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Sounds and Signs of '69









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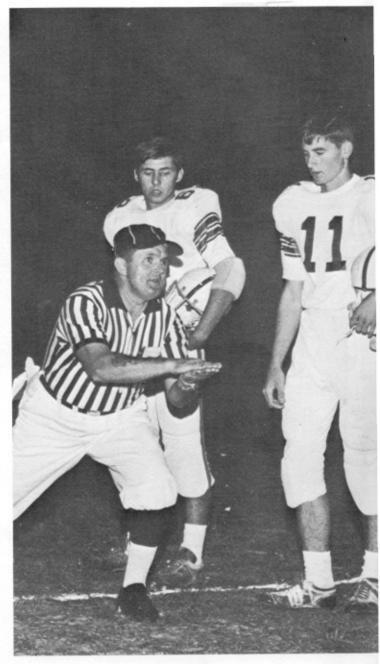


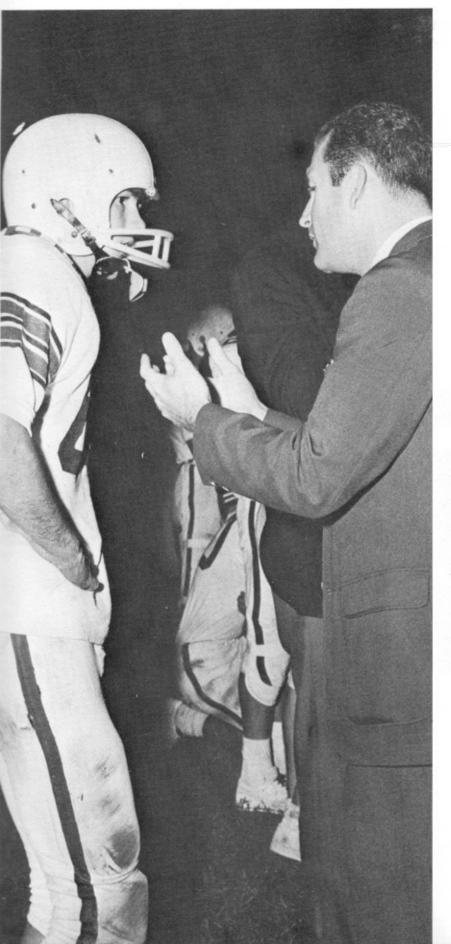
Sounds and Signs of Learning



Sounds and Signs of Participation

















Sounds and Signs of Music













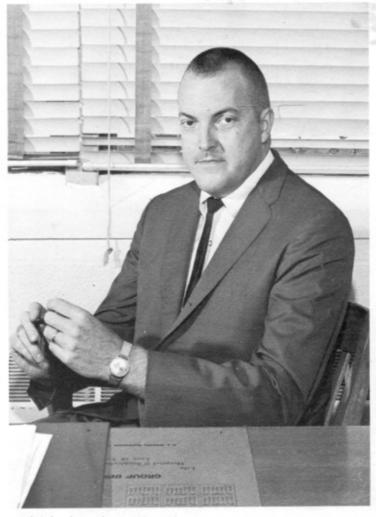
Administration and Curriculum



Our Principal — A Friend to All

MR. GEORGE K. SMITH Principal

Under the leadership of Mr. Smith, our school runs smoothly and efficiently. He is a friend to all the students who let him be. He has succeeded in gaining the respect of all those who know him.



Mr. Smith and Mr. McAbee put their heads together on this problem.







MR. W. C. HUTCHINSON Superintendent of Colleton County

MR. SAM McABEE Guidance Counselor and Teacher





Teachers Provide Helping Hand



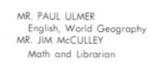
MRS. GENEVIEVE BEACH Study Hall MR. L. E. BUCKWALTER Auto Mechanics MISS CYNTHIA GIANAKIS Science, Chemistry

MR. B. M. KILLIAN Social Studies MRS. CAROL K. KIRKLAND Commerce, Journalism MISS MARY MAXEY History

MRS, MARGARET McABEE Math, Reading MR. ROGER MORRIS P.E., Science MRS. EVELYN PETERS English, Reading

MR. A. L. SMOAK Agriculture MR. ROBERT SPIRES Biology, Science MRS. PATSY O. SPIRES English

MRS. SALLIE B. STEPHENS Moth MRS. MARY C. SUMMERS Home Economics MRS. CLAUDETTE FRANKLIN Teacher Aide





Miss Gianakis stops by the office and picks up her mail.



Miss Maxey performs the daily duty of signing in.



Mr. Spires and Mr. Killian shoot the bull as Mr. Ulmer tries to pretend he isn't listening.

Lunchroom Ladies and Janitors

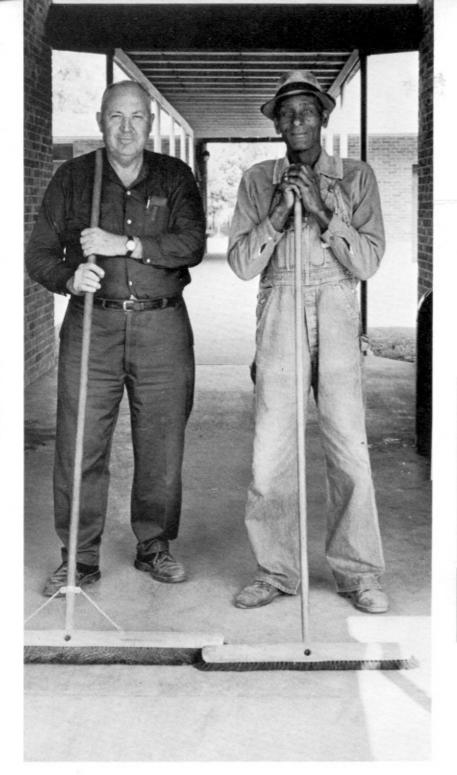
The lunchroom ladies and janitors perform invaluable services to Bells High School. The lunchroom ladies have the task of preparing nourishing meals for the students. The janitors keep our school clean.



MRS. J. R. RISHER Cafeteria Supervisor

Mrs. Pheobe Berry, Mrs. L. W. Smyly, Mrs. Rita Dantzler, Mrs. J. R. Risher, Mrs. H. G. Bryan, Mrs. G. E. Smith.





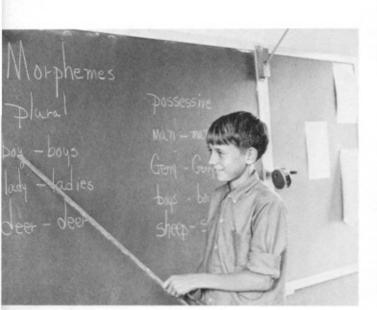


MR. G. E. SMITH Maintenance Supervisor

Janitors MR. FRANK McALHANEY MR. BOSEY JAMISON

The Study of English -

The English department strives to help each student. It is hoped that each student will learn to communicate effectively in speech and writing.



Allan is explaining morphemes.



Mrs. Peters tries to help her students individually.



James gives a report on Chaucer.

Mrs. Spires' class works with dictionaries often.

