

Principal's Message



Dear Seniors,

You have done the school and the community a great service in compiling and presenting this Year-book to the public, and I think it indeed thoughtful and considerate of you to dedicate it to your parents.

All of the events, activities, accomplishments, competitive excellence, and all of your interests in general shown herein depict clearly the important part you and your fellow students have shown in the progress of the total school and community program. The contribution of each outstanding pupil, whether in athletics or literary genius, has been noteworthy in holding up "Dear Old Boston" and enabling it to keep its place among the ten foremost high schools in the State.

My sincere hope is that whether you continue your education in college, or whether you go out into the realities of life, you will find a niche somewhere in which you can function properly and profitably in our great American way of life.

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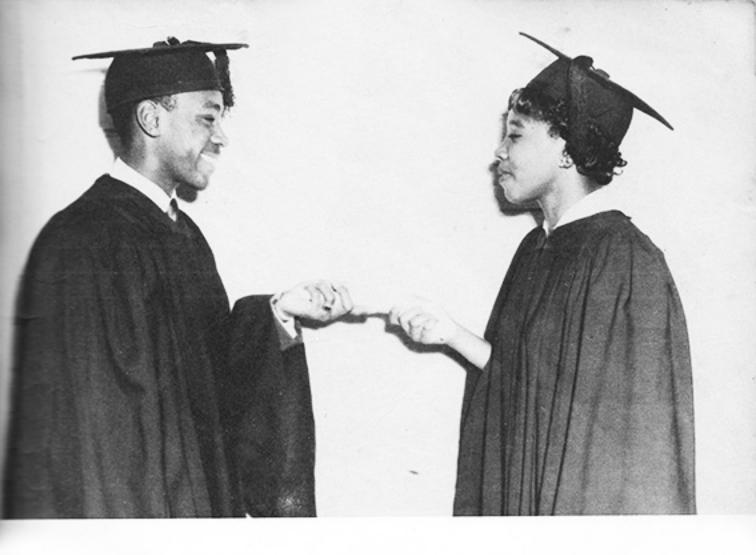
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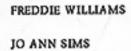


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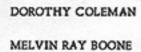
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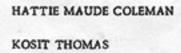
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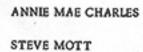
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Class History

Unlike most classes, the history of the class of '53 begins with the eighth grade. In our school, there was no senior graduating class in 1949 due to a change in the school program; therefore, the eighth grade class was in the graduation "lime light."

The gallant warriors started out to pursue the vast field of education. The officers elected to lead us in our undertakings were: T. L. Bilbo, president; Freddie Williams, vice president; Rose Marie Thiery, secretary; and Samuel Hawkins, treasurer. Our motto was, "At the Foot of the Ladder but We Are Climbing."

We felt very important when we received our class pins on that June evening, a class of seventy. Valedictorian of the class was Barbara Jean Gilbert, and salutatorian was Thaddius Mayfield.

The title of "Freshmen" was given us when we transferred into new W.O. Boston High School. With the able guidance of our instructors, we soon became fairly well adjusted to this new high school life.

The class was well represented in extra curricula activities. Our candidate for "Miss Boston" was Betty Lou Armelin.

Some of the warriors fell along the way, but those who remained were known as sophomores. This year we chose as our executive body: Ruthie Mae Jones Fondel, president; Hattie Coleman, vice president; Barbara Jean Gilbert, secretary; Freddie Williams, treasurer.

A gala event worth mentioning is our "Spring Formal" given our sophomore year, under the guidance of Mr. Ware and Mr. LaPice.

The class was outstandingly represented our third year in the various activities. Some of us won medals or certificates of honor for good sportsmanship. A number of the boys were honored to represent Boston at Bayou Boys State in Baton Rouge. Freddie Williams was voted most outstanding citizen at Boys' State. Three of our boys were invited to return as junior counselors for the 1953 program. They are Freddie Williams, Edward Brooks, and Eddie McKinley. Pola Nell Noah won first place in the state geometry test; Ernest Johnson won second place. For his dramatic interpretation, Freddie Williams won first place in the district. Geraldine Manuel and Barbara Jean Gilbert received superior rating in the district, and excellent in the state. This year our candidate for "Miss Boston" was Eva D. Norman.

