



PEGGY TANNER, AN OUTSTANDING JUNIOR CLASS vocalist, reverently sings a solo in the Christmas Cantata.

Shows, Cantatas, and

The Robed Choir, under the direction of Mr. R. O. Pittman, presented a Christmas Cantata which is always a highlight of the winter season. Although the music department is the main feature, the Speech and Art students and the service clubs helped in making this annual event even more beautiful.

The Tech Band participates in most of the local parades, in concerts, football games, and other school functions. Along with them you'll quickly see our high-stepping majorettes.



TECH'S BAND IS PRACTICING FOR a Spring Concert. Kneeling are majorettes Donna Brumley, Nell Dickey, Carolyn Sullins, Melna Matthews, Karla Hurst, and Jackie Newton. FIRST ROW: Ruth Abbott, Betty Strickland, Pat Palazola, Mary Jane Wilson, Beverly Boyd, Pat Wilbanks, Tommy Tune. SECOND ROW: Bobby Lawson, Dean Jones, Robert Knee, Harold Smith, Billy Roberts, Don Bumpas, Edward Bell, Martha Parker, Arthur Yager, Carol Peppers. ROW THREE: Melvin Smith, Roland Pittman, Mike Crane, Mark Highsmith, Kenneth Noah. ROW FOUR: Wayne Kendrick, Frank Mitchell, Mike Henderson, Wilson Mitchell, Bobby Stuard, James Womack.

Concerts Are All in Year's Work for Musicians



TECH'S HIGH-STEPPING MAJORETTES are, ROW ONE: Karla Hurst, Margaret Edwards, Jackie Newton. ROW TWO: Nell Dickey, Donna Brumley, Carolyn Sullins. Absent when picture was made: Annie Lois King and Melna Matthews.



MR. R. O. PITTMAN DIRECTS the robed choir in the Christmas Cantata.



Scene from "Why I am a Bachelor." Fred Sexton embraces Betty Wilson while Bachelor Bevis Dodds looks on.

Speech and Home Develop Assurance,

Tech's Speech Department features dramatics and debating but much time is spent on voice training, personality development, and the mechanics of good diction.

Among the activities for this year were a number of debates, several dramatic presentations and trips to the University of Mississippi and to the Southern Speech Tournament in Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

Many speech students become members of the Thespians by acquiring a certain number of points in any kind of theatrical endeavor.



Two of the best plays put on this year were "The Door," a one act mystery thriller and "Why I am a Bachelor," an hilarious comedy in one act.

These were presented both to the student body and the public.

The main characters of "Why I am a Bachelor" were Betty Wilson, Freddie Sexton, and Bevis Dodds.

Those taking part in "The Door" were Faye Cook, Lloyd Shelton, and Peggy Trotter.

The student directors of this production were Peggy Harper and Pat Palazola.

Scene from "The Door," left to right Fay Cook, Lloyd Shelton, and Peggy Trotter.



Entire cast and crew who put on two one act plays under the direction of Miss Betty Mae Collins.

Economics Departments

Poise and Personality

Home Economics definitely has a place in Tech's curriculum, for it prepares girls as future homemakers and homemakers have a most important place in American society.

The objectives of the course are to offer an enriched program such as the study of Foods, Clothing, Budgeting, Consumer Buying, Family Relationship, Child Care, Art, and Home and Its Furnishings.

Other objectives are to train students to take their rightful place as responsible citizens in their community.

To place emphasis on the problems of families and to the development of individuals within the family group.

To teach students the skill and ability in performing the mechanics involved in operating the home, which will contribute to better family life.

The Future Homemakers of America is a national organization of girls whose aim is to develop fine girls who will be truly good wives and mothers. Each year along with their sponsor, Mrs. Lee, several girls attend the F.H.A. State Convention in Nashville, which means three full days of exciting activities for all girls.



MRS. VIRGINIA LEE, Home Economics teacher, is pinning the Betty Crocker medal on Donna Brumley, which she earned for being Tech's Best Homemaker of the year.



BEAUTIFUL DOLLS, ALL DRESSED for the Goodfellows' Christmas basket are being admired by Linda Cranford and Sherry Webb.



BUSY AS BEES—the photographer caught Mrs. Lee's first period in the sewing room.

Distributive Education Course Added at Tech



Mr. W. L. Morton (right) store manager at Silver's has just presented Carolyn Hendricks, Tech D.E. Student, with her second Sales Quotient Award.

Distributive Education is a co-operative training program for selected high school students who plan a career in retailing or in other distributive occupations such as wholesaling and service businesses.

Students must be sixteen years of age or older and are carefully selected on the basis of their scholastic record and interests in a successful future in the business world.