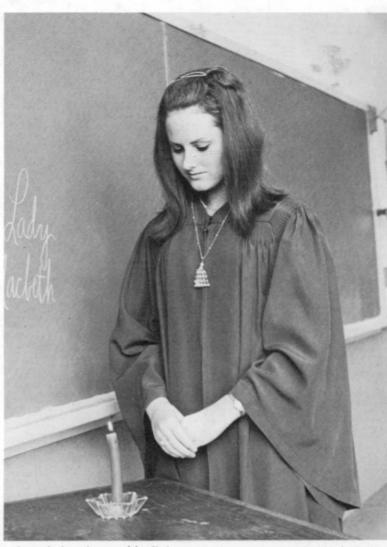


ABeneficial Factor





Teresa receives assistance from Mrs. Spires.



Lady Macbeth, a character from Shakespeare's play "Macbeth" studied by the Seniors.



Riley studies a map of Shakespeare's Britain.

Mathematics Leads to Reasoning

Math is a subject which teaches a person to understand and use his reasoning power. This will become a definite advantage to him as he goes to meet the challenges of the world.

The math department at Bells is equipped to teach all phases of this subject.



Mrs. Stephens explains to her students how to solve this problem.



Algebra students work diligently on their test.







Mrs. McAbee places the assignment on the board.



Miss Gianakis allows her students to use a microscope.



Mr. Spires helps Gena to find the diagram of the human body.



James gives a report to his psychology class.

Science — Promoter of Experimentation

Students studying in the field of science find it a challenging subject. They explore the known and the unknown.



From this instrument students learn about the earth's rotation.

Home Economics

The Home Economics course teaches its students the basic fundamentals about activities in the home today. This prepares them for building better homes in the future.



Mrs. Summers is taking over one of her student's jobs.



These girls are learning the proper way to mix a cake.



These students are learning how to sew properly.

Agriculture - A Must for Future Farmers



This course offers extensive training in agriculture. The class participates in many interesting activities during the year such as field trips, farming programs, and Future Farmer activities.

Some of Mr. Smoak's students and their greenhouse



David and Terry working with the electric saw in the shop.



Travis is preparing to take his hog to the fair to put on display.

History

The aim of the History department is to teach students about the past, help them to understand the present, and to prepare them for the future.



Mr. Ulmer helps Phyllis to locate Austria.



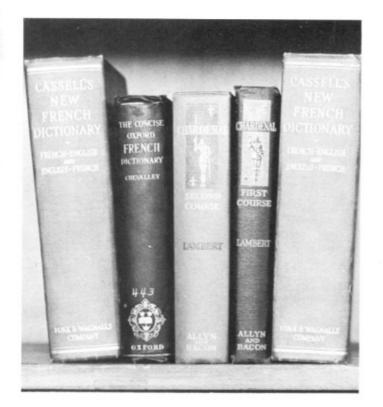
Students here take notes vigorously.



Mr. Killian takes advantage of his new equipment in his classes.



Mr. Killian and Claudette, his teacher aide, go through their files.



French — A Voice of Bells

Instruction in a foreign language is a necessity in the modern world of today. Students learn proper grammar, pronunciation, and the cultural aspects of France.



Mr. Killian watches as his students take their French test.



Cherry is translating one of the sentences from her book.



Tumbling is a new phase in P.E. at Bells.



Dean practices a layup.

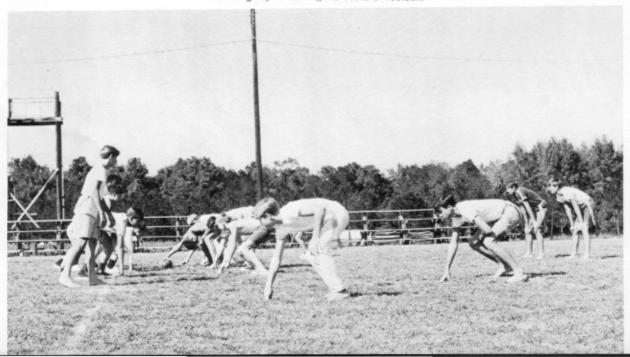
P.E. — A Must

Physical Education is a must for students at Bells. It helps to keep the students physically fit.



These students perform their exercises.

Here a group is learning the basics of football.

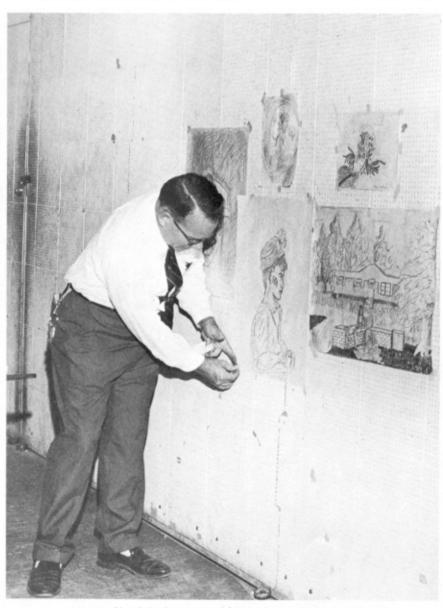




This group is taking a shot at finger painting.



Belinda is trying her hand at a geometric type of painting.



Mr. Mackintosh is placing some of his students' work on display.

Art — An Outlet for Expression

This year is the first year that art has been taught at Bells. It is proving to be very interesting and rewarding to its students.

Commerce



Shorthand students take notes.

A Preparation for Business

This course prepares students for careers in the business world. It may play a major part in the selection of an occupation.

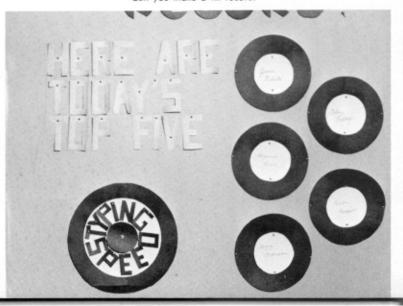


Mrs. Kirkland looks over a shorthand assignment.

"Can you make a hit record."



Skill is a basic in typing.



Journalism and Driver Education

These are two new subjects being taught this year also. The journalism course is preparing students for a future in writing while at the same time driver education teaches the fundamentals of driving.



Mr. McAbee explains to Donna the basics of starting a car.



Minnie and Pam discuss the effectiveness of this newspaper outline.



The journalism class is assigned certain subjects on which they must write articles.











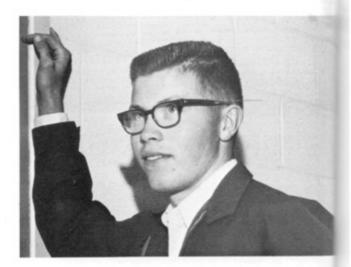
Student Body





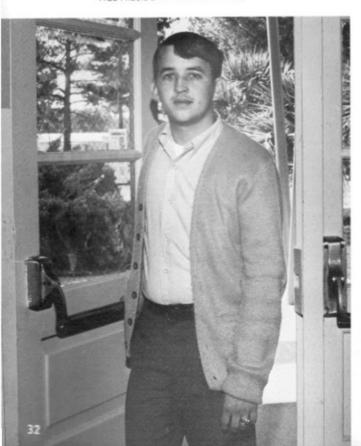
PRESIDENT: Julian Garris

Seniors: Class of '69

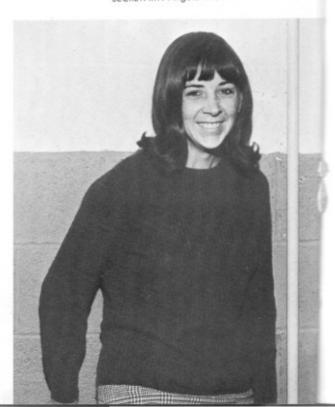


TREASURER: Ernest Polk

VICE-PRESIDENT: Ronnie Connelly



SECRETARY: Angela Thomas









JAMES HARRIS BRELAND, JR.



