

Culver High School Culver, Indiana



# How!

Come, let one of our braves show you through the Tepee. Here's where we shall visit—

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-photo by Bill Taber



"Well, folks, here it is—our home away from home, the Tepee for the Culver Indians, where we have all had our good times and our sad times—those sad times which didn't turn out to be so sad after all. We, the Senior of 1960, whose privilege it is to record this year's school life in this year's TOMAHAWK, wish also we could record for you some of the affection we feel for the years we have spent here in this place. But this seems to be the kind of thing that one has to appreciate only by experience, that once-in-a-lifetime experience—graduation from high school. In due time the experience will be yours, but this is how we see it, so let's go inside and look around."





MR. R. J. IVES, JR. Principal

"We roll out the carpet to our fine administration and faculty."



MR. M. R. ROBINSON Director of Guidance Social Studies



MR. SHELTON KAISER Elementary Principal Science



Mr. Ives, as well as serving as the principal of the Culver Public Schools, is a friend to all his students. We appreciate his work in giving us a good education.



Under the capable leadership of Mr. Eugene G. Benedict, Union Township trustee, the Culver Public Schools continue to grow.



MR. ARTHUR ALEXANDER Industrial Arts



MRS. MARY ALLEN Art



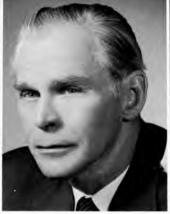
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MR. ROBERT BOYD Director of Music



MR. JAMES COX Social Studies, Athletics



MR. W. J. GRAHAM English



MR. DONALD HAND Spanish



MRS. RUTH JOHNSON Latin



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MR. REED KEPLER



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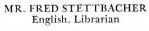


MISS MILDRED LINDVALL Mathematics



MISS VIOLET OVERMYER English, Physical Ed





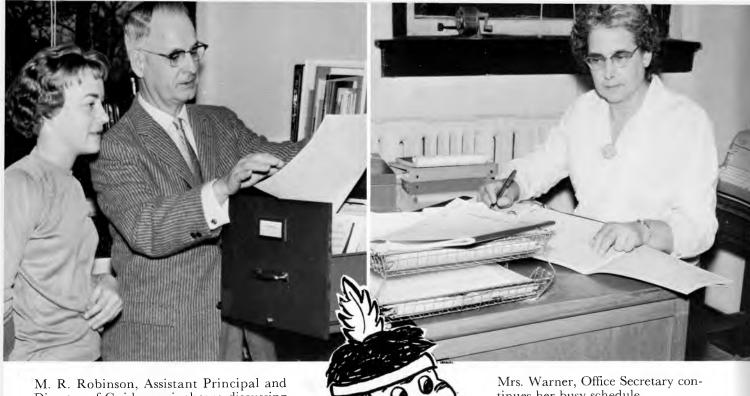
MRS. EDITH STRAIT Home Economics











M. R. Robinson, Assistant Principal and Director of Guidance, is shown discussing test results with student, Joyce Morrison.

Mrs. Warner, Office Secretary continues her busy schedule.

"Here is what makes the school tick."

Ed Kowatch, Al Systma, and Leon Bennett are always ready to answer the call, "Will a janitor please come to the office?"





Although Pat VanSchoiack is in the minority, she seems to enjoy helping with the physics experiments.



Mrs. Johnson is very proud of her Latin I student Bonnie Parker, who knows the exact location of Rome on the map.

Mrs. Strait, Eloise Tanner, Carol Heiser, Donna Smith, Mary Mevis, and Pat Wesson are ready to taste the bread they made in Home Economics II.



The Seniors spent many long hours working on their Senior cords. Here Kerry Spahr, Jane and Jean Ditmire work diligently during Art Class, under the supervision of Mrs. Allen, who is surely nearby.



# "Our Seniors have been busy all through their high school careers."

In September, 1956, 46 happy Freshmen were eager to start upon the long path that leads to graduation. Our officers were: president, Gene Benedict; v.-president, Don Hand; secretary, Betty Kose; treasurer, Joan Barshes. The main subjects discussed in our class meetings were ways of earning money for use on the Senior trip. It was decided that fudge sales would be our first project, and sales were held every few weeks throughout the year.

At the beginning of our second year in high school, 41 students were enrolled in our class. Our class officers were: president, Gene Benedict; v.-president, Stan Curtis; secretary, Joan Barshes; treasurer, Emily Allen. We began our money making activities by raking leaves during the fall. The class also held several food sales, and a new project was started when the class sponsored a movie, which proved to be a financial success.

Anticipating a very busy year ahead, 43 Juniors enrolled at Culver High in 1958. The officers elected were: president, Gene Benedict; v.-president, Bud Watson; secretary, Joan Barshes; treasurer, Emily Allen. On October 17 all the actors and actresses from the ranks of the class provided an eveningful of entertainment in their hilariously funny play, "Father Was A Housewife". After much waiting, the rings finally arrived, to the joy of all those who had been looking forward to them for so long.

The class sponsored dances after all the home ballgames, and also sponsored a Record Hop, something new for Culver, on March 13. Joe Kelley, of WSBT-TV, was master of ceremonies, and an evening of dancing was enjoyed by all. Everyone seemed satisfied that they had received plenty to eat at the annual Ham Supper, which was held April 11. The class found that due to the salesmanship of some of the members of the class, the supper turned out to be a financial success.

Finally, that long-awaited day arrived and we spent all day May 15 decorating the gym in preparation

for the heavenly prom, South Pacific. The gymnas ium bedecked in different hues of blue, it was ready for the music of the Key Notes, to which we all danced the night away, after which we had breakfast at the Plymouth Country Club, thanks to the aid of several spirited people about town.

Oh Boy! We're Seniors, now. Yes, at last our Senior year is with us, and it will prove to be the busiest of all. 39 students made it to the last lap of our journey. The officers elected were: president, Gene Benedict; v.-president, Bud Watson; secretary, Joan Barshes; and treasurer, Emily Allen. Our first project was the magazine drive, with Sue Medbourn being the high salesman, turning in a staggering \$193.76. We began selling concessions in the recreation room during noon hours, and prepared for selling during the ballgames. The Seniors all banded together and spent many long hours stenciling their Senior cords, which were worn around school on certain days, and at many school functions.

On February 3, as guests of The State Exchange Bank, we spent the day visiting the Continental Illinois Bank and Trust Co., The Board of Trade, and the Merchandise Mart. Also during February, we were measured for our caps and gowns, and we realized that the time was fast approaching that we would be out of our home away from home. We selected our class flower, which was the orchid; our class colors, which were mint green and silver; and our class motto, which was, "There is no goal we cannot reach if we climb with care and confidence." We left on April 28 for our long-awaited Senior trip to New York City and Washington, D.C. We returned, tired, but very happy and full of experiences, on May 4. On May 6 the Juniors entertained us at their Prom, and we all enjoyed it very much.

We were inspired by the words of the speaker at our Baccalaureate service on Sunday, May 15. At last we came to the end of our journey when we received our diplomas on May 19.



EMILY ANNE ALLEN
Student Council 1; National Honor Society 2,3,4; Press Club 2,3,4; Editor 4;
Associate Editor 3; Class Treasurer 2,3,4;
Choir 1,2,3,4; Hoosier Girls' State 3;
Tomahawk Staff 3,4.



JOAN CAROL BARSHES
Class Treasurer 1; Secretary 2,3,4; National Honor Society 2,3,4; Press Club 2,3,4; Sunshine Society 2,3,4, Vice-President 4; Choir 1,2,3,4; Band 1,2,3,4, Vice-President 3,4; Tomahawk Staff 3,4; Hoosier Girls' State 3.