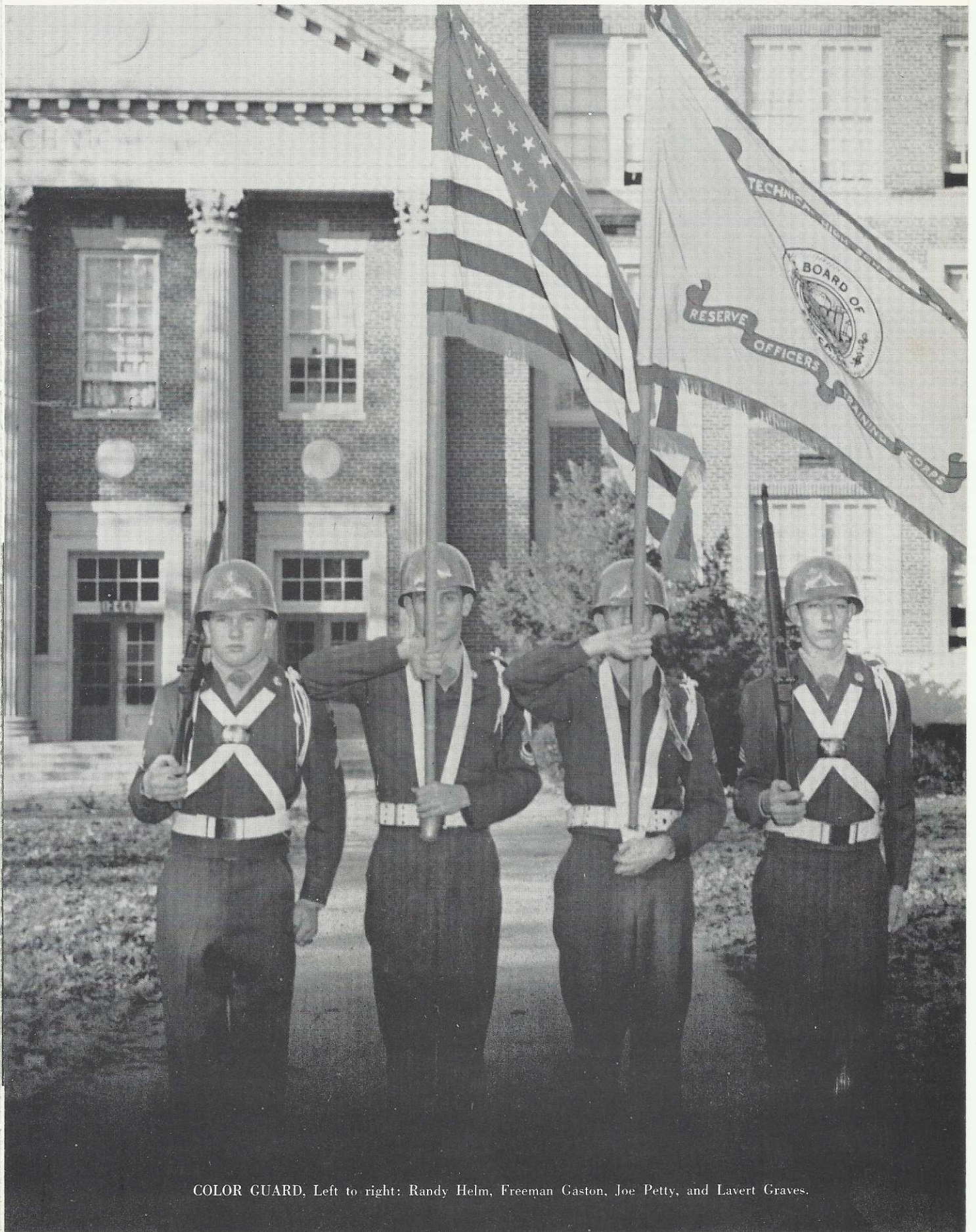
Credit toward graduation is earned through both classroom instruction and supervised on the job training.

The local chapter of Distributive Education Club of America was organized at Tech this year. It is the first in Memphis to become affiliated with the state and national organization. Club activities supplement the activities of the D.E. Classroom, and encourage individual and group initiative.



D.E. Club members—Kneeling: Glenda Chambers and M. J. Amidei—President. FIRST ROW, from left to right: Marie Gentry, Glenda Hariston, Janice Shelton—Parliamentarian, Julia McClain—Treasurer, Jean Chadwick, Diane Warner—Reporter. SECOND ROW: Mrs. Wallace—Teacher, Bobby Straubie, Jerry Henderson, Terry Howard—Vice-President, and Troy Phillips. Carolyn Hendricks, Secretary, is not pictured.

R.O.T.C. Section

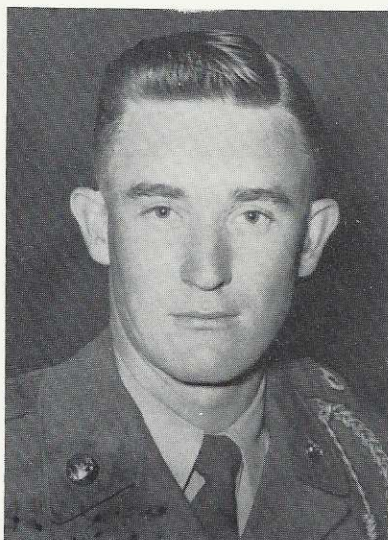


COLOR GUARD, Left to right: Randy Helm, Freeman Gaston, Joe Petty, and Lavert Graves.

Honor School for 41 Years



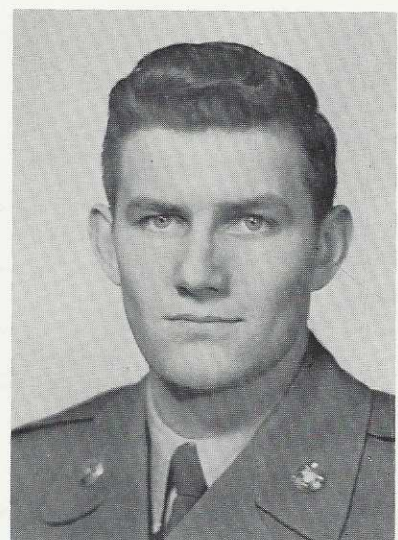
MAJOR WILLIAM T. COOPER, P.M.S. and T.