HARRIET YVONNE BENNETT LINDA LEE BRYAN



JUANITA RUTH BLACK PATSY CARSON



SPONSORS: Mrs. Peters and Mrs. Kirkland



MASCOTS: Marcella Jumper and Darrell Smith



LEILA MAY CARTER





DAVID RONNIE CONNELLY CYNTHIA GAYLE CRAVEN



MINNIE LEE COOK MARGARET CYNTHIA CUMMINGS



MOST LIKELY TO SUCCEED: Ernest Polk and Kaye Thomas



BEST LEADERS: Cherry Hudson and Ray Jones



Sandra ellis Cheryl Ruth Hudson



KAREN GIANAKIS

JULIAN THOMAS GARRIS JOSEPH HARRIS JOHNS, JR.



MOST INTELLECTUAL: Roy Wilson and Ruth Black



GLORIA REBECCA JUMPER

BARBARA JEAN JONES FREDDIE RUSSELL KINARD

ray Jones Kathy ann Kitchens







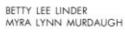




MARTHA NELL LINDER



marilyn annette linder Donald Edward Martin Patricia annette nichols





MOST ATHLETIC: Angela Thomas and Carey Strickland



MARY LOUISE PADGETT





NANCY FAYE PADGETT ERNEST FRANKLIN POLK, JR.



BEST PERSONALITY: Gene Strickland and Cherry Padgett





MARGARET GAIL PETERS EVERETTE RALPH POLK SUSANNE PRIESTER



BILLIE GENE SMITH JAMES EUGENE STRICKLAND, JR.





TOMMY EDWIN STRICKLAND







MIRIAM MAUDE ROBERTS RILEY WILLIAM ROBERTS CAREY GENE STRICKLAND



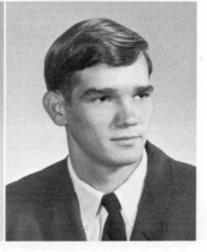
MOST OUTSTANDING: Julian Garris and Myra Murdaugh



DOROTHY KAYE THOMAS



ANGELA THOMAS CHRISTOPHER FRANCIS VARNADOE



LEILA ANN THOMAS MICHAEL GENE VARNADOE



THOMAS GENE VARNADOE HARRIET LULA WARREN

GEORGE LEROY WILSON JOHNNY PHILLIPS



MOST TALENTED: Gail Peters and Frankie Varnadoe

Miss DAR

KATHY KITCHENS





Condon's Teen Board Representative

ANGELA THOMAS







Senior of the Year

RAY JONES



Star Student

RUTH BLACK



Boy's State Representative

RAY JONES





Girl's State Representative

GAIL PETERS







Marshals

The marshals are a select group from Bells High School. These are the six students with the highest average for the first three years of high school.

HEAD MARSHAL: Myra Murdaugh ASSISTANT HEAD: Ruth Black

Roy Wilson, Gail Peters, Myra Murdaugh, Ruth Black, Cherry Hudson, Ronnie Connelly.

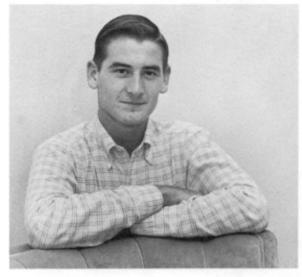


ANGELA THOMAS

Crossroads, Activites Editor; Senior Class Secretary; Block B Secretary; May Attendant; Girls' Basketball Capt.; Bus Driver; Beta Club; Condon's Teen Board Representative.



CAREY STRICKLAND
Student Council President; Block B; Paper Staff; Football Captain;
Basketball Captain; Baseball.



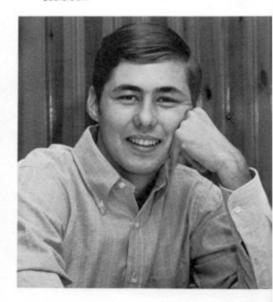
GAIL PETERS
Crossroads, Organizations Editor;
Girl's State; Beta Club; Student Council;
President F.T.A. Marshal; Lawyer.



CHERRY HUDSON Crossroads, Editor; Marshal; Maid of Honor; Beta Club; Block B; Cheerleader Captain; Sub. Bus Driver; Historian.

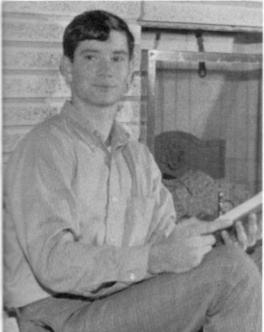


GENE STRICKLAND
Paper Staff; President Block B; Football Captain;
Basketball.



Who

JULIAN GARRIS Crossroads, Sports Editor; Senior Class President; Block B; Football; Basketball; Bus Driver.



CHERRY PADGETT
Crossroads, Classes Editor; May Attendant; Beta Club; Block B;
Basketball; F.H.A.; Sub. Bus Driver.



ERNEST POLK Senior Class Treasurer; Block B; Bus Driver; Basketball; Baseball; Football Manager.

RUTH BLACK Daredevil Editor; Star Student; Marshal President Beta Club; Secretary Glee Club; F.H.A.; Salutatorian.



. MYRA MURDAUGH Daredevil, Business Manager; Marshal; Student Council; Beta Club; Glee Club; Cheerleader; Valedictorian.





SECRETARY: Janet Smoak; TREASURER: Alvin Hiers; PRESIDENT: Corey Ulmer; VICE PRESIDENT: Evyonne Murdaugh.



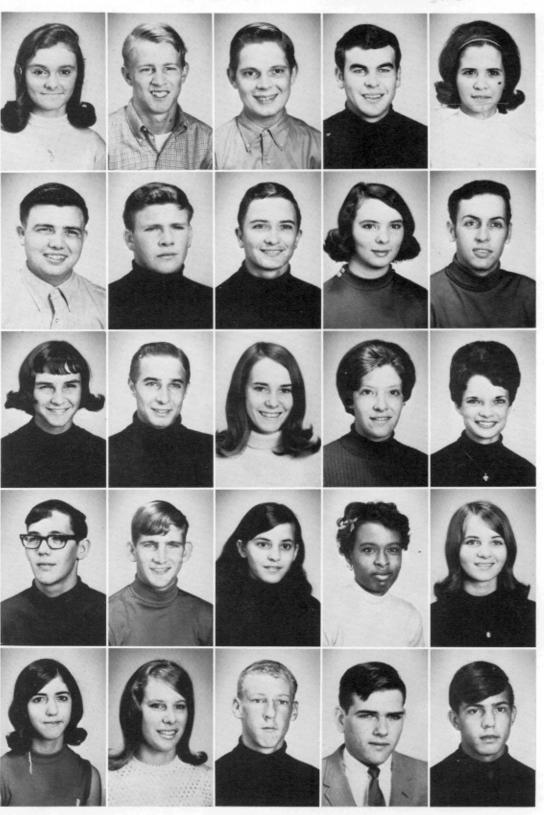
SPONSORS: Mr. Paul Ulmer and Miss Cynthia Gianakis.

