



Our Annual Staff Presents The 1951 Green & White Mendon Community High School Mendon, Michigan

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The Green & White Staff Presents The 1950-51 REMINISCENT

Faculty



Seniors



Underclassmen

DO YOU REMEMBER?



Activities



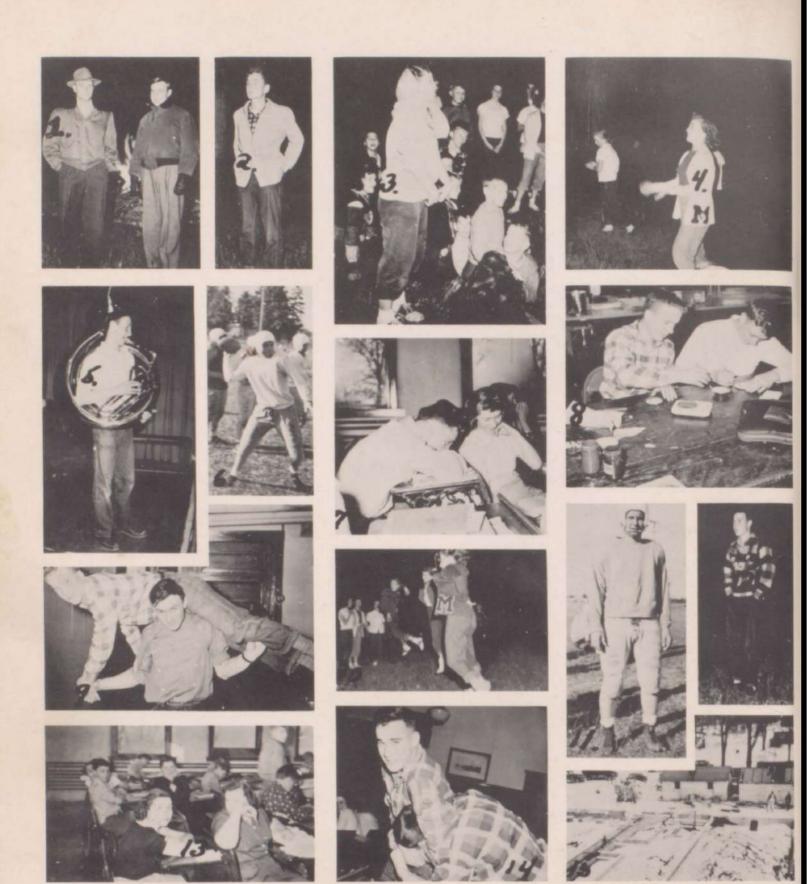
Sports

Teacher of The Year



We, the Annual Staff, wish to dedicate the 1951 Green and White to Mr. Thompson. During the past three years, he has coached the football team to one league championship, one second place, and one third place.

We wish him continued success in his coaching profession.



- 1. The two coaches.
- 2. Scared?
- Hurry, I can't hold this pose.
 "Yea, team fight."

- Flay pretty, Marlen.
 Play pretty, Marlen.
 "Lujack" Stickney
 Let us in on it.

- 8. True artists.
- 9. Acrobats??
- 10. Good going, girls
- 11. Smile pretty, Gene.
- 12. Burr.....
- Quiet, please.
 ''Nice going, Otto'. ''
 Our new gym'.

Administration



ROBERT MEGGISON Superintendent

> VICTOR WIER High School Principal





School Board--left to right: Donald Kaufman; Merl Crotser, Treasurer; LaVerne Lee, Secretary; Robert Meggison, Superintendent; and Joseph Slaughter, President. Mrs. Harold Eldridge was absent when photograph was taken.

MRS, JENNIE COOLEY Elementary Principal



MISS GENEVIEVE OLNEY Office Secretary

Faculty



VICTOR WIER

High School Principal Mathematics Agriculture Shop Student Council Sponsor



Superintendent Mathematics



ROBERT THOMPSON

Coach Science Social Sciences 8th Grade Arithmetic 7th Grade Sponsor Varsity Club Sponsor



CLARENCE ROLFE

7th Grade Arithmetic Glee Club Junior and Senior Band Freshman Sponsor

ANGIE FUDGE

Art 7th and 8th Grade Literature and English 7th Grade Civics and Health 8th Grade Sponsor Girls' Club Sponsor





WARREN FUDGE

7th Grade History Commercial Senior Sponsor Hi-Lite Sponsor Annual Sponsor

Faculty



DAVID MAURER

Assistant Coach French English and Literature Government Junior Sponsor Varsity Club Sponsor Play Director



ELIZABETH WEIERS

2nd Semester Home Economics 8th Grade Science Girls' Physical Education Sophomore Sponsor F. H. A. Sponsor



ELEANOR FRENCH

lst Semester Home Economics 8th Grade Science Girls' Physical Education Sophomore Sponsor F. H. A. Sponsor



Seated left to right: Lois Henry, Flfth Grade; Grace Phenicie, Sixth Grade.

Standing: Irene Fry, Fgurth Grade,

> Seated left to right: Jennie Cooley, First Grade; Gail Williams, Third Grade.

Standing left to right: Mary Osgood, Kindergarten; Irene Butler, Second Grade





What good cherry pie.



Understand Joe?



Working Hard Gladys?



Complicated Jim?



The winners! .



Be careful Mr. Wier!



Nimble fingers!

The Big Wheels



JOHN MITCHELL President



CLASS COLORS Green and White

"ROWING NOT DRIFTING"

CLASS FLOWER Yellow Rose



GEORGE KLAEREN Treasurer

JEAN TOMPKINS Vice-President



ELEANOR COOLEY Secretary



EDITH BARKALOW "Of few words but to the point."









EUGENE BOLZ





ELEANOR COOLEY
"Be yourself and you can-
not fail to be of some value."
Glee Club 1-2-3
Girls' Club 1-2
President 3
Secretary 4
Librarian 2
Physical Education 1
F. H. A 1-3-4
Band
Vice-President
Drum Major 1-2-3-4
Class Secretary
"Adorable Imp"
"You'll Die Laughing"
Annual Staff 4 Mixed Chorus
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JEAN CRABTREE	
"If at first you don't	
succeed try another method."	
Salutatorian	
Librarian	2
Class Treasurer 1-	Z
Class President	3
Baseball	
Football	4
Student Council	3
President	4
Hi-Lite Staff	3
Varsity Club	4









LA DORIS GILMORE "Good nature is but one of





AGNES HUGHES "A typical blond, but not light headed."

 Iight headed.

 Giec Club
 1-2-3-4

 Girls' Club
 1-2

 Physical Education
 1-2

 Librarian
 3

 F. H. A.
 1

 ''Adorable Imp''

Mixed Chorus 3

BETTY KELLY "She is little but she's

wise and she is a terror for her size."

Physical Education 1

"You'll Die Laughing"





GEORGE KLAEREN "A sportsman through and through."

"You'll Die Laughing" Varsity Club President. . . 4

SYLVIA KLINE "Her ways are always of pleasantness." F. H. A. 2-3-4





PAUL KNAUSS "It's not what you do, it's what you get out of doing."

KATHERYN KUHLMAN "When there is something to do, all others count on you,"

"You'll Die Laughing"





DORIS MERRICK "It's nice to be hice when
you are naturally nice."
Valedictorian
Glee Club
Girls' Club 4
Physical Education
Histite Staff

"When I am dead, you'll find
it hard," said he, "to ever
find another man like me."
Band,
Secretary 3
President 4
Class President 4
Class Treasurer 2
Baseball 1-2-3-4
Basketball 1-2-3-4
Football 1-2-3-4
"Adorable Imp"
"You'll Die Laughing"
Varsity Club
Treasurer 4

JOHN MITCHELL





 GLADYS STONE

 "Full of pep, full of fun, and always on the go."

 Glee Club.
 .1-2-3-4

 Girls' Club.
 .1-2-3

 Physical Education
 .1

 Librarian.
 .4

 F. H. A.
 .1-2-3

 President.
 .4

 Mixed Chorus
 .3





JEAN TOMPKINS
"Contented, good-natured,
and cheerful."
Glee Club 2-3
Girls' Club 4
Physical Education 1
Librarian 2
F. H. A 2
Class Vice-President 4
Hi-Lite Staff 4
Mixed Chorus 3





JAMES TRUCKEY

DUANE WILCOX JAMES TRUCKEY "He that mischief hatcheth," "I do not let studies interfere mischief catcheth." with my education." Band, ..., 1-2-3-4 Baseball, ..., 1-2-3-4 Basketball, ..., 2-3-4 ''You'll Die Laughing''





DAVID WOLFORD "Never worry today, if you can put it off until tomorrow"

RICHARD ZIERLE "Content to let the world drag on by its will."



SENIOR AUTOGRAPHS

Tracks of the Wheels

We entered our first year of high school with the loss of Jack Cook, and Robert Shields. The new students that entered were Betty Kelly, Raymond Burt, Jantina Hamminga, and Issac Kelly. Raymond Burt also left during the year. We had a few parties and were initiated by the Sophomores. We had fun and I guess we all lived through it. Our school picnic was held at Milham Park and all had a good time except for a few that went swimming without warning. We all passed into the tenth grade.

