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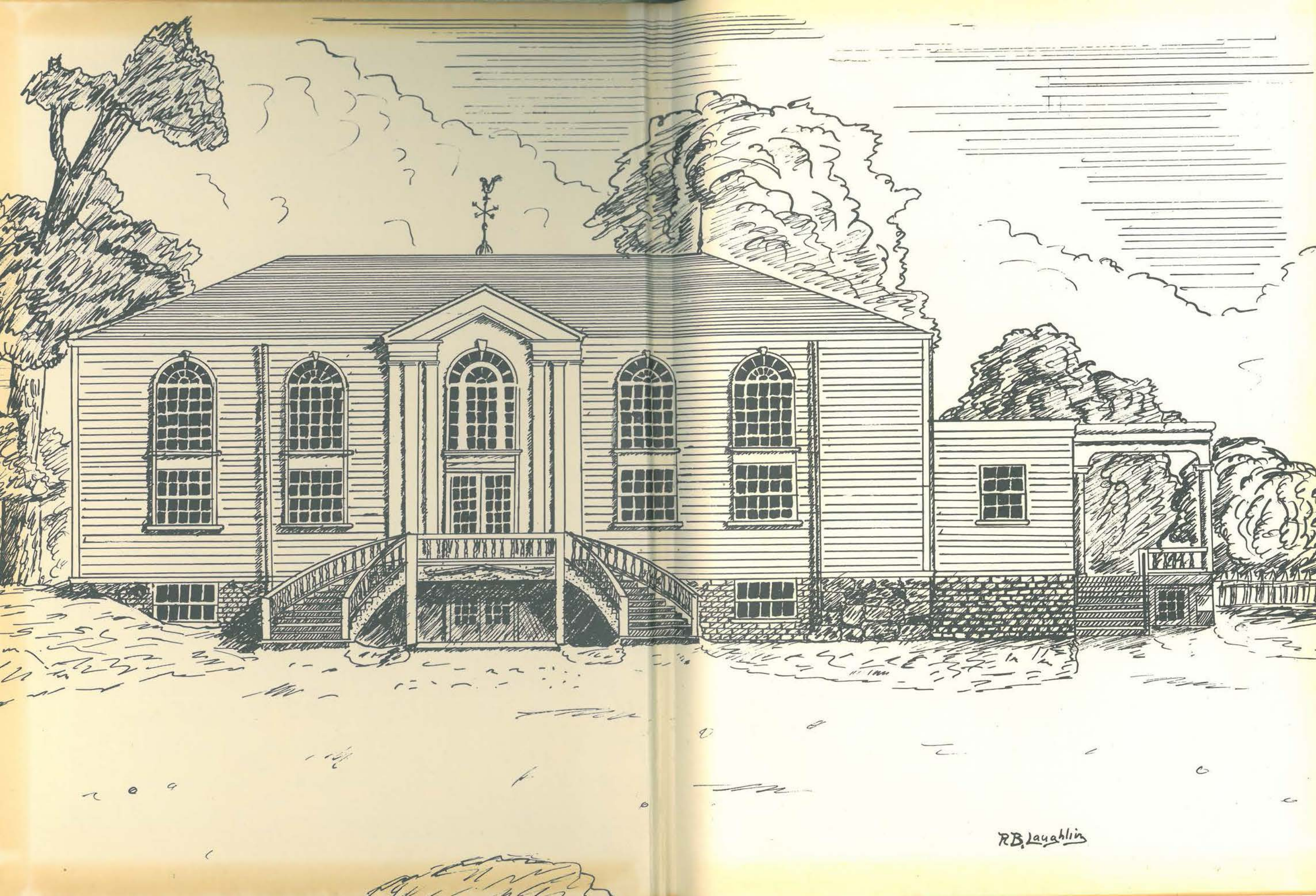




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## A FOREWORD

In the following pages will be found the sincere attempt of a few to preserve for many the cherished memories of this year at Portland Junior College. Speaking for the staff, I certainly hope that we have accomplished this. We have spent minutes and hours trying to set on paper, in print and by picture, the memorable incidents of a whole college year. The time that we spent is relatively short, but it will have all been wasted if in the years to come the men who thumb through this book do not feel their hearts swell with pride and beat faster because of the bitter and the sweet recorded on these pages.

When a child is born he has a unique set of God-given characteristics, and so every man at P. J. C. has his own set which, when combined with every other man's creates a truly strange but wonderful situation. This situation can never be duplicated; it can only be recalled by those who were a part of it. The purpose of this, the 1955 STAG is to create a memory that will long linger in the minds of the men whose personalities are injected into its pages.

Our book has no definite theme, but drawings of stags are spread out through it. These animals have the combined characteristics of men and stags. It is proper that they should because the college animal is the stag. The stag will symbolize the college for the men who were a part of it. Therefore, the combination is further justified. These stags are shown in various stages of development, which indicate the progress of the students. Each stag has his own characteristic; together these make the college. Without these things the college would have only the physical attributes which contribute nothing to mankind.

These stags that seemingly romp and frolic through the book are the pen and ink conception of the personality of the college. This personality can be likened to that of a man; as a man ages in years so does he grow in significance, and such is this book: it continues to grow in significance as long as there is a man to read it and be affected by its contents.

That which has been said thus far is in the name of the whole STAG staff; now as editor I shall say a few words of my own.

I feel that the staff has done all within its power to accomplish a goal that was set high, and this is the major factor that will make the STAG of 1955 a success beyond the staff's anticipation. I am certain for this reason that they have done a task which will be appreciated more by their classmates as the sands of time form great pyramids in the lives of all of us.

Your editor,  
Thomas Merrill



## DEDICATION



MRS. ELIZABETH W. EASTMAN

The class of 1955 of Portland Junior College wishes to show its appreciation to Mrs. Elizabeth W. Eastman who has long been a friend of the college. She served the college during its first twenty-one years as secretary to the dean; this official post was only a small part of her contribution to the college. When Mrs. Eastman left the college last June she left with us something of herself. Her love for and loyalty to Portland Junior College will long be appreciated and remembered.

It is with deepest sincerity that we of the class of 1955 dedicate this, THE STAG of 1955, to Mrs. Elizabeth W. Eastman.

## FACULTY







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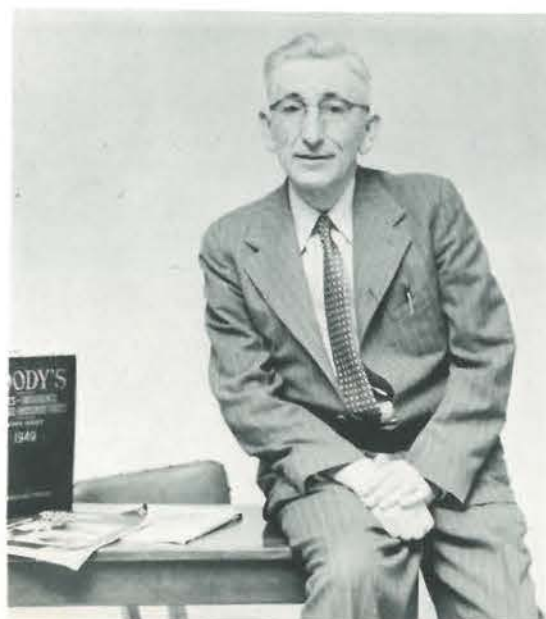


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# SENIORS



B. Laughlin





Seated (Left to Right) Poulos, O'Gara, Bernier, Kilbride  
Standing (Left to Right) Smith, Richards, Mogul

This year the seniors saw fit to re-elect all their freshmen officers to lead the graduating class and, in addition, voted representative posts to Norm Richards, John Smith and Norm Mogul. Continuing the influential leadership which had marked the previous year's administration, the officers took immediate action to alleviate a serious parking problem here and set the social wheel in motion by staging an early fall Cabaret to which all were invited.

Leadership qualities were not restricted to the officers alone. Under the guidance of seniors new clubs were born and some already organized were rejuvenated by second year students whose interest in school spirit was beyond the "yea" stage.

Popular Frank Stein, with the assistance of Lloyd Mudie, formed the **Pinochle Club** which sponsored monthly suppers to which all students were invited.

Seniors Dick Winckler and Paul Bankson gathered together the many fellows interested in the art of jazz and came up with one of the college's most successful organizations, the **Jazz Club**.

To Clem Bernier fell the task of gathering interest in a club charted to be of assistance not only to the college but also to the community, a club beset with various misfortunes since its original inception here a few years ago. **The Circle K**, a branch of the local Kiwanis has developed to become a most influential voice on campus.

Television celebrated its first birthday at P.J.C. and with seniors Dick Kilbride, Bill

O'Gara and Earl Hyler at the helm, continued into another year discussions of public issues on a level that all could understand.

The **After Dinner Club** was organized for those who consider eating and talking an inseparable pair in the proper promotion of good fellowship. Dick Winckler was elected to lead the new group, the first club at P.J.C. to invite the alumni to active membership.

A new journalistic voice was added to the college atmosphere this year with the introduction of **The Rag**, a weekly newspaper edited by George Linscott with the assistance of both seniors and freshmen.

The **Newsance** went into its second year of publication under the guidance of seniors Norm Richards, L. R. Mudie, and John P. Smith.

The untiring efforts of editor Norm Pierce and the assistance of an able staff placed the monthly publication P.J.C. News on a higher informative plane than many papers of colleges twice this size.

The work of the STAG staff under the leadership of Tom Merrill is herewith presented for your consideration.

That is part of the story of this class of fifty-five. We have a record of achievement unequalled in the twenty-one year history of Portland Junior College. But this has been but the groundwork of what we hope will be a new era of great good fortune for our beloved college and Alma Mater, as the result of enthusiastic participation by students in extra-curricular activities.