Peggy Alderman Mike Bailey Rosa Barnes Raymond Beach Floyd Bennett





Juniors - Class of '70



Cathy Colley Wayne Crosby Mark Dantzler Joe Dopson Nancy Godley

Travis Godley Alvin Hiers Wayne Hutto Reba Jarrell Van Johnson

Ann Kinard William Lyons Evyonne Murdaugh Betty Padgett Linda Padgett

Robert Phillips Royce Rentz Joann Roberts Susan Smith Janet Smook

Freida Steedly Nancy Stout Jimmy Trippe Corey Ulmer Wayne Vornadoe

Sophomores —



PRESIDENT: Timmy Polk; SECRETARY: Sue Sauls; VICE PRESIDENT: Dale Ulmer.



SPONSORS: Mrs. Sallie B. Stephens and Mr. Ben Killian.

Susie Annand Lois Bell Swindell Bell Pete Bishop Leon Bryan



Minnie Dobbins Connie Dopson Deborah Dopson Edward Dunlap Pleas Faglie

Paulette Fender Sherrill Fralix Wayne Fralix Eddie Gibson Tony Hodges



Class of '71



Bernie Hudson Florence Hudson Dale Hutto Donald Jones Ronnie Jones Teresa Linder

Bonnie Martin Pam Martin O. D. Murdaugh Peggy Murdaugh Deanne Nettles Kenny Nichols

Roland Padgett Vernon Padgett Bill Pellum Matt Phillips Carroll Polk James Polk

Timmy Polk Belinda Ponds Shirley Preacher Phyllis Priester Marion Rizer David Ryan

Cindy Sauls Sue Sauls Mary Smith Brenda Smoak Dean Strickland Marilyn Strickland

Myra Thomas Dorothy Trippe Dale Ulmer Judy Varnadoe Roger Waltz Brenda Wood



PRESIDENT: Johnny Ulmer; SECRETARY: Elaine Steedly; TREASURER: Ann Strickland; VICE PRESIDENT: Henry Carroll.



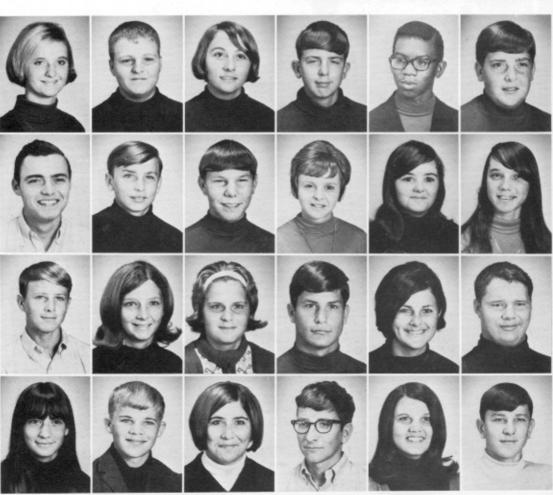
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Kay Axson Harry Benton Cheryl Black Alvin Breland Ja Don Buckner Henry Carroll

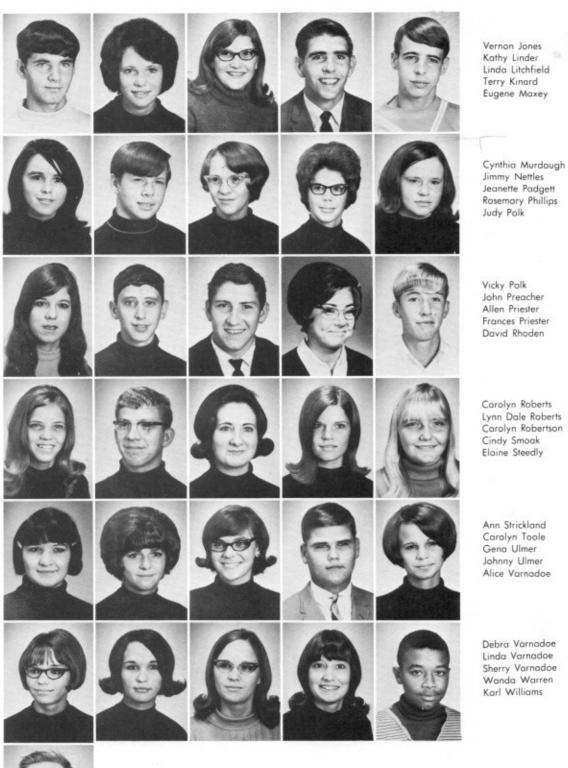
Clyde Carter Wesley Carter Roy Christian Patricia Colley Edrie Cook Marylane Coste

Lanier Crosby Suzanne Cummings Dale Dantzler John Dobbins Sherry Fender Liston Gaskins

Susan Gilmore Larry Herndon Libby Herndon Mike Herndon Edith Hudson Larry Hudson



Freshmen — Class of '72



Jerry Zaun



SPONSORS: Mr. Jim McCulley and Miss Mary Maxey.



VICE-PRESIDENT: Sonya Bennett; SECRETARY TREASURER: Timmy Ponds; PRESIDENT: Karen Kinard; REPORTER: Melissa Warren.

Minerva Avant Marion Barnes Sonya Bennett Janice Benton

Betty Carter Larry Connelly Linda Connelly David Crosby Peggy Crosby Ted Crosby

Terry Dantzler Nancy Dopson Michael Gibson Roger Godley Johnny Herndon Judy Herndon



Eighth — Class of '73



Debra Hudson Doris Hudson Alma Jamison Carolyn Jamison Eugene Jarrell Mike Jernigan

Davey Johns Bobby Jones Johnnie Jones Karen Kinard Barbara Lyons Jerry Lyons

Deborah Maxey Lauren Myers Shirley Myers Randy Nettles Eileen Newton Brenda Nobles

Stevie Overland Jerry Padgett Liston Pellum Bennie Phillips Wanda Polk Timmy Ponds

Willis Priester Sherry Priester Beth Rizer Thomas Rizer Nancy Stanfield Beverly Strickland

James Strickland Wesley Thomas Richard Ulmer Melissa Warren Jean Warren George Zaun



PRESIDENT: Kathy Babb; VICE PRESIDENT: Bubba Newton; SECRETARY-TREASURER: Sheila Padgett.



SPONSORS: Mrs. Margaret McAbee and Mrs. Patsy Spires.