We started our senior year off by electing Thaddius Mayfield president, Hattie Coleman vice president, Gladys Williams secretary, Rayma Vaughn Shelton financial secretary, and Eddie McKinley treasurer.

During the football season, our class was well represented by Eddie McKinley, Ernest Johnson, Melvin Ray Boone, Edward Brooks, and Steve Mott on the gridiron. Trainer for the team was Seymour Sterling. We were also represented in dramatics and music.

With our homecoming day so near, Pola Nell Noah was crowned "Miss Boston,"

The brains of the class, Pola Nell Noah, Leola Reaux Harris, Barbara Jean Gilbert, Hattie Coleman, Ralph Wilson, Ernest Johnson, Eva D. Norman, Delward Anderson, Geraldine Moss, Thelma Pujo, Mary Jane Silas, earned their way into the honor roll column.

Class Day, the event that all seniors looked anxiously forward to, was quickly upon us.

The Junior-Senior Prom was an affair worth mentioning and remembering with all of its galety and beauty.

We had begun practicing our songs for graduation, and this awakened us to the realization that graduation was near at hand. Looking back on the past three years, we realized that we were proud that we were a part of Boston. And as we, the warriors, leave Boston, the things that we will remember most are the friends we have made; the members of the faculty along with the principal who helped us with our extremely numerous problems, and the wonderful times we have enjoyed here at our dear old Alma Mater.

CLASS MOTTO: "In Ourselves Our Future Lies" CLASS COLORS: Green and White CLASS FLOWER: White Carnation

Class Prophecy

Last night as I was browsing through books in a public library, I saw a small black book that aroused my interest. Taking it down I noticed the title "Who's Who In The Class of '53." I began reading that Geraldine Manuel had just finished her singing engagement at the Palace Opera Hall. Her next big engagement was the the Metropolitan Opera House. This name brought to mind other familiar names; so, I read on. Imagine Barbara Jean Gilbert a singer in an exclusive night club, and FritzGerald Baker, a cigarette girl! The owner was Robert Antoine. My curiosity was mounting. I could see a sign hanging on the shop of Loretta Williams, now a famous hair stylist. In her employ are Grace Smith and Annie Mae Charles, along with the able management of Thelma Pujo. To my surprise, I discovered through my reading that Ralph Wilson, now a famous doctor, had just left after getting his weekly manicure. You can imagine my astonishment when I read that Annie Mae Drake owned the largest restaurant in the big metropolis of West Lake. Working with her were three congenial waitresses - Dorothy Coleman, Mary Jane Silas, and Betty Rose Nash. I was thrilled to read that Thaddius Mayfield along with his orchestra was featured at the Arrow Nite Club. His drummer, Harry Cormier; vocalist, Estella Frelot; and trombone soloist, Sidatsingh Jones. Bouncer for the club was Melvin Ray Boone. The owner of the club Steve Mott.

My heart beat was increasing with the turn of every page from excitement of recalling the prophecy of my classmates at "Dear Old Boston High." Just picture Rayma Shelton as owner of a large ranch in Nevada - Stevens' Ranch. Of course, her faithful maid, Gloria Dean Harris, was with her. On the next page I saw pictures of Leola Reaux Harris and her five children and husband, Lamar, happily settled in Ohio.

I could barely refrain from jumping up and down when I read that Edward Brooks was now pastor of the First Baptist Church in New York City with his two faithful deacons - Clarence Jackson and Kosit Thomas. Ohoo-Seymour Sterling and Carlton Mitchell were employed at one of the famous clothing shops for men in California. Eva D. Norman was now a French instructor at Southern University. Hattie Maude Coleman's dream finally came true. She has traveled the forty-eight, and plans to tour abroad.

You can imagine my surprise when I read an advertisement stating that Gladys Williams was now in Old Mexico dancing a fancy rumba in the famous "Spanish Tavern."