EUGENE GEORGE BENEDICT Class President 1,2,3,4; Student Council 1,2; National Honor Society 2,3,4, President 4; Hi-Y Club 2,3,4, Vice-President 3,4; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Baseball 1,2,3,4; Track 1,2; Hoosier Boys' State 3.

# STANLEY EVAN CURTIS Student Council 4, President 4; National Honor Society 2,3,4, Vice-President 4; Press Club 2,3,4; Hi-Y Club 2,3,4; Class Vice-President 2; Band 1,2,3,4; President 4; Choir 1,2,3,4; Tomahawk Staff 2, Associate Editor 3, Editor-in-Chief 4; Hoosier

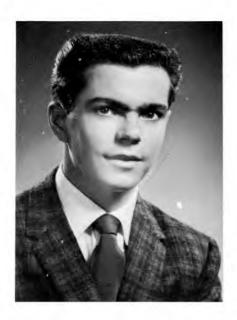


JANE DITMIRE
Sunshine Society 2,3,4.





JEAN ELLEN DITMIRE National Honor Society 3,4; Press Club 3,4; Sunshine Society 2,3,4.



ARTHUR ESKRIDGE



NANCY JANE FLOSENZIER
Press Club 3,4; Sunshine Society 3,4;
Choir 3.



**DENNIS A. GEIGER**Basketball 3,4; Baseball 4; Track 4.

DONALD EDWARD HAND Class Vice-President 1; Hi-Y Club 2,3,4, President 4; Band 1,2; Choir 1,2,3; Basketball 3,4; Hoosier Boys' State Alternate



CHARLES EDWARD HARDIN
Press Club 2,3; Hi-Y Club 2,3,4, Secretary 4; Band 1,2; Choir 1,2; Track 1; Hoosier Boys' State 3.



FRANK HERR Track 3.





LARRY HOLSTON
Student Council 3; Hi-Y Club 3, 4.



**DONALD JEAN KIBORT** Baseball 1.



CHARLES KIEL Hi-Y Club 2,3,4; Baseball 2,3,4; Track 2; Plainwell H.S. 1.

PAUL LELAND KLINE Choir 2.



RETTY LOU KOSE

Press Club 2,3,4, Editor 4, Associate
Editor 3; Sunshine Society 2,3,4; Corresp. Sec. 3: Pres. 4; Class Sec. 1: Band
1,2,3,4; Choir 1,2,3,4; Tomahawk Staff
2,3,4.



MARGARET AMANDA KRULL Press Club 2,3,4; Sunshine Society 2,3,4; Choir 2,3.





VIRGINIA KAY LEE Sunshine Society 2,3,4; Choir 1.



JUDY ANN LOWRY
Student Council 4; National Honor Society 2,3,4; Secretary-Treasurer 4; Press Club 2,3,4; Sunshine Society 2,3,4; Band 1,2,3,4; Choir 1,2,3,4; Hoosier Girls' State 3; Tomahawk Staff 4.



SUSAN MEDBOURN
Press Club 2,3,4; Sunshine Society 2,3,4;
Choir 2,3,4; Varsity Cheerleader 3,4;
Tomahawk Staff 3,4.

EDNA MENSER
Press Club 2,3,4; Sunshine Society 2,3,4;
Treasurer 3; Choir 2,3.



MARY DARLENE MEVIS



ROBERT BRUCE MIKESELL Hi-Y Club 2,3,4; Band 1,2; Choir 1,2; Varsity Basketball 3,4.





JOYCE ANN MORRISON Student Council 2; National Honor Society 2,3,4; Press Club: 2,3,4; Sunshine Society 2,3,4; Band 1,2,3,4; Choir 1,2,3,4; Band Secretary 3,4; Tomahawk Staff 3,4; Hoosier Girls' State Alternate 3.



ROBERT DALE NEIDLINGER Hi-Y Club 4; Band 1,2,3,4; Choir 1,2,3,4.

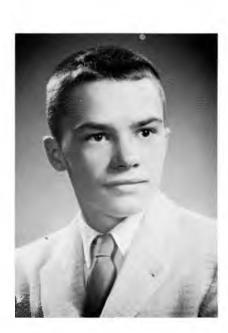


LARRY DOUGLAS NORMAN
Press Club 2,3,4; Hi-Y Club 4; Band 1,2,3,4; Choir 1,2,3,4.

JERRY PARKER

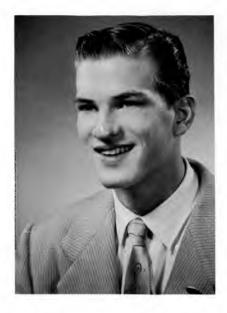


ROGER PETERS
Basketball 3.



BEATRICE MAE PRICE
Press Club 2,3,4; Sunshine Society 2,3,4;
Band 1,2,3,4; Choir 1,2,3,4; Varsity
Cheerleader 3,4; Tomahawk Staff 3,4.





SAMUEL PROSSER Hi-Y Club 3,4; Band 1,2; Baseball 1,2, 3,4; Track 1; Varsity Manager 3,4.



SANDRA SMITH
Sunshine Society 2,3,4; Choir 1,2,3.



JOHN EDWARD TAYLOR Ushers 1,2,3,4.

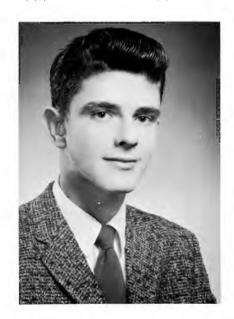
PATRICIA ANN VAN SCHOIACK National Honor Society 2,3,4; Press Club 3,4; Sunshine Society 2,3,4.



DAVID WASHBURN Hi-Y Club 2,3,4; Varsity Basketball 1,2, 3,4; Baseball 1,2,3,4; Track 1,2,3,4.



WILLIAM K. WATSON National Honor Society 2,3,4; Hi-Y Club 2,3,4; Class Vice-President 3,4; Choir 1.





SANDRA MARIE WHITE Sunshine Society 2,3,4; Choir 2,3.



LESLIE WOOLFRE
Press Club 2,3,4; Tomahawk Staff 3;
Hi-Y Club 2,3,4; Choir 1,2,3.



DONALD RAY WYNN Hi-Y Club 3,4; Class Vice-President 1; Varsity Basketball 3.



SENIOR CLASS OFFICERS, pictured from left to right are: Emily Allen, secretary; Joan Barshes, treasurer; Eugene Benedict, president; Bud Watson, vice-president.