**ROBERT CHAPLIN ANDREWS**  
Yarmouth  
Business Administration  
Baseball Manager 1  
Future Plans — College and Navy  
*The sleepy-eyed naval reservist to whom distance poses no problem when his mind is determined. Will be remembered by us all and Mr. Woodworth. "Abide with me."*



**PAUL ALLEN BANKSON**  
Cape Elizabeth  
Business Administration  
Jazz Club 1, President 2, Basketball 1.  
Future plans — undecided  
*"The squares have got to be converted to jazz." Paul will probably be another Norman Granz.*

**CLEMENT LOUIS BERNIER**  
Lewiston  
Business Administration  
Outing Club 2, Student Council Vice President 1, 2, Stag Advertising manager 2, P. J. C. News Advertising manager 1, 2. Jazz Club 2, Frosh Report Co-Editor 1.  
Future plans — college  
*"Sharp talker". Future Kiwanian and politician. His manner always has that "business like" aspect. He can laugh, even at himself. "You might be my friend but you're not my brother." "Tremendous."*

**BRIAN BARNARD**  
Portland  
Future plans — undecided  
*From Brian you always get a smile and a cheery "good day."*







LEIGHTON BROWN  
South Portland  
Business Administration  
Camera Club Secretary-Treasurer 2.  
Future plans — Portland University  
*Leighton should be a competent accountant in the near future for the frozen fish industry.*



FRANKLIN O. COBB III  
Cape Elizabeth  
Business Administration  
STAG Business Manager 2, Basketball 1  
Future plans — college  
*Another fine resident of Cape Elizabeth. Frank should do well in life.*



WILLIAM F. DODGE  
Portland  
Business Administration  
Future plans — business  
*Biggest man in the school, with a big voice. Never in the way but always willing to help.*



ROBERT JOSEPH DOHERTY  
South Portland  
Business Administration  
Future plans — college  
*"Where there is laughter there is bliss." Bob is a cheerful, well-liked Irishman from South Portland. His humor will help pave his way to success.*

RONALD J. CURRIER  
Westbrook  
Business Administration  
Basketball 1, 2, Baseball 1, 2  
*"Butsch", an athlete, loves W. J. C. best.*



GERALD N. DAVIS  
Cape Elizabeth  
Business Administration  
Future plans — University of New Hampshire  
*"Gerry" carries a lot of weight around here. We predict that he will supplement Col. Lawrence in the National Guard.*



GEORGE W. ELLINGWOOD, JR.  
Rumford, R. I.  
Liberal Arts  
Future plans — Colby  
*Typical "Joe College" from the little state.*



DONALD L. GATTI  
Wayne  
Business Administration  
Outing Club 2.  
Future plans — Miami University  
*"Don't worry about that test, we can always study tomorrow." Good luck, Don, on the sunny sands of Florida.*







ALTON J. GRENIER  
Winslow  
Business Administration  
Service Company 1, 2. Longhair  
Club  
Future plans — College  
*Well known and liked by all. Another  
Tripoli Campaigner who likes good times  
and Pendleton shirts. For a laugh ask  
Al about Sgt. Keregg. "To know the  
world — travel it."*

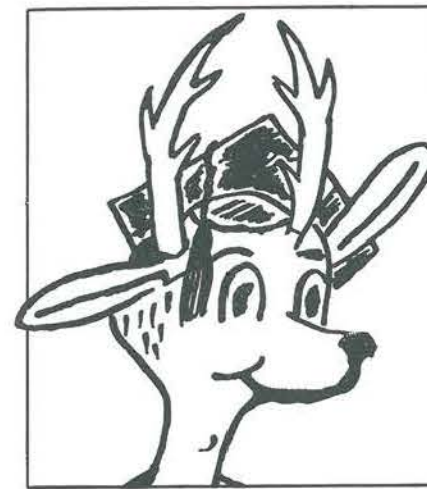


WILLIAM J. HODGKINS, JR.  
South Portland  
Business Administration  
Future plans — Boston University  
*"The Hunter" "I saw a pair of eyes in  
the bushes and shot." Good luck Bill.*



L. EVERETT HAWKES, JR.  
Portland  
Business Administration  
Jazz Club Director 1, 2. Wind-  
jammers Director 1.  
Future plans — business  
*"Where there is music there is laughter."  
Ed is one of the real "cats" on campus.*

EARL S. HYLER, JR.  
Portland  
Liberal Arts  
Future plans — college  
Radio Club 1, 2. T. V. Club 1, 2.  
Dean's List 1A.  
*"Good evening Mr. and Mrs. America"  
Earl is a natural for radio and T. V.*



GERALD JOHNSON  
Portland  
Future plans — undecided  
*You are liable to find "Gerry" almost  
anywhere on campus. With his ability  
to get around he is bound to succeed.*



NORMAN J. JUTRAS  
Lewiston  
Business Administration  
Future plans — W. T. Grant Co.  
*Another well dressed man — quiet, steady  
and marked for success.*



RICHARD S. JOHNSON  
Cape Elizabeth  
Liberal Arts  
P. J. C. News 2  
Future plans — undecided  
*Ought to make a good sideshow barker.  
He looks collegiate.*



ROBERT ARNOLD KELLY  
Westbrook  
Liberal Arts  
Service Co. 1, 2. Basketball Cap-  
tain 1, 2.  
Future plans — college  
*Popular friend to all. Teams with Dick  
in English Lit. and History of the  
Americas. His yellow Chevie is a com-  
mon sight here and W. J. C. If ambi-  
tion and personality are any criteria  
"Bob" will go a long way. "To teach an  
example, set one."*





THOMAS RICHARD MERRILL  
Raymond  
Liberal Arts

Outing Club, Chairman-hunting and fishing 2, EDITOR-IN-CHIEF, THE STAG 2. P. J. C. News 2. Longhair Club 2. Independence Plus 2.

Future plans — Miami or the service

"Uncle Tom" was our gain and Bowdoin's loss. He thinks nothing of swimming Panther Pond, eating huge bowls of ice cream or shooting tame rabbits. "I need a girl." "Put your cigarettes on the table men." Likes most to be liked best."



NORMAN A. MOGUL  
Portland

Business Administration  
Student Council 1, 2. Radio Club 1. Public Relations Committee 1. Assembly Committee 1. Baseball 1. Deans list 1B

Future plans — Boston University  
"From ideas are born accomplishments." Norm's college activities have been harrowing for his wife but B. U. will get a good man.



WARREN W. NOYES  
South Portland

Business Administration  
Outing Club 2.

Future plans — undecided

Easy going sportsman who gets his deer the first day. Collects guns, fishing rods, and many friends. "The way to play a sport is to be one."



WILLIAM B. O'GARA  
Westbrook  
Liberal Arts

Outing Club 2, Student Council Treasurer 1, President 2, Class President 1, 2, T. V. Club 1, 2. Pinochle Club 2, Frosh Report 1, Baseball 1, 2, Basketball 1, 2.

Future plans — Springfield college

Popular, quick tempered, Democrat from Westbrook. Thinks our population is divided into two groups. . . the Irish and those who want to be. Likes all sports, some women, and English Lit. In the future to find Bill look for Clem and Dick."

"You never cease to amaze me."

LLOYD R. MUDIE  
Cape Elizabeth

Business Administration  
P. J. C. Newsance 2. Jazz Club 1, 2. Pinochle Club 2.

Future plans — Boston University and then Advertising.

A quiet efficient organizer who likes to get things done. Lloyd will be a good ad-man some day.

JOSEPH J. NELSON  
Portland  
Liberal Arts

Future plans — undecided

A quiet studious veteran who's lost at P. J. C. without Bill and Bob. His common sense and wit are assets which will carry Joe far. "Reach for the moon."



WILLIAM H. PALMER, JR.  
Westbrook

Business Administration  
Jazz Club 1, 2

Future plans — Boston University

"Man dig that Ted Heath Jazz". Willie is the future "Cool Baron" of Westbrook.



EDWARD H. PERLEY  
Lewiston

Future plans — undecided

A man of knowledge and humble ways. His results speak well for him.



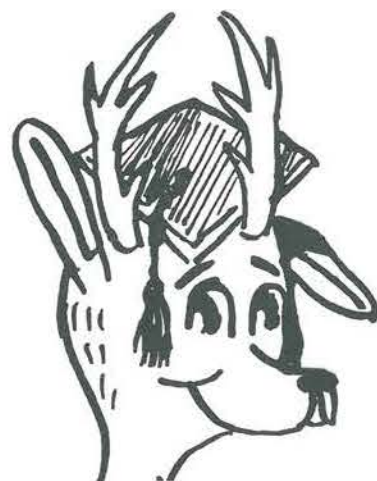




**NORMAN E. PIERCE**  
Outing Club, Chairman of camping, 1, 2. STAG Staff 1, Managing Editor 2. Windjammers 1, Independence Plus 2. Longhair 1, 2. Newsance 1. Radio Club 1. Golden Key Players Dramatic Club 2. P. J. C. News, Co-Editor 1, Editor-in-Chief 2.  
Future plans — Northeastern University School of Liberal Arts for Journalism.

*Hard working, well liked, influential rabbit-skinning Editor of the NEWS. How far is it to Westbrook, Norm? P. J. C's answer to Westbrook Pegler.*

**PLUTO POULIOS**  
Portland  
Business Administration  
Student Council 1, 2. Class Treasurer 1, 2.  
Future plans — University of New Hampshire  
*A picture of vitality, sincerity and purpose. No one can know him without liking him.*



**WILLIAM IRVING PETERSON**  
Westbrook  
Future plans — undecided  
*"Bill" has been making the rounds of various colleges. When are you going to settle down?*

**NORMAN V. RICHARDS**  
Worcester, Mass.  
Business Administration  
Outing Club 2. Student Council 2. Associate Editor Stag 2. P. J. C. News, Advertising Manager 1. Co-Editor Newsance 1, 2. Jazz Club Director 1, 2.  
Future plans — University of Maryland, School of Public Relations.  
*The hard working journalist who's greatest asset is the art of winning friends. "Where there is music there is the heartbeat of true character." Norm loves music, sports, humor, and writing. He possesses that essential talent for success.*



**CLARE EDWARD RIPLEY**  
Cornish  
Business Administration  
Student Council Recording Secretary (Pre-College) Radio Club (Pre-College)  
Future plans — business  
*Mr. Freundlich's chief "aide". Rip knows more stories than he cares to relate. His knowledge is graced by the smile of contented youth.*



**ROBERT V. SAWTELLE**  
Portland  
Business Administration  
Future plans — Boston or Northeastern University  
*He invaded the mystery of married bliss. A steady man well-liked for his quietness.*



**ROGER PAUL ROBERGE**  
South Portland  
Business Administration  
Future plans — business  
*Quiet, unassuming veteran of the Tripoli Campaign. He will hear wedding bells in the near future! We wish them well. "Silence is golden."*



**GEORGE FRANK SCAMMON, JR.**  
Saco  
Business Administration  
Basketball Manager 2, Baseball 1, 2.  
Future plans — Portland University  
*He never fails to say "Hi".*





CHARLES VAUGHN SCOTT  
Bathurst, N. B., Canada  
Business Administration  
Dean's List 1A, 1B.  
Future plans — University of Maryland  
*A real student. P. J. C. needs more like "Scotty".*



MAURICE E. SHARPE, JR.  
Cape Elizabeth  
Business Administration  
Future plans — Business  
*A portrait of sincerity, his hand clasp is sure and firm.*



FRANK R. STEIN  
South Portland  
Business Administration  
Dean's List 1B  
Future plans — Boston University  
*A tremendous worker and good student. Those who think a guy can't work his way through college should take a look at Frank; he is bound to succeed.*



JOSEPH E. TIERNEY  
Portland  
Business Administration  
Baseball 1, 2. Basketball  
*Likable but reserved Korean veteran whose smile is a familiar sight to all. Has made most of the school dances and all of Clem's parties.*

DAVID SHOREY SILSBY  
Bangor  
Liberal Arts  
Outing Club 2. Jazz Club 2.  
Dramatic Club 2.  
Future plans — Portland University School of Law.  
*Dave should be a great lawyer with his patience and analytical mind. "Bangor's own Clarence Darrow."*



JOHN P. SMITH  
Portland  
Business Administration  
Student Council 2. P. J. C. News-  
ance 1, 2. (Co-Editor) Pinochle  
Club 2. Radio Club 1.  
Future plans — Boston University  
*"What's the matter with you guys? Let's get on the ball!" He's a go-getter who is bound to succeed.*



ELLIOT BRADBURY TOWLE  
Hollis Center  
Business Administration  
Future plans — Boston University  
*It's not where you come from but where you are going that counts. The quiet man.*