I saw a beautiful picture of a university with the name Noah-Johnson University. Noah and Johnson are noted for the new method of working geometry known as the Noah-Johnson System. Geraldine Moss is dean of women in this university, and Jo Ann Sims is Physical Education instructor.

Osie Mae Gordon is now a famous Powers Model and a famous designer. Catherine Jones is manager of a company that turns out women's wear. In this same big city, Douglas Gray has a photograph studio. His assistant manager is Richard Jones. Bertha Pipion is now owner of an ice cream parlor. She has won many beauty contests. Her sideline is modeling for an exclusive dress shop. Delores Reese is now a social entertainer in France. She ranks with the top comediennes.

Some people are extremely lucky. Freddie Williams, the most dramatic boy in high school, now a famous actor, is playing the leading role in the movie "I Stand Accused."

Lillian Jones is a social worker in the church. Willie Mac Pickney is settled in her home with her husband. Five chubby little girls surrounded their "mommie," Lucnell Broussard.

I next saw a young man whose face looked quite familiar; it was Eddie McKinley who had been selected the most outstanding boy in athletics in high school. (He was a bit conceited too.) Edward (Eddie has now assumed his correct name) is now head coach at Porche University.

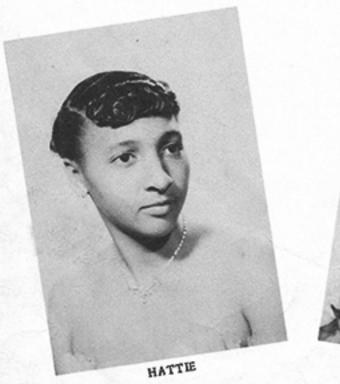
Delward Anderson is big boss of the largest business syndicate in New York City.

Gee! It's closing time here at the library. It gives me great pleasure to know that my former classmates have made a place for themselves in this changing and complex society of ours.

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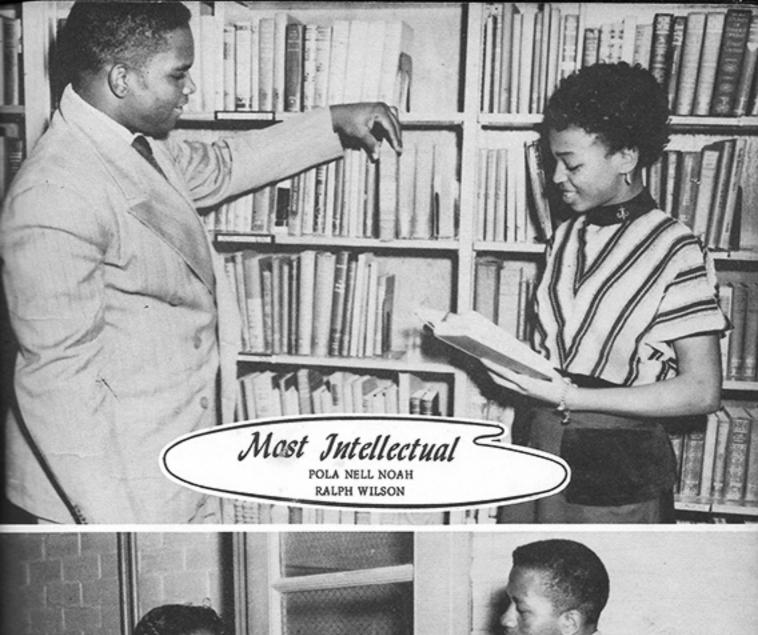