#### The Cafeteria Staff



"Indians like to eat,

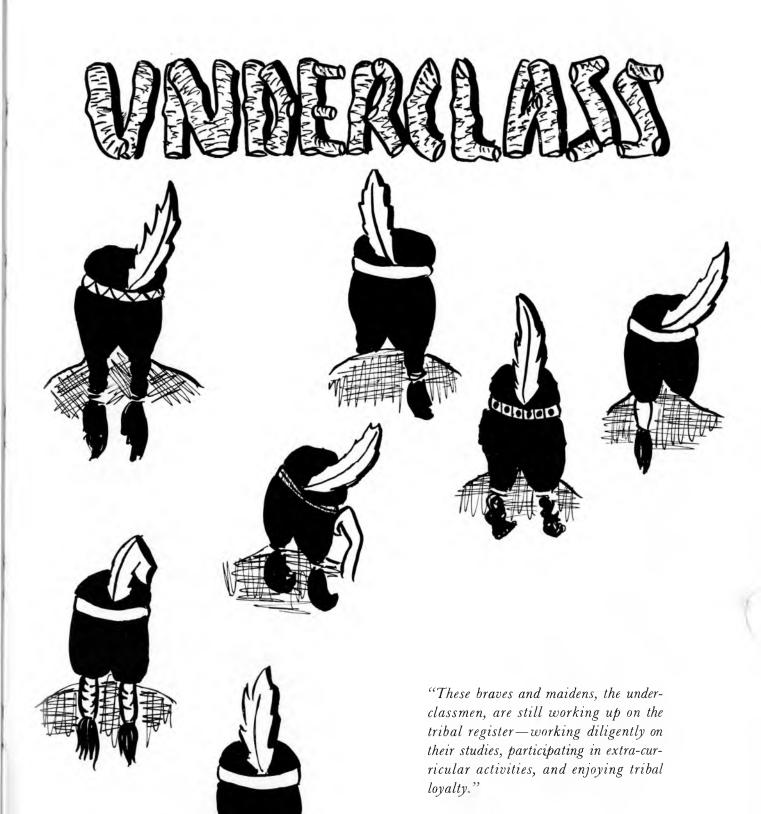


The hard-working cafeteria staff is busy preparing another of their tasty specialties. Left to right: Mrs. Marie Cowan, Mrs. Zetta Shaw, Mrs. LaVerne Geiger, Mrs. Katie Saft, and Mrs. Anne Waite, Manager. We all certainly appreciate the efforts of these fine ladies.

## The Student Council



STUDENT COUNCIL: first row. Charlene Lucas, Thad Overmyer, Mr. M. R. Robinson, Janet Beck. Bob Carter: second row. Tom Boswell. Margo Overmyer; third row, Garv Dillon. Stanley Curtis. Judy Lowry, and Anne Osborn.





The girls run the Junior class! The officers this year were: Anne Osborn, President; Merrie Kay Stoneburner, Secretary; Jean McCoige, Vice-President; and Linda Gibbons, Treasurer.



The Junior Play is always the highlight of every class as Juniors. Members of the cast and directors of this year's hilarious production, "The Little Dog Laughed", were: front row, Randy Banks, Mr. Latham Lawson, Phil Gretter, Rochelle Good, and Jim Parker. Second row, Jim Hall, Shari Yocom, Sam Med-

bourn, Jean McCoige, Len Lojewski. Standing, Jean Warner, Linda Gibbons, Catherine Overmyer, Betty Zechiel, Anne Behmer, Nancy Ervin, Sharon Spahr, Miss Ruth Shanks, Anne Osborn, and Gary Dillon.





SHARON BAKER-Perrrr- oxide.

LINDA BANKS—Rapunzel, Rapunzel, let down your hair.





RANDY BANKS—A closed mouth gathers no feet.

LILA BEAN-This Bean uses her noodle.





ANNE BEHMER-Madame librarian.

NANCY BURNS—Giggle, and the world giggles with you.





TONY CIHAK—Someone mention Patty?

JOHN CROMLEY—The strong, silent type.





CHRISTINE CROY—Every class has a redhead.

LARRY DAVIS-"Herbie."





GARY DILLON—Have basketball, will travel.

BOBBIE LOU EASTERDAY—"Spud."





NANCY ERVIN—"Tessie."

LINDA GIBBONS—"Gib."





ROCHELLE GOOD—"Gus."

PHIL GRETTER—Driver instruction needed.





JIM HALL—"So I got me a geetar---"

JOHN HOOK—This Hook has a Barb.





BARBARA KAUFFMAN—"Charlie, my boy!"

KAREN KEMPLE—Oh, that long, red hair!





BOB KERRIGAN—Roll that film!

JERRY KIMMEL—Our leather jacket lad.



RICHARD KUHN—The convertible kid.

RONALD KUHN—Man, dig that crazy flat-top.





SHARON LINDVALL—Love makes the world go 'round.

LEN LOJEWSKI—"I'm purged!"





JEAN MCCOIGE—Little devils are scarce; take good care of me.



SAM MEDBOURN—Wine, women, and song.



MIKE MILLER—Laugh and be merry, for tomorrow, ——.

EARL MISHLER—Beneath that calm exterior—.





BARBARA MOORE—Dynamite comes in small packages, too!

SUSAN MUEHLHAUSEN—Sugar and spice, and everything nice.



ANNE OSBORN—"Mis-ter Gra-ham!"

RONALD OSBORN—Our future farmer.





CATHERINE OVERMYER—Smooth and sassy.

LANCE OVERMYER—Six foot two, eyes of blue.





JIM PARKER—Quick! Get me my rifle!

JAMIE PIERSOL—Another Krupa?





MARIZETTA ROBINSON—Brains unanimous.

WILLIAM ROBISON—Talk has hurt many; silence but a few.





BILL SCHMIDT—Man's best friend is his truck.

SHARON SPAHR—"Sparkie."





MERRIE KAY STONEBURNER Kewpie doll.

RONALD TANNER—"Curly."





PAUL THOMPSON—The quiet type.

EVERELL WALTER—"Corky."





JEAN WARNER—Hail Purdue!

SHARI YOCOM—Blonde bombshell.





BETTY ZECHIEL—Laughing girl.

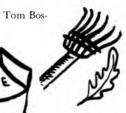
The Juniors do a lot of "hamming" around, what with all their plays and ham suppers!!





Officers of the Sophomore class are: Tom Curtis, Vice-President; Tom Boswell, President; and Sandra Fisher, Secretary-Treasurer.

"The Sophomores keep themselves busy."





George Baker John Benedict





Lana Berger

Sandra Boetsma



Tom Boswell



Jim Canterbury .



Jim Carter



Cathy Clyne



Shirley Crow



John Crum



Tom Curtis



Glenda Dawson



Bob Dickson



Rodney Edgington



Melissa Fisher



Sandra Fisher



Nancy Franz



Julia Furnas



Jim Gross



Mary Jane Guiso



Chris Hand



Carol Heiser





The officers of the Freshman class are as follows: left to right, Cheryl Dillon, vice-president; Kathy Teach, secretary: Janice Neidlinger, treasurer; and Dennis Shock, president.

"The Freshmen are on the first rung of the last ladder."