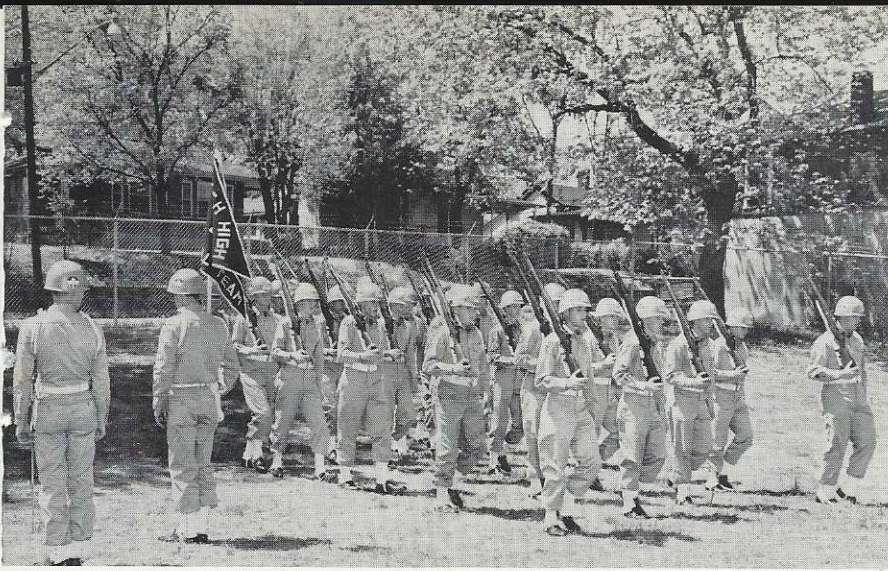
SGT. BILLY STOUT



CAPTAIN W. W. CARLETON



SGT. R. THERIAULT

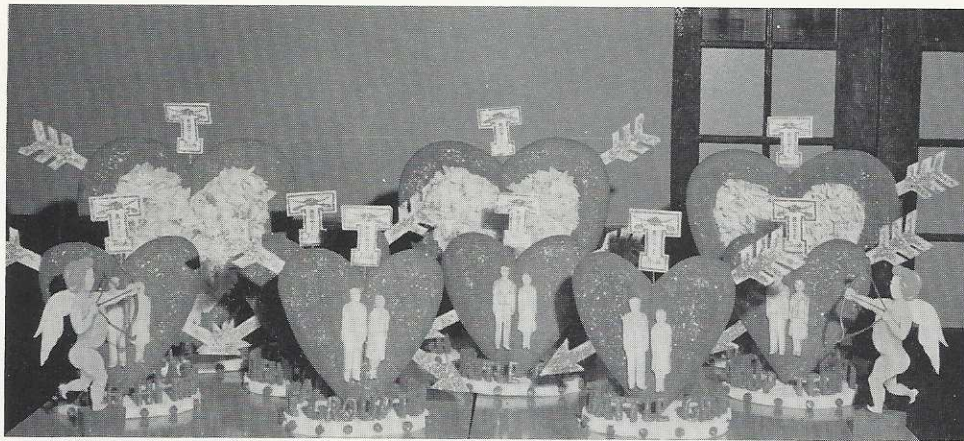


1959 Drill Team won the all-state meet in Nashville in May, 1959. (Missed the year-book deadline)

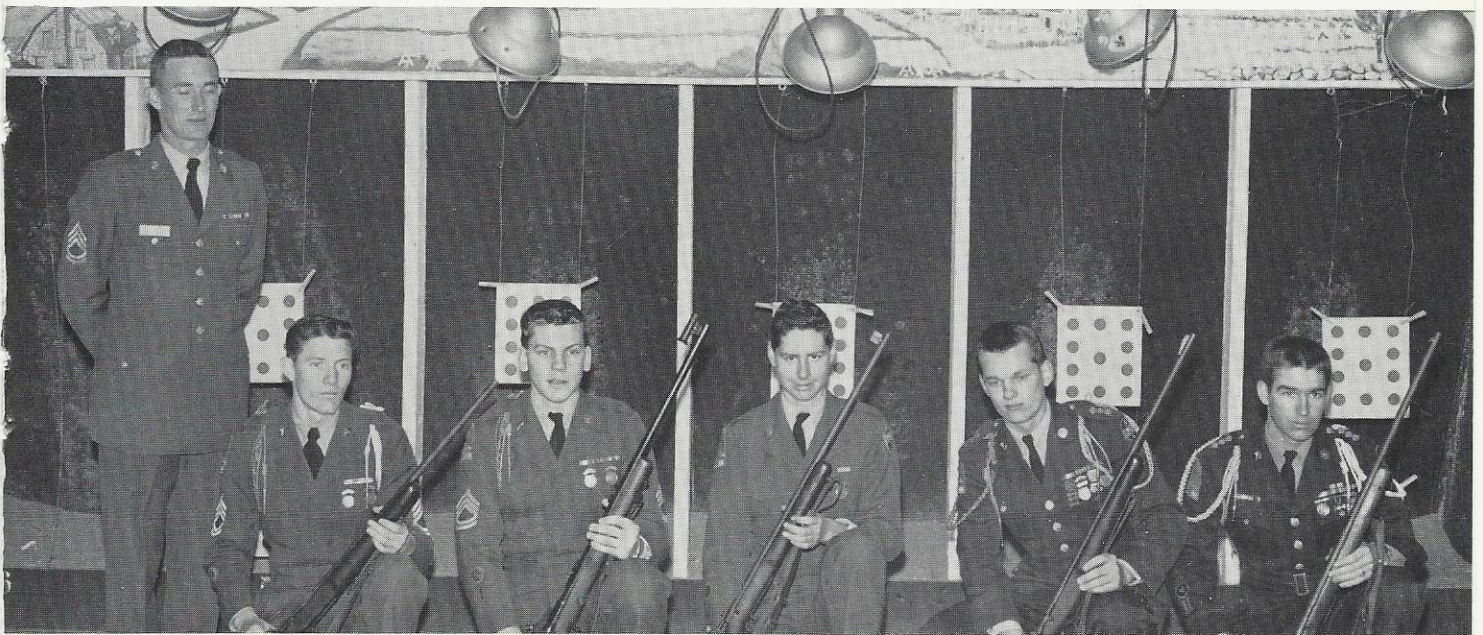
Winners All

The 1959 Drill Team was State winner at the Southern Drill Meet held at Vanderbilt University in Nashville in May.

This year Tech will compete in the State Drill Meet to be held in April. Sgt. R. Theriault and his team hope to come out on top again. The 1960 team is pictured on the next page.



Tech Art Department provided this Valentine decoration for the R.O.T.C. Banquet and Ball.



Rifle Team for 1960 won second place in the All-City Firing Meet. Team left to right include Sgt. Stout, Coach, John Rogers, David O'Mara, Stephen Boales, Fred Sexton, Tommy Tindall, second high firer of the city.

R.O.T.C.



Staff Works

FIRST LINE:

Lt. Colonels:

Hank Walker
Peggy Trotter

SECOND LINE:

Majors:

Billy Land
Kay Davis

Captains:

Wilson Mitchell
Jeanette Allen

THIRD LINE:

Majors:

Robert Henry
Barbara Brown
David Smith
Pat Sides

FOURTH LINE:

Majors:

Wayne McGregor
Carol Fleet
Jerry Smith
Bonnie Roberts

Staff and Sponsors



A COMPANY: Lieutenants: R. Hale, P. Harper, B. Stuard, P. Wilbanks, J. Massey, B. Scott. Captains: D. Freeman, J. Venn. Left to Right First Squad: C. Cain, B. Capers, W. Grandi, J. Chorm, C. Bates, J. Brown, R. Clark, J. Gibbs, M. Baskin, J. Wolverton. Second Squad: J. McEntyre, W. Schwanke, D. Lloyd, B. Hall, J. McQuirter, T. Boillot, P. Kellum, B. O'Brien, J. Council, E. Williams. Third Squad: E. Wright, B. Austin, E. Bell, F. Hill, W. Fant, B. Epps, K. Mays, H. Hepburn, D. Hutchens, J. Dixon. Fourth Squad: C. Daugherty, R. Starnes, M. Goode, J. Bumpus, J. Meggs, J. Sanders, H. Noel, J. Landers, T. Nelson, W. Clearman. First Sgt. J. Winningham.