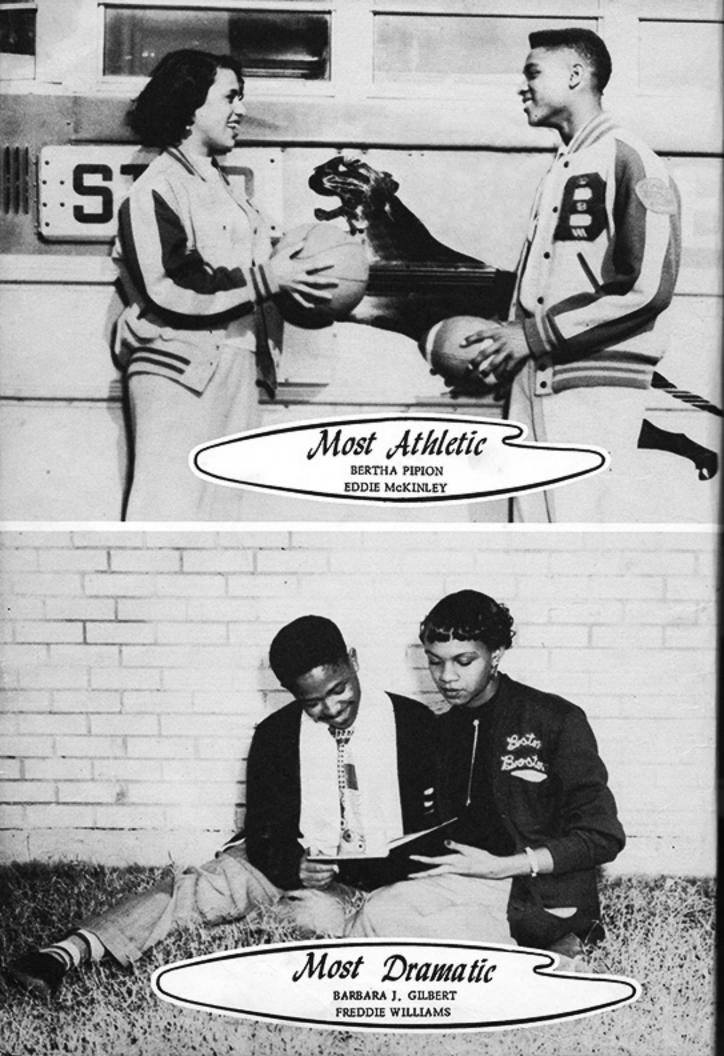


Most Beautiful
BERTHA PIPION







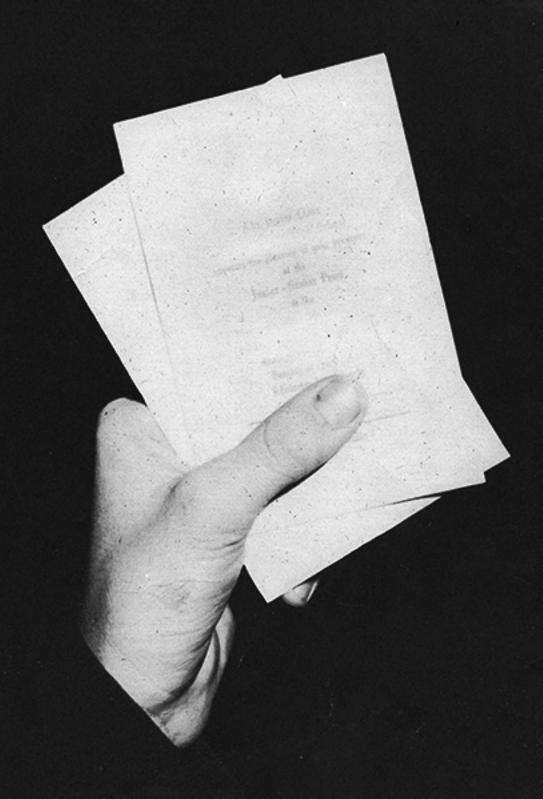












JUNIORS



JANE ESTHER ABRAHAM

PAUL BILBO

BERNADINE BILL

DORIS BROWN
WARREN CRETCHIAN
ERNESTINE BANKS

ANNIE CALVIN
CURLY HANDY
LILLIAN CERIL

EUNICE CLEMONS

CLARENCE DEVILLE

EVELYN DRAKE

BERTHA DEJEAN
RALPH DAVIS
SHIRLEY FEAST



MILDRED GILBERT JOHN ALVIN GRAY JOAN GILBERT

ANNIE C. GORDON

ALTON GUIDRY

THERESA FONTENOT





MARY ANN GUILLORY

MACK GEORGE

THERESA GILBEAUX

BARBARA JEAN KING FRANK FONDEL FAYE RENE HEBERT

CASEY.JONES

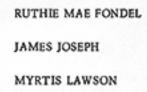
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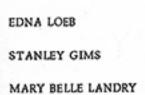