NICHOLAS PRAXITELIS  
VAMVAKIAS  
Portland  
Business Administration  
Service Co. 1, 2. Dean's List 1B  
Future plans — Boston University  
*Vitality, dependability, high quality . . . will never be without a friend.*







JAMES K. WARBURG  
Falmouth  
Business Administration  
Future plans — Navy

*The Navy will get a good man, years of clam-digging have made him familiar with the sea. A determined worker . . . will find success.*



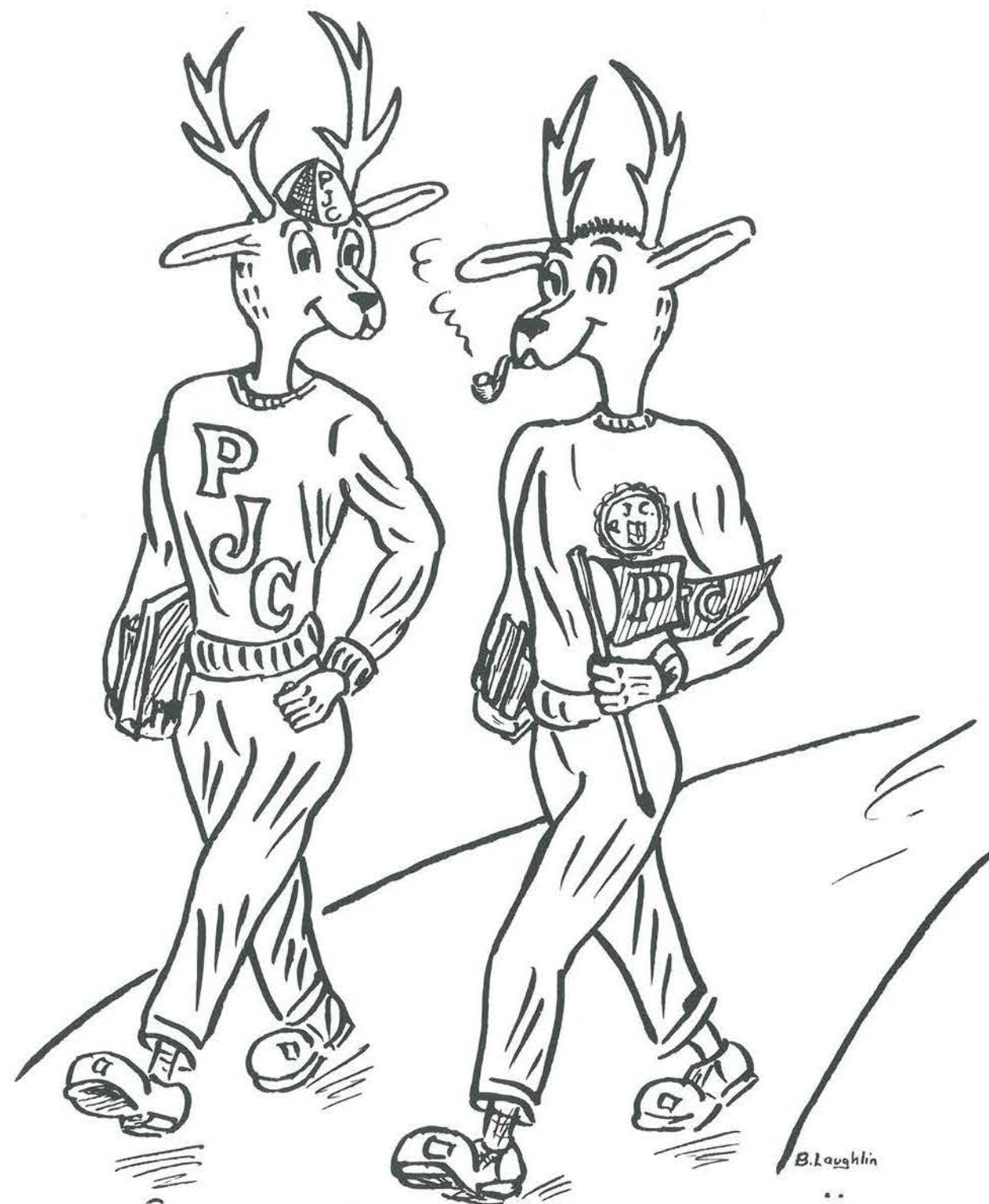
RICHARD E. WINKLER  
Portland  
Business Administration  
Jazz Club Treasurer 2, Radio Club 1, Circle K Club 2.  
Future plans — Boston University School of Public Relations  
*A friend to all suited to his every task.*

#### THE BEST IN THE CLASS

Most Likely to Succeed  
Most Popular  
Best Personality  
Best Looking  
Best Dressed  
Best Student  
Hardest Worker  
Wittiest  
Sleepiest  
Biggest Bluff

Clem Bernier  
Pluto Poullos  
Norm Richards  
Frank Cobb  
Dick Winckler  
Charlie Scott  
Frank Stein  
Clare Ripley  
Bob Andrews  
Gerald Davis

# FRESHMEN





# Freshman Class Officers



Seated (left to right), W. David Derepentigny, Paul L. Caron, Joseph J. Murphy, Edward L. Logue

When the Freshman Class invaded Portland Junior College in September of 1954, the upperclassmen stood aghast at their number. Following the trend set by their predecessors, the Class of '56 boasts a majority of veterans. With the largest enrollment in recent years the Frosh soon began to follow the example of the Senior Class. Political murmuring led to the establishment of two strong slates of candidates for the Student Council.

Under the leadership of Paul L. Caron, class President, the freshmen who were placed on the Council were Joseph J. Murphy, class Vice President; W. David Derepentigny, class Secretary-Treasurer; Edward L. Logue and James A. Caselden, class representatives.

Clubs and other organizations on the campus attracted a considerable number of the class, and the fact that freshmen have added talent to these activities is now a matter of record. Some who have stood out as examples of good college citizenship are, Donald Linscott, a candidate for the Editorship of the News next year; Dale Elliot, whose humor contributed to the morale of the Outing Club; Robert Barber, mainstay of the Golden Key Player's Dramatic Club; Bruce Laughlin, STAG Art Editor; and Frank Moore, a key figure in the Radio Club.

With a little incentive the freshmen of Portland Junior College should prove to be more than capable to carry on the traditions of the college in the coming year.



Seated (left to right), D. Linscott, F. Luce, R. Leo, C. McDonald, B. Laughlin  
Standing (left to right), H. Leeman, A. Lailer, J. Kezal



"They're not painters, they're actors."





Seated (left to right), R. Marsh, H. Moody, D. Nunan, P. Mahany, H. Strom  
 Standing (left to right), D. McGonagle, F. Morrison, R. Morrison



Seated (left to right), F. Morre, G. Contraros, E. Parker, J. Taylor, R. Brown  
 Standing (left to right), R. Varney, J. Hansen, B. Sadler, J. Tierney



"Could this be our Director of Admissions at work?"



"Coeds! No, just some more actors."





Seated (left to right), P. Roberts, R. Morrill, R. Renshaw, G. Brooks, E. Pexekis  
 Standing (left to right), F. Torrey, R. Thurston, R. Bryson



Seated (left to right), O. Breau, E. Choate, P. Caron, W. Densmore, R. Bowen  
 Standing (left to right), R. Barber, R. Carmichael, P. Anderson, W. D. Derepentigny, R. Davis



"Closer, my dear, come closer....."



"What's this, the music stopped?"





Seated (left to right), R. Drapeau, D. Elliot, L. DeCoster, A. Greene, G. Vachon  
 Standing (left to right), N. Gault, M. Dion, J. Caselden, J. Rondeau, E. Logue



Seated (left to right), W. Goss, D. Hoffman, C. Hartford, R. Hooper, W. Gagnon  
 Standing (left to right), J. Murphy, F. Hinxman, R. Leighton, O. Fogg, D. deDoe



"Relax, Bill, he's not your judge, just an assembly speaker."



"Look Ma, I'm dancing."





Seated (left to right), W. Keup, J. Gable, C. Keefe, J. Levesque, F. Howard  
Standing (left to right), W. Johnson, N. Kelley, W. Kellaway

These men were not present when pictures were taken. A. Antil, L. Bernard, R. Brown, W. Burnell, D. Cantara, E. Clark, T. Connor, P. Costello, C. Crowell, L. Cummings, V. Degifico, N. Dvilinsky, R. Emery, C. Ferrante, J. Ferri, J. Gilbride, R. Gold, J. Hansen, D. Harmon, H. Higgins, R. Jackson, O. Merrill, P. Merrill, O. Mitch, P. O'Toole, G. Pesce, C. Pierce, D. Redman, J. Redman, R. Robbins, R. Shea, D. Stover, K. Taylor, and A. Burpee.



Seated (Left to Right), R. Ward, K. Atherton, J. Parker  
Standing (Left to Right), B. Nero, W. Wyland, P. Tenggren

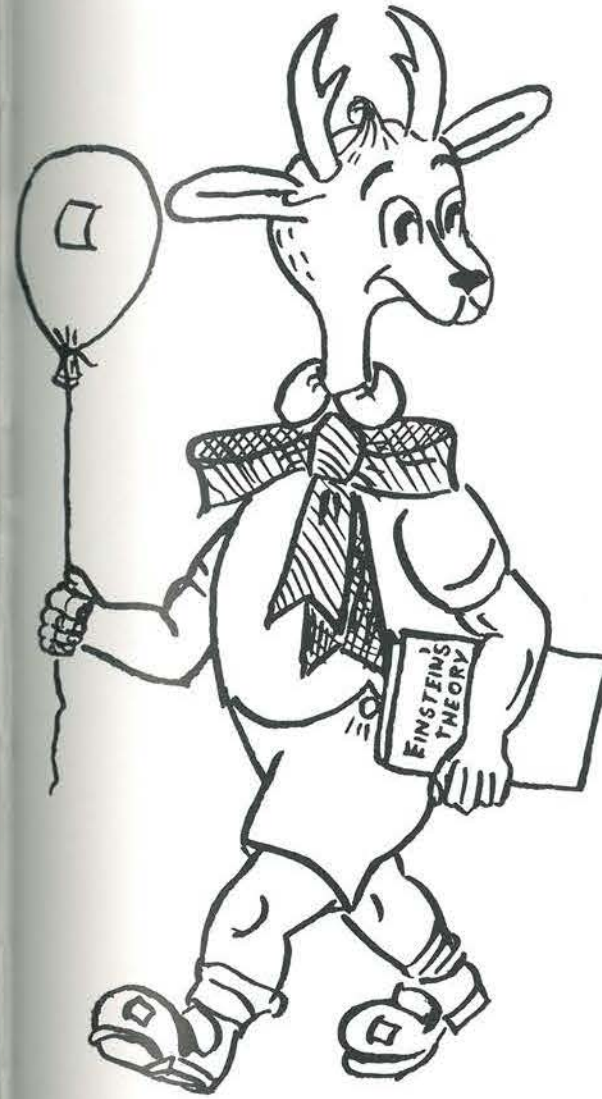


"Smile pretty, this picture might be in the STAG."