Hard to Make Its Three Companies the Best

FIRST LINE:

Band Captain:
Wilson Mitchell

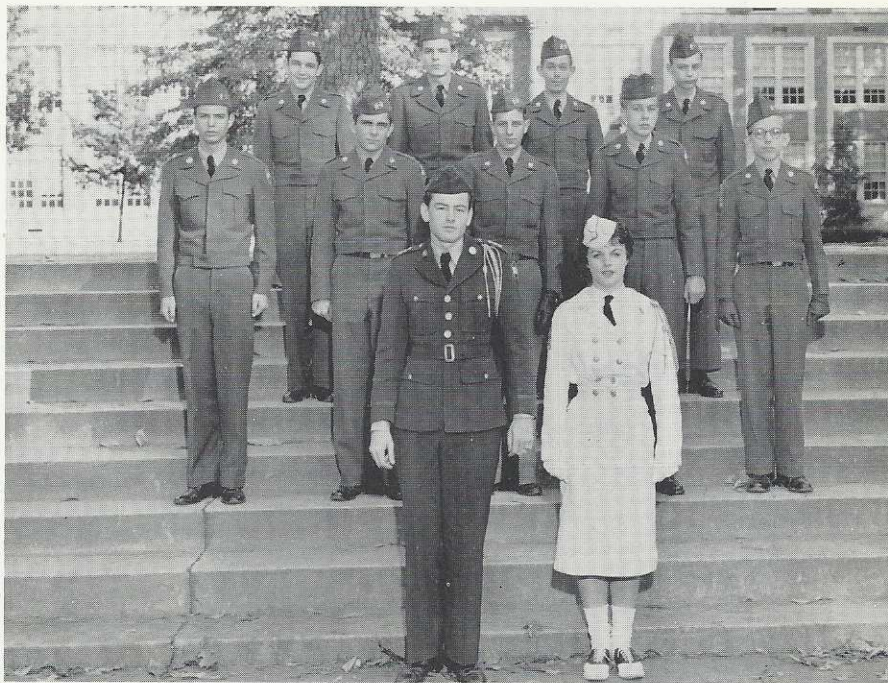
Sponsor:
Jeanette Allen

SECOND LINE:

Kenneth Noah
Arthur Yager
Edward Bell
James Womack
Harold Smith

THIRD LINE:

Sam Wood
Billy Roberts
Don Bumpus
Mark Hugsmith



THESE ARE THE ROTC MEMBERS OF TECH'S BAND: Wilson Mitchell with sponsor Jeanette Allen who was Tech's Miss R.O.T.C.



B COMPANY: Lieutenants: R. Boggs, M. Cain, J. Ashby. Captains: W. Mullikin, K. Atkinson, F. Sexton, J. Murchison. First Squad: S. Lawson, J. Skinner, G. Holloway, L. Vincent, T. Pate, B. Hayes, L. Smith, D. Starnes, B. Saint, T. Chandler, W. Ray. Second Squad: R. McCown, B. Jenkins, J. Jones, B. Muse, R. Martin, G. Moran, E. McCommon, R. Challenor, R. Hefley, C. Wise. Third Squad: B. Mather, J. Fuller, J. Davis, C. McKelvie, M. Fryman, T. Frye, R. Grandi, J. Fields, J. Curre, J. Garner. Fourth Squad: J. Long, G. Wilkinson, J. Woollums, H. Atkinson, C. Charnes, L. Crawford, M. Wilson, D. Greenwood, J. Warren, B. Daniel. First Sgt. T. Wheatley.

Two of the Outstanding R.O.T.C. Groups

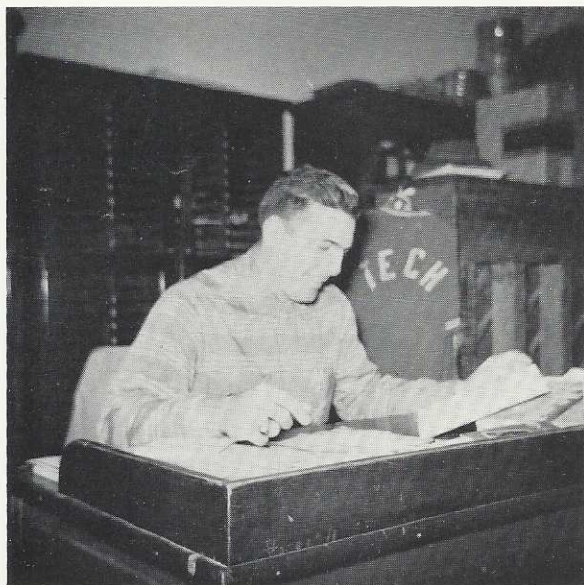


NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS are, ROW 1: W. McDaniel, D. Greenwood, J. Warren, W. Clearman, W. Ray, J. McEntyre. ROW 2: J. Rogers, L. Vincent, D. O'Mara, R. Lawson, S. Lawson, W. O'Brien, T. Wheatley, B. Davis. ROW 3: J. Jennings, D. Vazquez, H. Thomas, B. Poor, and L. Dillard.