Brenda Baker



Jane Baker





Gloria Bean





Judy Bishop



Judy Bochantine



Helen Burns



Mike Cihak



Bill Cook



Paul Cromley



Cheryl Dillon



Penny Downs



Carolee Easterday



Tom Easterday



Sherrill Edgington



Rick Ervin



Judy Eskridge



Mike Geiger



Scott Geiselman



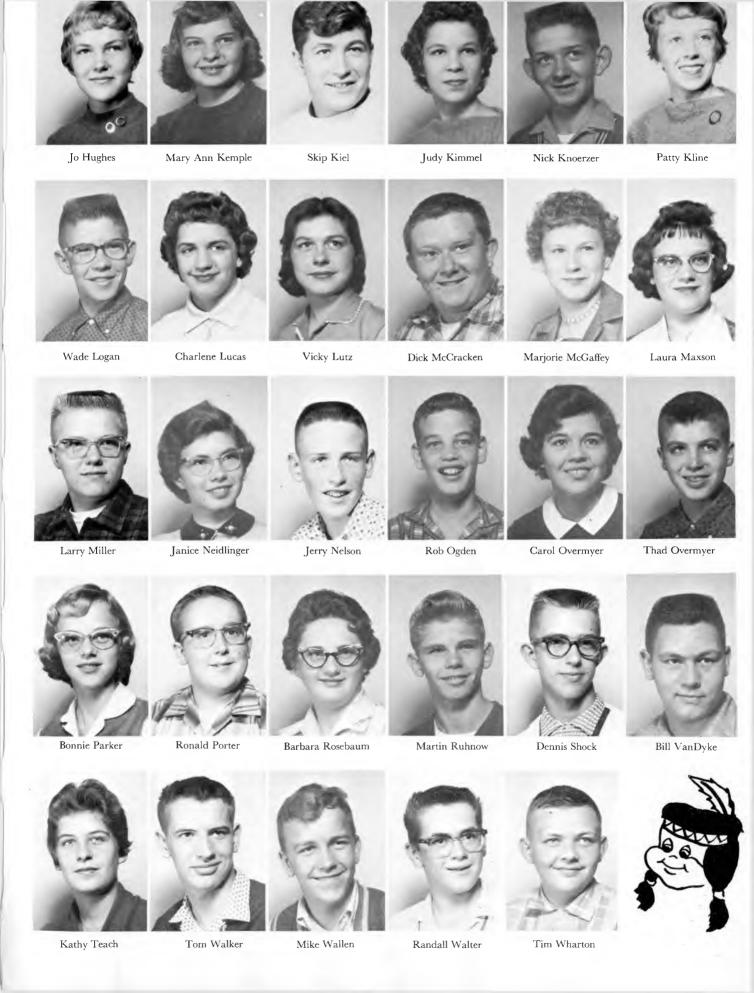
Bonnie Good



Carmon Gretter



Barbara Hatten



"These gals lead our yells."



"They yell, too..."



Lending support to the Papooses this year were: Sherrill Edgington, Beverly Thomas, and Barbara Moore.

# "Here is our new Pep Club."



CULVER'S LEATHER-LUNGED YELLERS



THE **EIGHTH GRADE** 







Janet Beck



Vicki Lyons Charles Massa



Martha McAllister



Karen McDonald Sharon McDonald



Sharon McGaffey



"I've got a lot to look forward to."



Don Beerwart



Sara Bergman



Diana Boots



Tom Miracle



Lucy Osborn



Pamela Phelps Kay Overmyer



Brian Piersol



Bob Carter



Lee Curry



Harold DeWitt



Ned Davis



Shaun Donnelly



Mary Ricciardi



Sharon Norris

Bonnie Saft



Marybeth Schutte



Jan Scruggs



Linda Shock



Steve Downs



Sherry Croy

Betty Everett



David Frain



Susie Gardner



Jerry Gross



Janet Heiser



Charles Snyder



Dianne Tanner



Ann Wagoner



Dawn Walter



Richard Warner



Carol Herr Jerry Huffer



`Frank Ikirt



Vicki Kiel

Larry Linhart



Sammy Lowry









Paul White









# THE SEVENTH GRADE

"Boy, I have a real time trying to keep up with those upperclassmen!"





R. Albert









C. Benner





J. Adams





A. Altman









J. Boswell

J. Branaman

C. Carrothers

C. Covington

J. Crowe

P. Crozier

B. Curry



G. Dawson L. Fisher



L. Dawson





P. DeTroy

H. Hartz



J. DeWitt

D. Henderson



J. Dillon

M. Herr



K. Easterday J. Hodgkin



B. Epley J. Ives





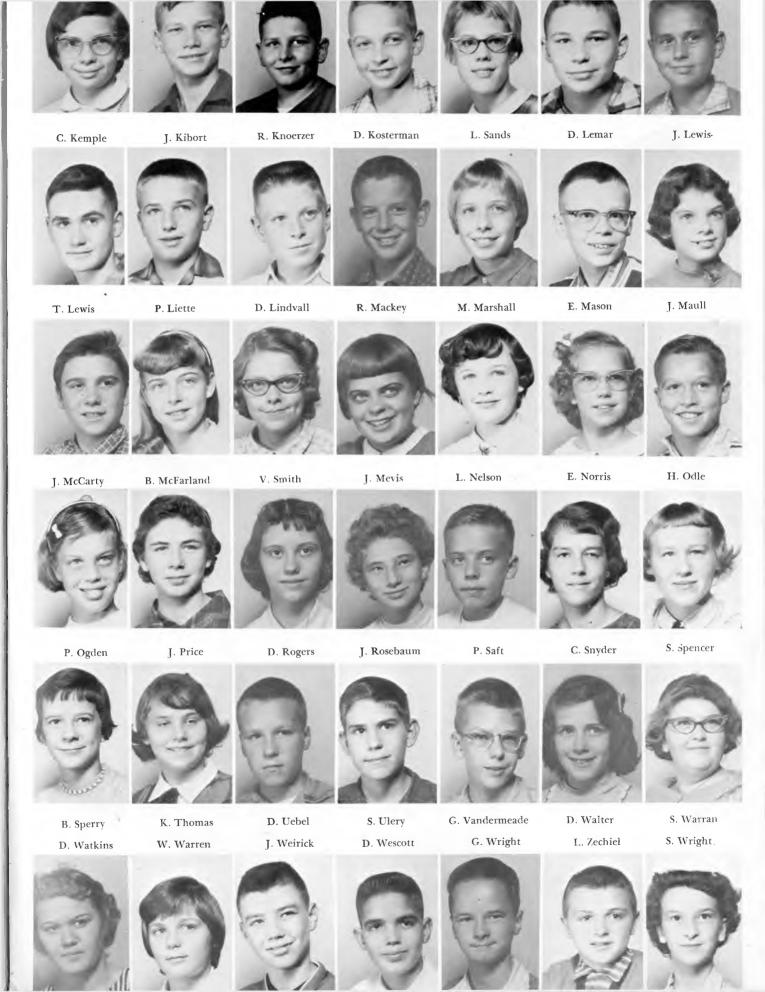












#### The Tomahawk Staff



The happy members of the TOMAHAWK staff are pictured above. Because of their hard work, this book is possible.

"These are the folks who have made our tour possible."



Stanley and his maidens.

W. J. Graham Stanley Curtis Joan Barshes Earl Mishler Anne Osborn Joyce Morrison Patty Wesson Emily Allen

Shari Yocom Jean McCoige Judy Lowry Jean Warner Sharon Spahr Susan Medbourn Linda Gibbons Pat Hicks

Sponsor Editor-in-Chief Business Manager Associate Editor Associate Editor Staff Artist Staff Photographer Elementary Editor and Underclass Picture Coordinator Music Editor Athletic Editor Clubs Editor Calendar Calendar Seniors Production Assistant

Production Assistant



Front row: Melissa Fisher, Kerry Spahr, Joyce Morrison, Editor Emily Allen, Sue Medbourn, Judy Lowry, Anne Behmer, and Linda Kose. Second row: Sponsor M. R. Robinson, Catherine Overmyer, Sharon Baker, Edna Menser, Anne Osborn, Susan

Muehlhausen, and Margaret Krull. Third row: Jean Warner, Betty Zechiel, Tom Curtis, Leslie Woolfre, Larry Norman, Rochelle Good, and Karen Kemple.



"Gotta meet that deadline!"



The Schoolbell Editors, Betty Kose and Emily Allen spend many long hours typing schoolbell assignments. They are wondering if p.m. stands for post meridian or post mortem!