Kathy Babb Marion Barnes Jimmy Bell Robert Bell Allen Bishop Barbara Bishop

Benny Breedlove Dale Breland Joye Breland Shirley Breland David Burris Cheryl Carson

Sandra Crosby Tommy Crosby Joan Dantzler Paula Dobbins Andrew Dopson Dennis Fender



Seventh - Class of '74



Rickey Fennel Charles Ferguson Dean Fralix Beulah Gaskin Harris Godley Harold Hatchell

Teresa Hatchell Jeffrey Herndon Mary Herndon Joesph Hiers Marie Hiers Patty Hudson

Donnie Kinard Gail Litchfield Billy Lyons Dowling Lyons Patricia Martin Karen Nettles

Bubba Newton John Padgett Rickey Padgett Sheila Padgett Dennis Parnell David Polk

Monte Ponds Randy Priester Dale Rahn David Sauls Mary Searson Freddie Stanley

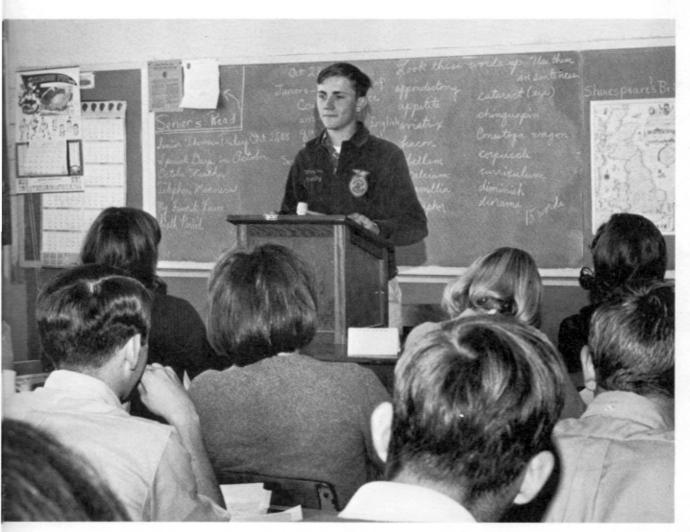
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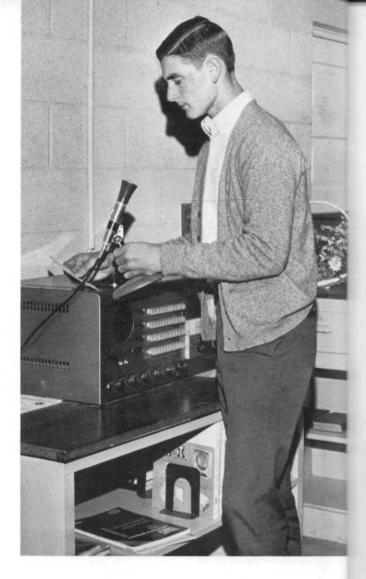




1969 Student Council

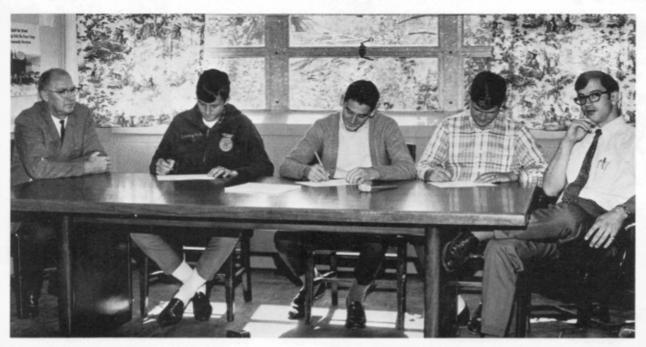
Student Council Representatives

7th GRADE Cathy Ulmer
David Burris
8th GRADE Melissa Warren Stevie Overland
9th GRADE Cheryl Black
Alvin Breland
10th GRADE James Polk
Dale Ulmer
11th GRADE Evyonne Murdaugh
Corey Ulmer
12th GRADE Myra Murdaugh
Gail Peters
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STANDING (L. to R.): Alvin Breland, Gail Peters, Mr. McAbee, Evyonne Murdaugh, Myra Murdaugh, Mr. McCulley, Stevie Overland, Melissa Warren, Cathy Ulmer. SEATED (L. to R.): Dale Ulmer, James Polk, Timmy Polk, Carey Ulmer, Carey Strickland, Johnny Ulmer.



STUDENT COUNCIL OFFICERS AND ADVISORS: Mr. McAbee, Timmy Polk, Secretary; Carey Strickland, President; Johnny Ulmer, Treasurer; Mr. McCulley. Roger Waltz, Vice President, was absent.



Student Council activities for the year include keeping a school calendar, which keeps down conflicts of dates. Members keep order in lunch lines each day. While entertaining the student body at a Christmas assembly, many brought gifts to share with others less fortunate.





ANNUAL STAFF





Corey Ulmer and Robert Phillips work diligently to make sure the business of the staff is carried out properly. Cherry Hudson also works devotedly with Mrs. Pefers in preparing an excellent yearbook for the students at B.H.S.



As in the above picture, the Crossroads staff met many times to plan work. Staff members include, standing, Robert Phillips, Sue Sauls, Cindy Sauls, Nandy Godley, Kay Axson, Corey Ulmer, and, Sitting, Cherry Padgett, Gena Ulmer, Cherry Hudson, Angela Thomas, Julian Garris, and Gail Peters. ABOVE RIGHT: Cherry Hudson, editor, reads a helpful issue of "TAYLOR TALKS." RIGHT: We feel that our



NEW STAFF, NEW COMPANY, NEW YEARBOOK!



staff is very well organized. Besides having an editor that has the task of seeing to it that all sections are properly done, we have assistant editors. They are: Cherry Padgett, classes editor; Angela Thomas, features editor; Gail Peters, activities editor; and Julian Garris, sports editor.



TIME, PATIENCE, WORK AND LOADS OF PERSEVER-ANCE.

These factors the Crossroads staff needs to meet that ever-threatening deadline. Through hours of planning, picture-taking, cropping, copy-writing, and checking, staff members piece together the history of the year involving each individual in the school. The efforts of the Crossroads staff are rewarded when the fruits of their labors are presented to you — the student body.



THE DAREDEVIL STAFF





Upper left) REPORTERS: Martha Nell Linder, Patricia Nichols, Minnie Dobbins, Belinda Ponds.



(Lower left) SPORTS: Carey Strickland, Gene Strickland, Kathy Kitchens. (Above) BUSINESS MANAGER, PHOTOGRAPHER: Myra Murdaugh.



1969 EDITOR: Ruth Black







The Baredevil Staff

SPONSOR: Mrs. Kirkland



The Beta Club is an honorary club. Those who join must have a beginning average of 90 and must maintain an 85 average. Many look forward to having the Beta seal on their diplomas. This club tries to sponsor a scholarship each year for a deserving senior. Our officers this year, shown in the picture to the right, are: Patricia Nichols, Secretary; Kay Thomas, Treasurer; Corey Ulmer, Vice President; and Ruth Black, President.



Hard Work Challenges Beta Club Members







Sounds of Music Increase With Bells High School Band



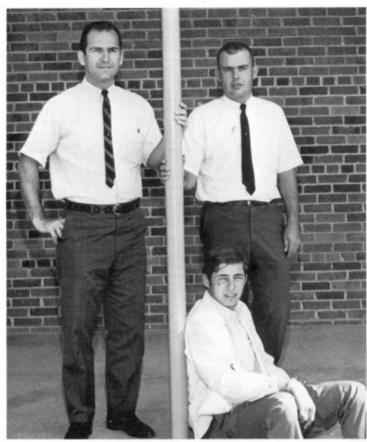
Our newly formed band has strived to arouse interest in music within the students at Bells. Many members have worked hard with Mr. Mackintosh, the director. They are pictured above: FIRST ROW: Gail Thomas, Sonny Cummings, Wayne Varnadoe, Karen Gianakis, Linda Bryan, Debbie Polk. SECOND ROW: Roy Christian, Peggy Murdaugh, Jimmy Trippe, Belinda Ponds, David Tripp, Debbie Martin, Johnny Preacher. THIRD ROW: Lynn Dale Roberts, Donna Carson, Suzanne Priester, Matt Phillips, David Rhoden, Swindell Bell, Sherrell Benton, Janet Ponds. FOURTH ROW: Everett Polk, Edward Dunlap, Deborah Dopson, Connie Dopson, Ja-Don Buckner, Henry Carroll.