# PRE-COLLEGE



B. Laughlin





Seated (Left to Right), H. Staples, D. Wirta, D. Champeon

## THE VOICE OF PRE COLLEGE

The pictures on the following pages show but one of the attributes of the Pre College class of Portland Junior College — its ability to dress well when the occasion calls for it. This, however, is minor when compared with its school spirit.

Pre College men attend most college activities, are active in all campus clubs and organizations, and what is more they have more classes than freshmen or seniors. The only regrettable thing about this class is that too many of them will be leaving the college this spring for other callings.

Richard Bouchard and Norman Shaw are but two of the many examples of spirited students. Dick is active in the Outing Club, Camera Club, was chairman of the Sno-Ball dance (a huge success), and has taken a series of colored slides for college promotion. Norm is active on the News and STAG, is an officer in the Drama Club, and always has a good idea when one is needed.

The impression that this year's Pre College class has made will certainly outlive the names connected with it.



Seated (left to right), D. Robinson, C. Ramsay, H. Staples, R. Bouchard, R. Foss  
Standing (left to right), R. Webber, W. Butterfield, R. Hodgdon, F. Pittis, R. Allen



"Waltz me around again Willie."





Seated (left to right), W. Beaucage, P. Hutchinson, O. Knight, C. Champeon, W. Golder  
 Standing (left to right), W. Malone, D. Wirta, T. McCarthy



Seated (left to right), R. Turner, J. Ouellette, P. Daoutakos, D. Smalley, R. Jendrasko  
 Standing (left to right), G. Gillis, W. Ledger, J. Berube, R. Woodside, J. Gobeil

The following men were not present when pictures were taken: R. Carleton, R. Kelson, F. McCrum, P. Nizza, J. Parker, S. Pieper, and N. Shaw.



"Dancing in the dark."







# ACTIVITIES







First Row (Left to Right), DeRepentigny, Logue, O'Gara, Murphy, Caron  
Second Row (Left to Right), Caselden, Richards, Smith, Kilbride, Bernier, Staples, Wirta, Mogul

## CO-ORDINATORS

At an October supper meeting in Cumberland Center at the home of Dean and Mrs. Luther I. Bonney, officers of this year's outstanding Student Council were elected.

Bill O'Gara as president of the Senior Class was given the post on the council traditional with the office, that of President of the Student Council. After assuming the position O'Gara presided at the election of the remaining officers.

Joseph Murphy gained the Vice-Presidency while Edward Logue was appointed Treasurer. Richard Nutting and Richard Kilbride were given the respective posts of Recording and Corresponding Secretaries. Harry Staples assumed the duties of Recording Secretary early in the year upon the withdrawal of Nutting from the college.

The biggest problem facing the new Council was to get the clubs on campus activated, and with this end in sight a committee was appointed to see just what kind of activities the majority of students wanted. Senior Frank Stein proved of immeasurable value with his help in arranging monthly smokers at the college, giving everyone a chance to gather together in good fellowship. Frank also lined up the smokers sponsored by the Pinochle Club.

The second task before the Council was the allotment of money without which it could not function. A special committee was ap-

pointed to investigate each request and report back to the council. Dick Kilbride, Ed Logue and Harry Staples served on it the first Semester with Clem Bernier, Dave De Repetigny and Joe Murphy becoming "budgeteers" for the second half of the year.

When it became obvious last semester that some students were losing interest, not only in school activities but in the Student Council itself, an emergency session was called to meet in the Roma Cafe and after a very delicious steak supper the Council decided to sit back and see what happened.

The reaction by the students was quick, decisive and exactly what the Council had hoped for. Rather than see their activity fund money "squandered" by the Student Council the men joined the various clubs in large numbers and school spirit at P.J.C. rose.

Council sponsored dances and a special dinner for the entire student body held in the school auditorium highlighted the special social functions of this year's group.

A serious parking problem was alleviated on Campus with the addition of a part of the ball field for this purpose. We have related here but a small part of the story of one of P.J.C.'s most active Student Councils. It is generally felt that this group will rank high in the annals of P.J.C. history when the chapter dealing with Student Councils in unfolded.

## THE 1955 STAG

The staff of the 1955 STAG of Portland Junior College has attempted many things, all of which are contained within the pages of this book, so we therefore devote this space to the recognition of those who helped make this book possible.

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Thomas Merrill '55

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Norman Pierce '55

Feature Editor  
Richard Kilbride '55

Personality Editor  
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Business Assistant  
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Faculty Section Pictures  
Richard Bouchard (Pre-Col.)

Photography Assistants  
Camera Club

Art Editor  
Bruce Laughlin '56

Faculty Adviser  
E. B. Fred Clark

First Row (Left to Right), Richards, Merrill, Cobb, Laughlin  
Second Row (Left to Right), Shaw, D. Linscott, Bernier







First Row (Left to Right), G. Linscott, Merrill, Elliot  
Second Row (Left to Right), Kezal, Gagnon, Pierce, Kilbride  
Third Row (Left to Right), Scott, O'Gara, Smith, Richards, Bernier, Morrison, Winckler, D. Linscott, Johnson

## "JOURNALISM ---

The Portland Junior College NEWS, under the editorship of Norman E. Pierce, concentrated its efforts in the continuation of the paper's motto, "A Mirror of Student Minds". Throughout the year, the NEWS had ample opportunity to indicate its mind in editorials on contemporary issues, and in more than one instance the NEWS was able to stir up considerable response from the student body. Considered in review, the NEWS was retained on a high standard throughout the year.

Some of the people who made the success of the news possible were seniors Richard Kilbride, William O'Gara, Clem Bernier, Charles Scott, and Scott Lovejoy. Thomas Merrill, the STAG editor who came to P.J.C. from Bowdoin College, also proved to be a valuable member of the NEWS staff. Freshmen members of the staff included Richard Johnson, Dale Elliot, Donald Linscott, Jr., William Gagnon, and James Caseldon.

This year's NEWS has been able to persuade some pre-college men to join the staff. In previous years this has not always been possible. Among them were Norman Shaw, Phillip Peters and Richard Bouchard.

One of the most significant contributions of the NEWS this year has been to effect a change in the editorial page. Further, the NEWS has used many new tricks of journalism. Outstanding has been the use of different styles of eye catching headlines and four column banner heads.

In April the staff took a vacation from the

more serious news to present the second annual April Fool's edition that was started in 1954 under the editorship of Louis T. Maguire and Norman Pierce.

The newspaper is a member of the Columbia Scholastic Press Association, an agency that has devoted itself to the encouragement and analysis of scholastic publications. In competition with other college newspapers of the same class, the Portland Junior College NEWS is among the top-rated. In conjunction with the Columbia Scholastic Association, the NEWS sent two delegates to New York City in March to attend a press conference of collegiate publications.

Another "first" by this year's staff was to increase the number of pages of some editions from four to six or more. We found that despite the fact that the NEWS has a week's lag between deadline and publication date, there were many instances where the paper was able to present original news not "broken" by other newsheets in the interim. The reason the P.J.C. NEWS is able to do this is that its relatively small number of reporters were able to dig up news from sources not usually "covered" by the other papers.

Before we of the NEWS enter out final thirty, we would like to take this opportunity to thank the student council and the students at large for the support that they have given the NEWS during the year. To the future staff of the Portland Junior College News we extend out sincere "good luck"!

## IN REVIEW"

P.J.C.'s weekly newspaper, The Newsance, has completed its third successful year of reporting the latest happenings, gossip, and club activities of the school. Copies are available every week in the cafeteria and library for the student body and faculty. The items are written in an informal, easy-going style that seems to appeal to most students.

The staff of this weekly paper is comprised of three editors: Norm Richards, John P. Smith, and Lloyd Mudie. These journalists handle the writing, editing, production, and distribution of the paper. The three profess to be staunch individualists, and they never hesitate to air their opinions and views in the NEWSANCE editorials, even though these editorials have sometimes been the subject of controversy and have drawn wrath from some quarters. Being individualists, the three editors disagree with each other occasionally. During the hotly-contested senior elections last fall, Editor Richards and Edith Smith ran on opposite tickets for election to the Student Council. (The NEWSANCE stayed neutral.)

Editor Mudie touched off quite a stir around campus in January when he "exposed" the fact that the Student Council had held a steak dinner at the expense of the student activity fund. Considerable controversy raged about campus until the Student Council announced that a big ham and turkey dinner had been arranged for the entire student body. The affair proved so successful that it may now be held yearly. So, peace and contentment returned with full stomachs. However, Editor Mudie was presented with the "Steve Wilson Memorial Illustrated Press Award" for his

"crimebusting" reporting, in front of a packed, cheering assembly.

During December, a considerable lull was observed in student participation in extra-curricula activities. The editors of the NEWSANCE roundly criticized the students of P.J.C. in no uncertain terms for their apparent lethargy, and this action drew criticism from some students. But the NEWSANCE thrives on lively issues, and the editors upheld their views.

The NEWSANCE bills itself as the "voice of the students", and the frequent campus interviews confirmed the validity of this statement throughout the school year. Students selected at random were encouraged to give their views on questions and issues of current interest. This proved to be quite a popular feature.

In October, the NEWSANCE sponsored a "World Series Contest". Students were asked to predict the outcome of the World Series — the winning team, number of games, and probable scores of the games. The winner, who correctly predicted that the Giants would take it in four games was a freshman named Guy Pesce, and he was presented with a prize by the NEWSANCE staff at an assembly.

The above report illustrates some of the accomplishments of this year's NEWSANCE staff. We have done our best to serve both the students and the school by satisfying their desire for weekly, "on the spot" coverage of the news. We hope that the NEWSANCE will continue to serve the students of P.J.C. in years to come.

(Left to Right), Richards, Smith, Mudie







First Row (Left to Right), Gagnon, Drapeau, Laughlin, Rondeau  
 Second Row (Left to Right), Dean Bonney, Winckler, Bowen, Bernier, Logue, Murphy, Mr. Milliken  
 Third Row (Left to Right), Goss, DeDoes, Bernard, DeRepentigny, Morrison, Berube, Shaw, Anderson, Levesque, Conly, Alherton

## YOUNG KIWANIANIS

City-wide interest was focused on Portland Junior College last March when the Circle K Club, an associate of the Portland Kiwanis, staged a three week beard-growing contest in an effort to stimulate interest in the club-sponsored "Beavers Ball" which was held in the college auditorium on the eighteenth of that month.

Norm Mogul was the winner of the grand prize and proof of the contest's success and popularity was attested to by the fact that the dance was a sell-out, a rare occurrence in this college's activities. Faculty members John F. Jacques, Alfred E. Clarke and Dean Bonney and their wives served as judges.

The proceeds of the Beaver Ball were put into a special fund to be used this summer to send needy children to Camp. This was but one of the many worthwhile projects tackled by this unselfish group in their efforts to better both P.J.C. and our community.

Last Christmas the Circle K, under the superb leadership of its president, Clem Bernier, distributed food baskets to the needy families of Portland and vicinity.

A successful supper to benefit the Community Chest, and the collection of out-grown wearing apparel and toys for use on the Kiwanis Radio-TV Auction were among other worthwhile activities of the Club, all of which have given the College a fine reputation for participation in community projects.