Front row: Nancy Flosenzier, Sharon Spahr, Pat Hicks, Editor Betty Kose, Pat Van Schoiack, Jean Ditmire, and Barbara Moore. Second row: Nancy Ervin, Bea Price, Sandra Fisher, Kathy Clyne,

Jean McCoige, Sharon Lindvall, and Christine Croy. Third row: M. R. Robinson, Sponsor, Shari Yocom, Stan Curtis, Joan Barshes, Linda Gibbons, and Earl Mishler.



## Sunshine Society





Members of the Sunshine Society were, first row, left to right: Pat Van Schoiack, Sandra Summers, Kerry Spahr, Susan Medbourn, Beatrice Price, Linda Gibbons, Betty Kose, Sponsor Mrs. Allen, Joan Barshes, Bobby Lou Easterday, Judy Lowry, Joyce Morrison, Rochelle Good, and Karen Kemple. Second row: Sandra Boetsma, Sharon Baker, Nancy Burns, Barbra Kauffman, Cathy Overmyer, Jean Warner, Betty Zechiel, Sandra White, Kathy Clyne, Linda Kose, Nancy Ervin, Sharon Spahr, Margaret Krull, Nancy Flosenzier. Third row: Carol Heiser, Martha Lowry, Janet Logan, Eloise Tanner, Beverly Thomas, Jane Ann Thomas, Donna Smith, Glenda Dawson, Sandra Smith, Jean Ditmire, Jane Ditmire, Linda Banks, Chris Croy, Berniece Mevis. Fourth row: Anne Behmer, Barbra Moore, Anne Osborn, Jean McCoige, Susie Muehlharsen, Sharon Lindvall, Emily Allen, Janet Martin, Marilee Zechiel, Chris Hand, Nancy Prosser, Susan Ruhnow, Nancy Franz. Fifth row: Pat Wesson, Margo Overmyer, Pat Hicks, Sandy Fisher, Melissa Fisher, Lana Berger, Mary Mevis, Edna Menser, Virginia Lee, Shari Yocom, Sandra Osborn, Shirley Crow.

"These organizations build character."

#### Hi-Y Club





## National Honor Society



First row: Shari Yocom, Jane Thomas, Joyce Morrison, Linda Kose, Judy Lowry, Sponsor M. R. Robinson, Gene Benedict, Stan Curtis, Anne Behmer, Barbara Moore, Karen Kemple, and Sue Muehlhausen. Second row: Jean Ditmire, Roberta Easterday, Sharon Spahr, Sandra Boetsma, Margo Over-

myer, Lana Berger, Nancy Ervin, Jean Warner, Susan Ruhnow, Marilee Zechiel, Martha Lowry, an Pat VanSchoiack. Third row: James Carter, Emily Allen, Joan Barshes, Earl Mishler, Gary Dillon, Thomas Boswell, William Watson, John Benedict, Anne Osborn, Patricia Wesson, and Jean McCoige.

"Here are the 'brains' of the school."

Mr. Stettbacher, librarian, proves helpful in the selection of a book for a grade school student. Also shown is assistant, Larry Norman. Others who help the librarian through the day are Leslie Woolfre and Robert Neidlinger, as well as Barb Kauffman and Charlie Hardin.



## Junior Girls 4-H



First row: Janet Parker, Cheryl Welsh, Linda Stevens, Eva Norris, Karen DeWitt, Diane Nelson, Penny Wakefield, Cathy Welsh, Cindy Kemple, Lela Donnelly, Linda Dinsmore, Marsha Esty. Second row: Mrs. Strait sponsor, Beth Sperry, Jean Maull, Linda Nelson, Diane Davis, Molly Norris, Loretta Berger, Andrea Siple,

Janet Branaman, Kathy Easterday, Susannah Spencer, and Patty Overmyer. Third row: Pam Crozier, Cathy Carrothers, Sharon Norris, Jeanne Adams, Judy Price, Carolyn Snyder, Lorrie Jo Sands, Betty McFarland, and Patty Odgen.



"Papooses today; squaws tomorrow"



#### Senior Girls 4-H

First row: Rochelle Good, Linda Behmer, Linda Gibbons, Anne Behmer, Pat Wesson, and Carol Heiser. Second row: Patty Kline, Betty Zechiel, Mrs. Strait, sponsor, Bonnie Good and Marjorie McGaffey.



#### Boys' 4-H Club



Members of the Junior Boys' 4-H Club come from the 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, and 8th grades, and exhibit their projects at the Argos Fair in August. Members of the club this past summer were: First row, left to right: Billy Epley, Patty Overmyer, Mary Norris, John Behmer, George Dugan, Jimmy DeWitt, Diane Davis, Joyce

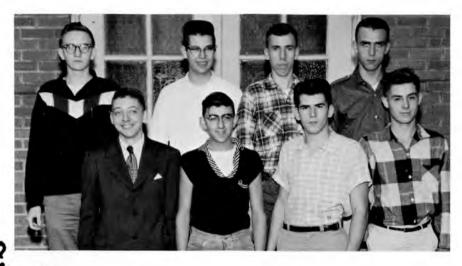
Odle. Second row: Allan Banks, Ronnie Babcock, Philip White, Alan Mahler, Hershel Odle, Bobby Albert, Jimmy Grothaus, Robert Crow, M. O'Kelley. Third row: Bobby McFarland, Tom Grothaus, Wayne Neidlinger, Doug Lindvall, Ned Davis, Paul White, Hugh Hartz. Larry Banks, Steve Ulery.

"What have we here, squaws taking up the hoe? Ho-ho!"

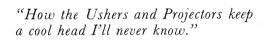
Members of the Senior Boys' 4-H Club come from the 9th, 10th, 11th, and 12th grade., and exhibit their projects at the Argos Fair in August. Members of the club are: First row, Linda Behmer, Anne Behmer, Pat Kline, Linda Gibbons, Janice Neidlinger, Second row: Mr. O'Kelley, John Cromley, Mike Overmyer, Randy Banks.



#### Ushers



Left to right: First row—William Schmidt, John Taylor, Everell Walter, and Robert Kerrigan. Second row: Leslie Woolfre, Jerry Kimmel, Tony Cihak, and Paul Thompson. Not pictured: Bill Van Dyke.



Projectors





"Music always plays an important part in the lives of braves and maidens. The music program at our Tepee is such that many may participate in it and gain much from the experiences to be had."

## "Here's our classy Senior Band."



Members of the Concert Band are: first row, Stan Curtis, Shari Yocom, Linda Kose, Ron Kuhn, Barbara Hatten, Janet Logan, Betty Zechiel, Mary Jane Guise, and Lana Berger. Second row, Patty Lutz, Jane Thomas, Larry Miller, Dennis Shock, Sandra Fisher, Beverly Thomas, Martha Lowry, Nancy Prosser, Janice Neidlinger, Joan Barshes, Patty Kline, Nick Knoerzer, Anna Lutz, Charlene Lucas, Betty Kose, and Nancy Ervin. Third row, Carol

Overmyer, Bonnie Parker, Sandra Osborn, Carol Heiser, Marjorie McGaffey, Judy Bishop, Larry Norman, Bob Neidlinger, Mike Overmyer, Judy Lowry, Wade Logan, Margo Overmyer, Bob Dickson, Beatrice Price, Christine Hand, Tom Curtis, Tom Easterday, and Thad Overmyer. Fourth row, Joyce Morrison, Sherrill Edgington, Penny Downs, Pete Ott, Scott Geiselman, Sam Medbourn, Tom Walker, and Jean Warner.