Block "B": Club for Outstanding Athletes

Block B Club works each year to build better teams and keep our sportsmanship at highest standards. Some projects are carried on to help some financially. Many members give freely of their time to help the teams in many ways.



Secretary-Treasurer: Angela Thomas; Vice President: Dean Strickland.



SPONSORS: Mr. Killian and Mr. Morris; President: Gene Strickland.





Beth Rizer, Linda Litchfield, Dale Dantzler, Ray Jones, Rosa Barnes, Tommy Strickland, Janet Smoak, Barbara Jones, Suzanne Cummings, Wanda Warren.

Library Assistants Receive Experience From Library Work



The library assistants render invaluable service to the library and the school by their work and cooperative attitude. With the new librarian, Mr. McCulley, they have helped to transform the library into a place to study, relax, and read. Together, they form an experienced and hard-working group of young individuals eager to make the library one of the best in the area.



QFFICERS: PRESIDENT, Travis Godley; VICE-PRESIDENT, Marion Rizer; SECRETARY, Timmy Polk; REPORTER, Wayne Fralix; SENTINEL, Mike Bailey.



Bells FFA Chapter — Active Member of State Organization



SPONSOR: Mr. Smoak. PRESIDENT: Travis Godley.

JR. OFFICERS: Johnny Ulmer, PRESIDENT; James Polk, V.-PRESIDENT; Wesley Carter, SECRETARY; Henry Carroll, TREASURER; Allen Priester, REPORTER; Lanier Crosby, SENTINEL.





SEATED: Wayne Crosby, Alvin Hiers, Leon Bryan, Rusty Kinard, Ronnie Jones, Corey Ulmer. STANDING: Royce Rentz, William Lyons, David Ryan, Mike Bailey, Raymond Beach, and Don Martin.



SEATED: E. Dantzler, W. Fralix, K. Nichols, J. Trippe, D. Strickland, D. Ulmer, R. Padgett. STANDING: D. Jones, D. Hutto, P. Faglie, M. Rizer, T. Polk, O. D. Murdaugh, V. Padgett, T. €odley, M. Dantzler, S. Fralix.

SEATED: H. Carroll, A. Breland, D. Rhoden, T. Kinard, J. Ulmer. STANDING: W. Carter, L. Crosby, E. Maxey, J. Dobbins, J. Polk, A. Priester, L. Herndon, J. Zaun.



Vice-President: Janet Smook; Parliamentarian: Linda Padgett; Song Leader: Linda Bryan; President: Susanne Priester; Historian: Harriet Bennett; Secretary: Rosa Barnes; Treasurer: Phyllis Priester.





FHA

The F.H.A. is a national organization of girls studying homemaking in high schools of the United States and its territories. It helps prepare school girls for their roles as the homemakers of tomorrow.



Anne Kinard works diligently to sew a straight seam.



This is the 1969 Chapter of the Bells FHA.



BUS PATROLS: STANDING: Barbara Jones, Cherry Padgett, Kathy Kitchens, Vernon Kinard, Joann Roberts, Mike Bailey, Cherry Hudson, Annette Linder, Gene Strickland, Wayne Crosby, Ann Thomas, Linda Bryan, Ray Jones, Rusty Kinard, Alvin Hiers, Wayne Hutto, Kenny Nichols, Carroll Polk, David Ryan.

Bus Drivers and Patrols Watch for Sights and Sounds



BUS DRIVERS: Ronnie Jones, Julian Garris, Roger Waltz, Everette Polk, Angela Thomas, Clyde Carter, Ernest Polk, Leon Bryan, Jimmy Trippe, James Breland, Riley Roberts, Joey Johns, Tommy Strickland.

Future Teachers of America



Sponsors: Mrs. Stephens, Mrs. Spires; President, Gail Peters; Vice President, Harriet Bennet; Reporter, Pam Martin; Secretary-Treasurer, Deanne Nettles.

LEFT TO RIGHT: Gail Peters, Kay Thomas, Karen Gianakis, Harriet Bennet, Pam Martin, Deanne Nettles, Sue Sauls, Cindy Sauls, Sandra Ellis.





T and I Club

Auto Mechanics trains boys to watch for signs and listen for sounds in motors



(Above) Mr. Buckwalter, T. Strickland, R. Jones, T. Varnadoe, W. Crosby, E. Polk, D. Martin, J. Dopson, V. Johnson, R. Jones, R. Kinard, P. Bishop, B. Pellum.

(Left) Mr. Buckwalter, Sponsor; Tommy Strickland, President; Ray Jones, Secretary.

Glee Club Increases in Size,





"Listen for the pitch!" says Mr. Mackintosh.

Volume, and Quality of Sound







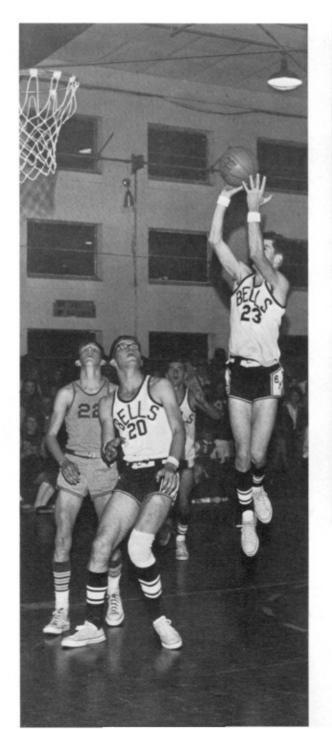




(Above left) Frankie Varnadoe, President. (Above right) Gail Peters, Minnie Lee Cook, Bernie Hudson, Librarians. (Far left) Kay Thomas, Vice President. (Left) Ruth Black, Secretary.











Athletics





VARSITY: FIRST ROW: F. Varnadoe, G. Strickland, D. Strickland, J. Trippe, J. Nettles. SECOND ROW: L. Bryan, R. Wilson, R. Jones, A. Hires, D. Ulmer, J. Ulmer, THIRD ROW: B. Smith, A. Priester, M. Bailey, C. Ulmer, J. Garris, T. Varnadoe, C. Strickland, J. Martin, R. Jones.

Victory - 1969

COACH: Ben Killian MANAGER: Ernest Polk

The football program reached new heights in 1968 as 78 boys participated on the Varsity, Jr. Varsity and Midget teams.

The "building program" finally began earning dividends, as the varsity compiled the great record of 8 wins, 2 losses, and 1 tie. This record was all the more impressive, as it marked the first winning season in varsity football in the history of Bells High School.

Ronnie tries to shake tackler.



