

The Class of
Nineteen Hundred Fifty
DeWitt High School

Laureen O. Leary

announces its
Commencement Exercises

Thursday evening, May twenty-fifth

eight o'clock

High School Auditorium

DeWitt, Michigan

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Banquet and Prom Proves To Be Delightful Affair

DeWitt—"Starlight Time" was the theme of the junior-senior banquet and prom held Friday night, May 6. As Jane King played "Semper Fidelis" the members of the classes of 1949 and 1950 and the faculty of DeWitt high school marched through a rose arbor and into the gymnasium, where the banquet tables were set beneath twinkling stars. Breezes rustled the leaves of the weeping willow trees, which transformed the walls of the room.

The long tables were decorated with silver and blue streamers and stars and candles and nut cups were of blue and white. Each guest's place was marked by the program in the shape of a blue star.

The dinner was served by mothers in the P.T.A. and every member of that group helped in some way to furnish a delicious meal. A group of sophomore girls assisted in the dining room.

Following dinner, Carl Peterson acted as toastmaster and introduced the speakers. C. H. Fuerstenau, school superintendent, gave the address and words of wisdom and advice for the senior class. Yvonne Hitcherson, so pretty in her pale yellow taffeta gown, gave a toast to the seniors. To this, Greta Perry, in a misty-white ruffled dance frock, made reply. Margaret Fuerstenau read the class will and a poem to the seniors. She was lovely in a soft peach crepe. The senior prophecies were given by Ron Wick and Jack Crowner, who are two clever young men.

The sextet from the Girls' Glee Club gave two vocal numbers and young Jim Tingay played his electric guitar. Mrs. LaVern Sharp then led the group in singing before the

and dancing began to the music of Don Sibert's orchestra.

The dance was a colorful affair with the girls in their lovely gowns and flowers, but the faculty wives were not outshone by the young people. Mrs. Fuerstenau wore a beautiful pale blue and silver gown. Mrs. Marilyn Down was lovely in a diaphanous white tulle, while Mrs. Sharp, with her beautiful grey hair, wore a slim white crepe studded with rhinestones. Mrs. Carl Peterson's dark coloring was a contrast to her shell pink taffeta gown.



DE WITT HIGH SCHOOL 1950

Row 1: 1. WENDALL KRUMM
2. RICHARD WILCOX
3. RICHARD KIRCHEN
4. HAROLD KELLY
5. RANDOLPH STRICKLING
6. KEITH JACOBS
7. BOB SMITH

Row 4: 1. C. H. FURSTENAU
2. BILL JOHN

Row 2: 1. GLENNA PARKER
2. LAUREEN O'LEARY
3. YVONNE HUCKERSON HAVILAND
4. CLARA BELL LONG
5. HELEN FELZKE RACH
6. JOYCE BROWNLEE WILLARD
7. JOYCE RIDSDALE SHOULTZ
8. LAURA DURENE KERNDT