MR. ROBERT BOYD Culver's popular Director of Music

## "We're proud of our Twirlers."



The flashy majorettes lend their own kind of spice and entertainment to the marching band. Kneeling are the captains, Joyce Morrison, Margo Overmyer, and Beatrice Price. Standing are

twirlers Judy Bishop, Bonnie Parker, Penny Downs, Sherrill Edgington, and Janice Neidlinger.



Drum Major Stan Curtis and the twirling captains strut their stuff at the beginning of one of the popular half-time shows at the ball games.



# "Here's what our musicians have been doing this year..."

The Culver High School Music Department began the 1959-60 school year with a new director, Mr. Robert Boyd, whom we have all learned to like quite well not only as a friend, but also as a fine musician in his own right.

The first public performance for any of the musical organizations was on September 17, when the band journeyed to Bourbon to play for the grandstand at the Bourbon Fair.

Our band was invited to participate in the Band Day at Manchester College, which was held on October 2. The Marching Indians looked good alongside the many bands representing schools from all over Northern Indiana.

The Choir made its debut in South Bend, where it was greatly honored by the Northern Indiana teachers' association when they invited us as the guest choir this year. As there are over a hundred choirs in the district, it can be easily seen that this was quite an achievement. The choir turned in a marvelous performance, and looked sharp decked out with a red carnation which was provided by the association.

November 21 was a big day for all students of Culver High, as we played our first home basketball game of the season on that evening. The Marching Indians did a fine job with the halftime show, which was received well by all. This was also the first time that the band was seated on the stage during the entire game, providing music between the quarters of the B-Team game and between the two games. The people of Culver enjoyed the fine music which was emitted from the stage during the games this year.

On December 13, members of the Culver High School Choir joined the Combined church choirs and the Culver Military Academy Chapel Choir in presenting a Christmas program in the Culver Military Academy Memorial Chapel. Everyone attending the impressive service was inspired by the fine music and singing that were offered.

The Music Department presented its Christmas Concert on the evening of December 22. Appropriate songs were sung by the Choir accompanied by Shari Yocom. Lana Berger played Christmas anthems on the organ, after which the Senior High School Band and the Junior Band offered their programs, consisting of Christmas medleys and some traditional music. The Culver musicians' first concert was a definite success.





Immediately after the Christmas vacation, the members of the Music Department, from the sixth graders to the Seniors, began working diligently on their solos and ensembles in preparation for the NISBOVA contests. The piano and vocal district contest was held at Goshen on January 30. Culver received very good ratings at this contest, as did those students from the Tepee who participated in the district instrumental contest at Penn Township High on February 6. Those members of Senior Band and Choir who received first ratings at the district contests were entered in the State Contest at Indianapolis, where five of Culver's thirteen were rated "superior". We are very proud of these individuals.



First row: Larry Norman, Robert Dickson, Peter Ott, Larry Miller, Brian Linhart, Ron Kuhn, Tom Walker, Stan Curtis, Jerry Kimmel, Jim Hall, Tom Curtis, Sam Medbourn, Scott Geiselman, Jamie Piersol, Robert Neidlinger, and Wade Logan. Second row: Mimi Fisher, Linda Kose, Joyce Morrison. Sherrill Edgington, Janice Neidlinger, Christine Hand, Jane Thomas, Anna Lutz, Sharon Spahr, Martha Lowry, Rochelle Good, Penny Downs, Betty Zechiel, Joan Barshes, Lana Berger, Linda Gibbons, Sharon Lindvall, Emily Allen, Nancy Ervin, Johanna Hughes, Accompanist Shari Yocom, Margo

Overmyer, Judy Lowry, Susie Medbourn, Carolee Easterday, Charlene Lucas, Sandra Fisher, and Pat Hicks. Third row: Judy Bishop, Patty Kline, Anne Behmer, Bonnie Parker, Linda Behmer, Barbara Hatten, Mary Jane Guise, Betty Kose, Jean Warner. Carol Overmyer, Kerry Spahr, Beatrice Price, Carol Heiser, Nancy Prosser, Susan Ruhnow, Janet Logan, Sandra Boetsma, Carmen Gretter, Beverly Thomas, Sandra Osborn, Marizetta Robinson, Patty Lutz, and Marge McGaffey.

On March 6, the Music Department presented its Winter Concert. The Senior High School Band and the Choir presented interesting and diversified programs, including traditional numbers, spirituals, overtures, and marches. Several of the state medal winners presented their contest pieces for the enjoyment of the many people gathered to hear the concert. The Junior Band also presented several numbers, and was well received, also.

The Annual County Music Festival was held on April 22 at Argos. The Band and the Choir spent the day rehearsing under the expert guidance of the guest directors, and learned much from the experience. The concert which was presented in the evening was well attended by music enthusiasts from all over the county, who were very much pleased with what they heard.

The Music Department presented its Spring Concert during the first week of May, at which time the two new music awards were presented, along with another fine program of music which is "easy to listen to".

By virtue of the many fine performances turned in by the various musical organizations throughout the year, the Band has been asked to participate in several parades and band festivals during the summer of 1960. At the time this is being written, plans are indefinite, but one thing is sure: Culver can be justly proud of its Music Department, and the part its members play in the school and the community.



Junior High Band



Junior Band



Sixth Grade Band





## Varsity Basketball



The Fighting Indians, this year, were composed of the following boys: first row: Chuck Kiel, Tom Boswell, Bob Mikesell, Gary Dillon, Dave Washburn, and Don Hand; second row: Larry Davis, John Benedict, Dennis Geiger, Gene Benedict, Lance Overmyer, and Jim Hall.

"We are the Indians. The mighty, mighty Indians!"



Mr. Benbrook, baseball and basketball coach, is pictured here with Mr. Cox, cross-country and track coach, discussing past records of sports at Culver High School.





"Our Varsity did us proud this year."

The 1959-60 version of the Culver Indians raced to their finest season in the last years, winning ten and losing twelve. The record does not state that among the Indians' conquerors were three sectional champions, two county champions, and such powerhouses as North Judson, Rochester, and Nappanee.

Head Coach Thomas Benbrook began his first season at Culver with a line-up boasting two returning regulars, Dave Washburn and Gene Benedict. Dennie Geiger, Lance Overmyer, and Gary Dillon, B-Teamers from last season, rounded out the starting five that opened the season.

In the first game, the Indians' sizzling fast break easily swept us past Aubbeenaubbee's Braves, 53-41, on the losers' home court. Overmyer led the attack with sixteen points.

Walkerton's fifteen-point halftime lead was too much for our boys to overcome, as the hosts from St. Joseph County triumphed, 58-53.

The 1959-60 version of the Culver Indians Geiger had 18 markers for high point honors.

Travelling to Tyner, Culver bombed the Redmen in a loosely-played game, 60-45. Balanced scoring featured the Indians' second victory.

Manchester's Squires, winners of the rugged Wabash sectional, spoiled the home floor debut of the Indians. Manchester came out on top, 62-54, but needed a fourth quarter surge to do it.

North Judson's Blue Jays, perennially one of the area's toughest quints, bombed the Culver team, 69-52. Once more, the Indians stayed right with their opponents until the final period.

Topeka's Bears, a first-time opponent for Culver, invaded out tepee and were soundly trounced by the Indians, 75-55, for the first home victory. Benedict led the attack with 16 points.

Culver, sporting an even 3-3 record, travelled to Knox and was greeted by a redhot band of Redskins. Knox, eventual champions of their own sectional, blasted the Indians, 71-52.