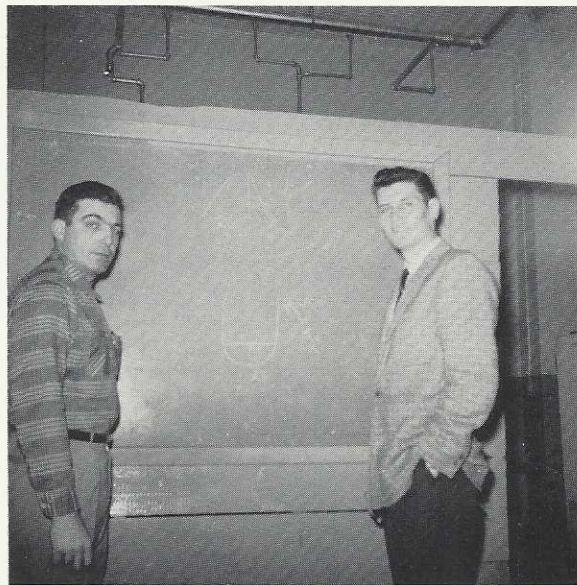


DRILL TEAM HOPES TO WIN AGAIN IN 1960. Captain Larry Logan, Donna Brumley, and 1st Sgt. Buddy Davis. Left to right: 1st Squad: J. Jennings, L. Dillard, D. Vazquez, C. Free, J. Hayward. 2nd Squad: B. Lawson, D. Cupples, J. Jeter, R. Chism, M. Grimes. 3rd Squad: B. Poor, J. Gravenmier, C. Kesslet, L. Thornton, A. Lonigro. 4th Squad: J. Woodard, S. Bowler, M. Bridgewater, K. Edwards, C. Volz. Abs.: H. Thomas. Capt. Tommy Tindall replaced Larry Logan in February.

Sports Section



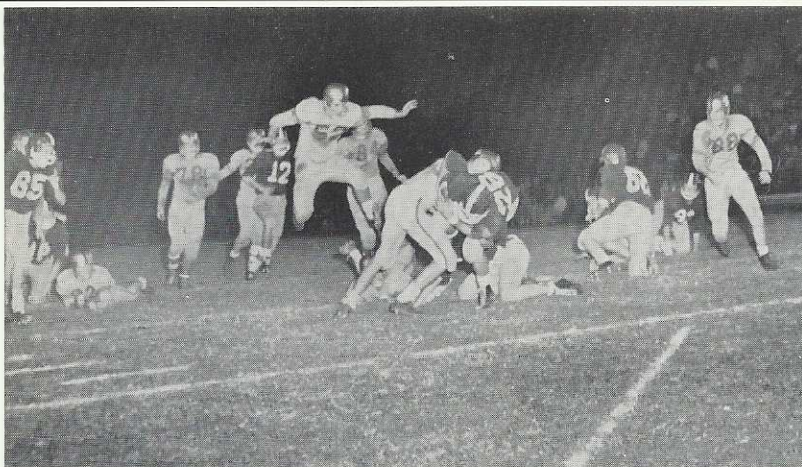
BOOK WORK is also a part of Head Coach James Sivert's busy day.



GOING OVER basketball plays are Head Coach James Sivert and Assistant Coach Tom Neely.



CHEERLEADERS WHO REPRESENTED TECH at all the big sports events are Co-Captain Nancy Swanger and Captain Jacqueline Watkins in the center. From top clockwise: Jerrie Murchison, Charlotte Wilkinson, Sharon Walden, Beverly Scott, Peggy Trotter, Barbara Brown, Boyce Vanlandingham, Nancy Meals, and Judy Ashby.



Robert Henry stops a South Side ball carrier.

Football

Catholic	56	Tech	6
Tilghman	13	Tech	19
East	13	Tech	7
White Station	7	Tech	0
Central	47	Tech	0

Football Team

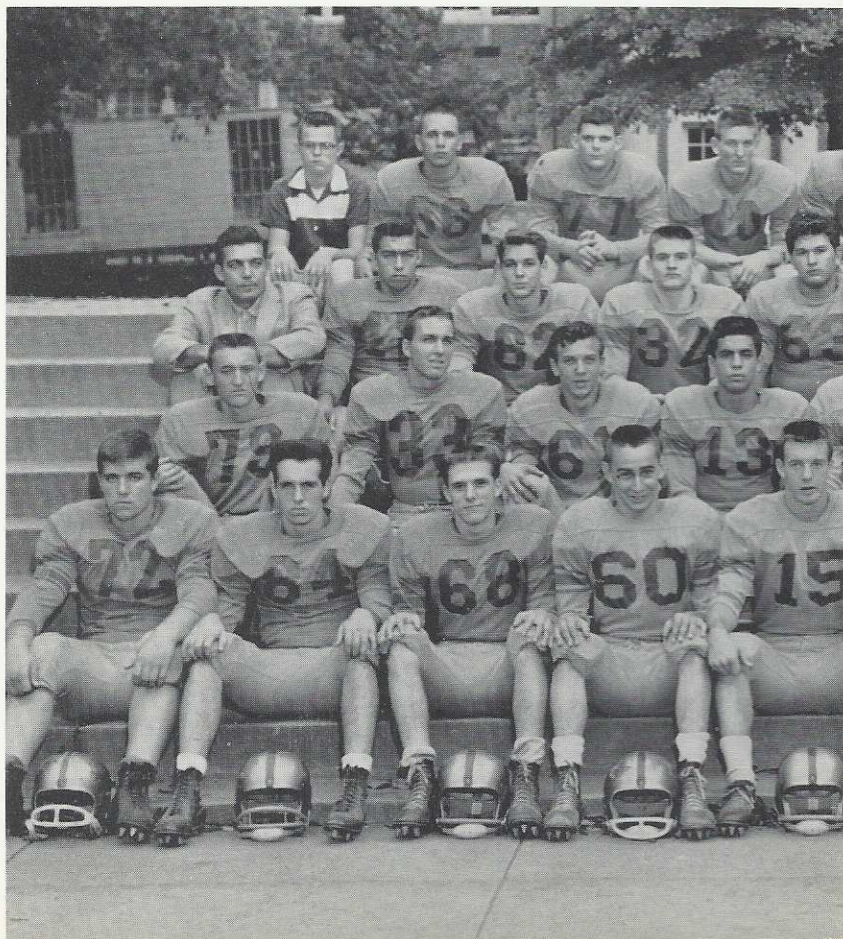
After suffering a 56-6 defeat at the hands of Catholic, the Yellowjackets bounded back to upset mighty Tilghman High of Paducah, Kentucky, by a score of 19-13. A 68 yard punt return by Tommy Bell, a 14 yard Jessie Winningham to Richard Boggs pass, and a 40 yard pass interception by Wayne Clearman in the closing minutes produced the victory.