This year we were the ones to have the fun of initiating the "freshies". They had a good time. We had one gain in our class, Arlene Dodgson, and we lost Jantina Hamminga, Omar Miller, Gail Woods, and Theresa Romanek. The Freshmen gave us a party and we sponsored a few skating parties and a few bake sales. Four girls and four boys had the privilege of serving at the Junior-Senior Prom. School closed with the picnic at Silver Beach. We were all hoping our next picnic could be there.

School began this year with us being Juniors. We had no new students and we lost Issac Kelly and Carolyn Robertson. The first semester we had a few more bake sales and we sold Christmas cards. The second semester was spent preparing for the Junior play and the Prom. The play added several dollars to our treasury. The Prom was a success and without depleting the treasury. The school picnic was held at Milham Park. We all had fun during the year and school was dismissed for another summer vacation. We were especially glad because we would enter in the fall as Seniors.

We entered school in the fall of 1950 for the last year of high school. Phyllis Burkett and George Mansmith did not join us. Bob Androsky was the only new member to our class. The Senior Play was the main event during the first semester. Soon after the beginning of the second semester, we had enough money to go on our Senior trip. This was certainly good news to us. The Juniors gave us our Prom and we left for our boat trip on May 22nd, and returned May 26th. The following week was free except for graduation exercises. The school picnic was again a big success and we graduated with a bang. We were all very nervous and sad upon leaving Mendon High School.

The Wheel's Legacy

We, the graduating class of May, 1951, of Mendon High School, being of sound mind and body and having fulfilled the standard requirements, do make, publish, declare, and solemnly swear this to be our last will and testament, hereby revoking all former wills. bequests and decrees made by us previous to this time, (while we were the victims of spring fever or collapse caused by over study).¹.

Robert Androsky wills his ability to catch blondes to all of the unfortunates who nave redheads, brunettes and etc.

Edith Barkalow wills her quietness to Kathleen Reilly.

Eva Beebe and Arlene Dodgson will just leave if you'll only stop pushing them.

Robert Beebe wills his ability to bleach hair to anyone who is a potential beauty operator.

Eleanor Cooley wills her ability as a drum majorette to the oncoming majorettes.

Jean Crabtree wills his mathematical mind to all algebra and geometry students.

Gene Bolz wills Bob Flath the technique of going steady.

Helen Billiau wills her ability to comprehend French to any unfortunate French student.

Otto Decker just leaves.

LaDoris Gilmore leaves all her thanks to the school board and all the wonderful teachers she has had.

Joan Heiney wills her neatness to Nancy Sands.

Agnes Hughes wills her laziness to Mr. Fudge.

Sylvia Kline wills her ability to hold friends to anyone who has none.

Betty Kelly wills her crazy actions to Nancy Lomison to carry on next year.

Katheryn Kuhlman wills her flaming red hair to anyone that can control their temper as well as she does??

George Klaeren leaves his braveness to anyone who has flunked some of their exams. Huh!

Paul Knauss leaves nothing. He says he'll need it all.

Doris Merrick wills her slimness to Judy Lee.

Richard Stickney leaves his ability to grow a beard to Pete Lagoni. Jean Tompkins wills her blushing to Tony Collins.

Jim Truckey wills his curly hair to Junior Neal.

Gladys Stone wills her long nair to Carol Lomison for she may get cold this winter.

LaWayne Timm wills his ambition to Dale Conrad. He needs it ...

Duane Wilcox wills his friendship to Mr. Maurer to Kenneth Huckendubler. David Wolford leaves his old flash bulbs to Mr. Meggison.

Richard Zierle wills his height to Richard Clark.

John Mitchell wills his athletic ability to Lyle Smalley.

The Future Tracks of the Wheels

Upon ending the last semester of the year, I thought I needed a vacation from my college teaching career. I decided I should ask one of my old friends who is now head of the Home Economics Department of the Olivet College. This person is none other than Gladys Stone.

As I was leaving the college, a student called to me and said, "Mr. Beebe, have a good vacation!" Upon hearing this I turned around and who should it be. none other than the big playboy and ex-Marine Air Ace, John Mitchell.

Upon meeting Gladys at the bus we took off for Méndon to see what had happened to the rest of our classmates.

As I was wandering around town looking over all the big improvements, I decided to go up to the new school.

I went into the school and upstairs in the principal's office sat Richard Stickney. Much to my surprise he is now running the Mendon High School. I looked around a little more and saw Jean Tompkins as his private secretary. I asked Jean what had happened to her chum, Doris Merrick. She told me that David and Doris were married and that Doris was running a secretary's school and David had a photography studio.

Deciding that I had better go as classes were just about over, I went downtown. Gladys upon seeing a sign, "Kelly and Hickmott" wondered if that was Betty Kelly. We went in and Betty told us that she was now a partner and that she and Dick Batten had been married for three years. We asked if she knew anything about the other classmates. She told us that Joan Heiney was now in California working for Duane Wilcox as one of his saleswomen. Duane is the oil magnate of the west. Bob Androskv is now playing for the Pittsburg Pirates, LaDoris Gilmore is in Africa as a social worker, and Agnes Hughes is running a rest sanitorium. We decided to go out and see Agnes and found that Eva Beebe and Arlene Dodgson were nurses aids. She asked us to go through the sanitorium and there was Otto Decker as the janitor. After a short visit, we started back to town.

Upon reaching downtown, Gladys thought we ought to go and eat before the rush. We say the "Dew Drop Inn" and went inside. There as receptionist and owner sat Eleanor Cooley. We overheard two people in the next booth and looked around and there was Jim Truckey and Wayne Timm. They are now the champions of the Hot Rod Track.

Eleanor came back and told us some gossip. She said Sylvia Kline was cooking for her, George Klaeren was playing for the Chicago Bears, (remember ne was Mendon's star football player), Helen Billiau was giving piano lessons in Chicago, and Gene Bolz had finally married Virginia and raising their basketball team.

Gladys decided she needed a permanent and went into Madame Kuhlman's "Super Duper Beauty Shop." There was Kathy as hair stylist. While Gladys was there, I ran over to the Haas Corporation to see the Haas' as they were good griends of mine. There sat Edith Berkalow as private secretary to Mr. Haas. Edith said that Paul Knauss was running a chicken farm north of Parkville, and that Richard Zierle was running a ranch called "Moore Haven."

Deciding to turn in for the night we went all over the town looking for rooms. We could not find any so we went to the local minister and asked for help. He told us we could stay at the parsonage. Yes, the minister was our classmate, Jean Crabtree.

After spending a day and night in Mendon, Gladys and I parted to continue on our summer vacations.

The Little Wheels



















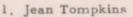












- 2. Doris Merrick
- 3. Sylvia Kline
- 4. Richard Stickney
- 5. Bob Beebe
- 6. Edith Barkalow
- 7. Joan Heiney
- 8. John Mitchell
- 9. Kate Kuhlman
- 10. Arlene Dodgson
- 11. George Klaeren

- 12. David Wolford
- 13. Jim Truckey
- 14. Gladys Stone
- 15. Eugene Bolz
- 16. Eleanor Cooley 17. Helen Billiau
- 18, Paul Knauss
- 19. Richard Zierle 20. Duane Wilcox
- 21. Eva Beebe
- 22. Betty Kelly
- 23. Otto Decker

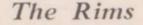














Front Row: Second Row: Back Row: Absent:

(Left to Right) Judy Lee, Kathleen Reilly, Nancy Lomison, David Huff, Richard Hitzeman, Sarah Wolfe, Mildred Timm, and Janet Gage.
Mary Maher, Betty Yeomans, Doris Knauss, Tony Collins, Joe Zinsmaster, Peter Lagoni, Maureen Bennett, Virginia Cooley, and Mr. Maurer.
Wesley Neal, Clyde Barnebee, Dale Conrad, Bob Flath, Marlen Hetmansperger, James Osgood, David Reading, Andrew Kline, Robert Taylor

We started our Junior year very good by having several bake sales. In November, the Junior Class sponsored a dance which turned out very well. We had three candy sales which also added to our treasury. As in past Junior years, the Prom was the big event of the school year.

The class was represented in sports, band, glee club, cheerleading, girls' club, varsity club, F. H. A., annual statt, and the Hi-Lite.

We hope that our Senior year will be as successful as our other years.

Our class officers for the year were: President, Robert Taylor; Vice-President, David Huff; Secretary, Nancy Lomison; Treasurer, Richard Hitzeman; Student Council Representative, Virginia Cooley; Sponsor, Mr. Maurer.

The Spokes



Front Row Second Row: Third Row.

(Left to Right) Mary Gentry, Betty Michielsen, Kleo Yeomans, Vivian Barkalow, Alice Babcock, Sally Ann Vorac, Ellen Finkbeiner, and Rosemary Wooten. Clair Wright, Joan Griffith, Lyle Smalley, Gary Huff, Jack Campbell, James Gilbert, Barbara Nutt, Roland Stickney, Bonnie Michielsen, Carol Lomison, Marjorie Timm, Helen Stone, Lois Richman, Gerald Crotser, David Crotser, Nancy Bucknell, Winna Bogun, Goldie Snyder, Joyce

Crotser and Mrs. French, Fourth Row: Harold Osgood, Nancy Kaiser, Ed Klaeren, Robert Hackenburg, Kenneth Huckendubier, Jerry Batten, Sherrill Miller and Nancy Reading.