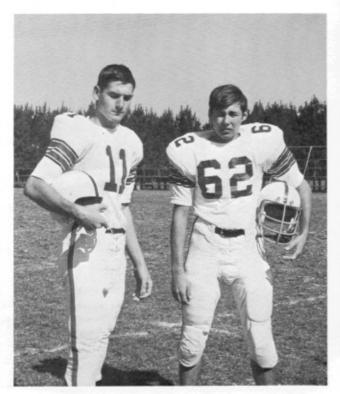
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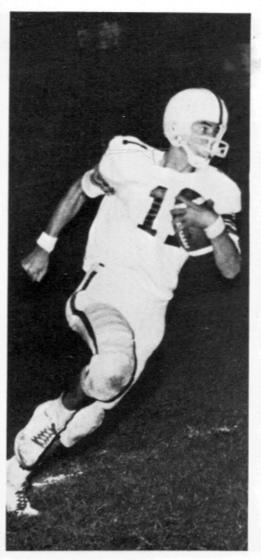




Jimmy rushes for extra yardage.



CAPTAINS: Carey Strickland and Gene Strickland.

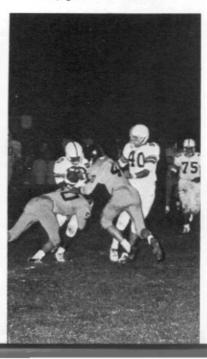


Carey runs back an intercepted pass.



OFFENSIVE TEAM: J. Garris, F. Varnadoe, G. Strickland, D. Strickland, T. Varnadoe, J. Ulmer, C. Ulmer, J. Nettles, C. Strickland, R. Jones, B. Smith.



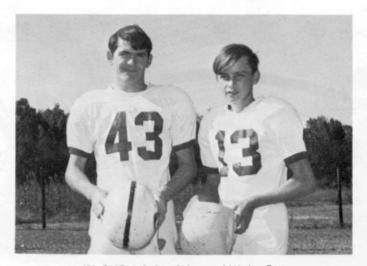


Ronnie gets pulled in.





DEFENSIVE TEAM: G. Strickland, C. Ulmer, D. Ulmer, M. Bailey, R. Jones, A. Hiers, R. Wilson, A. Priester, C. Strickland, J. Trippe, J. Martin.



J.V. CAPTAINS: Pete Bishop and Wesley Carter.



1969 J.V. TEAM



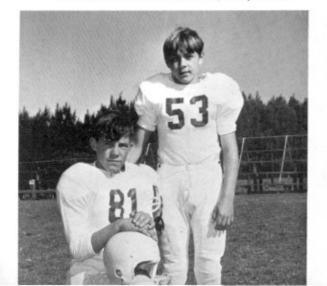
J.V. COACH: Roger Morris



Billy gets hauled down from behind.



1969 MIDGET FOOTBALL TEAM MIDGET CAPTAINS: Dean Varnadoe, Randy Nettles.

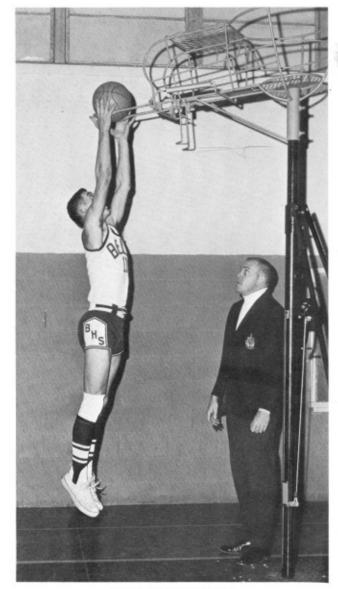


MIDGET COACH: Bob Spires



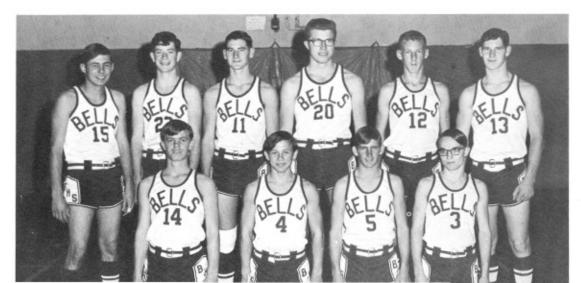
Boy's Varsity Basketball

Basketball is here again and the Daredevils, with a winning attitude carried over from football, feel that this may be the year. With an abundance of desire and talent they have set their goal high and begun with a lot of hard work.



CAPTAIN: Carey Strickland COACH: George Smith

KNEELING: D. Ulmer, J. Nettles, R. Rentz, B. Hudson. STANDING: G. Strickland, J. Garris, C. Strickland, E. Polk, J. Trippe, D. Strickland.

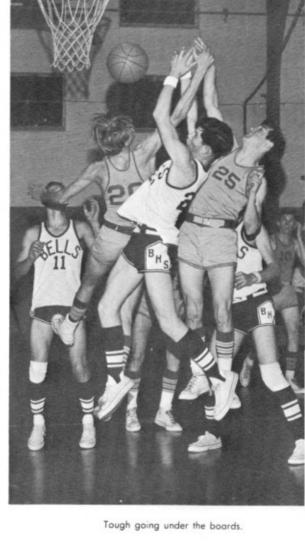


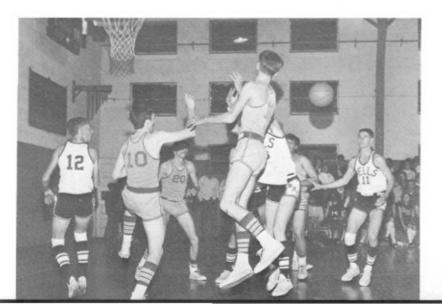


STARTING FIVE: J. Garris, C. Strickland, E. Polk, J. Trippe, R. Rentz.



TIMEKEEPER: Jim McCulley, SCOREKEEPER: Ray Jones.



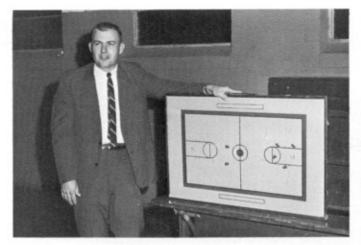


LOOSE BALL!

Girl's Varsity Basketball

This year, the girls basketball team practiced long and hard to defend their title of "State Champions" achieved last year. Inexperience is compensated by the desire to win and will be a major factor in determining the success of the team this year.

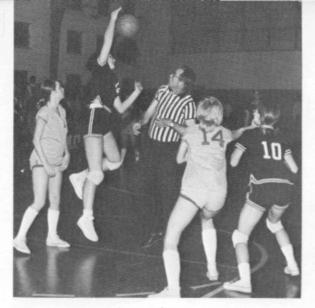




COACH: Roger Morris

KNEELING: M. Strickland, P. Martin, C. Smoak, A. Kinard, B. Strickland, K. Linder. STANDING: M. Thomas, K. Axson, A. Thomas, A. Strickland, E. Steedly, C. Padgett, K. Kitchens.





Ann gets the tip.



CAPTAINS: Angela Thomas and Ann Strickland.



Angela takes the ball up court.





Varsity Cheerleaders

The Varsity Cheerleaders strive to promote school spirit at Bells High School. They worked this summer to make enough money for new uniforms. They also got new shakers and letters. The cheerleaders lead the crowd during the football and basketball seasons.



Kay Thomas, Nancy Bowers, Evyonne Murdaugh, Cherry Hudson, Minnie Dobbins, Myra Murdaugh.