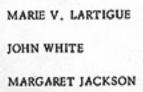




WILBERT SHEPARD ETHEL MAE WASHINGTON JOSEPH REED

ELAINE PORCHE JOSEPH MOUTON MAXINE SNEED



















DALLA MAE WESTON
HILTON THOMAS
GLORIA DEAN LEWIS

LUCILLE SALLIER

LEE GILBERT SIMS

HELEN THOMPSON



MARSHALL MCGOWAN
JEANETTE WALKER

ARCHIE EPPS
JUANITA PITRE

EDNA MYERS

MARTIN EPPS

MAMIE LAWRENCE

CHARLIE PRICE

ROBBIE MAE REDER

THOMAS WILLIAMS









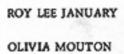




SHELTON DUNAWAY

ALMETER LOCKS

WILLIAM SHELTON









SOPHOMORES



First row: Mimey Ann DeClouette, Lloyd K. Sylvester, Grady Mae Chaney, Joshua Nash, and Josinia Mitchell.

Second row: Cinderella Noah, Mae B. Chatman, Corine Pipion, Jacqueline Jones, and Jane

Third row: Marilyn Pecantte, Ernest Jacobs, Mildred Zeno, Joseph Duplechain, and Della Edwards.

Fourth row: Catherine Dominique, Robert Gordon, Cora Lee Young, Aloyous Deville, and Ruth Jones.



First row: Marion Dureso, Verna Carrier, Clifton Avery, Wilma Carrier, Earl James.

Second row: Sallie Gordon, Alice Patterson, Mildred Clark, Mary Ellen Fondel, Lillie Bazile.

Third row: Anderson Powell, Ruby Lee Gordon, Adam Sterling, Mary Lene Cunningham, Paul Spain.

Fourth row: Joseph Anderson, Gloria Bell, James Miller, Verneedia Davis, Harry Wilkins.



First row: Billie J. Orphey, Marshall Williams, Inez Foreman, Warren Frelot, Elizabeth Simien.
Second row: Joseph Dunaway, Mercedes Shorten, Harry Collins, Geneive Deboest, Elzie Cooper.
Third row: Deola Cesestine, James Thomas, Devine Guidry, Willie Ray Walker, Frankie D. Smith.
Fourth row: Willie Jackson, Yvonne Andrus, Percy Trahan, Elwilda Bilbo, Bobby Vallair.



First row: Delores R. Johnson, John McKinley, Bertha Robinson, Rose Lee Nash, Jessie Warren.

Second row: Arthur Jones, Mary Richardson, Tommie Sheppard, Betty Lee Thomas, Charlie Cobbs.

Third row: Gloria Dean Wilson, Selina Young, Charlie Tutson, Mae Etta Arceneaux, Rena Faye Fontenot.

Fourth row: Herbert Gordon, Castina Washington, Chester Gardiner.

Snapshots





FRESHMEN

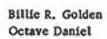


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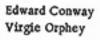
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Wilbert Lewis Leanna Scott

Delores Guillory



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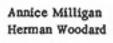


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Georgiana Thomas



John Henry Hagan Emestine Thomas

Frank Antoine Lescile Atkins

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Doretha Stevens Cooper Coleman

John J. Johnson III Lula Mae Williams

Eugene Leopaul Delma Carrier















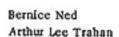


Geraldine Dureso Harold Sallier Otis Jones

David Fondel Evelyn Fontenot

Geraldine Lewis Leonard Broussard

Janie Williams



Huey Carter Thelma M. Dronet



Gloria Richard Johnny Orphey

Geraldine LaGrange James Doucette

Willie Miller Margie Nel Nickerson

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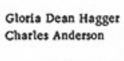
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Joseph Silas