Bob "Hack" H. shouts, "Want to hear a joke?" to Winna B. and Rose Mary R. who dutifully answers, "Not now." Up in study hall, David C. and Clair W. sleepily sighs "Ho, hum" while Jim G. tearing up another French paper, says, "Oh, heck, what's the use?" However, on the other side of the room Ken H. spies a couple of cute girls and quickly whispers, "Isn't this exciting?" to Ed K., Gerald C., and Ronald S. who enthusiastically agree. Coming out of French class, Lois R. mutters "I don't understand it" to Nancy K., Mary G., and Helen S. who by this time are hastily trying to close their locker doors before their books fall out; however, they soon succeed and travel to English class. They seat themselves behind our new girls, Rose Mary W., Bonnie and Betty M., Joan G., Alice B., Goldie., and Sherill M. for a good old fashioned gab session.

As we glance around the English room, we notice Jerry B. who sighs "Ah, girls," and sees Barbara N., Carol L., and Nancy R. with that dreamy look of "Spring Fever" in their eyes. Passing them Gary H. asks "Penny for your thoughts" and Marge T. chimes in with "Did someone mention money?" Vivian B., Kleo Y., Sally V. greet their old friend John N. with a cheery "Hi" Joyce C. dashes up to Nancy B. to get a last minute assignment, but first of all bumps into Jack C., Lyle S., and Harold "Uncle Lily" O., who gladly helps her up with a "Beg your pardon." This was a typical day in our Sophomore class during the 1950-51 school year.

We had a good working class and hope that we will be an asset to Mendon High School throughout our remaining high school days. Our officers were: President, Jack Campbell; Vice-President, Gary Huff; Secretary, Jimmy Gilbert; Treasurer, Lyle Smalley; and Student Council Representative, Barbara Nutt.

The Hub



Front Row: Second Row: Third Row: Absent:

(Left to Right) Buelah Crotser, Norma Finkbeiner, Phyllis Hitzeman, James Stahl, Roger Steinbarger, Nancy Jo Hughey, Dolores Holroyd, Polly Sturdavant. Richard Clark, Henrietta Hamminga, Mary Jane Huckendubler, Phyllis Schneider, Jeanette Wagner, Phyllis Stone, Irene Bohn, Nancy Sand, James Maher, Mr. Rolfe. William Varner, William Smith, James Barnabee, Joseph Slaughter, Douglas Reilly, La Vern Blankenship, Ronald Blanchard, Gary Motz. Betty Miller and Ruby Miller

We met a new experience when we came back to school for our 1950-51 year. It was high school. The Sophomores initiated us and gave us a fine party.

We had two food sales and a candy sale that added much to our treasury. We, also, enjoyed several parties throughout the school year. Several of our classmates were active in sports and band. Our sponsor for the year was Mr. Rolfe.

At the Annual School Carnival, we held two booths, penny-pitching and dart throwing.

The officers for the year were: President, Jim Stahl; Vice-President, Roger Steinbarger; Secretary, Norma Finkbeiner; Treasurer, Phyllis Hitzeman; and Student Council Representative, Nancy Hughey. The Axle



Front Row:	(Left to Right) Max Knauss, Philip Zinsmaster, narolu Bennett, and Kayinona
	Griffith.
Second Row:	Sharlene Batten, Audrey Hoover, Roberta Howe, Mickey Neal, Joyce Schmitt, Mary
	Lou Ruggles, and Leonarda Pierce.
Third Row:	Barbara Hoerrman, Audrey Campbell, Aletha Alber, Phyllis Dombroski, Joan Schmitt,
	Nancy Pippitt, Jane Bucknell, and Mrs. Fudge.
Fourth Row:	Richard Foltz, Dick Crittenden, Harold Birr, Maurice Nicholas, Donald Bruecks,
	Floyd Murray, and Victor Michielsen.
Absent	Polly Bontrager, Donna Clare Happel, Marilyn Batten, and Joel Crabtree.

We, the present eighth graders, are looking forward to being ninth graders. We hope this new adventure will prove as successful as our two years in junior high school.

In this past year, we have been making a rapid increase in our treasury. We have had candy sales along with collecting class dues.

We have left an enjoyable year behind us. The hayride and Halloween party at Nancy Pippitt's and the skating party at Joel Crabtree's were the two memorable social events. We enjoyed the school Carnival and were very proud to have Joyce Schmitt and Mickey Neal crowned king and queen at the Carnival.

The class officers were: President, Mickey Neal; Vice-President, Joyce Schmitt; Secretary, Roberta Howe; Treasurer, Mary Lou Ruggles; and Student Council Representative, Sharlene Batten.

The Nuts



 Front Row: (Left to Right) Robert Gentry, Dick McClish, Clifford Dick, Bill Spence, John Wright, Doug Robinson, and Richard Hoerrman.
 Second Row: Phyllis Barkalow, Eleanor Wall, Helen Phenicie, Emerson Ladd, Mary Mitchell, Jerry Dalman, Alma Bush, and Janet Schneider.
 Third Row: Mr. Thompson, Arlene Bennett, Phyllis Yeomans, Betty Copenhafer, Janice Campbell, Lois Evert, Martha Brouwer, Mary Decola, Nancy Jane Schanz, Patty Pride, Lois Michielsen, Janyce Wright, and Marguerite Comer.
 Fourth Row: Wilbur Raber, Leonard Smith, Clark Huckendubler, Richard Rauh, Bud Bingaman, Walter Kiggins, LeRoy Hochstetler, and Ed Griffith.
 Absent: Ronald Mason, and Mary Miller.

The seventh grade had many new experiences during the past year. Coming upstairs was a thrilling event to them. They were now in the junior high school and were associating with the high school.

Janet Schneider had the privilege of serving on the Student Council to help decide some of our school policies. Several members of the class were in the band.

The seventh graders are looking forward to the future years. During the next five years, they will have the opportunity to grow physically and mentally along with the continual growth and advancement of Mendon High School.

The class officers were: President, Emerson Ladd; Vice-President, Mary Mitchell; Secretary, Helen Phenicie; Treasurer, Jerry Dalman; and Student Council Representative, Janet Schneider.



Student Council



Front Row:

(Left to Right) Barbara Nutt, LaDoris Gilmore, Jean Crabtree, Virginia Cooley, and Richard Stickney. Second Row: Janet Schneider, Nancy Hugey, Mr. Wier, Gene Bolz, and Sharlene Batten.

The Student Council had a fruitful school year. They were active throughout the entire year by meeting at least once every two weeks.

The two highlights of the Student Council were the Annual School Carnival and the noon-hour program. The Carnival was a financial success and the noon movies, Ping-Pong, and dancing were enjoyed by the student body. One day a week a movie was shown, two days a week the students could play Ping-Pong, and two days a week the students could enjoy dancing. The dancing would have been more successful if the male component of Mendon High School had had more courage.

The Student Council gives the students an opportunity to work together to try and solve some of the problems which are of mutual concern to students and faculty. It gives the students an insight into the policy making of the school. In future years, the student body should continue their interest in school affairs as they have done during the past school year. Mr. Wier was the sponsor of the Student Council.

Annual



Front Row: Second Row:

(Left to Right) David Reading, Eva Beebe, Eleanor Cooley, Judy Lee, Joan Heiney, Nancy Lomison, and David Wolford. Betty Yeomans, Ellen Finkbeiner, LaDoris Gilmore, Betty Kelly, Mr. Fudge, Sarah Wolfe, Edith Barkalow, Sally Ann Vorac, Arlene Dodgson.

The Annual Staff chose to use the same title, "Green and White" again this year.

As usual the staff members spent many hours preparing the 1950-'51 yearbook. The new members on the staff helped in every way possible and these efforts, combined with the efforts of the old members, made this year's "Green and White" another memorable publication.

The staff was as follows: Editor, Joan Heiney; Assistant Editor, Nancy Lomison; Literary Staff, La Doris Gilmore, Eva Beebe, Arlene Dodgson, Edith Barkalow and Ellen Finkbeiner; Subscriptions, Betty Kelly; Art, Sally Ann Vorac; Business Managers, Eleanor Cooley and Judy Lee; Photography, David Wolford; Chronologists, Sarah Wolf and Betty Yeomans; Sports Editor, David Reading.

Hi-Lite



Front Row: Second Row: Absent: (Left to Right) Mary Maher, Bill Varner, Phyllis Hitzeman, Bob Beebe, Carol Lomison, Gary Motz, and Jean Tompkins. Nancy Reading, Delores Holroyd, Doris Merrick, Doug Reilly, Mr. Fudge, Joe

Slaughter, Jim Barnebee, Kate Kuhlman, Irene Bohm and Nancy Hughey. Agnes Hughes, Mary Lou Ruggles, Nancy Pippitt, Jane Bucknell, Joyce Schmidt, and Paul Knauss.

The Hi-Lite staff improved the paper considerably this year. Standard size paper was used instead of legal size which gave the issues a more uniform appearance. The staff used a variance of colored paper for the covers and, also, colored ink for the first time. The paper was printed every three weeks.

The Hi-Lite was self-supporting. The nickels that the students paid for their issues were used for additional paper, ink, and general supplies. Any surplus was spent for new equipment, such as, colored ink, letter guides, slip sheets, styli, etc.

