M. -- All good good good kids have gone home. 12:00 A.M. -- Bill S. gets stuck in airport bypass road. 12:30 A.M. -- Bill S. finally gets out. 1:00 A.M. -- Bill S. finally gets car out. 1:30 A.M. -- Mobile party is about over. 2:00 A.M. -- Susu and Punky leave stalled car and decide to walk home. 3:00 A.M .-- Carol goes home. 3:30 A.M. -- Carol gets out of car and goes to bed. 4:30 A.M. -- Gwen arrives home. 5:00 A.M. -- Bunny goes home and climbs the stairs. 5:01 A.M. -- Bunny goes to bed. One more good day shot. __31_



Jake McLay, East Bus Driver



Orville Waddell, West Bus Driver

Behind

The

Scenes



Frank Campbell, School Agent



Ivan Knodel, Janitor

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Photography Club



Leather Club



Archery Club

The high school students were offered a variety of recreational facilities the past year through the organization of several new clubs.

The Leathercraft Club was organized to develop interest and skill in tooling and carving leather. Supplies amounting to more than sixty dollars have been purchased by the sponsor, Mr. Hatcher. Because of the limited amount of time for working on projects, little has been done beyond the practicing of carving and tooling on pieces of scrap leather. Most members have belt blanks on which they are ready to trace patterns and begin carving. Projects have included the making of billfolds, ladies' purses, and knickknacks.

Because of an interest in photography among students, the Camera Club became part of the extracurricular program. Under the direction of Mr. Harcharik, sponsor, the Club has been busy studying different makes of cameras and learning new methods of developing and enlarging pictures. An enlarger was lent by Vega Pratt and a camera was donated to the Club by Dan Larson.

Archery was first offered to the students when Paul Choquette volunteered free services on Friday afternoons to those interested. The Club meets once a week under the supervision of Mr. Harcharik. Most members have purchased their own equipment for the recreation.



Junior - Senior Banquet











































Superintendent

And

Supervisor

Junior Senior Class Officers

President- Laura Lofgren Vice President- Bud Randall Secretary- Bill Clyde Treasurer- Gwen Edens





Freshmen Sophomore Class Officers

President- Dorene Hollis Vice President- Carolyn Johnson Secretary- Myrtle Sibson Treasurer- Ronald Elliott







Faculty

Student Council

Left to Right:
Ronald Elliott, Soph. Rep.
Bill Kranich, Sr. Rep.
Barbra Alm, Fr. Rep.
Joan Willard, Pres.
Bunny Campbell, Sec.- Treas.
Margaret Campbell, Jr. Rep.
Victor Bowers, Vic Pres.





Snapshots























- 1. The hike 2. Stumped??
- 3. Bob 4. Manuel
- 5. And don't come back
- 6. Give me
- 8. Allah
- 9. Castor Oil?
- 10. Here's to ya
- 7. Ain't they cute 11. Beauties on parade

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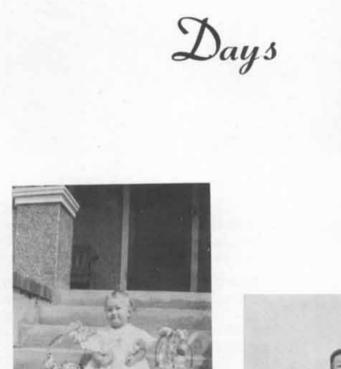


Science Class



English Class

Diaper



Bunny Campbell



Bud Randall



Gweneth Louise Edens



Bill Kranich

Not shown:



Laura Lofgren



Emery Robirts







Skiing became an integral part of the recreational setup with Friday afternoons during the season being devoted to the sport.

One of the biggest events of the school year is the Ski races. This season the high school team became the proud recipients of the three-year traveling trophy when Captain Elliott accepted it in behalf of the team for winning the races against the competing Ski Club team. Ski activities came to an end when a dinner-dance was given by the Ski Club to the winners.



An appreciable amount of time in instruction was given by Jake McLay to the high school students and by Louis Gjosund to the grade school students.



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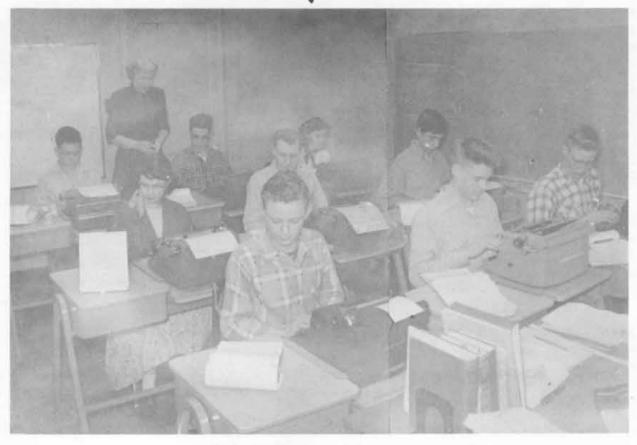
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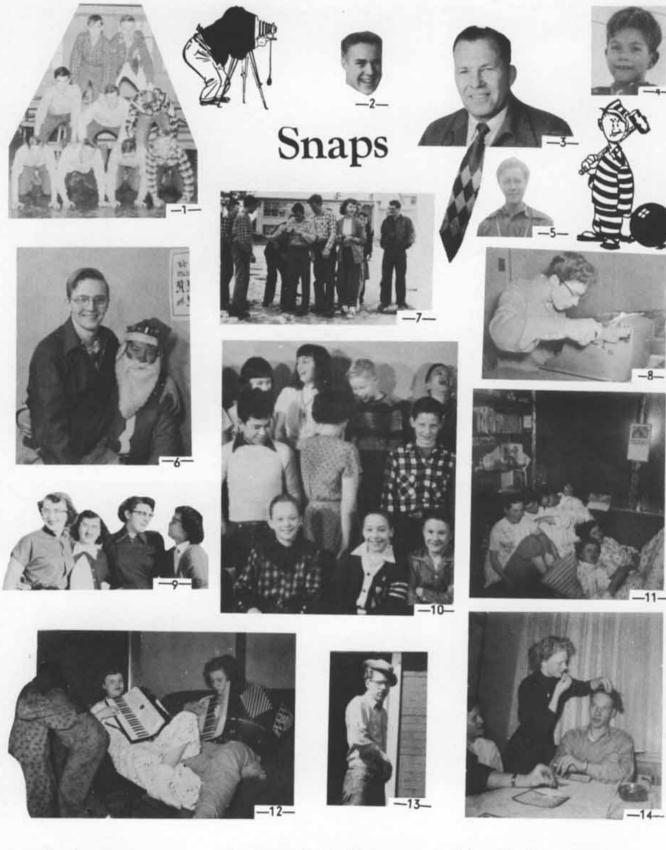
Typing Class



Bookkeeping Class



Economics Class



- 1. He-men
- 2. The Stud
- 3. A Texan Tie 4. Aw-hoo Aw-hoo
- 5. Mikey
- 6. I want M. M.
- 7. Shutter Bugs 8. Ambitious Senior
- 9. Homer Squaws
 10. Fine Example
- 11. Party poopers
- 12. Living it up
- 13. Lone Stranger 14. Who's next???

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