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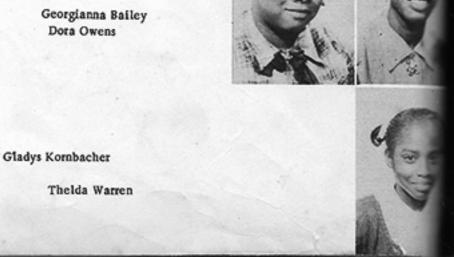






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ATHLETICS



FOOTBALL

Boston	0	Cohen High	0	Boston	7	Clark High	20
Boston	6	Xavier Prep	6	Boston	26	Iberville	6
Boston	6	Central High	50	Boston	26	Henderson	6.
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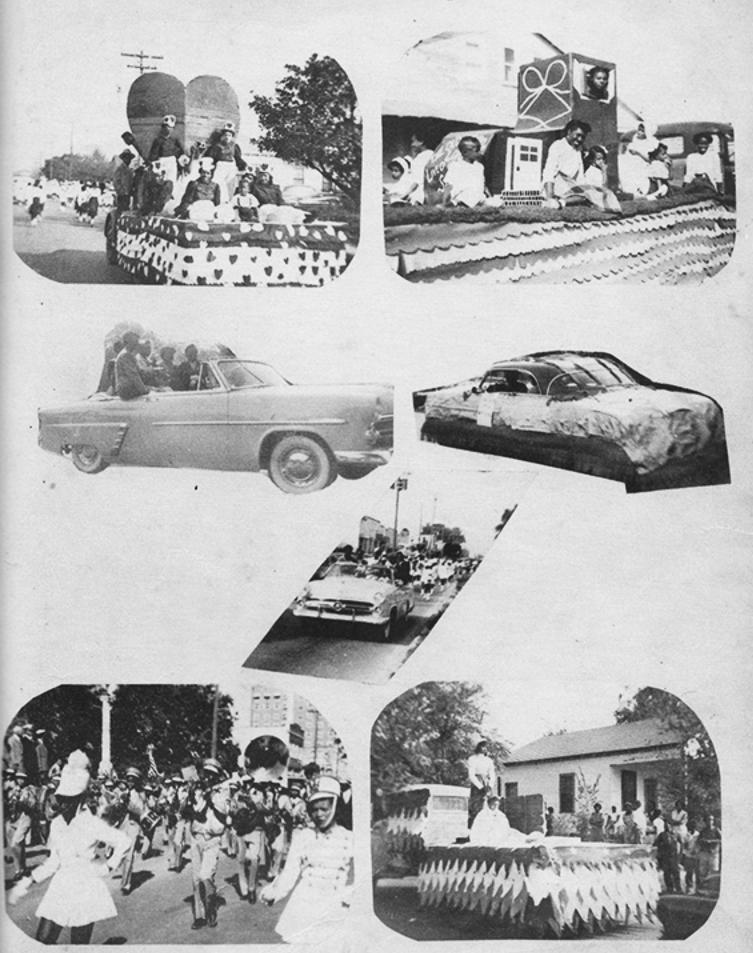
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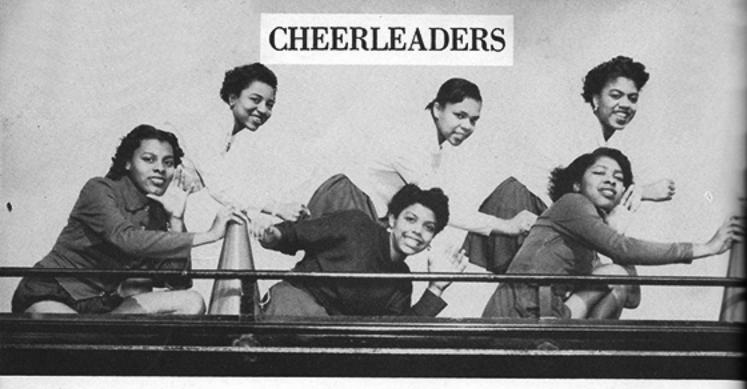