Generally speaking, the staff this year was very cooperative and interested in the betterment of the Hi-Lite. Many of the members of staff were inexperienced; but, they have gained knowledge which will be beneficial in future years.

The members of the staff were: Editor, Bob Beebe; Assistant Editor, Carol Lomison; Art Editors, Douglas Reilly and Gary Motz; Band Reporter, Nancy Pippitt; Grade Reporters, Delores Holroyd, Nancy Reading, and Irene Bohm; Junior High Alley Cat, Jane Bucknell and Joyce Schmitt; Roving Reporter, Mary Lou Ruggles; Sports Editor, Joe Slaughter; Printers, Bill Varner and Jim Barnabee; Typists, Doris Merrick, Jean Tompkins, and Paul Knauss; Business Managers, Katheryn Kuhlman and Agnes Hughes; and Adviser, Mr. Fudge. Girls' Club



Front Row:	(Left to Right) Virginia Cooley, Janet Gage, Maureen Bennett, Betty Yeomans, Nancy
	Sind, Rosemary Wooten, Doris Knauss, Bonnie Michielsen, and Betty Michielsen.
Second Row:	Irene Bohm, Lois Richman, Marge Timm, Doris Merrick, Joan Griffith, Kathleen
	Reilly, Sarah Wolfe, Mildred Timm, Beulah Crotser, and Barbara Nutt.
Third Row:	Phyllis Hitzeman, Gladys Stone, Sylvia Kline, Polly Sturdavant, Eleanor Cooley,
	Helen Stone, Delores Holroyd, Joan Heiney, Katheryn Kuhlman, Jean Tompkins, Betty
	Kelly, Nancy Hughey, and Mrs. Fudge.
Fourth Row:	Eva Beebe, Arlene Dodgson, Judy Lee, Nancy Lomison, Carol Lomison, Mary Maher,
	Ellen Finkbeiner, and LaDoris Gilmore.
Absent:	Phyllis Schneider, Henrietta Hamminga, Phyllis Stone, Nancy Reading and Mary
	Gentry.

The 1950-51 Girls' Club had a very successful year with forty-four girls as members.

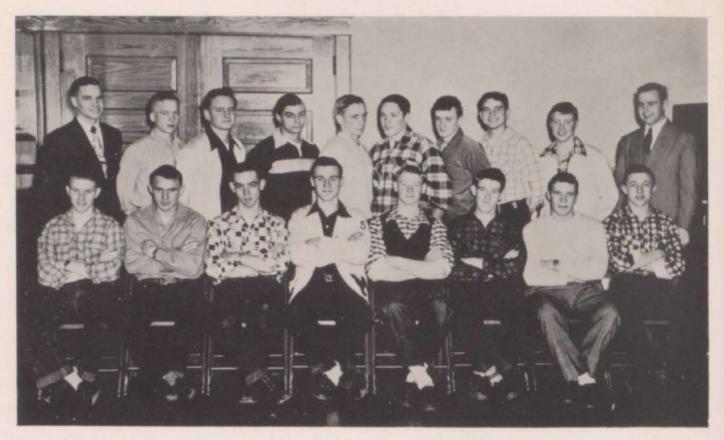
A skating party was held in Sturgis on January 18, 1951. They made \$12,50 on this party which was the most money ever made on a skating party sponsored by Mendon High School.

The next social party that the girls had was a dance held at the Masonic Temple in March.

We wish the Girls' Club the best of luck next year.

The Girls' Club officers for the year were: President, Virginia Cooley; Vice-President, Carol Lomison; Secretary-Treasurer, Eleanor Cooley; and Sponsor, Mrs. Fudge.

Varsity Club



Front Row: Second Row:

(Left to Right) Richard Hitzeman, Richard Stickney, David Wolford, Bob Flath, Marlen Hetmansperger, Dale Conrad, John Mitchell, and Jim Osgood. Mr. Thompson, Jim Truckey, Eugene Bolz, Junior Neal, George Klaeren, LaWayne Timm, Ed Klaeren, Jean Crabtree, Ronald Blanchard, and Mr. Maurer.

The Varsity Club originated this year. Our first money making effort was a paper drive that netted the treasury \$50.00. We, also, sponsored a Ping-Pong tournament for boys and girls and gave awards. We hope to have more successful efforts like these throughout the years to come.

The meetings were held in the members' homes every second Thursday. The purpose of the club was to further participation and interest in sports.

The officers of the club were: President, George Klaeren; Vice-President, Richard Stickney; Secretary, Bob Flath; and Treasurer, John Mitchell. Sponsors were Robert L. Thompson and David C. Maurer.

F. H. A.



Front Row:	(Left to Right) Eva Beebe, Phyllis Schneider, Maureen Bennett, Doris Knauss,
	Ellen Finkbeiner, Norma Finkbeiner, and Nancy Sand.
Second Row:	Eleanor Cooley, Polly Sturdavant, Helen Stone, Kathleen Reilly, Sarah Wolfe, Mildred
	Timm, Delores Holroyd, and Sylvia Kline.
Third Row:	Judy Lee, Nancy Reading, Sherill Miller, Gladys Stone, Kathern Kuhlman, Virginia
	Cooley, Phyllis Hitzeman, Nancy Hughey, and Mrs. French.
Fourth Row:	Bonnie Michielsen, Betty Michielsen, Arlene Dodgson, Phyllis Stone, Irene Bohm,
	LaDoris Gilmore, Janet Gage, and Carol Lomison,

The Future Homemakers of America were composed of Homemaking I, II, III, girls. The meetings were held monthly. The Homemakers were as busy as ever sponsoring money making, recreational activities.

Every girl worked as hard as ever to make it an enjoyable year for the Senior girls as well as the underclassmates.

The officers were: President, Gladys Stone; Vice-President, Virginia Cooley; Secretary, Carol Lomison; and Treasurer, Delores Holroyd.

Glee Club



Front Row:	(Left to Right) Doris Knauss, Barbara Hoerrman, Betty Kelly, Jane Bucknell,
	Barbara Nutt, Nancy Lomison, and Carol Lomison.
Second Row:	Helen Stone, Sylvia Kline, Nancy Kaiser, Joan Schmitt, Winna Bogan, Lois Richman,
	Helen Billiau, and Virginia Cooley.
Third Row:	Gladys Stone, Joyce Schmitt, Edith Barkalow, Nancy Bucknell, Kathleen Reilly, Vivian
	Barkalow, LaDoris Gilmore, Joyce Crotser, and Mr. Rolfe.
Fourth Row:	Mary Gentry, Rosemary Wooten, Mary Lou Ruggles, Judy Lee, Sally Ann Vorac,
	Ellen Finkbeiner, Maureen Bennett, and Leonarda Pierce.
Absent:	Donna Clare Happel, Rosemary Roberts, Agnes Hughes, Sarah Wolfe, and Bob Beebe.

There were thirty three members in the Glee Club this year. With the assistance of Mr. Rolfe, our new band and choir conductor, we set a new mark in the field of music at Mendon High School.

We held our Annual Christmas Concert and it was greeted with enthusiasm by the audience. Hard work from both the director and the girls made this a very memorable event of the year.

Band



First Row:	(Left to Right) Richard Hitzeman, Mary Gentry, Janet Schneider, Janyce Wright, Patty Pride, Betty Copenhafer, Helen Phenicie, Phyllis Schneider, Norma Finkbeiner,
	Ellen Finkbeiner, Mary Maher, Doris Knauss, Mary Jane Huckendubler, Janet Croster, Judy Lee, and Bob Flath.
Second Row:	Ken Huckendubler, Otto Decker, Joe Slaughter, Gene Bolz, Bob Beebe, Sarah Wolfe, Nancy Pippitt, Joan Schmitt, John Mitchell, Duane Wilcox, Clyde Barnebee, Jim Osgood, and Jim Stahl.
Third Row:	Barbara Nutt, Marge Timm, Nancy Kaiser, Lois Richman, Joyce Schmitt, Emerson Ladd, Clark Huckendubler, Dick Foltz, Douglas Reilly, Ronald Blanchard, Tony Collins, Jack Campbell, and Jerry Dalman.
Fourth Row:	Marlen Hetmansperger, Sally Ann Vorac, Jane Bucknell, Mary Lou Ruggles, Nancy Bucknell, Joyce Croster, Eleanor Gooley, Katheryn Kuhlman, Virginia Cooley, Carol Lomison, Jim Barnebee, and Mr. Rolfe.

The pride and joy of Mendon namely "The Mendon High School Band," under the direction of Mr. Rolfe, made history again this year. The band was represented in every field of musical competition held in South-Western Michigan.

The band attended the District Festival, the State Fair, the Marching Festival held in Buchanan, the County Fair, and the local parades. The band received the highest possible awards at the Marching Festival and the County Fair.

As usual, the Annual Christmas Concert was the local highlight of the year. The Christmas Concert featured the band and the glee club in the combined program. Many of the individual members and groups of members attended the Solo and Ensemble Festival held at Marshall. In summary, the band enjoyed a full year of activities and received their share of awards.

The band officers were: President, John Mitchell; Vice-President, Eleanor Cooley; Secretary, Kenneth Huckendubler; Treasurer, Bob Flath; and band representative to Student Council, Marlen Hetmansperger.