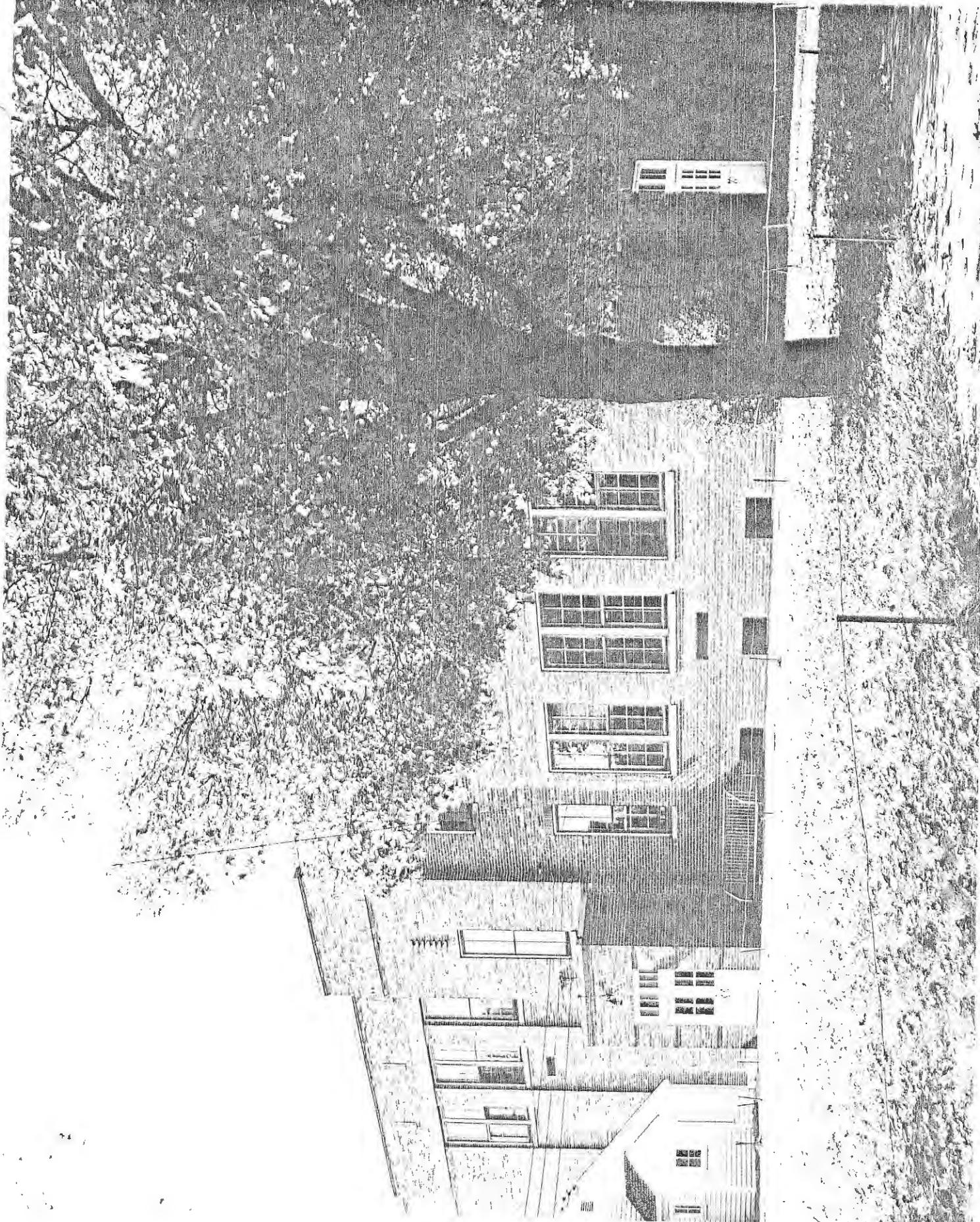
Row 3: 1. LESTER COOK
2. VADA KING
3. V. OTTERSON
4. LOUIE SPERRY
5. MARIETTA JONES STENZEL
6. MARY FELZKE
7. CHRISTINA NICK



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Driver Education Program Starts



Bill Buck, local Chevrolet dealer, presents Superintendent C. H. Fuerstenau keys to a 1954 Chevrolet to be used by the DeWitt High School in the Driver Education Program, which was inaugurated this fall.

The Driver Education program at DeWitt includes 90 hours of classroom instruction, and 6 hours of behind-the-wheel training, and is taught by Donald Beaton, pictured above. The program is currently being offered to all Junior and Seniors who have reached 16 years of age. The course carries $\frac{1}{2}$ unit of credit, and is open to all students whether they have a drivers license or not.

Upon satisfactory completion of the course, each student is given a certificate which, upon presentation to a large number of insurance companies, results in lower premiums, from the time the driver is 16 until he is 25.

DeWitt is one of the many schools cooperating with local and state safety organizations in their efforts to meet the teen-age accident problem.