Robert Brown has assisted Bernier in the capacity of Vice-President with Edward Logue, the club's Secretary and Joe Murphy holding the treasurer's post. The Executive Committee members are David DeRepentigny, William Gagnon, Donald DeDoes, John Berube, Lawrence Bernard and Fred Hinxman.

It is with a great deal of indebtedness that the STAG staff thank the members of this fine organization who solicited the majority of ads contained herein, thus making it possible for the students to acquire their copies of the yearbook at a reduced price.

May the fire of the Circle K continue to burn through the years to come with the steady flame that benefits both the college and the community.

## "The Outdoor Men"

The Outing Club of Portland Junior College, which is known as one of the most active and diversified clubs on campus, has continued this year in its traditional capacity. Alfred E. Clarke, the club adviser, made it possible for the club to acquire a cabin at Dyke Mountain on which many hunters, skiers and fishermen were seen throughout the year. The organization of the club this year proved to be a little different from past years. We had a general chairman, in the person of Richard Bouchard. Under him there were three chairmen, Norman Pierce who served as chairman of camping and hiking, Thomas Merrill acting as chairman of fishing, and, serving as a "spare chairman" to use Al Clarke's phrase, was David Silsby.

After the struggle to organize and deputize, the mighty Outing Clubbers struck out for the north woods during the hunting season. Numbering fifteen strong, and including the mighty freshman wit Dale Elliott, the hunters invaded the Carrying Place Plantation area that was "excellent deer country" and came home four days later looking like the defeated Confederate army, having achieved about as much as the fellow who spent his life shoveling dust into the teeth of a gale, (that is, no deer).

Occasionally the out of door woodsmen would strike off for Dyke Mt., on a weekend to "cut wood for the winter months". On one occasion, two brave members faced a howling early morning blizzard and struggled over some five miles of mountain road with certain supplies that were later consumed by a fellow member of the club now considered an ingrate. Merrill wants to know how he dared to even touch these cans.

Other members of the club who deserve more than passing mention for achieving the honored award of a certain distinction were Bill Hodgkins, and Tom Merrill. Some of the less honored but equally renowned members who rate mention include Ken Taylor, (who got his squirrel) and John Berube (who went home).

The few winter weekends that were blessed with snow saw man members exercising their "abilities" on skies, while others were formulating plans to invade all of fishdom this spring with lures and skills uncountable.

These are some of the many occasions that will remain in the memory of the members of the Outing Club for a long time. This has indeed been an active, successful and fun-filled year for the Outing Club.

Seated, left to right: Mr. Clarke, Bouchard, Morrison, Merrill.  
 Standing, left to right: Keup, Richards, Hyler, Pierce, Kilbride, Berube, Shaw, Bernier, Cantara, Dion, Silsby.







(Left to Right), Lovejoy, Merrill, Hinxman

## "MUSICALLY ---

The Longhair Club was faced with a dearth of membership this year, and as a result got off to a slow start. However, through the efforts of freshman Fred Hinxman and seniors Scott Lovejoy and Norman Pierce, the club was maintained on a reasonably active basis. Mr. Robert Goff, the faculty adviser to the music club, served as host several times during the year. This proved to be another factor in keeping the Longhairs active.

As has always been the case with the Longhair Club, one of the oldest organizations in the college, the meetings that were held during the year proved to be interesting and informative. Discussions ranged from the music of Brahms, Beethoven, Tchaikovsky to the modern idiom music of Grofe. Some of the albums of classical music that belong to the Longhair Club were pressed into use during

several of the campus smokers held during the year.

In the second semester, the Longhair Club utilized some of their funds to purchase more classical albums thus increasing the now quite extensive library.

One of the highlights of the club's activities was an informal and extemporaneous discussion of organ music given by Dr. Rupert Lovejoy. At the same meeting, Dr. Lovejoy played several selections of music in the classical vein that he had composed himself. It has not been a project of the Longhair Club, but many of the members have been attending the various concerts held in Portland City Hall.

Besides a good library of records, the club owns a record player, thus making it possible for the club to have much to offer in the way of good music to future members.

## SPEAKING"

The Jazz Club, which was born last year at P.J.C. got off to a flying start this year, and quickly became the largest and one of the most popular clubs on the campus. The club's founding fathers, Norm Richards and Leon Hawkes, were back at the start of the fall semester, and together with another real "hipster", Paul Bankson, arranged an immediate merger with a similar jazz group at Westbrook Junior College.

An election was held to appoint officers representing both schools. The club officials elected were Paul Bankson and Anna Santorro, Directors; Sally Brown, Secretary and Dick Winckler, Treasurer. Norm Richards was appointed Publicity Chairman, and served as club representative on the Student Council.

The purpose of the Jazz Club is to foster the appreciation of jazz music and its artists. The club members feel that jazz is one of the few original American contributions to our civilization and culture, and is worthy of being honored as such. The club contains fans devoted to many different stages of jazz, throughout its evolution from early New Orleans Dixieland on up through "swing", "bop", and contemporary modern jazz.

Club activities were many and varied. Mr. Donald Ferguson, Portland's leading jazz authority, gave many lectures on different jazz artists and techniques of jazz. He is a personal friend of many of the greatest figures in the world of jazz. Panel programs were held, at which time members would discuss current jazz records.

The Jazz Club had its own trio of musicians, known as "Chet Keefe and his Wild Ones",

who played to enthusiastic student audiences at P.J.C. assemblies. Other club activities were field trips to see as well as hear some of the country's leading jazz musicians. One in February was a jaunt to Lewiston to attend a concert by Dave Brubeck, the foremost figure in modern Jazz today. Another feature activity was the holding of live jam sessions by local jazz musicians, with permission of the local jazz musicians' union. "Workshops in Jazz" were staged in which the musicians explained and demonstrated how the various sounds and techniques of jazz are evolved.

The club established excellent relations with local disc jockeys, and members were frequently seen as guests of the announcers in the studios. Members Bob Gold, Sally Brown, Dick Winckler, and Anna Santorro were featured on station WPOR's program, "Jazz Journeys" as a discussion panel.

The Club also sponsored dances at the Westbrook Junior College campus as well as on our own. Some were highlighted by the appearance of the popular announcer, Howie Leonard, of station WPOR who acted as master of ceremonies and record spinner. He gave away a number of excellent jazz record albums at these dances.

This young Club has earned its present reputation as one of the most outstanding on campus. The lively pace set by the Jazz Club kept it in continual prominence as one of the most enterprising P.J.C. has ever had. We hope that this year's members have set a precedent that will guide Jazz Club members in the years to come.

First Row (Left to Right), Winckler, Mr. Ferguson, Bankson, Strom, Morrison  
Second Row (Left to Right), Shaw, Brown, Langzettell, Bevin, Keefe  
Third Row (Left to Right), Richards, Silsby, Kezal, Gatti, Palmer, Laughlin







First Row (Left to Right), Shaw, Mr. McCormick, Lovejoy, Ledger  
Second Row (Left to Right), Morrison, Mr. Clark, Morrison

## "ART, ON PAPER"

The Camera Club has taken all the pictures for the News and most of those in this book. Leading it has been Scott Lovejoy, president. Other than these two activities the club has also found time to cover many other activities. Some of them are dances, basketball games, and political campaigns.

Some of the members, being veterans, have collections of colored slides that they took while in one of the four corners of the world; these provided many evenings of informative and enjoyable entertainment.

Occasional guests to the meetings gave the men a chance to exchange ideas concerning photography. Faculty advisor, Mr. E. B. Fred Clark was always on hand to give suggestions for projects.

Other members of the club include Alex

Lindholm, vice president; Leighton Brown, secretary-treasurer; Richard Bouchard, Richard Morrison, Richard Marsh, Norman Shaw, and William Ledger. In this club all members are active.

There is more to this camera club than just taking pictures. They explore all methods of developing and printing pictures, try new lighting techniques, and experiment with new types of film. The darkroom has a new enlarger and with it many fine pictures have been printed.

Scott Lovejoy and Dick Bouchard are responsible for the faculty portraits in this STAG. Clubs in the years to come will find it a challenge to meet the standards set by the Camera Club of 1954-55 at Portland Junior College.

## --- AND ON STAGE"

For the first time in the recent history of this College a national fraternity has "invaded" the campus thus adding a high-level note of prestige to the recently revived P.J.C. Dramatic Club.

Delta Phi Omega, well known on all College Campuses, made its appearance here shortly after the successful presentation of our semi-annual stage production, **Our Town**, written by Thornton Wilder. To become a member of the Frat certain qualifications had to be met by each, the most important being an appearance in an official public stage performance.

Because of their efforts on behalf of "Our Town" and considering other associated outside work, seven men of the club were initiated into Delta Phi in a ceremony held on Campus last semester. Many new additions to the fraternity are expected upon completion of the second stage play of the year scheduled for presentation in May. As this is being written its title is not available for publication.

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With the help of the Westbrook Junior College Dramatic Club and under the leadership of Miss Mary Lee Hugam, its director, **Our Town** played to near capacity audiences both evenings thus becoming a great financial success for both colleges in addition to inspiring new interest in modern drama.

Credit for the revival and resultant success of this year's Dramatic Club must go to its officers under the fine leadership of Robert Barber, who served as president. Helping him were Norman Shaw of radio-TV fame, the club's vice-president and popular Philip Peters acting as secretary-treasurer.

It is the hope, not only of the members of the Dramatic Club, but of all who have appreciated their fine work, that with the coming of the fall semester another group will present themselves to carry on the splendid work that the Dramatic Club of nineteen fifty-five has so ambitiously revived.

First Row (Left to Right), Shaw, Barber, Peters, Keefe  
Second Row (Left to Right), Luce, Silsby, D. Linscott, Gatti







First Row (Left to Right), O'Gara, Shaw, Kilbride, Hyler

## "P.J.C. 'ON THE SPOT'"

Former Governor Burton M. Cross, State Institution head Norman Greenlaw and Portland Planner Roger Creighton were among the many controversial personalities put "On The Spot" the past season by students of this college in a series of informative telecasts over the Portland facilities of WCSH-TV. Organized last year through the efforts of Earl Hyler and Dick Kilbride and placed under the supervision of faculty adviser John F. Jaques, the TV Club has grown to mammoth proportions and has become a powerful voice through its expression of public sentiment on issues which concern everyone. The aim of the present series has been to bring to light aspects of the news which affect the ordinary man but are usually lost, if printed at all, in a mass of journalistic double-talk.

To Portland's new Deputy Fire Chief Carl P. Johnson the Club owes a great vote of thanks for his able and conscientious assistance in arranging what proved to be the season's most interesting program. This was a discussion of Portland's slum-clearance program and what was being done to eliminate slum areas. In addition to the Planning Board adviser, Roger Creighton, the panel of club members fired questions at Portland's Fire Chief, Harry W. Marr, and Mr. Roger Martin of the City Health Department.

Frank Moore, Norm Shaw, Dave DeRep-

entigny and Roy Leo have acted as moderators and announcer over this series of programs with the rest of the Club members alternating as panel members.

Art Antil, Bill O'Gara, Earl Hyler and Dick Kilbride are the tried and proved TV artists. They have been the backbone of the TV Club since its birth two years ago. These four men will be great assets to any organization, for their coolness, level-headedness and courtesy are the prized assets of young people who are much in demand in today's world.