Junior Play



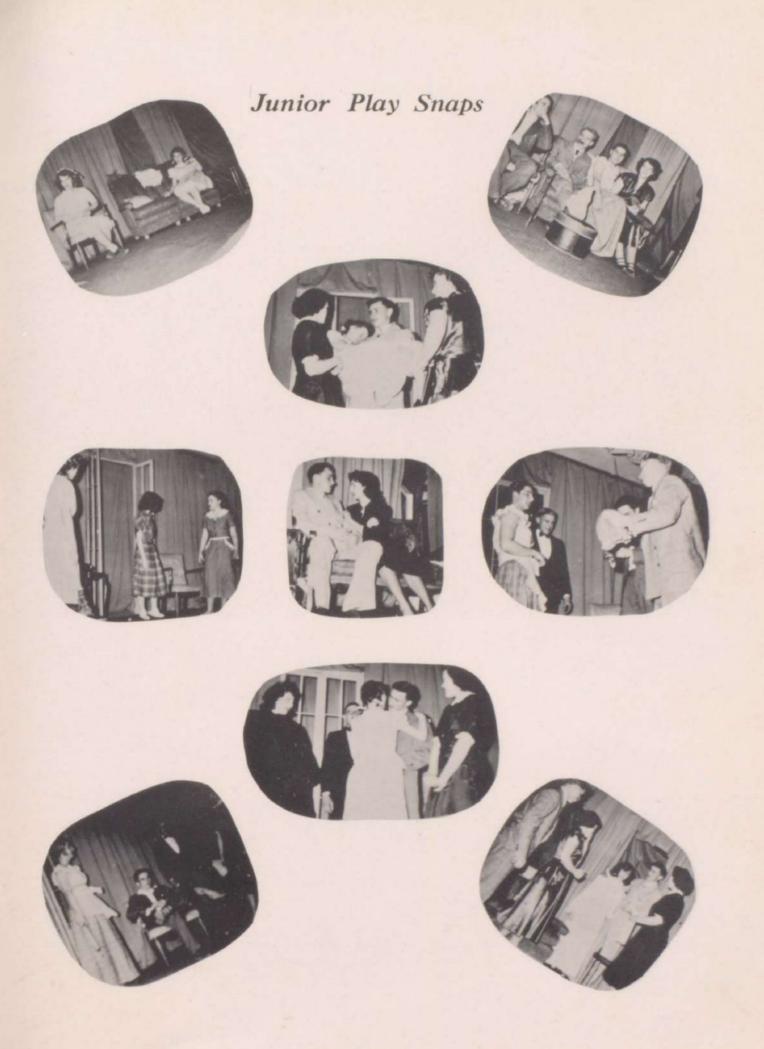
Front Row: Second Row:

(Left to Right) Eleanor Cooley, Richard Stickney, Betty Kelly, George Klaeren, Kate Kulhman, George Mansmith, Phyllis Burkett, John Mitchell, Agnes Hughes, Arlene Dodgson, Mrs. Mumby, Bob Beebe,

The Junior Play "The Adorable Imp," played to capacity audiences on all three nights that it was given.

Agnes Hughes, the maid, saw and heard everything and Betty Kelly, the "adorable imp" played a dual role to the utmost. Eleanor Cooley, as the widow on the prowl for a rich husband, and her mother, played by Katheryn Kuhlman, played effective roles and provided much humor. John Mitchell and Bob Beebe, in their dual roles as suitors and hired help respectively, gave splendid performances and the audience wondered what the outcome would be.

George Klaeren as the rich old man was an easy target for the maid, the cook, the "adorable imp." George Mansmith was the object of Eleanor Cooley's intentions. Richard Stickeny, as the grandson of George Klaeren, played the typical college boy and was Betty Kelly's "dream man." Arlene Dodgson gave a good performance as a selfish daughter who did not want her widowed father to marry again and Phyllis Burkett, who played the part of the ward of George Klaeren, and who suffered from an allergy whenever she came in contact with cats, kept the play running in a humorous vein all the way through.



Senior Play



Second Row: Third Row: Absent;

Mr Maurer George Klaeren, Katheryn Kuhlman, Eugene Bolz, Helen Billiau, and Otto Decker. John Mitchell, Duane Wilcox, and Richard Stickney. Arlene Dodgson

The Senior Play of 1950, namely, "You'll Die Laughing" was a bombshell of mirth and mystification.

The entire action of the play took place in Creepy Castle, a rambling old farm house near the Missouri village of Riverton,

The mix-up started when a group of college students to cure Tommy Upton of going to mystery movies. The students believe they have finally cured Tom by giving him the scare of his life, the likes he has never seen in any mystery movie. Tom made a promise never to see a mystery movie again. Everyone believed they had cured him but the next thing they knew, Tom was leaving for the latest horror thriller, "The Case of the Strangled Bride."

With the constant help of Mr. Maurer, the play was a success.

Senior Play Snaps



















Prom Snaps





Are you ready -- hezzy?



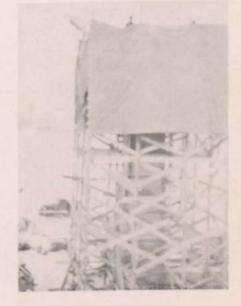
Fretty sticky--isn't it?



Hi -- good lookin,







Ground work

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Our smoke stack.

School Calendar

1950		
February		
Friday	3	Mendon (22) vs. Colon (24) (We almost made it)
Thursday	9	Senior theatre party (Pennies From Heaven.)
Saturday	11	7th grade bake sale (Umm good.)
		Mendon (23) vs. Lawerence (36) (Too bad boys)
Tuesday	14	Mendon (28) vs. Burr Oak (65) (Another loss.)
Friday	17	Freshman program (Who Gets The Car) (Owilles Big Date)
Saturday	18	Music Festival at Niles (They got a first)
Tuesday	21	Mendon (?) vs. Climax (?)
March		
Wednesday	1	Tournaments (State)
Thursday	2	Tournaments No School (Ah, what a relief)
Friday	.3	Tournaments No School (Rah' Rah' Rah')
Saturday	4	Tournaments
Friday	10	Movie (Oh, how we love movies.)
Wednesday	15	Freshman candy sale (Ohhh, my toothache.)
Friday	17	G. C. Dance (Come on boys don't be so bashful)
Saturday	18	Senior bake sale (More food)
Tuesday	21	Junior skating party (Oh'. Are those floors ever hard)
Friday	24	Puppet show (I'm lonely little seahorse'!)
		Music Festival at Bronson (Say, we are good.)
		F. H. A. girls travels to East Lansing (Lucky girls)
Tuesday	28	School closed (Isn't mud wonderful, Sigh')
Wednesday	29	Same thing !!!
Friday	31	Sophomore Box Social (Better luck next time.)
April		
Saturday	1	8th grade bake sale (Did someone say cake!)
		Solo and Ensemble at East Lansing (Nice going, kids.)
Wednesday	5	Sophomore candy sale (Money mad.')
Thursday	6	8th grade program
Friday	7	Easter vacation (How we love'em)
Monday	10	Vacation (Happy times)
Tuesday	11	Mendon (?) vs. Tekonsha (?)
Thursday	13	Junior Play (The Adorable Imp)
Friday	14	Junior Play (Future Oscar Winners)
		Mendon (?) vs. Schoolcraft (?)
Saturday	15	Junior Play (Big success)
Tuesday	18	Tekonsha (3) vs. Mendon (9) (Swell game)
Thursday	20	Style Show (Wow' Some outfits.)
Friday	21	Mendon (3) vs. Centerville (4) (Just luck.)
		Movie ("Our American Crossroads")
Wednesday	26	Hoosler Corn Huskers (Wow' Real men.)
		Mendon (7) vs. White Pigeon (4) (Scalped those Indians.)
Friday	28	Burr Oak (5) vs. Mendon (6) (Pretty close!')
Saturday	29	Music Festival at East Lansing (Third' strong competition.)
May		
Monday	1	Schoolcraft (4) vs. Mendon (2) (What happened?)
Tuesday	2	Mendon (2) vs. Constantine (0) (Yea' Mendon)
Wednesday		7th grade program
Friday	5	Mendon (10) vs. Colon (6) (Well, what do you know.)
Monday	8	Senior Skip Day (Aren't we lucky.)
Tuesday	9	Mendon (14) vs. Centerville (3) (Keep up the good work.)
Wednesday		8th grade travels to Kellogg's (Corn Flakes)
Friday	12	Mendon (4) vs. White Pigeon (3) (Rah' Rah')
Saturday	12	Senior Play (The Mystery Girl)
Saturday Monday	13	Senior Play (Big success)
Tuesday	16	Mendon (7) vs. Tekonsha (11) (Heck, we didn't wanta win anyway.)
Thursday	18	Mendon (8) vs. Burr Oak (1) (Waves drowned 'corns.)
Friday	10	Movie (Treasure Island.)
1 i i udy	.,	Constantine (2) vs. Mendon (1) (Tough luck.)
Tuesday	23	Oh, my goodness'. It's here, What? My Report Card, Colon (1) vs. Mendon (3) (We did it again.)
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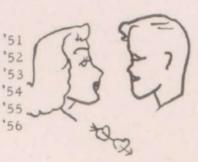
School Calendar