Driver Safety Tests Offered To Public

Mr. Donald Beaton, teacher-instructor of the Driver Training Course at the DeWitt High School announces that on the evening of Monday, January 10th, at 7:00 p.m., the Safety Testing Devices used in student training, will be open to public use at the BILL BUCK CHEVROLET in DeWitt.

The device includes tests for Field of Vision, Color Vision, Reaction Time, Steadiness, Distance Judgement and other tests.

This service is free of charge to the public, so, if you think you are color-blind, or if you think you have trouble judging distances, stop in at the Bill Buck Chevrolet next Monday evening. The Safety Testing Device will show up any physical weakness, and may in fact, correct this weakness in time to help keep you from having an accident.

SUMMER DRIVER EDUCATION?

If enough interested people desire some sort of Driver Education training this summer, DeWitt High School will conduct the program.

Three various classes would be offered.

- (1) 6 Hours: Beginning Adult Driver Education: For those adults who do not know how to drive.
- (2) 6 Hours: Adult Driver Improvement Course: For those adults who know how to operate an automobile but feel a need for learning good, safe driving techniques.
- (3) 6 Hours: Teen-age Driver Education, 16-25 years: For those young people who have not had

High School Class of 1951



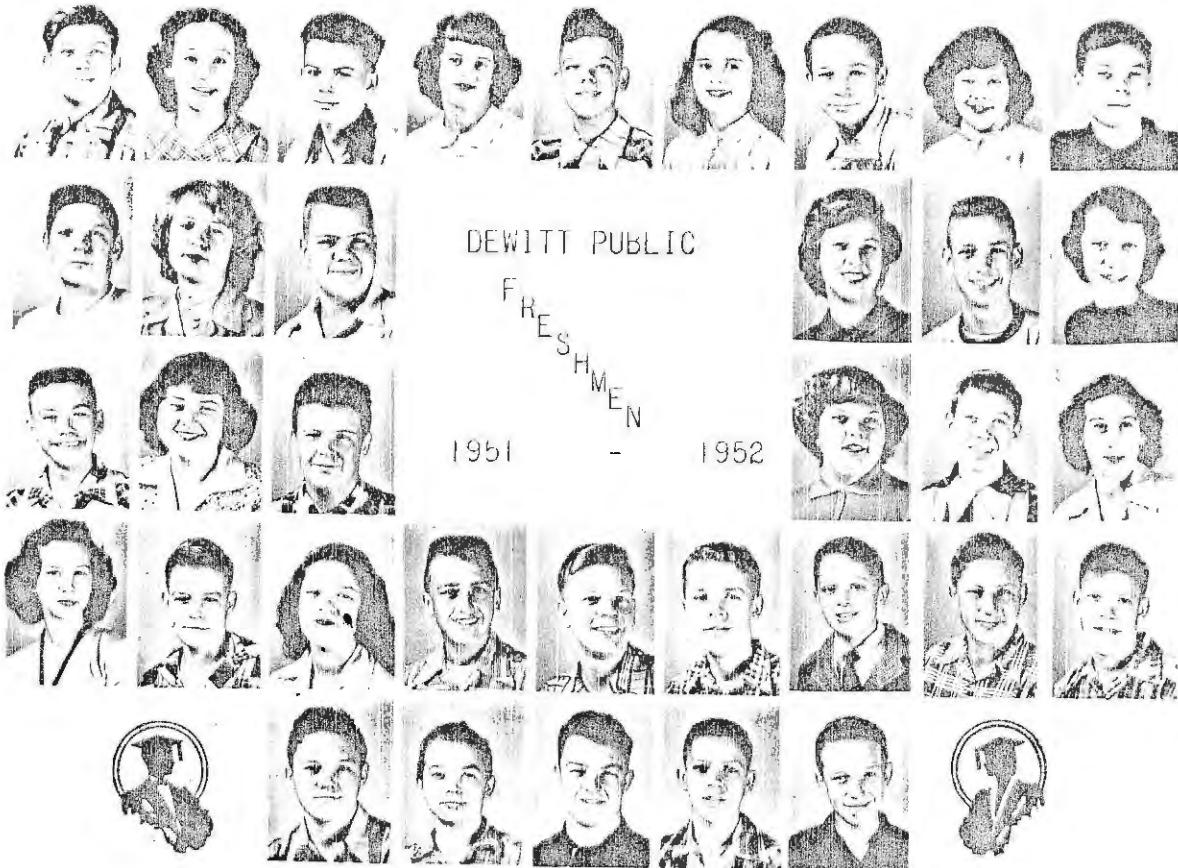
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4 5 6 Jill Hickerson
7 8 Louie Ward Sandra Balderson
3rd Row
1 2 3 Kay Mc Connell
Randall Badley Shirley Dalman
4 5 6 Bonnie McCutchan
7 8 end Row
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
Bethany Reed
Sharon Parks Maxwell
David Cutler
Judy Mason
Janet Porter
Front
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
Joan Savage
Ema Clark
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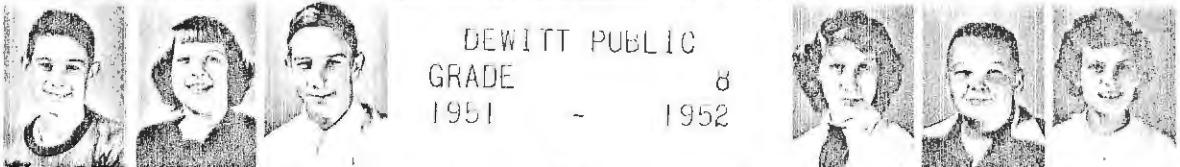
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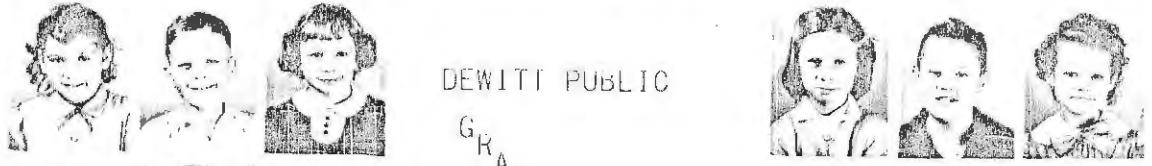
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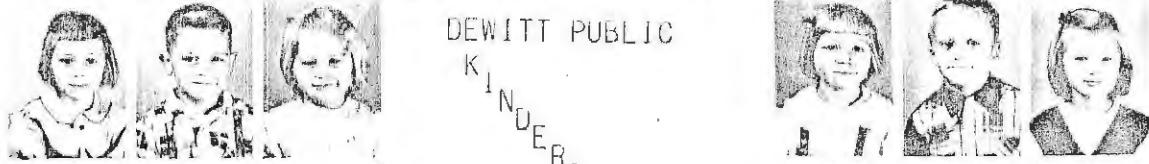
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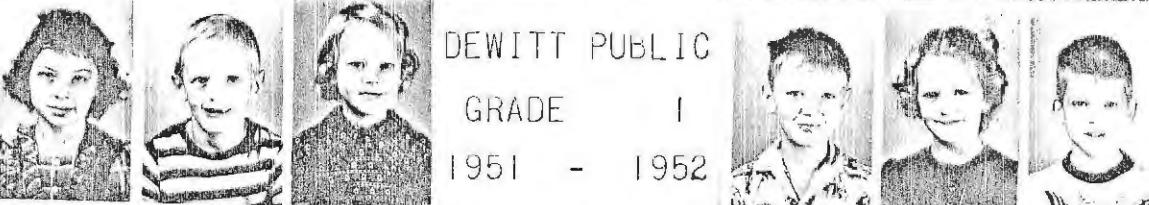