Injuries began to take their toll and the Tech men lacked the manpower to prevent successive defeats at the hands of East, White Station, and Central.

However, against Frayser, Tech won its first Prep victory in 19 games by a margin of 6-0 when Van Burgess, normally a tackle, went to fullback and plunged over for the score. Following this victory, the Jackets journeyed to Attala, Alabama, and met one of the most powerful teams in the state and lost by a score of 27-0.

Senior members of the football team who received jackets and letters were: James Strain, William Kinsey, Robert Henry, Van Burgess, John Taylor, Tommy Bell, and Joe Casone.

FIRST ROW, from left to right: Jimmy Ball, Joe Casone, William Kinsey, James Strain, Tommy Bell, Robert Henry, Van Burgess, John Taylor, Richard Boggs. SECOND ROW: Tommy Curtis, John Woollums, James Warren, John Jennings, Jesse Winningham, Ewing Wright, Bob Jones, John Davis, Wayne Clearman.



Scores

Frayser	0	Tech.....	6
Attala, Ala.	27	Tech.....	0
C.B.C.	21	Tech.....	0
South Side	34	Tech.....	6
Humes	19	Tech.....	0



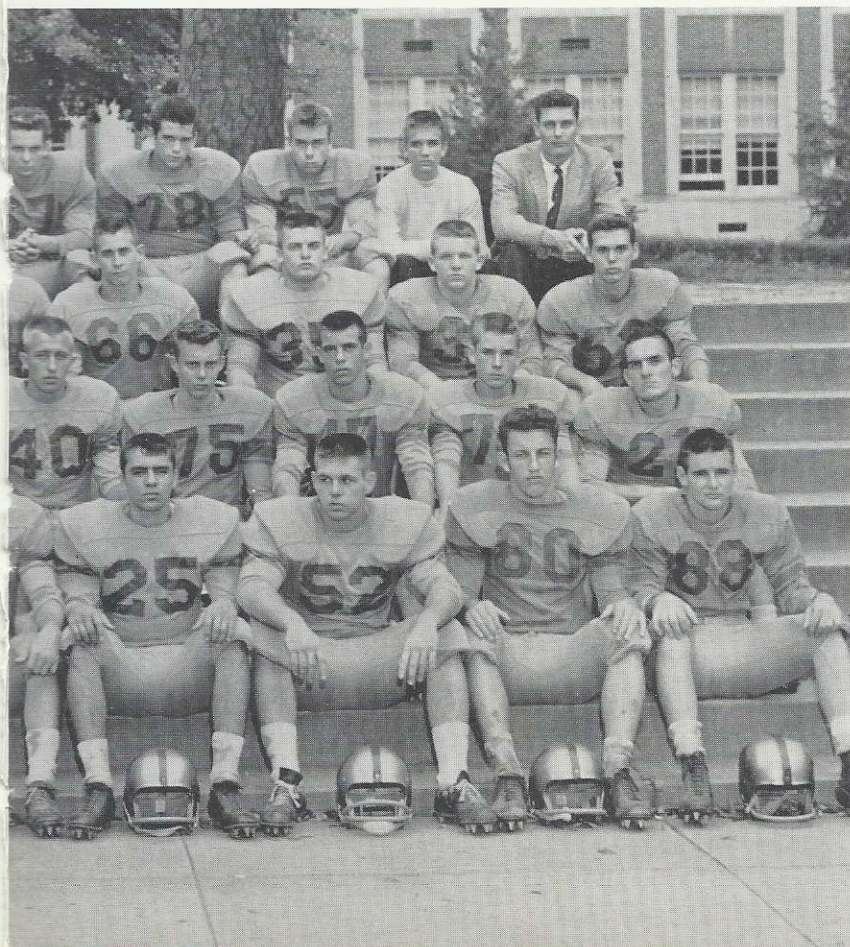
Tommy Bell is making a hard drive for yardage, with East men in hot pursuit.

Has Poor Season

Against CBC a week later Tech played a brilliant first half before losing in the final half 21-0. Two more defeats by South Side and Humes closed out the season.

Throughout the year, Tommy Bell and Robert Henry turned in good performances together with James Strain, Wayne Clearman, and Marcus Cain. Strain was named the most valuable member of the team. He was also chosen by the Press-Scimitar on their All-Memphis Second Team, and third team for the Commercial Appeal.

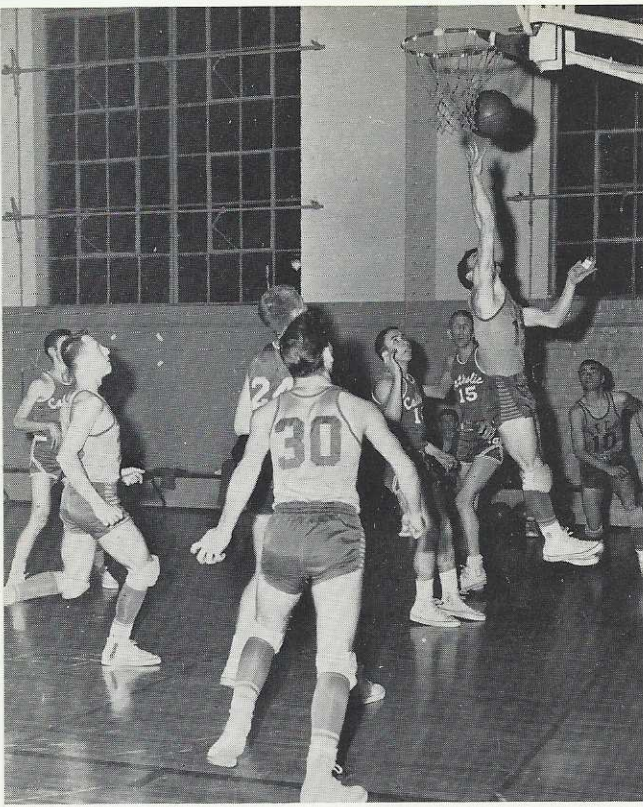
Next year the Jackets will be minus the services of James Strain, Van Burgess, John Taylor, Tommy Bell, Robert Henry, Joe Casone, and William Kinsey. However, returning will be approximately 14 juniors and 15 sophomores which should brighten the picture considerably.