Wednesday	24	F. H. A. Supper (Oh, I ate too much.)
Friday	26	Picnic Milham Park (What no duckings.)
Saturday	27	Jr. and Sr. Prom (Dreamers Holiday) (We all had a swell time.)
Sunday	28	Baccalaureate (parties' parties')
Monday	29	Final Exams (Storm warnings.)
Tuesday	30	Vacation (Memorial Day)
Wednesday		Final Exams (Worry days are over.)
in cancoady	~.	Eighth grade graduation (Good luck in your future years.)
June		
Thursday	1	Graduation (Good-bye Seniors)
Friday	2	School is out (Freedom at last.)
Friday	9	Mendon (2) vs. Constantine (1) (Postponed 2nd ending, rain.)
Tuesday 13		Boys State (Have fun? Richard and John.)
1950		
September		
Wednesday	6	School begins (Back to the old grind.)
Tuesday	19	St. Joseph County Fair (Empty pockets.)
Thursday	21	Puppet show (Let's have more.)
Friday	22	Climax (6) vs. Mendon (12) (Started out good.)
Friday	29	Mendon (34) vs. Burr Oak (14) (Too bad, Acorns.)
October		(, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
Friday	6	Mendon (13) vs. Starr Commonwealth (13) (Bad break boys.)
Thursday	12	Seniors pictures (Now we know.)
Tuesday	17	Band Festival at Buchanan (Another first, keep it up kids.)
Friday	20	Tekonsha (0) vs. Mendon (70) (Wow' what a score.)
Thursday	26	Teacher's Institute (How we love'em.)
Saturday	28	Carnival (More fun.)
November		
Friday	3	Mendon (6) vs. Schoolcraft (20) (Rough characters)
Wednesday	8	Student Council Conference at Ann Arbor (The politicians.)
Friday	10	Marcellus (20) vs. Mendon (20) (Tough characters.)
Thursday	16	Movie ("Qn Safety")
Wednesday	22	Thanksgiving program (Bring out the Alka-Seltzer.)
Friday	24	Thanksgiving vacation (Ah, more sleep!!)
Monday	27	School closed (Bad weather, just let it snow.)
December		
Friday	1	Mendon (25) vs. Tekonsha (41) (First loss.)
Tuesday	5	Mendon (30) vs. Constantine (82) (Let's forget this one.)
Friday	8	Mendon (22) vs. Climax (45) (Just wait.)
Tuesday	19	Mendon (44) vs. Burr Oak (80) (Our friendsBurr Oak.)
Thursday	21	Band Festival at Leondias (Pretty music.)
Friday	22	Christmas Dinner Movie (Ah, vacation at last.)
1951		
January		
Friday	5	Mendon (27) vs. Schoolcraft (76) (What happened)
Monday	8	Vacation ends (How sad)
Tuesday	9	Mendon (44) vs. Centerville (46) (We're doing better.)
		Group pictures (It can't be that bad.)
Thursday	11	Tournaments Mendon (46) vs. Centerville (23) (Yea. Reserve.)
		Senior candy sale (More candy)
Friday	12	Tournaments (County)
Saturday	13	Tournaments
and the second second	-	Senior paper drive (Big Profit.)
Tuesday	16	Mendon (25) vs. Centerville (33) (Come on boys let's go.)
Thursday	18	Sophomore candy sale (Money mad.)
		G. C. skating party (Was the floor hard, Mr. Maurer.)
		Semester exams (Roses are red, violets are blue, I copied
TRAIN	10	your paper and I flunked too.
Friday	19	Mendon (42) vs. White Pigeon (50) (You can't win that way.)
Wednesday	24	Freshman and Sophomore party (Good time)
Friday	26	Mendon (42) vs. Tekonsha (43) (Darn near made it.)
Tuesday	30	Mendon (35) vs. Schoolcraft (82) (If only we had a gym.)
Wednesday	21	Farmers Week at Michigan State College (Cute girls, Huh!!)

Popular Election

MOST POPULAR GIRL

Eleanor Cooley Virginia Cooley C. Lomison--S. Vorac N. Hughey--P. Schneider Jane Bucknell Helen Phenicie



MOST POPULAR BOY

Richard Stickney	'51
Tony Collins	'52
Jack Campbell	'53
Gary Motz	'54
Donald Bruecks	'55
Doug Robinson	'56

BEST LOOKING GIRL Agnes Hughes Virginia Cooley Sherrill Miller Phyllis Schneider Jane Bucknell Helen Phenicie

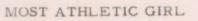
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BEST LOOKING BOY

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MOST ATHLETIC BOY

George Klaeren	'51
Junior Neal	'52
Jerry Batten	\$53
Ronald Blanchard	'54
Mickey Neal	`55
Doug Robinson	'56



Betty Kelly Betty Yeomans Mary Gentry Nancy Hughey Sharlene Batten Arlene Bennett

DREAM GIRL

Agnes Hughes Virginia Cooley

Nancy Reading

Nancy Hughey

Jane Bucknell

Janice Campbell



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DREAM BOY

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CLASS QUEEN

Eleanor Cooley Janet Gage Sherrill Miller Nancy Hughey Joyce Schmitt Mary Louise Decola

CLASS KING

LaWayne Timm David Huff Edward Klaere Jim Barnabee Mickey Neal Doug Robinson



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Popular Election

BEST MANNERED GIRL

Doris Merrick Virginia Cooley E. Finkbeiner--V. Barkalow Phyllis Schneider M. Ruggles--J. Schmitt Helen Phenicie

- BEST MANNERED BOY
- '51 '52 Jean Crabtree
 - Bob Flath
- '53 Jerry Batten
- '54 Gary Motz
- '55 Phillip Zinsmaster
- '56 Clark Huckendubler





NEATEST BOY

Robert Beebe	'51
Richard Hitzeman	'52
Jerry Batten	'53
Doug Reilly	'54
Phillip Zinsmaster	'55
LeRoy Hochstetler	'56



NEATEST GIRL

Betty Kelly	'51
Virginia Cooley	°52
Sally Vorac	'53
Phyllis Schneider	'54
Joyce Schmitt	'55
Betty Copenhafer	'56



BEST PERSONALITY

Eleanor Cooley Judy Lee Ellen Finkbeiner Ruby Miller Donna Happel Janice Campbell



CLASS PRIMPER

Otto Decker	'51
Nancy Lomison	'52
Nancy Reading	'53
Phyllis Hitzeman	'54
Victor Michelsen	'55
Lois Evert	'56



MOST TALKATIVE

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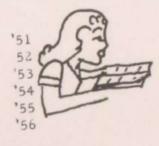
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Gladys Stone Tony Collins Lois Richman Richard Clark Max Knauss Wilbur Raber

GIRL WITH BEST H. S. SPIRIT

Betty Kelly Sarah Wolfe Ellen Finkbeiner Nancy Hughey Sharlene Batten Janice Campbell



MOST LIKELY TO SUCCEED

John Mitchell	'51
Bob Flath	'52
Clair Wright	'53
Gary Motz	'54
Harold Bennett	`55
Helen Phenicie	'56



'56

BOY WITH BEST H. S. SPIRIT

George Klaeren	'51
Junior Neal	'52
Jack Campbell	'53
James Barnabee	'54
Mickey Neal	'55
Jerry Dalman	'56





Oh! Oh! Oh!





Open your eyes, Ellen.

Who's winning?



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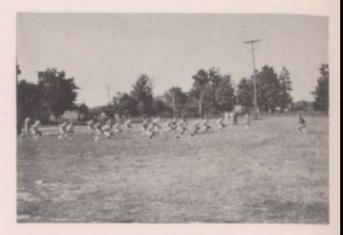
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The sampler!



Noon hour past time!



Keeping in shape?



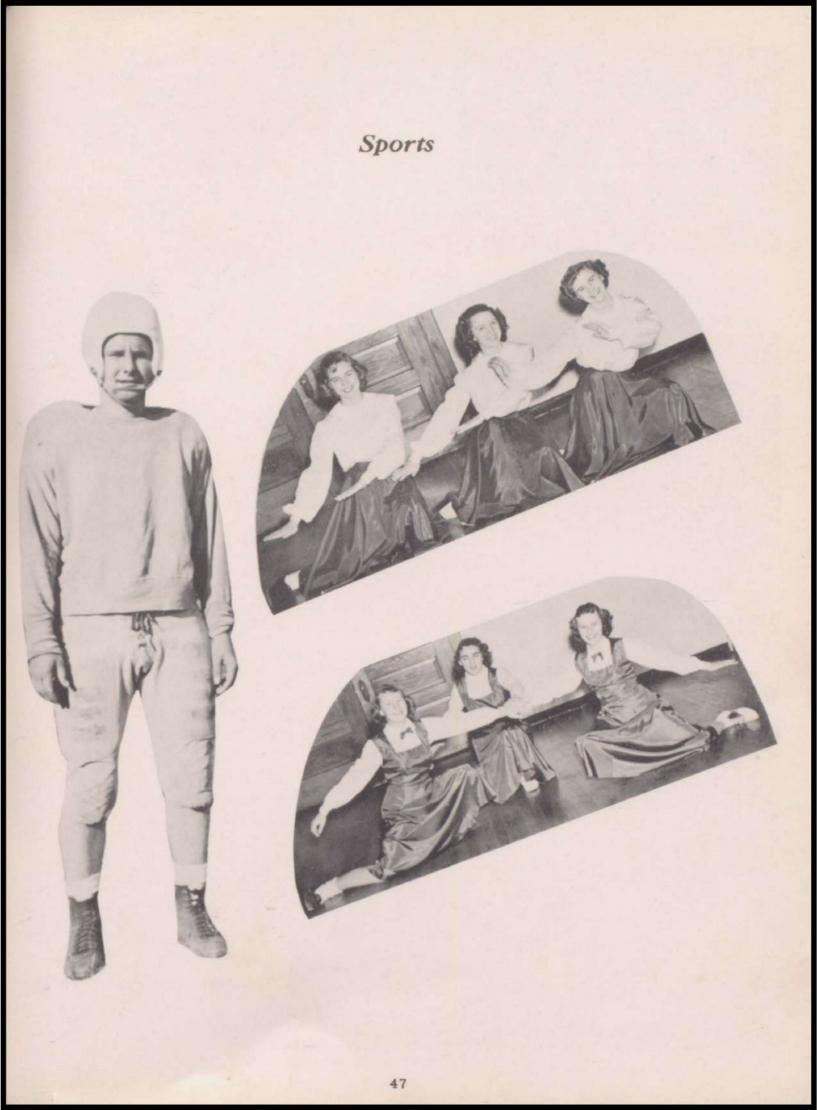
Room of knowledge??