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1. Gloria Curran
2. Ron Schlagel
3. Jeanette Steppay
4. Lavern Klaver
5. Charmaine Koski
6. Vernon Bandt
7. Barbara Bliven
8. Jim King
3rd
- 1 Bob Ridsdale
- 2 Sharon Ballard
- 3 Henry Raby
- 4 John Swan
- 5 Wilson Nickels, Jr.
6. Phyllis Lee

Front

- 1 Dorothy Reed
- 2 Gerry Brendel
- 3 Phyllis Hawk
- 4 Thelma Clark
- 5 Barbara Jaynes

Front

- 1 Harry Wick
2. Jeanette Foy
3. Ken Ackerman
4. Charlene Schley Schaar
- 5 Bob Schaar
6. Mary Tenney
- 7 Lyman Manger
- 8 Delene Sibley

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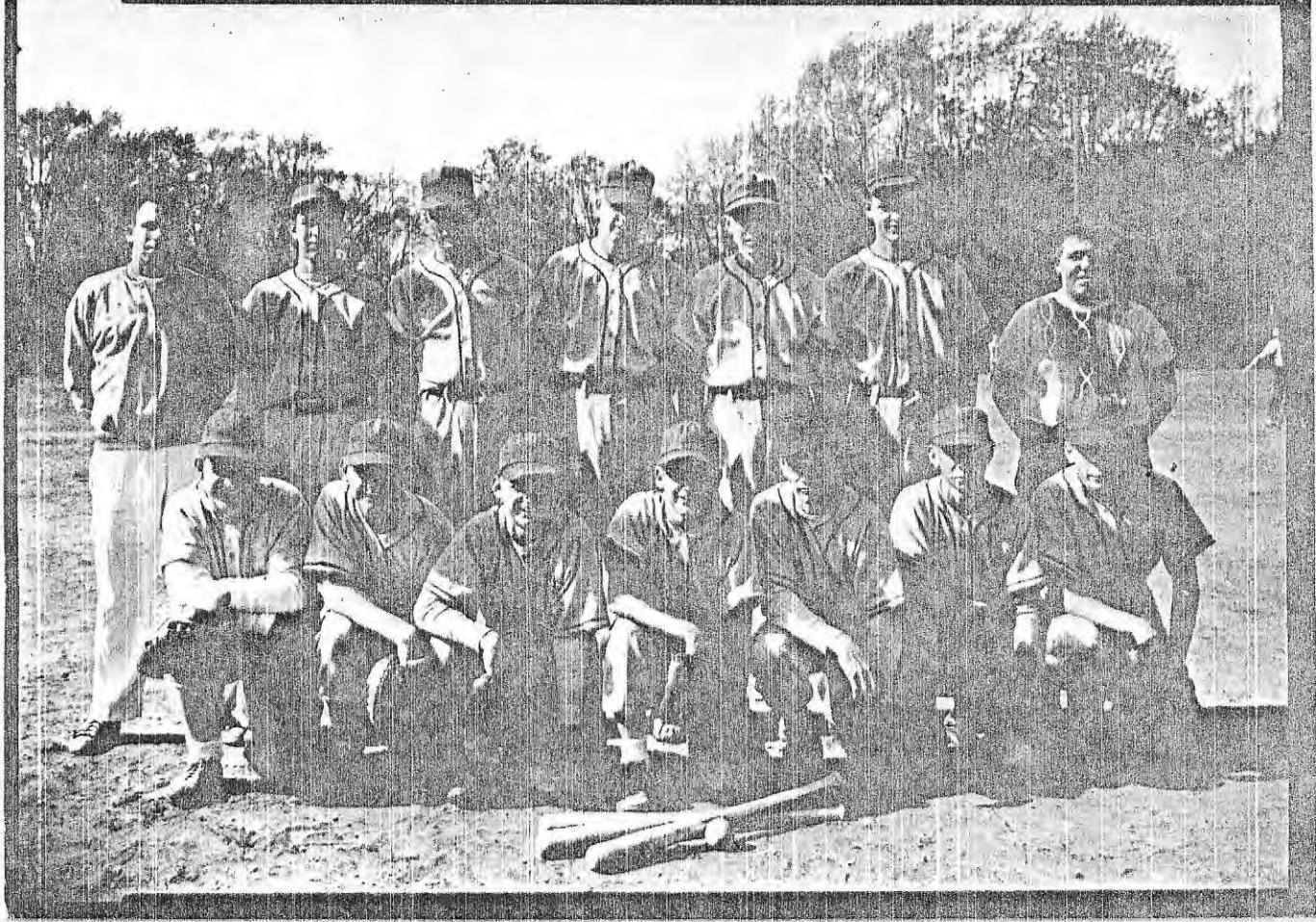
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1 Basic
1 Coach Insero
2 Bob Crowner
3 Larry Martin
4 Ken Ackerman
5 Fred Nickels
6 Fred Nickels
7 Jim King
Front
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3 Allen Nickels
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5 Wilson Nickels
6 Wilson Nickels
7 Keith Blizzard