POLA NELL NOAH Football Queen and Maids



VERNEEDIA DAVIS

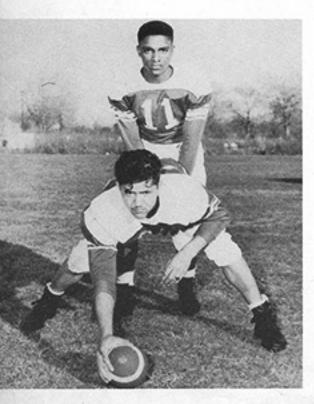




MARIE V. LARTIGUE SALLIE M. GORDON VERNA CARRIER YVONNE ANDRUS

HELEN THOMPSON MAE B. CHATMAN

SENIOR PLAYERS



EDDIE McKINLEY STEVE MOTT (All State)



ERNEST JOHNSON EDWARD BROOKS



Pictured left to right: Jane Booth, Della Edwards, Ester Duncan, Leana Scott, Margaret Syas, Cinderella Noah, Margaret Jackson, Mary Belle Landry, Shirley Vezia, Maudra M. Keyes, Mildred Gilbert, Alice Mitchell, Marilyn Pecantte, and Josinia Mitchell. Center: Faye Rene Hebert, co-captain, and Bertha Pipion, captain.

BASKETBALL

Boston	37	Carver High	32	Boston	23	Carver High	12
Boston	37	Westlake	16	Boston	36	Westlake	5
Boston	15	Rayne	19	Boston	2	Rayne	0
Boston	22	Kinder	9	Boston	38	Kinder	14
Boston	25	Ross High	27	Boston	60	Ross High	. 28
Boston	28	Jennings	31	Boston	44	Jennings	20
Boston	40	Paul Breaux	29	Boston	2	Paul Breaux	0

1953 DISTRICT CHAMPIONS



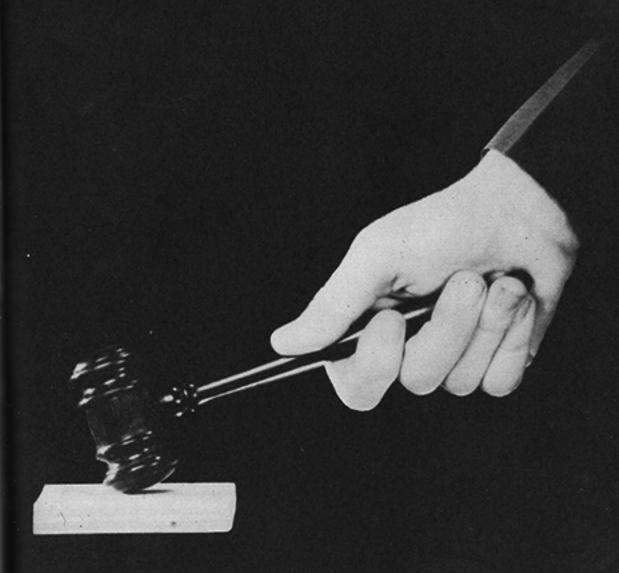
BASKETBALL

Reading from left to right: Edward Brooks, Arthur "Bo" Jones, Lane Jenkins, Sherman Jones, Len Charles Hardy, Warren Chretian, Eddie McKinley, Ernest Johnson, Percy Trahan, Robert Beloney, Joe Cooks, Wilbert Sheppard, Edward Conway, and James Joseph.



TRACK TEAM

First row, kneeling: Edward Brooks, Randolph Daye, Clarence Jackson, Steve Mott, William Shelton, Joseph Mouton, Eddie McKinley. Second row: Francis Perron, John Bailey, Jimmie Granger, Roosevelt Lewis, James Joseph, Warren Chretian, and Huey Carter. Third row: Ray Doucette, Henry Lewis, Ony Rankins, Ralph Davis, Wilbert Lewis, and Lane Jenkins. Coach is Mr. Dennis C. Ware.



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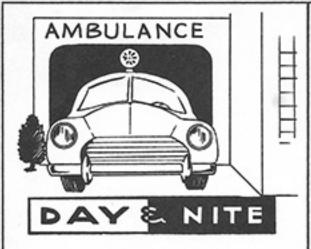
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