Practicing?



Test hard?



Football



Front Row: Second Row:

Absent:

(Left to Right) David Huff, Richard Stickney, John Mitchell, Jean Crabtree, Jim Osgood, Eugene Bolz, Marlen Hetmansperger, Robert Flath, and LaWayne Timm. Mr. Thompson, coach, Gary Huff, Dale Conrad, Clyde Barnebee, Ed Klaeren, David Wolford, Jim Truckey, Jack Campbell, and Mr. Maurèr. George Klaeren, Wesley Neal, Richard Hitzeman, Ronald Blanchard, Jerry Blatten,

Doug Reilly, Bill Varner, Bill Smith, Jim Barnebee, Joe Slaughter, John Neal, and Robert Hackenburg.

Mendon switched to something different this year. The team played eight-man football and did a good job of it. With the fine coaching of Mr. Thompson and assistant coach Mr. Maurer, it looked for awhile as though Mendon would win the undisputed championship of the league, for the second year in a row.

Including last year's games, Mendon had played fourteen straight games without a loss until they lost to Schoolcraft who tied for the championship with Marcellus. Mendon finished third place, one-half game behind due to a tie with Starr Commonwealth.

The team also played a eleven-man game with Marcellus. Mendon finished the year with only one loss and two ties and was accredited with five wins.

Letter winners were Gene Bolz, David Wolford, LaWayne Timm, Jim Truckey, Richard Stickney, John Mitchell, Jean Crabtree, Richard Hitzeman, Dale Conrad, Marlen Hetmansperger, Bob Flath, Jim Osgood, and Ronald Blanchard.

Eight Seniors will be lost and what a loss.' They are George Klaeren, Gene Bolz, Jean Crabtree, John Mitchell, Richard Stickeny, LaWayne Timm, Jim Truckey, and David Wolford.

The only accidents of the year were Jerry Batten and John Neal.

Varsity Basketball



Front Row: Back Row:

(Left to Right) Duane Wilcox, Gene Bolz, John Mitchell, Richard Stickney, and Bob Androsky.

Absent:

Mr. Thompson, Coach, Richard Hitzeman, Marlen Hetmansperger, Bob Flath, Dale Conrad, and Clyde Barnebee. Roger Steinbarger, Manager.

Again this year Mendon was without a gym, but with the addition being built to the school, we hope to have a gym by next year.

Mendon didn't win a game last year and haven't won any yet this year so far with three games left to play. Both years included, Mendon has lost twentyseven straight ball games.

Mr. Thompson was the coach and he did as good a job considering the conditions. If you think it over, a team has to have lots of practice before it can really be good. Mendon had practice only once a week and sometimes only once every two weeks.

Mendon should have a good team next year with the gym to practice in and a fine bunch of players coming up to the varsity squad.

The Seniors that will be leaving the team are John Mitchell, Eugene Bolz, Richard Stickeny, Duane Wilcox, and Bob Androsky.

Reserve Basketball

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Front Row: Second Row: (Left to Right) Gary Huff, David Huff, Ed Klaeren, Robert Hackenburg, Jim Barnebee, Ronald Blanchard, and Jim Gilbert. Mr. Maurer, Bill Varner, Douglas Reilly, Gary Motz, Jerry Batten, Jack Campbell, Joe Slaughter, James Maher (Manager) and Richard Clark.

The reserves had a good record this year. The team was always ready to play a good game for the spectators and it usually could be depended on to come through with a win.

In the county tournament at Sturgis, the boys lost in the last twenty seconds to Centerville, who went on to the finals and won.

Mr. Maurer did a fine job of coaching the reserves. The boys played together and had good teamwork. If this cooperation continues in the future years, Mendon should be one of the stronger teams in the county. The reserves are looking forward to the games they will be playing in the new gym.

Baseball



Front Row: Second Row: (Left to Right) Richard Hitzeman, George Klaeren, Richard Stickney, Robert Flath, Dale Conrad, Ed Klaeren, John Michell, and Jim Osgood. Mr. Thompson, Jerry Batten, Duane Wilcox, Marlen Hetmansperger, Robert : Hackenburg, Gene Bolz, Jean Crabtree, Wayne Timm, Jim Truckey, and Jack Campbell.

Absent:

Richard Batten, Richard Reilly, Jim Dentler, Maurice Kuhlman, Don Huff, Ed Birch, Don Boyce, Jerry Cupp, Paul Knauss, Otto Decker, Gary Huff, Wesley Neal, and John Neal.

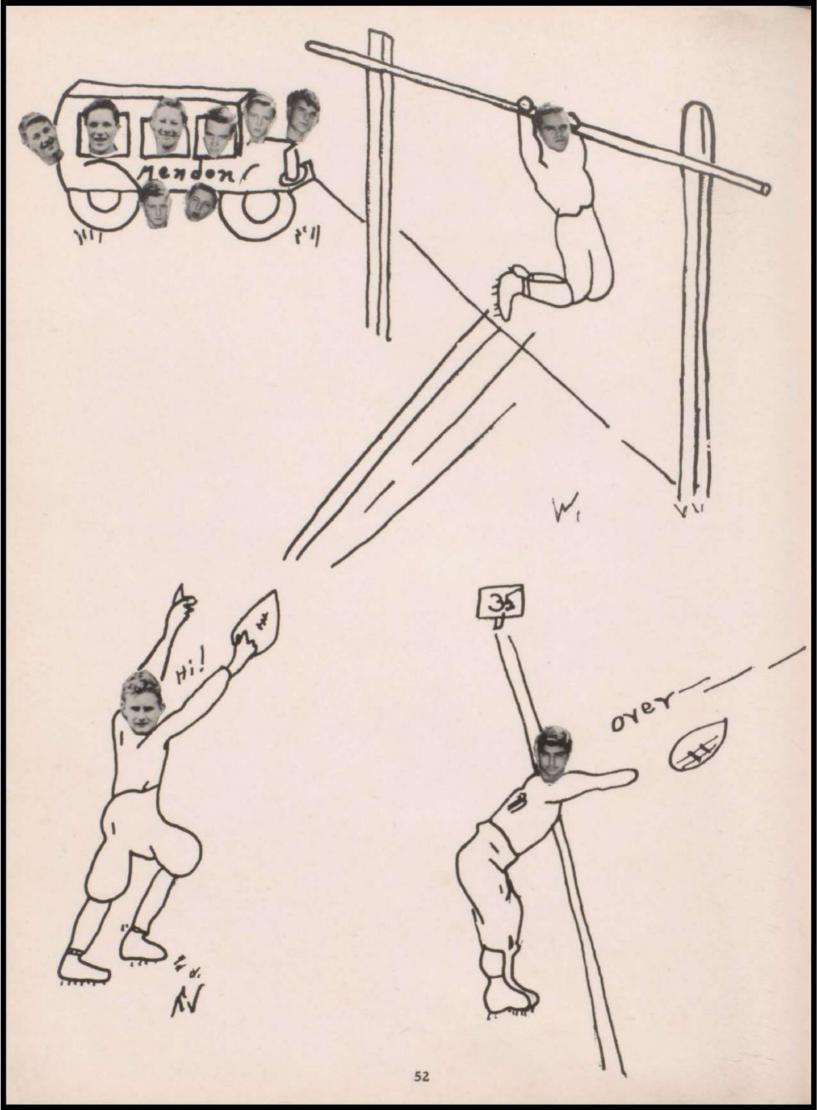
This baseball team of 1950 from Mendon High School showed that Mendon had lots of fighting spirit and a fine bunch of players. The team finished in a first place tie in the league with Constantine. In the league Mendon finished with eight wins and two losses. In all games played, Mendon won nine and lost four.