As the STAG goes to Press the club is negotiating with the State House for a special program with Governor Muskie who is a personal acquaintance of a few of the members. Art Antil, Bill O'Gara and Dick Kilbride were his guests at the Inaugural Ball held at the Augusta Armory in January.

The State Highway Commissioner, Mr. George Stevens, was unable to fill a March 20th commitment because of the pressing business with the new State Legislature.

Because of Senator Smith's Formosa trip she has had to decline a repeat appearance. She was a guest on one of last year's programs.

TV Club program "On The Spot" has become a tradition in Maine television circles and when next September arrives a group will again be present to carry on where we left off.

## AND ON THE AIR"

The novelty of television has not distracted from the steady progress of the second oldest student activity on the Portland Junior College campus, the weekly public service radio program prepared and presented by the students and their faculty adviser. This has been the second year of cooperation with WGAN, and the result has been a full schedule of fifteen minute presentations of "Campus Roundup," the weekly survey of headlines on college campuses in the Greater Portland area."

The guiding spirit of the show this year has been Frank Moore, a freshman who has been active also in the Portland Children's Theater and in the Golden Key Society. He has been on almost every program and has substituted many times for someone who was unable to make the deadline. Frank tried all parts of the program: he announced the opening and closing, he interviewed the guests, and he collected the news from other campuses. For such a busy fellow he did an outstanding job and certainly deserves special mention.

But the radio program is far from a one-man job. Over the years the policy of the staff has been to encourage as many students as possible to try their luck on radio. This year even the interviews involved students at Portland Junior College more than in past years. Among those interviewed were William Kellaway and William Gagnon, two stu-

dents who earn money as professional musicians while they attend college; Donald Gatti, student assistant to our librarian; Nathaniel Kelley, the oldest student at the college; James Rondeau and William O'Gara, chairmen of dances and special events on campus. Most of the interviews were done by Robert Davis. The ones he enjoyed most were undoubtedly those with the only coed, the mathematics student from Westbrook Junior College, and Mrs. Carolyn Kastner, a member of the committee in charge of the joint winter carnival.

The job of scouring the Stag campus for news fell on the shoulders of Earl Hyler, Kenneth Taylor, Frank Moore, and faculty adviser, John Jaques. But towards the end of the year Don Gatti and Robert Barber took over the job as their contract in public speaking.

Thus once again the college has benefited by the progression of Stags, from neophytes to top-flight radio personalities. And while the students were thus developing, the college was gaining in reputation for its cooperation with other institutions in the community. Norman Luce and Frederic Hinxman especially found the students and faculty very friendly and cooperative in supplying the weekly collection of news from other campuses. Certainly, for the year 1955, the program's theme song, *Gaudeamus Igitur*, was well chosen.

(Left to Right), Hinxman, Luce, Barber, Mowers, Gatti, Richards, Moore, Davis







First Row (Left to Right), Kezal, Mudie, Stein  
Second Row (Left to Right), Tierney, Linscott, Kilbride, O'Gara, Clark

## THE CARDSHARKS

Another club is born at Portland Junior. Frank Stein and a few of his card-playing friends decided that it was about time that all men with this interest should organize for the benefit of all students. The club plays pinochle at various times at the members' homes and sponsors socials for the whole student body.

Besides card playing at these student socials, the club provides refreshments. The ordinary term refreshments is not quite up to the task of describing the "feeds" given free of charge at these Stag get-togethers. At the first "stag" in December all present were treated to hamburgers, coffee, and several kinds of delicious pastries. By the time that the club was ready to have another most of the students had heard of the good food and fellowship and turned out en masse and every one left with the hope that there would be more

in the very near future.

And more there were, but the club did not stay within its own circle; they were active in the Sno-Ball dance sponsored by the combined clubs on campus. Some who gave of their talents for this endeavor were Richard Kilbride, William O'Gara, and Joseph Murray.

This club has a rather unique membership; its faculty advisor is Mr. Harold Lawrence, and it boasts another member who is not a student, Joe Murray. Members of this organization include Lloyd Mudie, Donald Linscott, Joseph Tierney, James De Gifico, Frank Scammon, John Smith, Kenneth Leonard, Joseph Kezal, Peter Tengren, Ronald Thurston, Robert Carleton, and Warren Clark.

With the several freshmen in the club it is likely to be one of the active clubs on campus in the future.

## Stags' Defenders

A new group was added to the activities on Campus last year with the addition of a Service Company to serve not only the College but the State of Maine and our country as well.

Its purpose has been to provide training in military techniques and conduct to prepare its members for more advantageous positions when they eventually join or are inducted into the Service.

The entire College was introduced to the Service Company at a special full assembly held in the auditorium last fall. The demonstration and information presented a unique picture of the group and proved equally interesting to veterans and non-veterans alike.

John S. Berlube has capably guided the group in the position of 1st Sergeant through the many meetings held during the year.

Philip A. Roberts was appointed Supply Sergeant by the Commander of the group and according to reports has been doing an excellent job.

Serving with the group are some names familiar to all students at P.J.C. Among them are Robert Kelly, Nick P. Vamvakias, Richard Leighton and Donald Munson.

Because of its great success this year it is generally felt that when September once again rolls round our Service Company will again be present to "answer the call".

First row, left to right: Vamvakias.  
Second row, left to right: Leighton, Kelly.  
Third row, left to right: Berube, Roberts.







(Left to Right), Bernier, Mathews, Leo, Jaques, Bankson, Kilbride, Clark, Winckler, Laughlin, Leighton, Sharpe, Redman, Mogul, Logue

## "GOOD EVENING GENTLEMAN"

The after dinner, which encourages public speaking, has one distinctive feature that deserves special notice: it actively encourages alumni membership and participation.

The club was organized at the annual Public Speaking Class Banquet in February. The first semester's banquet was held at the Lafayette Hotel under the special handling of Dick Winckler and Ed Clark. About twenty members of the class and their guests ate steaks and made impromptu speeches as is customary at such occasions. The idea warmed into the suggestion for a permanent club. Some of the guests were students who planned to take the course in the second semester and they were made part of the organization to assure continuity. At the suggestion, and even the insistence, of Norm Mogul, who was an alumnus of the class, recently returned to the campus as an undergraduate, the alumni were represented in the officers of the club, as vice presidents.

The idea of the club is to encourage an interest in speaking, and eating. The present members of the club plan to have supper meetings at the campus during the semester as an initiation for the latest recruits from the one-semester speech class. Since about seventy-five or one hundred students struggle through public speaking each year, the club looks like a potential strength on campus,

even if it may be mostly hot air power.

The most interesting feature to speculate about is the alumni participation. Since the official alumni organization of Portland Junior College has been somewhat limited to Commencement activity, this club may be a great move in the right direction. Perhaps the almost six hundred alumni whose address is still Portland or thereabouts will find this club an excuse to come to the campus and sample the good food of Mrs. Hibbard and Colonel Lawrence. At the same time the very nature of the club may allow the alumni to express themselves on the college life and work here on campus.

This new club seems to offer a chance for good growth for the Stags. Alumni cooperation may mean a lot to the students, and like the members of the Circle K, the After Dinner Speakers may find the older men helpful as well as stimulating.

Certainly public speaking is a recognized "must" for any college man. The fact that the local Toastmaster's Club has developed two more clubs here in the city proves that men in the community know that ability to speak before a group takes practice and pays dividends.

The STAG wishes the new club, its present members, and its future prospects continuing good luck.

## THE RAG

Something new in the line of journalism appeared on campus this year. It first took the form of the **Independence Plus** and then at a later date the name was changed to the **Rag**. This weekly paper is jointly edited by George Linscott, Norman Pierce, Richard Morrison, Bruce Laughlin, Frank Moore, and Thomas Merrill.

For the most part, the members of this editorial board wrote under their own names but one of their number chose to use a pen name. Thomas Merrill used Tom Turkey, Will E. Bite, and J. Samoh Lirre. Whether they wrote under their own or an assumed name these men succeeded in turning out a paper with humor as well as seriousness of purpose. One of the issues carried two letters to the editors on the subject of school spirit. Through its cartoons, drawn by Bruce Laughlin, the paper boosted school activities and provided various campus topics-of-discussion.

It is interesting to note that the paper attracted the interest of the faculty as well as

students. This might be due to the fact that only a limited number of the papers are printed each week. Another reason could be that the paper boasts the only original comic strip in campus publications. This strip appeared several times in color and handles the sensitive problems of the campus in a light and straight forward manner.

Contrary to the general opinion the **Rag** was not started to give competition to the news publications here at Portland Junior College, but rather to give the news a new look here on campus. The **Rag** merely tried to do that which the others cannot do and still stay within their scope.

George Linscott, the senior editor, trained the freshmen to take over the **Rag** next year. Their training consisted of publishing one paper on their own; this they did with so much proficiency that seniors Linscott, Merrill, and Pierce almost lost control of their own "brain child".

First Row (Left to Right), Laughlin, G. Linscott, Morrison  
Second Row (Left to Right), Merrill, D. Linscott







FRANCES HIBBARD



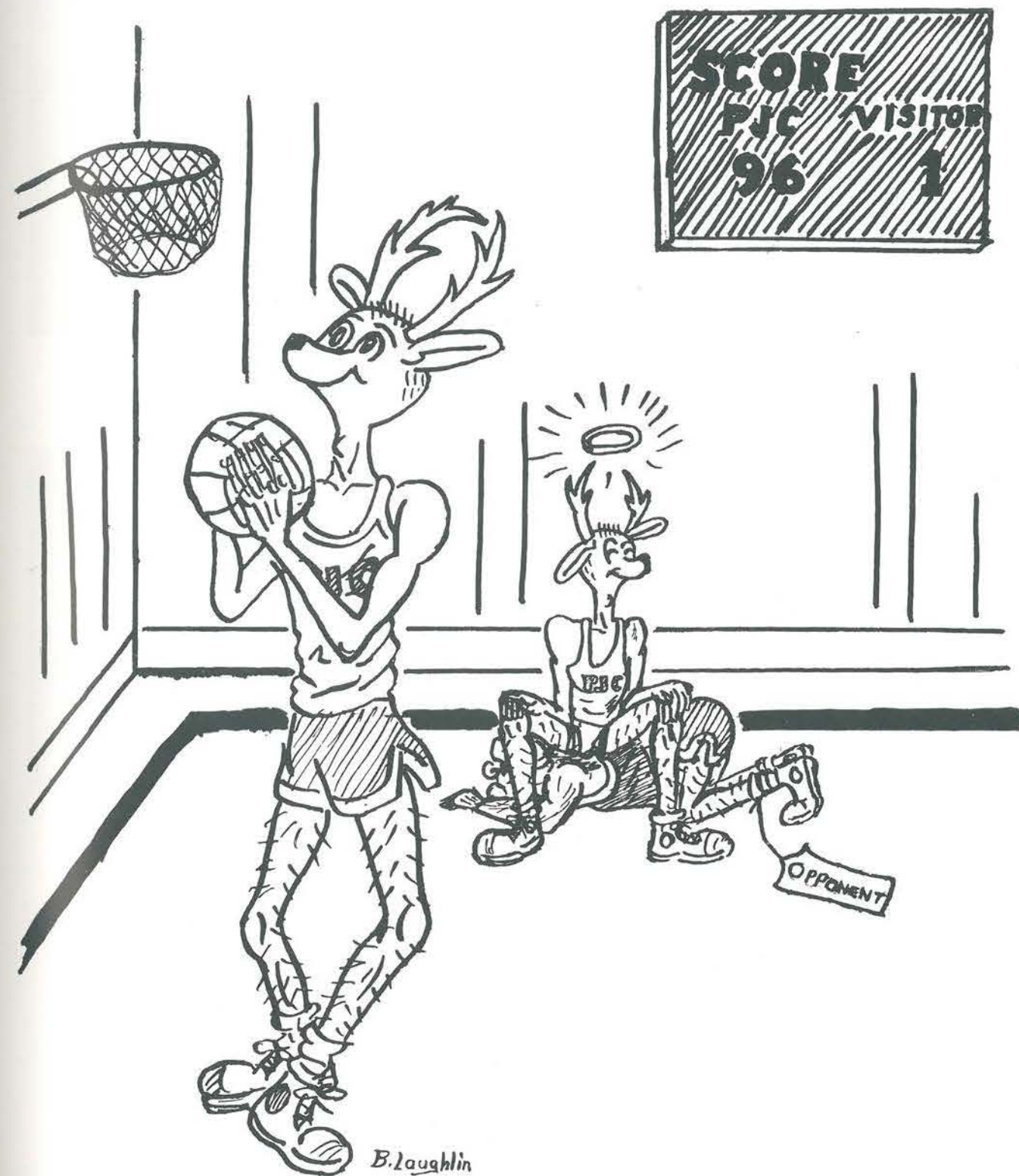
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# ATHLETICS