MYRA MURDAUGH, Senior



CO-HEAD CHEERLEADER: Evyonne Murdaugh HEAD CHEERLEADER: Cherry Hudson





CHERRY HUDSON, Senior



NANCY BOWERS, Sophomore
BELINDA PONDS, Sophomore





EVYONNE MURDAUGH, Junior



KAYE THOMAS, Senior

Junior Varsity Cheerleaders

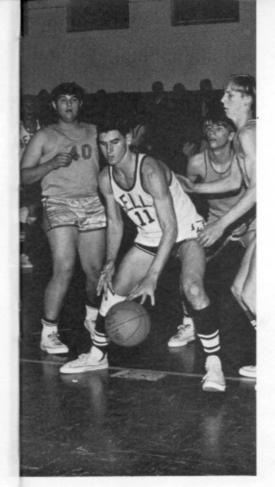
The Junior Varsity cheerleaders lead yells at J.V. football and basketball games. They strive to promote the spirit in the Jr. High school.



J.V. Cheerleaders help varsity out at Homecoming.



Melissa Warren, Cheryl Black, Suzanne Cummings, Gena Ulmer, Karen Kinard, Debbie Hudson.



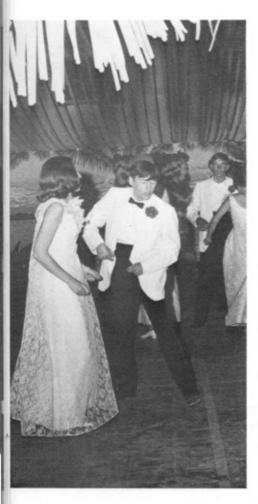
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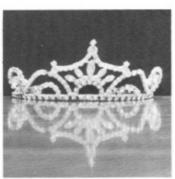


















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Miss Bells High

Miss Sue Sauls





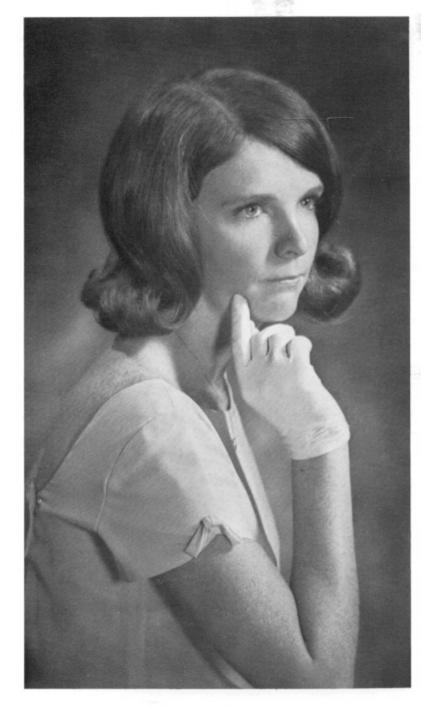




Miss Bells

Junior High

Miss Karen Kinard







Miss Junior Miss Janet Smoak







Miss Sophomore

Miss Sue Sauls





Miss Freshman Miss Gena Ulmer





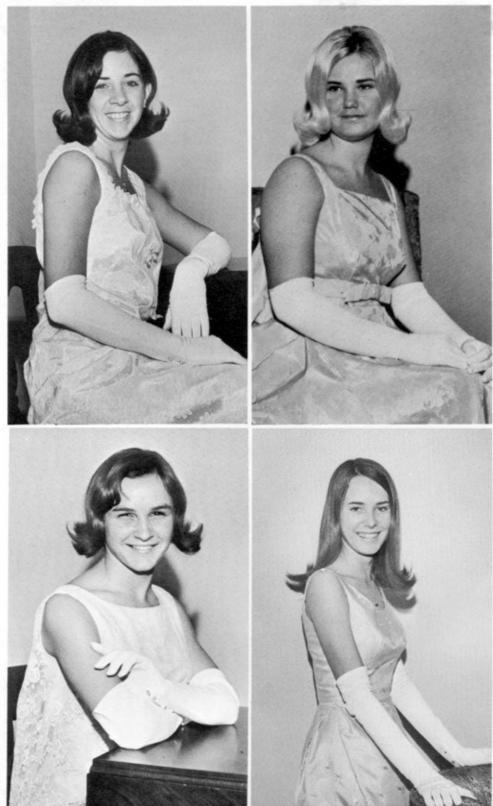
Homecoming Queen

Miss Barbara Jones

May Attendants Senior Senior

ANGELA THOMAS

CHERRY PADGETT



Junior ANNE KINARD

Junior EVYONNE MURDAUGH

May Queen



Miss Kaye Thomas

Maid of Honor



Miss Cherry Hudson

May Attendants

Sophomore PAULETTE FENDER

Sophomore PHYLLIS PRIESTER











Eighth Grade SONYA BENNETT

May Attendants

Freshman CINDY SMOAK

Freshman CHERYL BLACK



Seventh Grade KATHY ULMER

Seventh Grade BARBARA BISHOP











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The third grade class compete in a spelling bee.

The third grade class works on their sentences.



Mrs. Bishop instructs the class to begin singing.



The fifth grade studies their geography assignment.

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Class 4; Pep Club 3; Marshal 3.

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SANDRA ELLIS F.T.A. 3, 4; F.H.A. 3.

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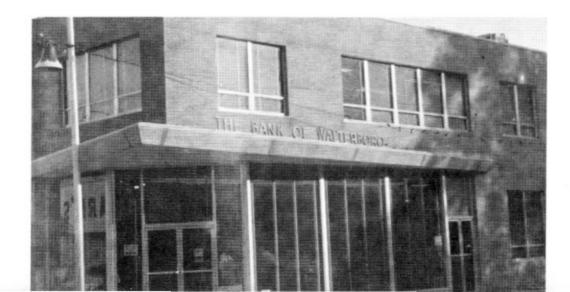
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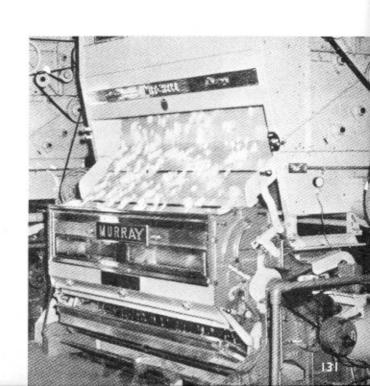
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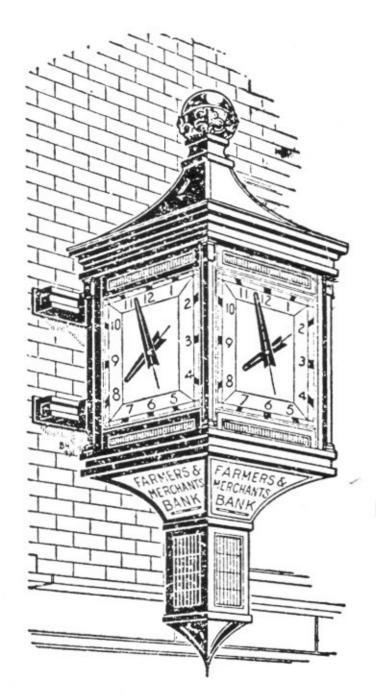
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