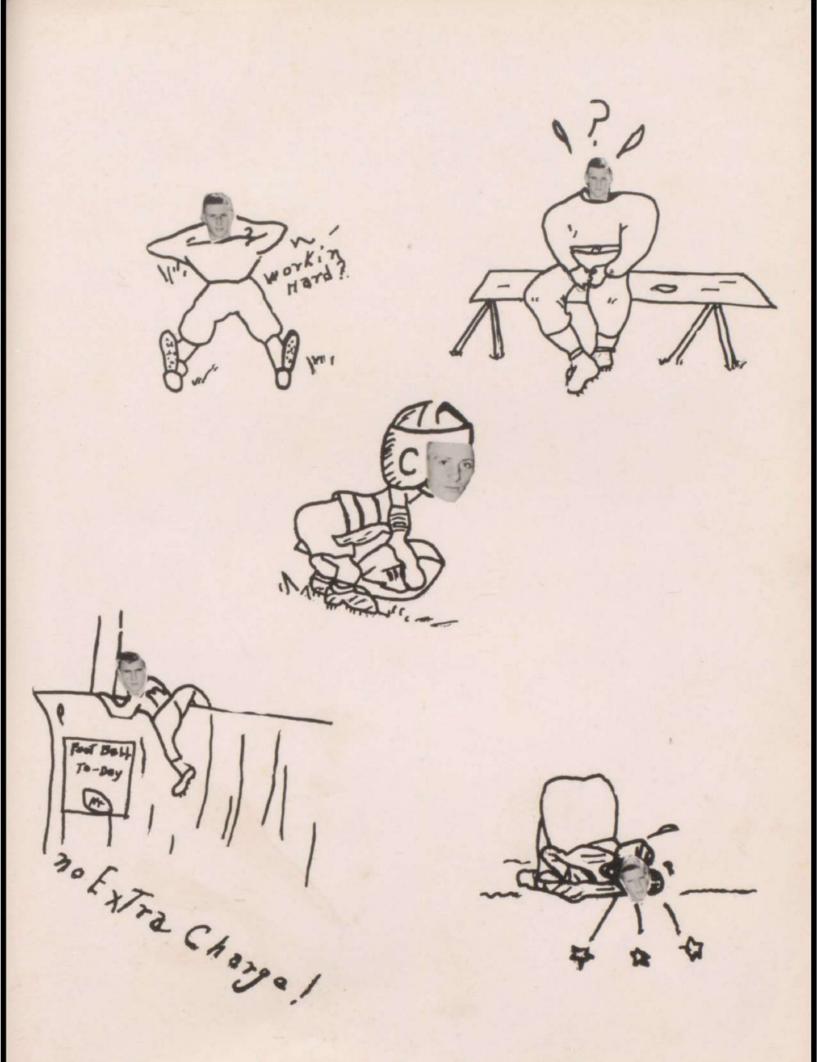
Mr. Thompson, the coach assisted by Mr. Wier, had the boys hustling and playing heads-up ball.

Most of the pitching was done by Dick Batten and he also did some fine hitting. Dick was the best pitcher with nine wins and two losses.

The varsity letter winners were Dick Batten, Ed Birch, Don Boyce, Jerry Cupp, Jim Dentler, Don Huff, Dick Reilly, Maurice Kuhlman, Richard Stickeny, Richard Hitzeman, and Dale Conrad.

Seniors who were lost due to graduation were: Dick Batten, Ed Birch, Don Boyce, Jerry Cupp, Jim Dentler, Don Huff, Dick Reilly and Maurice Kuhlman.







Big game.



Let's go to work.



Old stand bys.

Did you say music?

Show offs,

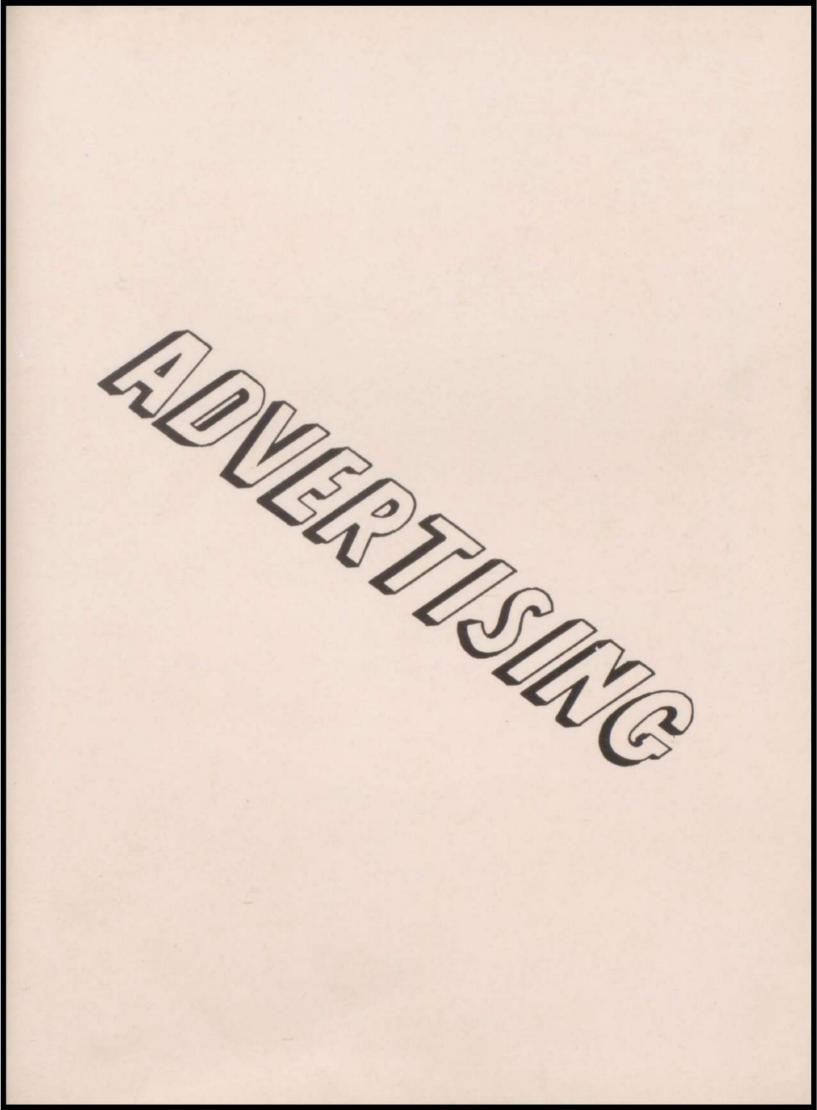


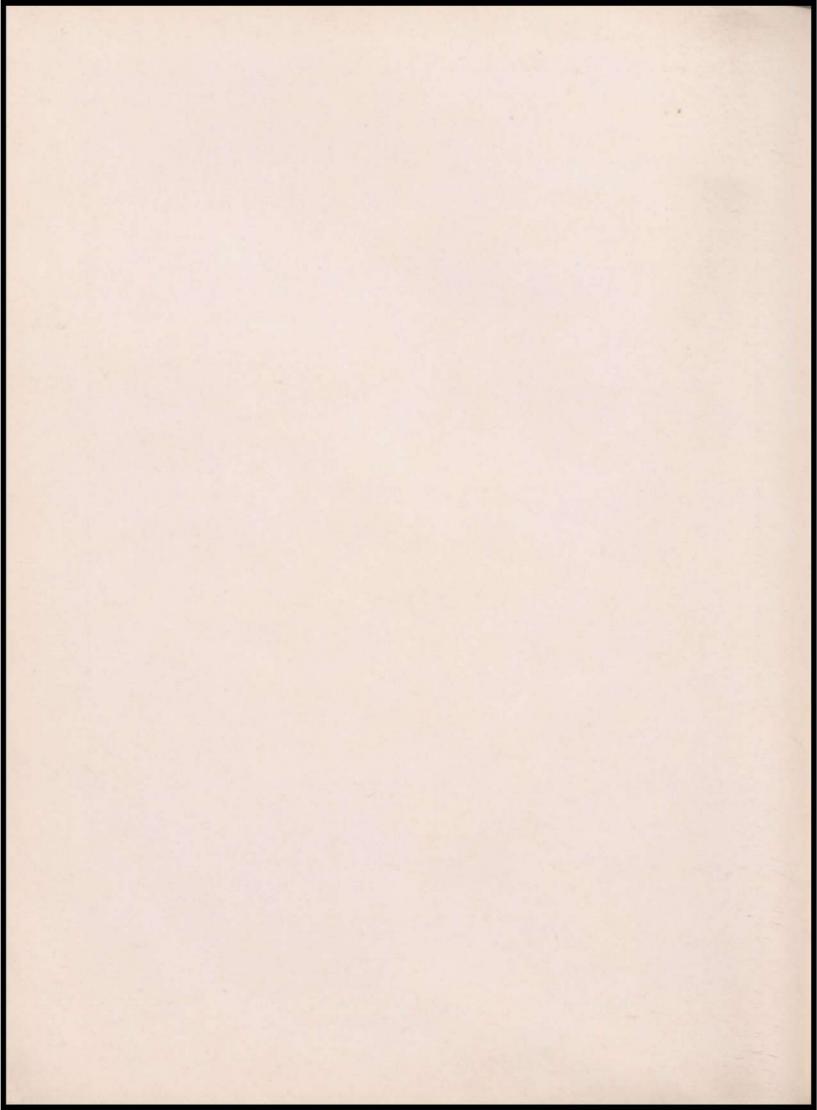
Tough Practice!



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