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Back Row

1. Keith Blizzard
- 2 Harry Wick
- 3 Cliff Hart
- 4 Larry Martin
- 5 Ken Ackerman
- 6 Roger Whipple
7. Coach, Ingensoll

Front Row

- 1 Jim King
- 2
- 3 Ron Schlegal
- 4 Roger Nelson
- 5 Tom Nelson

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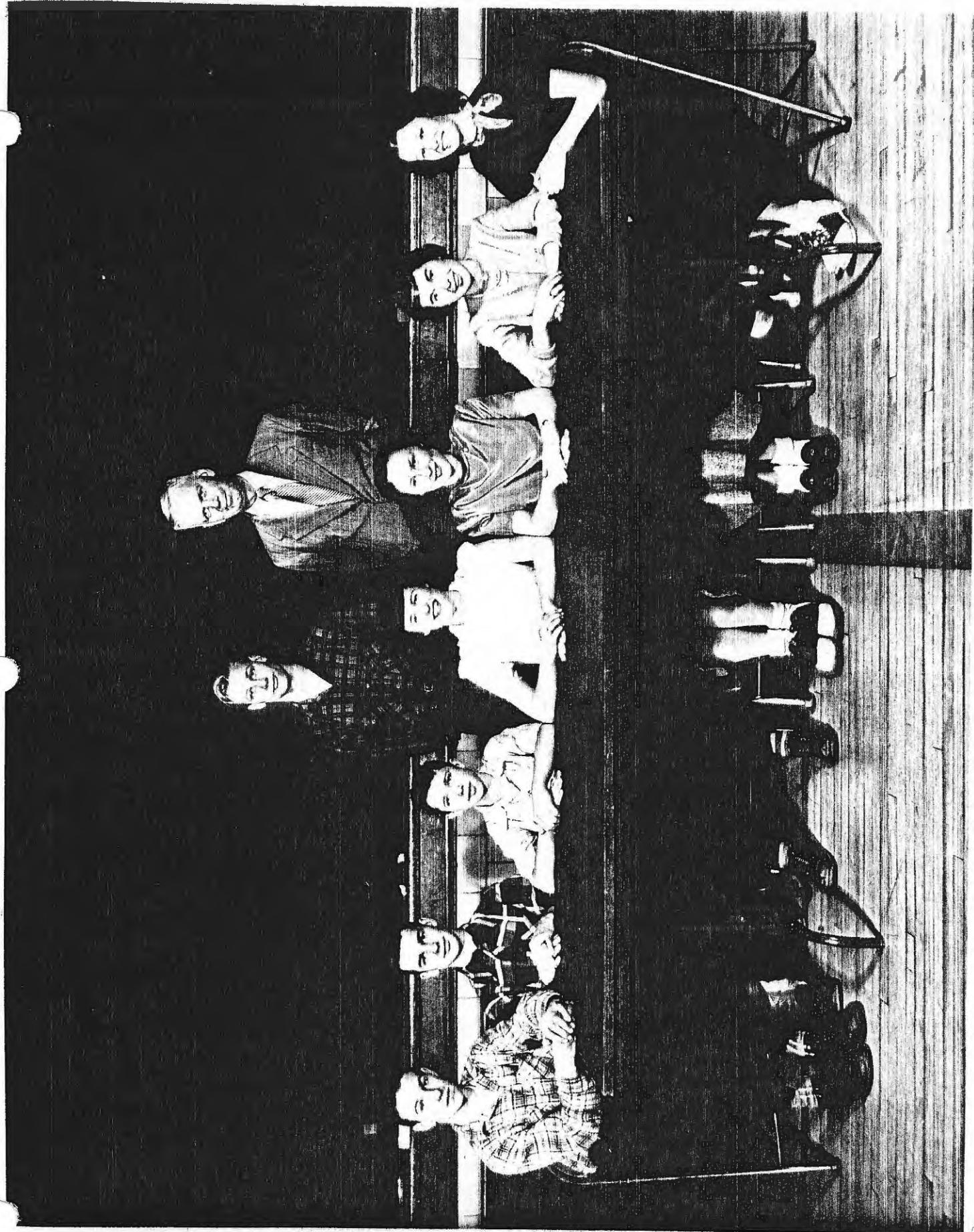
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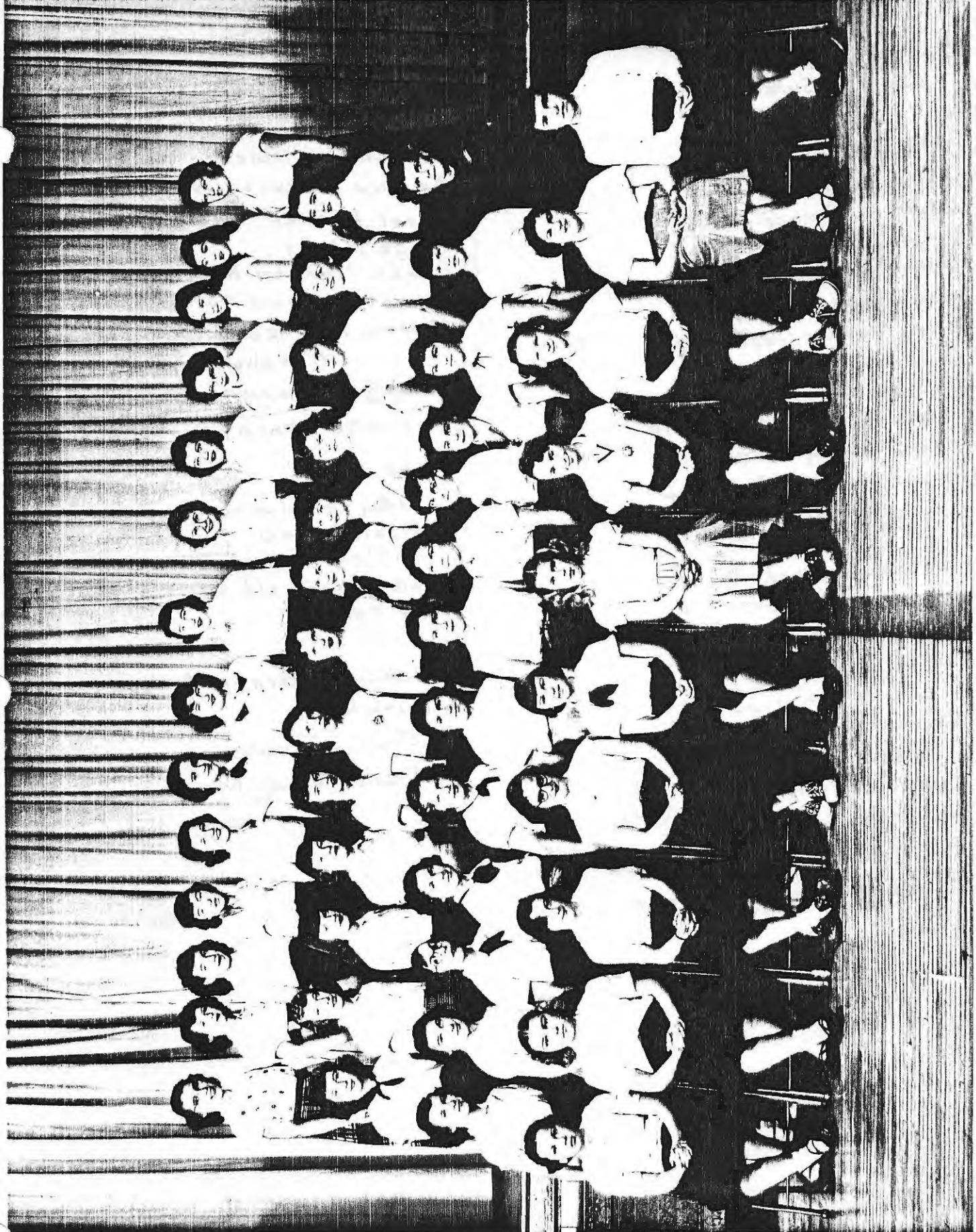
DeWitt Panthers Have 17 Victories in 18 Games