Other players who lettered were Wayne Clearman, Johnny Jennings, Wayne Ray, Bobby Jones, Marcus Cain, Jesse Winningham, Ewing Wright, James Jones, Richard McCown, James Ball, Kenneth Robinson, Tommy Boillott, Bobby Capers, Richard Boggs, and Bill Meador.

THIRD ROW: Coach Jim Sivert, Harry Noel, Chan Dean, Wayne Ray, Kenneth Robinson, James Jones, Marcus Cain, Tommy Pate, John Pennington, FOURTH ROW: Bobby Smith, Bill Meador, Steve Crawford, Jack Trim, Richard McCown, Bobby Capers, Tommy Boillot, Benny Cole, and Coach Tom Neely.

Results of



TOMMY BELL is driving for a lay-up in the Tech-Catholic game.

The basketball team won only one league game this year. Heavy losses from graduation the previous year, a marked lack of height, and inexperience were too much for the Jackets to overcome.

The one league victory was chalked up over Messick 52-50. The regular contest ended in a 48-48 deadlock. During the regulation overtime each team scored two points throwing the contest into a second overtime. In a sudden death overtime, the 'Jackets, making a combination of two points by free throws and by scoring a field goal won the game. Tech also won another game which was not a league game. They beat Germantown 52-45.

Looking forward to next year Tech should be considerably stronger with some sophomores returning from the starting five. Key losses will be Captain Robert Henry, Tommy Bell, Richard Smith, and Don Lamb.



THE TECH "A" BASKETBALL TEAM of 1959-1960 are, from left to right: Marcus Cain, Richard Smith, Tommy Bell, Gordon Wilkinson, Wayne Schwanke, Robert Henry, Coach Tom Neely, Ewing Wright, Don Lamb, and Kenny Edwards.

Basketball Season

The Tech B team had a bad season winning only once. However, some consolation can be derived from the fact that its power was needed to bolster the A team. Also, some of the boys were playing for the first time in interscholastic athletics.

Members of the B team are: Phil Sanders, Jimmy Long, Jerry Skinner, Hank Thomas, Johnny Davis, Tommy Pate, and Harry Noel. Gordon Wilkinson and Wayne Schwanke were moved up to the A Team.

Boys who lettered on both teams were: Captain Robert Henry; Tommy Bell, Richard Smith, Don Lamb, Gordon Wilkinson, and Wayne Schwanke.

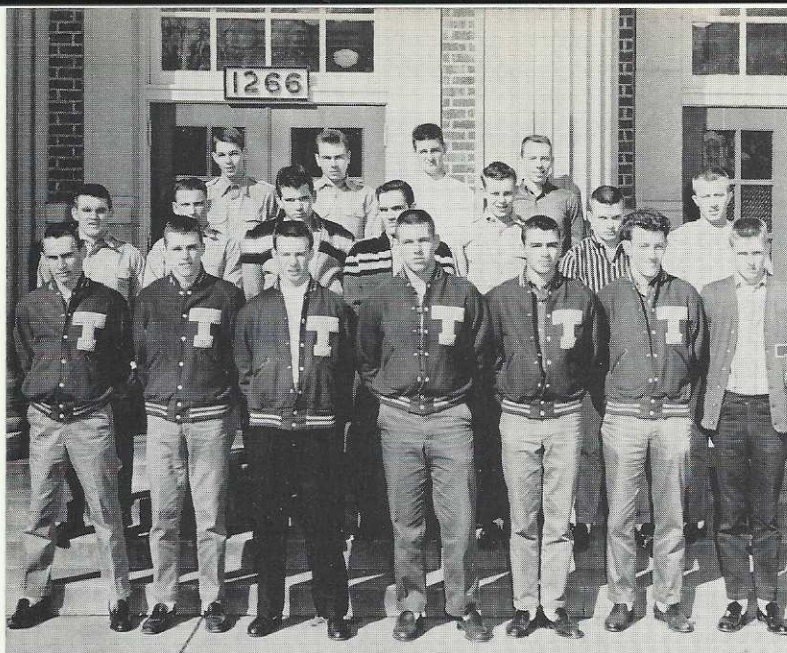
Added to our coaching staff this year was Mr. Tom Neely. He graduated from Tech in 1952 and was an outstanding athlete in his high school days.



DON LAMB is taking a jump-shot in the Tech-Catholic game.



Tech's "B" Team are left to right: Hank Thomas, Johnny Davis, Jerry Skinner, Wayne Schwanke, Philip Sanders, Kenny Edwards.



T-CLUB IS MADE UP OF BOYS WHO LETTER IN SPORTS. FRONT ROW: James Strain, William Kinsey, Tommy Bell, Van Burgess, Robert Henry, John Taylor, and Larry Logan. SECOND ROW: Wayne Ray, Richard McCown, Bobby Capers, Wayne Clearman, Ewing Wright, Marcus Gain, and Jesse Winningham. THIRD ROW: Chan Dean, Thomas Boillot, Richard Boggs, and Don Lamb.

Baseball and Track

The 1959 Baseball Team won five of their 13 games. The boys had a lot of fun playing.

BASEBALL SCORES

White Station	8	Tech	10
Millington	0	Tech	4
C.B.C.	8	Tech	7
South Side	0	Tech	3
East	2	Tech	8
Treadwell	9	Tech	0
White Station	18	Tech	0
Central	3	Tech	2
Frayser	1	Tech	0
Messick	2	Tech	7
Humes	10	Tech	3
Catholic	15	Tech	5
Kingsbury	8	Tech	6



THE 1959 BASEBALL TEAM—FIRST ROW: Chuck Wynn, Dexter Farr, Larry Jones, Charles Curtis, Bubba Phifer, Dewey King, Robert Henry, James Mayo, Don Newton, LaGuin Patterson, and John Hall. SECOND ROW: Bill McDaniel, Cloyd Daugherty, Marcus Cain, Wayne Clearman, Coach Frank Berry, Jimmy Denny, Kenny Edwards, Hank Thomas, and Jesse Winningham.

Teams Have Fair Season

Track Results

In the District Track Meet, William Kinsey won the mile in 5.03. Thomas Gilmer placed second in discus. In the pole vault, Tommy Bell placed second.