#### Culver's Baseball Team



Seated: Dave Washburn, Dennie Geiger, Chuck Kiel, Sam Prosser, Gene Benedict, Don Kibort. Standing: Jim Canterbury,

George Herr, George Baker, Rick Ervin, Coach Benbrook, Tom Boswell, Jim Carter, and Robbie Ogden.

The Culver Indians compiled a 4-3 record in fall baseball this year. Their county record was 3-3, and they added a non-conference victory over North Liberty.

The opening game of the season was played at Bourbon, and the host Comets won 3-2 in a hotly contested game. Culver slaughtered Tippecanoe, 17-6, in the first home game. Chuck Kiel was the winning pitcher, striking out fourteen batters, and Dave Washburn went 4-for-5. Kiel blanked West High on two hits the next game, as Culver won easily 8-0. Once again Kiel was the winning pitcher as the Indians nipped Tyner 4-3. The Indians lost a heart-breaker to Lapaz 4-3, as our Senior right hander allowed only one Viking hit, but lost due to wildness. Argos ended the conference schedule by blanking us 4-0. The Dragons' Lynn Harley bested Kiel in a tight pitchers' duel.

In an extra game added to the schedule this season, the Indians topped North Liberty 5-3 behind Kiel's final winning effort of his fine high school pitching career. Dave Washburn went 3-for-3 in this last game to round out a fine four year career.

**Cross Country** 

A new sport was introduced at Culver High school this season; cross-country. Coach James Cox, head of track and field sports this year, guided our first team to victories in three of the six meets they entered.

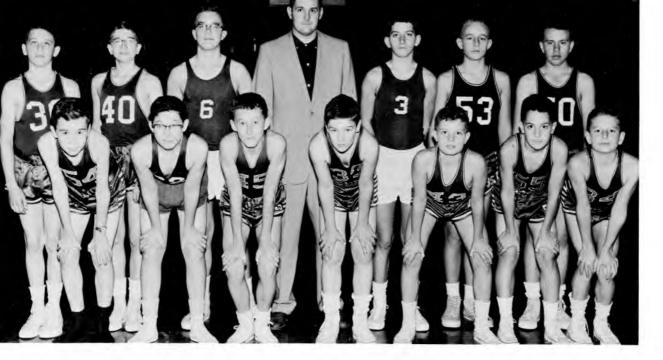
Culver defeated LaPaz, 19-36, and North Liberty, 23-32, in dual meets, while losing to Argos, 28-27, and Rochester, 30-25. In a 3-way meet with Culver Military and Argos, Coach Cox's squad finished second to CMA. In the County meet, we gained first place ahead of Argos and LaPaz.

Phil Gretter gained a first place finish LaPaz and against Argos. Gretter and Gary Dillon tied for first against North Liberty. George Baker failed to win any events, but was Culver's leading challenger in the Sectional at South Bend, finishing in 74th place.



CROSS COUNTRY: front row, Phil Gretter, Corky Walter, George Baker, Gary Dillon, Dennis Shock, Ronald Osborn, Coach James Cox. Second row, Mike Cihak, John Cromley, John Benedict, Paul Thompson, Larry Davis, Sam Medbourn, and Randy Banks.





Members of the Eighth Grade basketball team were, first row, left to right: Shaun Donnelly, Larry Linhart, Steve Downs, Sam Lowry, Frank Ikirt, Brian Piersol, Bob Carter. Second

row: Ned Davis, Charles Snyder, Tom Miracle, Coach Allan Dennie, Don Beerwart, Tom Yocom, and Paul White.

## Junior High Basketball

Members of the Seventh Grade basketball team were; first row, left to right: George Wright, Jack Maull, Tom Grothaus, Herschel Odle, Jim Boswell, Jim Lewis, Dick Mackey, and Paul Liette. Second row: Manager Layne Zechiel, Doug Lindvall, Peter De

Troy, John Kibort, Gale Vandermeade, Coach Allan Dennie, Dave Lemar, Jim Weirick, Bill Osborn, Larry Fisher, and Manager: Arl Altman.



### Junior High Baseball



JR. HIGH BASEBALL: first row, Paul Liette, Paul Saft, Hershel Odle, Jimmy Lewis, Bobby Carter, Ricky Knoerzer, Coach Allan Dennic; second row, Tom Grothaus, Gale born, Paul White, Doug Lindvall, and John Kibort.

Vandermeade, Sammy Lowry, Jimmy Boswell, Frank Ikirt. and Jimmy DeWitt; third row, Shaun Donnelly, Bill Os-

Coach Allan Dennie's Junior High teams compiled one of the finest records in the past few years this season. The basketball squads started slowly but by the end of the season were performing very entertaining games.

The seventh grade won nine of their twelve games this season, while the eighth graders split their dozen battles even with six victories and six losses. The only opponents to top the young seventh graders were Richland Center, West Twp., and Rochester.

Coach Dennie's baseball squad played only

three games, but those three were enough to prove their merit, as the Culver boys won all three. They defeated Richland Center, 8-5, LaPaz, 21-4, and Argos, 6-5.

The youngsters were gleefully awaiting track season when this yearbook went to press, and so we have no information on that phase of junior high athletic competition.

All in all, the future athletic situation at Culver High School is very encouraging, thanks to this fine record.



O'KELLEY



SHANKS

"We know the faculty by their sayings"

Mr. Ives—
"There are going to be some changes made around here."

Mr. Robinson—
"Incidentally, as a result..."

Mr. Alexander—
"Did I ever tell you..."

Mrs. Allen—
"Now, I always say..."

Mrs. Johnson—
"Get ready for a quiz!."

Mr. Lawson—
"Now listen folks."

Miss Lindvall—
"Take out a piece of scratch paper."

Mr. O'Kelley—
"You are my Sunshine."

Mr. Benbrook—
"We're going to try tonight."

Mr. Boyd—
Let's get to work...look sharp!"

Mr. Cox—
"Now listen, buddie."

Mr. Graham—
"Oh, Pardon me! May I begin now?"

1r. Hand— "Now, have this poem memorized by..."

Miss Overmyer—
"Ready, hex-x-x-ercise."

Miss Shanks—
"Stop!"

Mrs. Smith— 'Hello, you-all."

Mrs. Strait—

"Now, if you don't learn anything else this year, I want you to . . . . "

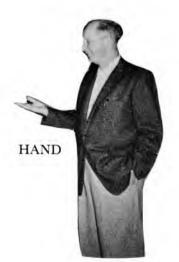
Mr. Stettbacher—
"That will be 2¢ today, 4¢ tomorrow."