# BASKETBALL

# 1954-55



William O'Gara, capt.



Ronald Currier



Henry Leeman



Maurice Meloon



John Kershaw, coach

Led by captain Bill O'Gara the basketball team of 1954-55 carved deep its notch in this year at Portland Junior College. Little Bob Kelly proved to be one of the best ball handlers among the teams that the Stags played. O'Gara and Odie Kourapis worked the Backboards to give the team many of its winning points and "Butch" Currier fascinated the fans with his accuracy from the outside corners.

As a general rule the games were close, with the victor being decided only at the final gun. Ricker College shared the lead with the Stags off and on all through the game and eventually won by a slim three points. Gorham State Teachers' College JVs gave the team even a rougher time of it, but this time P.J.C. came out on top by one point. Many of the other games were just as close and our team won in the total point column. The final game, with Portland University, was the most exciting because the game was all tied up at the end of regular playing time. In the overtime period the Stags managed to tally two more points to win the game.

This impressive record proved that the daily practice sessions and rigid training program under the coaching of John Kershaw "payed off" in the final analysis.



Robert Kelly



James DeGifico



James Caselden



Odie Kourapis



Joseph Tierney

## POINT TOTALS

Currier	249
Kourapis	209
Kelly	192
Caselden	185
DeGifico	150
O'Gara	117
Leeman	33
Meloon	22

Total P.J.C.	1208
Total Opp.	1184
Average points per game P.J.C.	67.1
Average points per game Opp.	65.8

## 1954 - 1955 SEASON

P.J.C.		OPP.	P.J.C.		OPP.
42	At Univ. of Maine Frosh	78	69	New England College	85
75	At Gorham State Teachers JVs	69	76	At Bridgton Academy	51
63	Nasson College	65	90	Portland University	53
60	Bridgton Academy	50	80	At Bates College JVs	49
65	At Univ. of N. H. Frosh	97	66	Gorham State Teachers JVs	65
72	At Nichols Junior College	68	93	Nichols Junior College	100
35	At Springfield College JVs	41	41	At Colby College Frosh	69
77	Maine Vocational Tech. Inst.	44	60	At Maine Vocational Tech. Inst.	56
83	Ricker College	86	60	At Portland University	58

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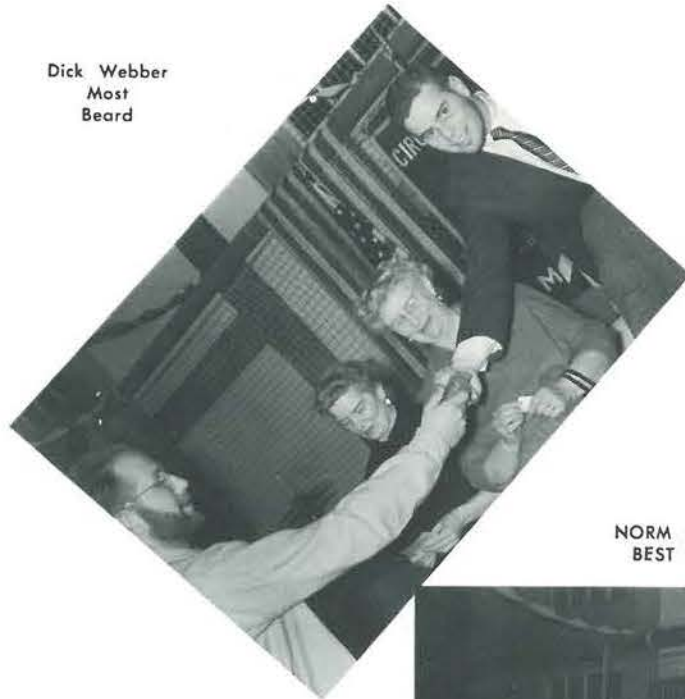




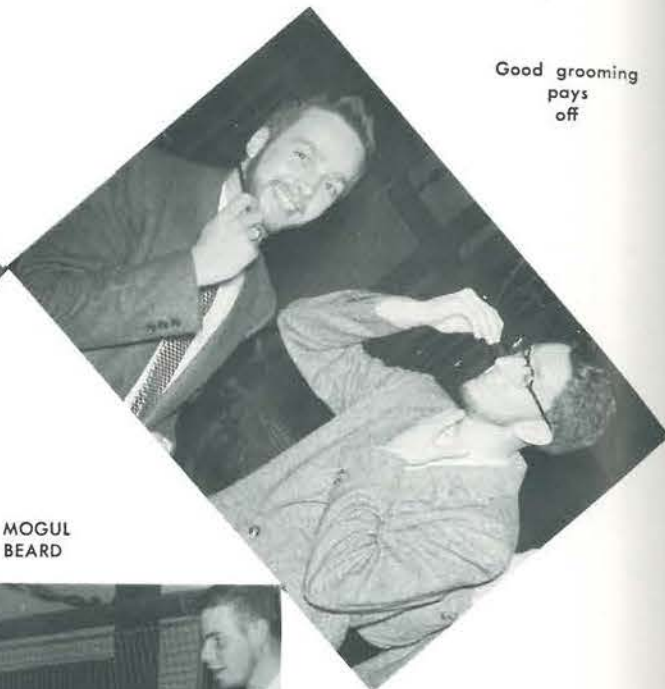


# BEAVERS BALL

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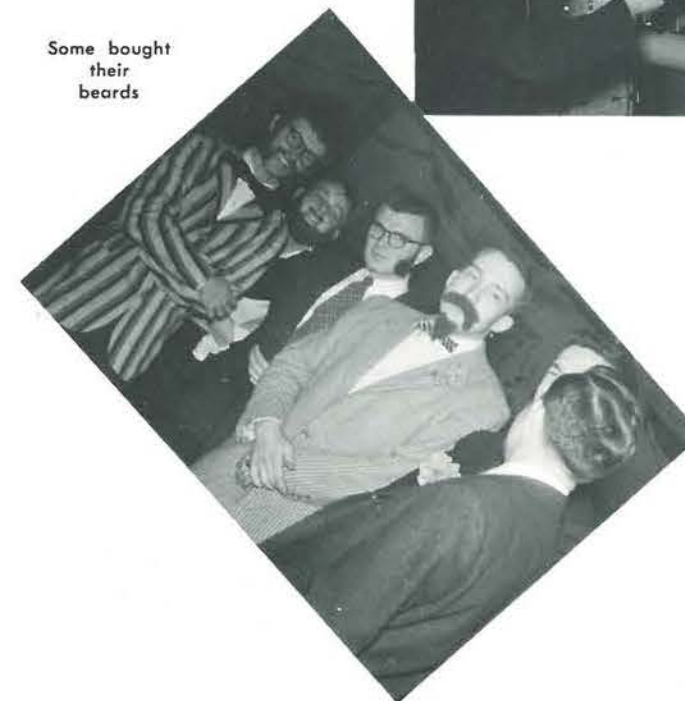
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NORM MOGUL  
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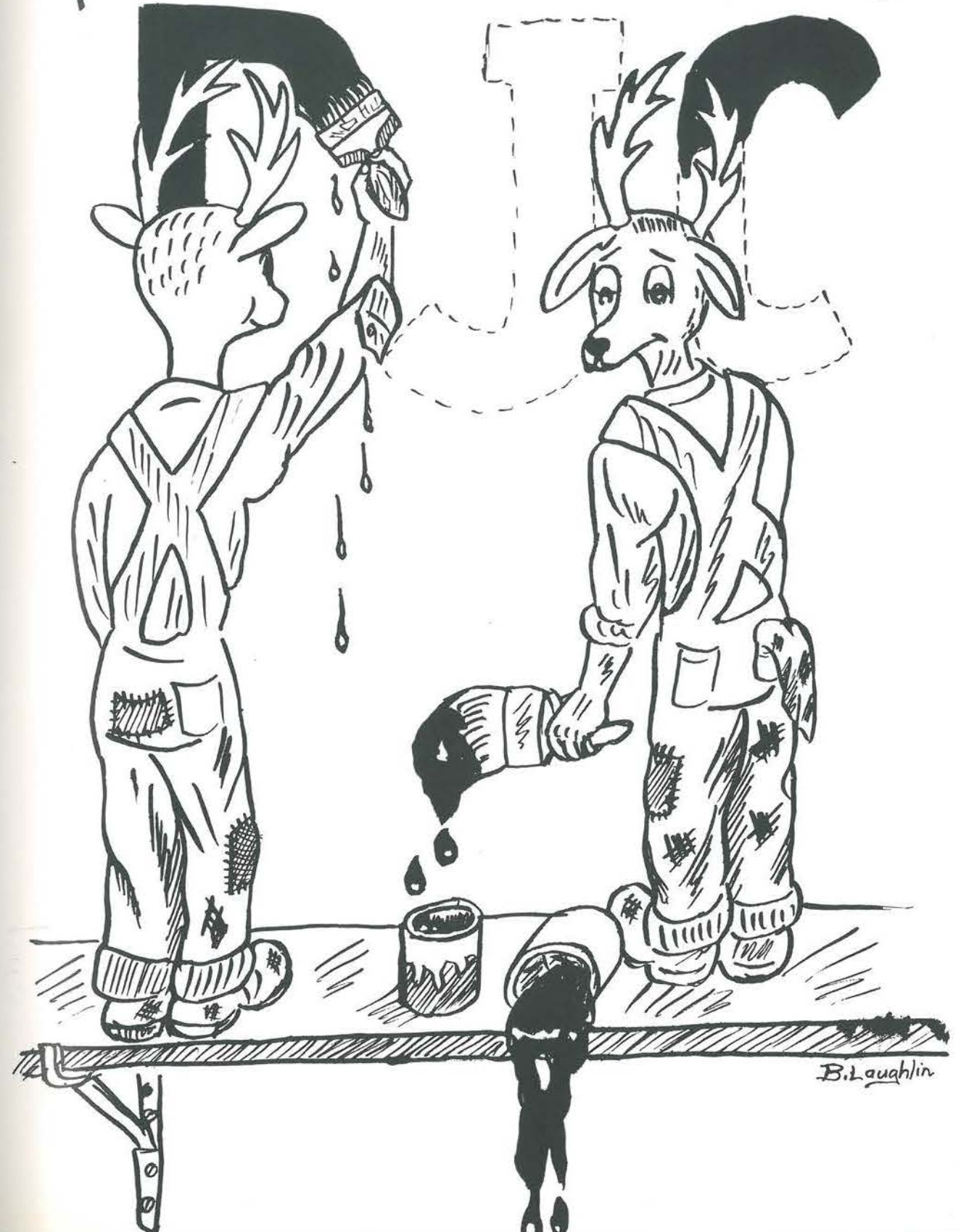
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Bill O'Gara  
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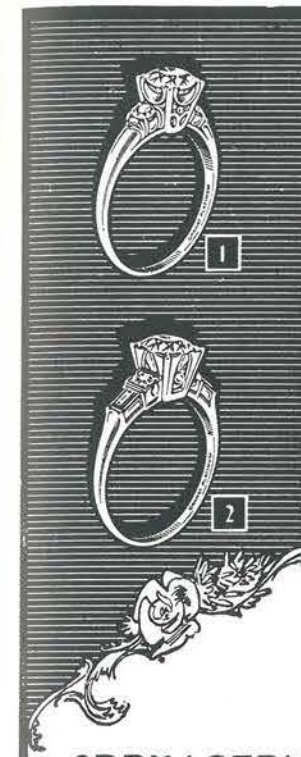