DeWITT HIGH SCHOOL has its finest team in history this year and regardless of what happens in tournament play Coach Bob Ingersoll and his charges have given the fans plenty to cheer about. In 18 starts, DeWitt has lost to only Class B Lansing Resurrection, and the Panthers are currently rated third among Class D teams, behind Fowler and Gwinn. Pictured here from left to right, front row, are LaVern Klaver, Gerry Brendel, Keith Blizzard, Wilson Nickels and Gary Nelson. Back row—Jim King, manager; Ronnie Schlegel, Larry Martin, Cliff Hart, Ken Ackerman, Harry Wick and Coach Ingersoll. A complete review of DeWitt's very successful 1951-52 season will appear on these pages next week.



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Back Row

- 1 Joan Swan
- 2 Hunt?
- 3 Ann Pinck
- 4 Judy Parker
- 5 Jeanette Steppay
- 6 Shirley Dalman Rolfe
- 7 Lucille Richter
- 8 Gloria Curren Ritchie
- 9 Mary Tenny Woodruff
- 10 Carolyn Steppay
- 11 Janice Parks Mackie
- 12 Flora Mae Ferguson Cole
- 13 Jean Tenny Blizzard
- 14 Ann Tingay De Bow

3rd Row

- 1 Sharon Ballard
- 2 Joann Hawk
- 3 Phyllis Hawk
- 4 Thelma Clark
- 5 Linda Vermillion
- 6 Norma Kranz Detzler
- 7 Earlene Hicks
- 8 Barbara Bliven
- 9 Mary Kowalski Datus
- 10 Pat Pickell
- 11 Charlene Shafley Schaar
- 12 Jeanette Foy

2nd Row

- 1 Donna Potter
- 2 Vera Dague Wick
- 3 Jane King
- 4 Gretchen Kiebler
- 5 DeAnn Devereaux
- 6 Carol Klaver
- 7 Jane Miller
- 8 Linda Hanson Allen
- 9 Dorothy Reed Hart
- 10 Anna Mae Rossow
- 11 Ritcher
- 12 Margie Ward Lotre
- 13 Loretta Sharp, Director

1st Row

- 1 Judy Brainerd
- 2 Barbara Swan
- 3 Shirley Taylor
- 4 Judy Bradfield Korte
- 5 Sue Menger
- 6
- 7 Nancy Ackerman Kiebler
- 8 Ruth Raby
- 9 Sharon Tingay
- 10 Carol King Mohnke