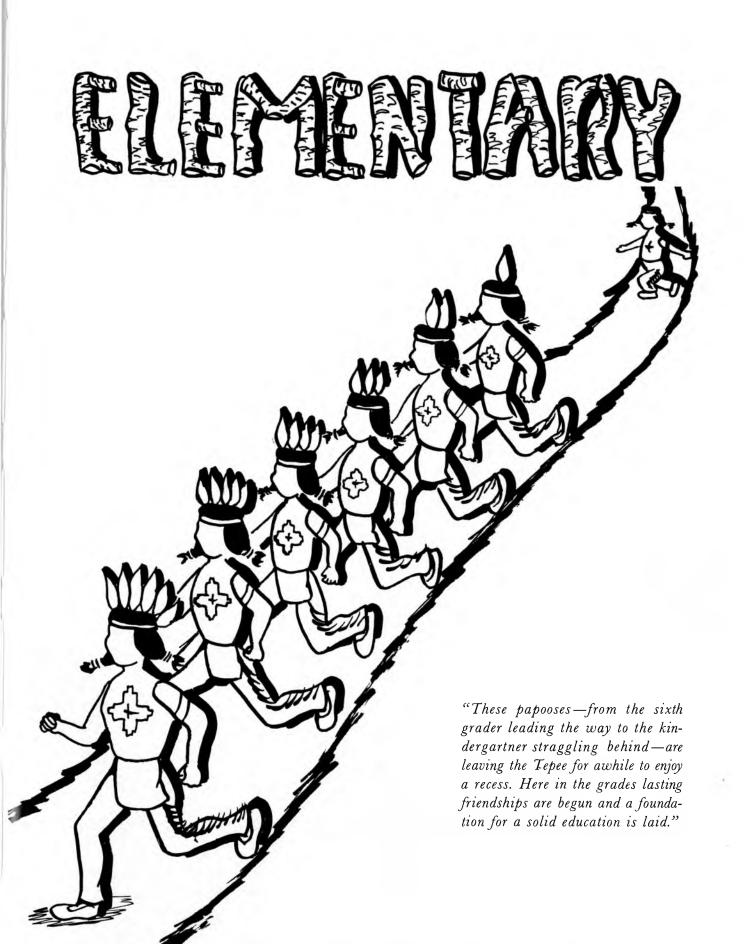


**GRAHAM** 



LAWSON







Mr. Shelton Kaiser, elementary principal, confers with a parent on the telephone as he reviews the students record.

"Boy! I'll bet those papooses keep Mr. Kaiser and his staff busy!"



Mrs. Lula Melton, kindergarten teacher reads a story to an interested class.

Mrs. Alice McLane, teacher of a combined class of first and second graders, is instructing her class on how a plant grows.





MRS. GERTRUDE ALLEN Second Grade



MRS. MARGARET CARTER Third Grade



MR. ALLAN DENNIE Sixth Grade



MRS. JEAN EPLEY Fifth Grade



MRS. JOYCE KAUFMAN Remedial Reading



MRS. ALICE KELLER Fourth Grade



MRS. HELEN KELLER Third Grade



MRS. SANDRA KEYSER First Grade



MRS. RITA LAWSON Fifth Grade



MISS MARY MAHAN Fourth Grade



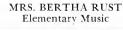
MRS. DOROTHY MANIS Sixth Grade



MRS. ALICE McLANE First & Second Grades







MISS MARY WHAN First Grade











This young man seems to be viewing the clown mural from a novel angle! Some of Mrs. Allen's elementary students certainly have a new slant on things!



Andrea Siple is assisting Mrs. Manis in the sixth grade English class with the study of homonyms.

In the lower left picture, Mrs. Carter is shown explaining multiplication tables to her third grade students.

In the lower right picture, the fourth graders seem very intent while taking the dictation from Miss Mahan.





## Mrs. Melton's Morning Kindergarten



## Mrs. Melton's Afternoon Kindergarten





S. Sheppard

B. Snyder

G. Strang



M. Uebel



P. White



J. Yocom



J. Zechiel

## Mrs. Keyser's First Grade



G. Wynn

J. Wolf

M. Wieringa

A. Vernum

M. Zehner

G. Yeazel

## Mrs. Whan's First Grade



L. Wilson

L. Weiringa

M. Easterday W. Bair B. Baker T. DeTroy P. Brooks J. Houghton C. Marshall J. Stevens J. Summers D. Williams C. Carter L. Hatten D. Holl R. Brown K. Kauffman F. May N. Overmyer D. Hoesel E. Hughes J. Price

Lanes

M. Ruhnow

L. Snapp

V. Thews

D. Woolington

P. White

## Mrs. Allen's Second Grade



## Miss Page's Second Grade



## Mrs. Carter's Third Grade



## Mrs. Helen Keller's Third Grade



#### Mrs. A. Keller's Fourth Grade





J. Taber

S. Thews

B. Wescott

M. Wynn

## Miss Mahan's Fourth Grade





M. Weaver

P. White

## Mrs. Epley's Fifth Grade



D. Walter

T. Teach

A. Pare

C. Welsh

## Mrs. Lawson's Fifth Grade



P. Wakefield

C. Walter

V. Smith

## Mr. Dennie's Sixth Grade



#### Mrs. Manis's Sixth Grade



T. Walter

F. Warner

K. Walstead

J. Vandermeade

R. Wakefield

#### Important Days Through the 1959-60 School Year

August 31	School begins
	Juniors choose rings
	Junior Play
October 22 & 23	Teachers' Convention
November 7	First ballgame
November 11	Armistice Day vacation
November 26 & 27	Thanksgiving vacation
	Christmas vacation
	College Board exams
January 18	Start of Second Semester
	.Seniors' Bank trip May 19
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February 17
February 24-27Sectional tourney March 8National Merit Scholarship tests
March 26Junior Ham Supper
April 22
Apr. 28-May 4
May 15 Baccalaureate School's out

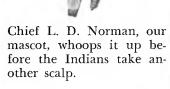


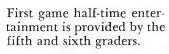
"From Culver . . . "



The Indians huddle around Coach Benbrook, who has a new plan of attack.

The fans do actions as the







"Oops, my deahs!!"





Band plays.



The members of the TOMAHAWK staff want to give you some idea of how we get together to plan and work on the yearbook. Everybody keeps busy from the pasters in the living room to the writers in the dining room to Mrs. Graham preparing one of her specialties in the kitchen.



BEHIND THE BANDSTAND AT THE BOURBON FAIR



Culver's band members braved the Autumn night to provide music for the fairgoers, and had a good time on the midway after the races. Remember Larry and Stanley purchasing caramel corn? "I want a taffy apple."





We danced all night 'neath a sea-blue canopy of our South Pacific sky, May 15, 1959.







Mr. and Mrs. Robinson and Mr. and Mrs. Ives stop to enjoy the breath-taking scenery.







Mr. Graham and his English II students certainly did look nice in their original outfits, and they showed that they had put a lot of time and effort into putting their Ancestors' Day theme across.

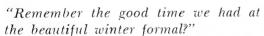








"Everyone remembers Ancestors' Day, Feb. 17."





The Key Notes provided music for our dancing and enjoyment at the Winter Formal. Mrs. Allen and her Sunshine decorators and Mr. Alexander and his Hi-Y cleaner-uppers put in a fine piece of work.



December 29, 1959



This young couple under the lamp post helped carry out the "City Sidewalks" theme.



#### In Conclusion

we would like to express sincere appreciation to

Mr. W. J. Graham, our sponsor, for the assistance and moral support which he has given us throughout the year,

Mr. C. Phillip Hartung, of the Hart Studio, Plymouth, for the hard work which went into the production of the photographs which were used in the book,

Mr. Samuel V. Buchanan, representative of the Myers Yearbook Company, who was very helpful in the planning and laying out of the book,

and the Culver-Union Township United Fund for its financial assistance which has helped us so much in the meeting of production costs.

The clever artwork throughout the book is the work of Joyce Morrison, of whom the Staff is very proud.

We sincerely hope that you have enjoyed the 1960 TOMAHAWK as much as we have enjoyed producing it and presenting it to you. We apologize for any ommissions which may have resulted.

The Tomahawk Staff

and Earl Stan Jan

Susie gest Jupe Emmy

Shari gean Linda Betty

Arean Pat Pat Bill

P.S.: If you find any mistakes in this book, take it for granted that they were intended. We want to print something for *everybody*, even for those who are always looking for mistakes!!

"So Long"