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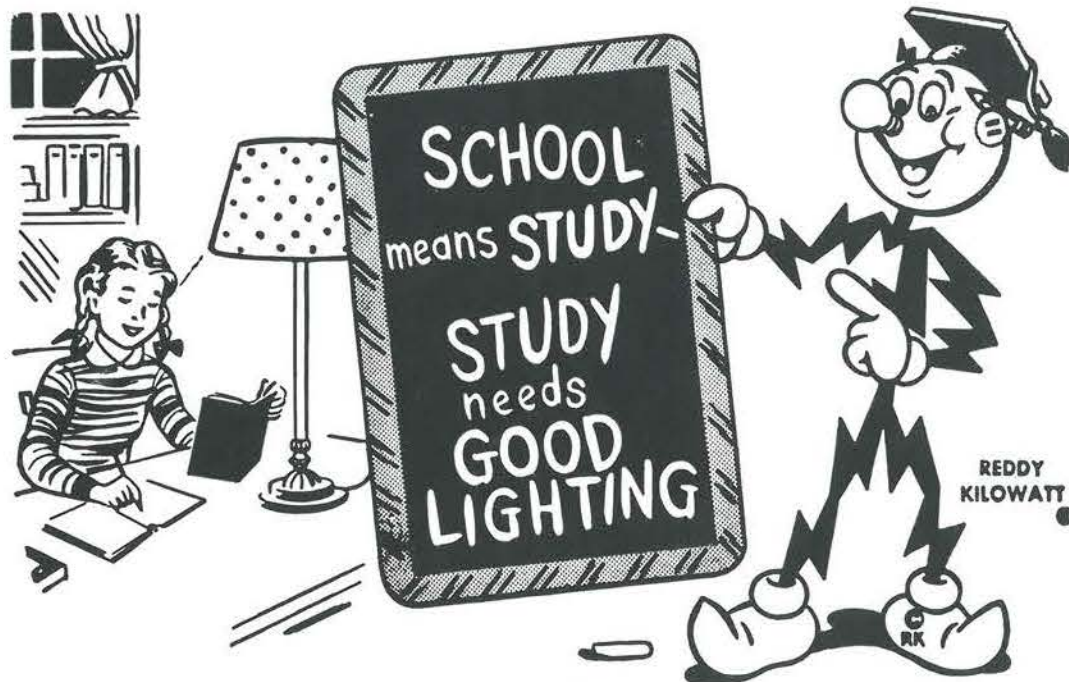
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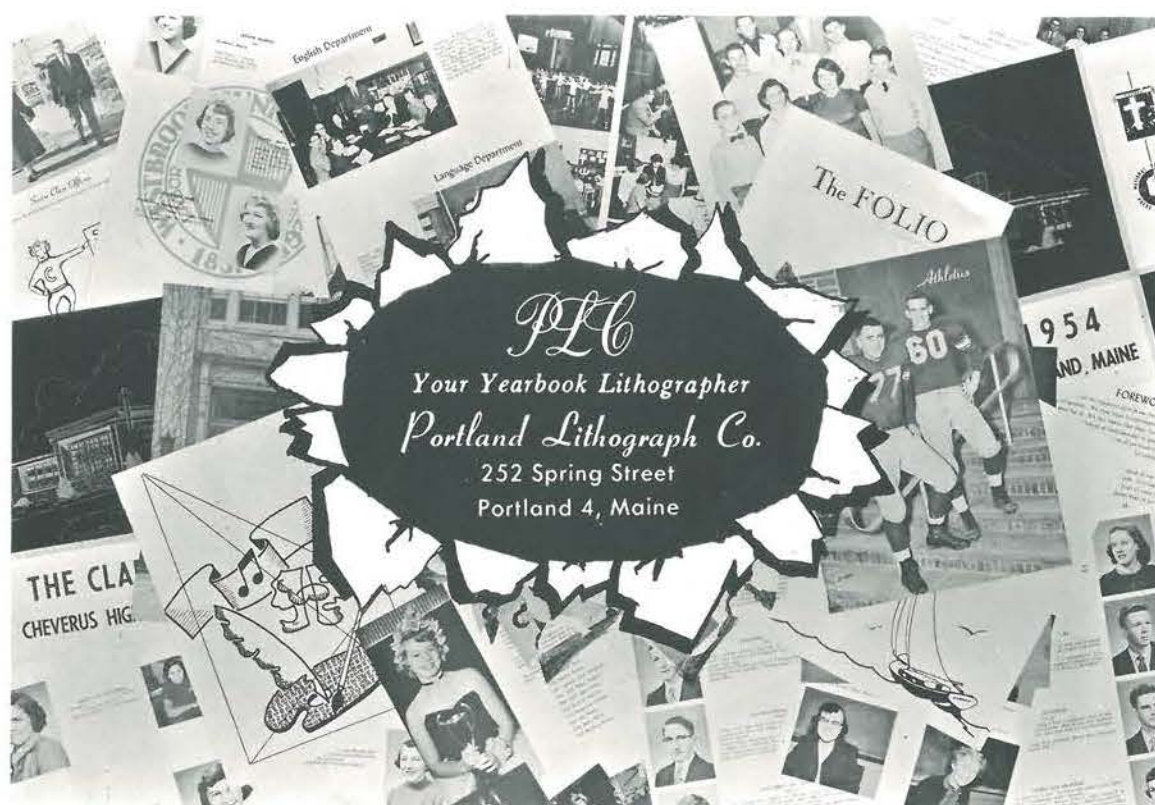
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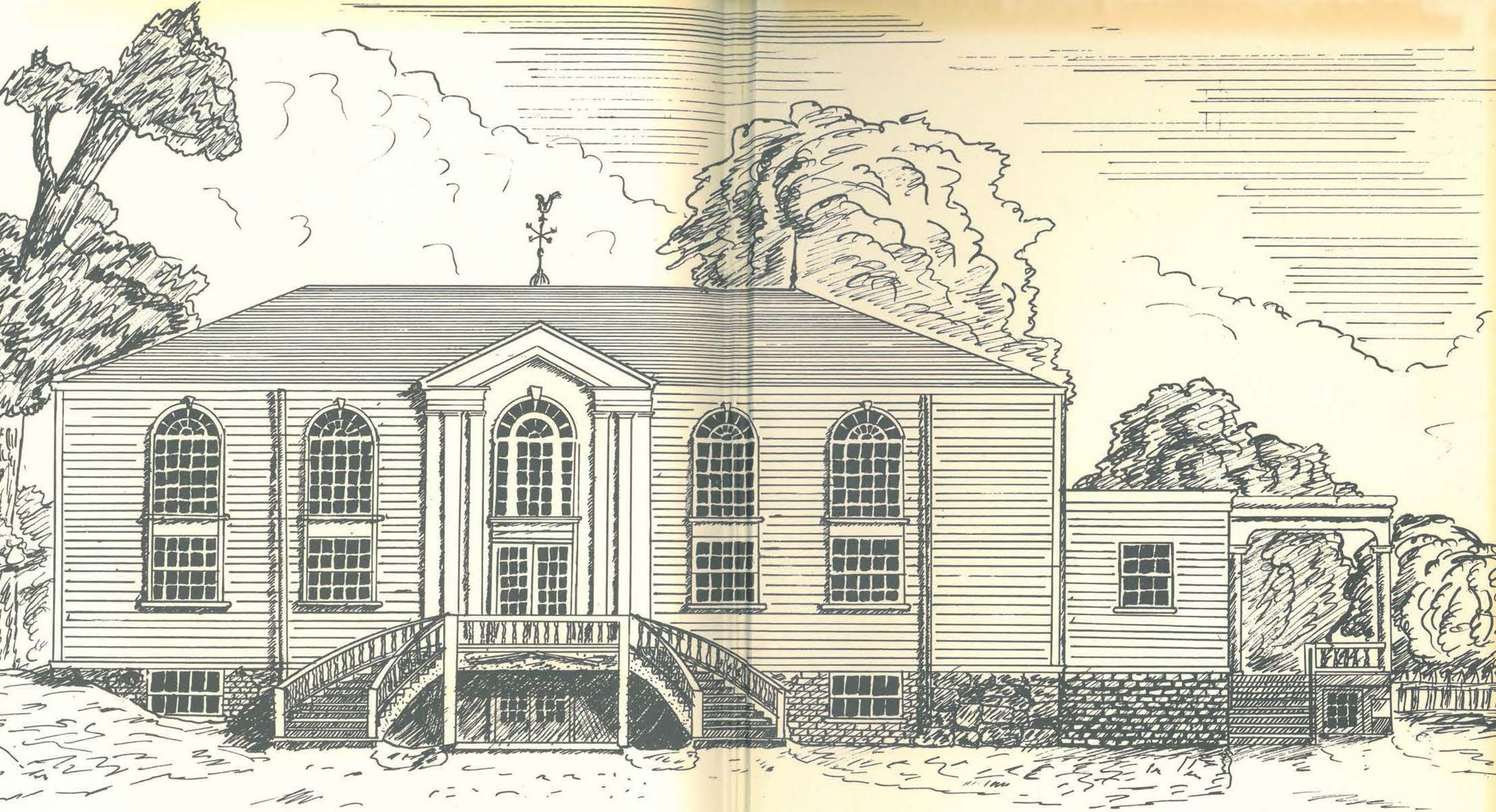
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