Messick 64—Tech 61½—Treadwell 38½

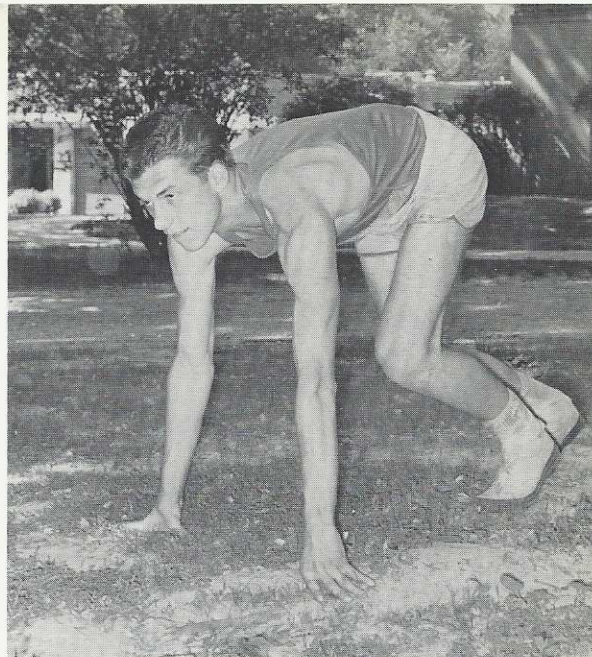
Laguin Patterson took first place in both hurdles; Tommy Bell was first in the pole vault; William Kinsey was first in the mile.

White Station 77½—Tech 53½—Messick 33

Thomas Gilmer placed first in shot put and discus; Tommy Bell took first place in the pole vault; Laguin Patterson took first in low hurdles and second in high hurdles.

Humes 57—Kingsbury 53—Tech 30

Tommy Bell took the only first place for Tech.



TECH'S TRACK STAR, William Kinsey, demonstrates the take-off technique.

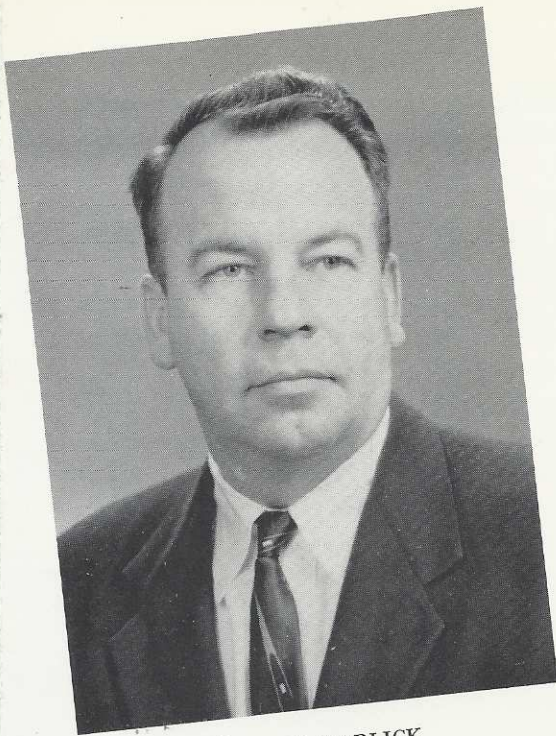


THE 1959 TRACK TEAM—Kneeling, Laguin Patterson. FIRST ROW, left to right: Wayne Ray, Richard McCown, Cloyd Daugherty, James Strain, Richard Dover, Wayne Clearman, Tommy Bell, M. J. Amidei. BACK ROW: Charles McDonald, Bubba Phifer, Don Newton, Larry Bennett, Richard Boggs, Larry Logan, William Kinsey, Jesse Winningham, and Coach Jim Sivert.

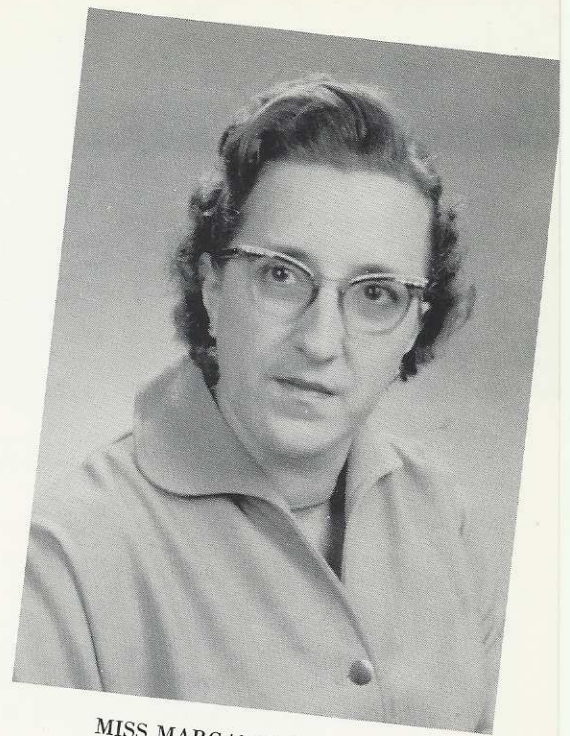


OUTSTANDING CITIZENS for 1960, Charlotte Wilkinson and Billy May were chosen by the faculty for their service to the school and for their cheerful and happy cooperation with students and faculty. Principal W. A. Bourne congratulates each of them.

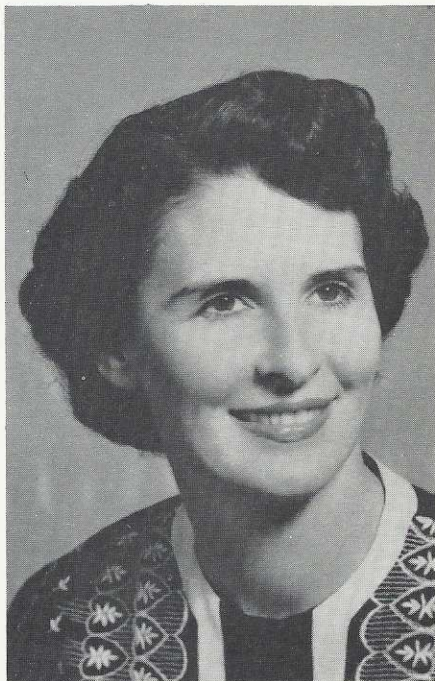
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