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In medieval times the castle was the gathering place for all the subjects of the kingdom．It offered not only protection and security，but was the center of all social life．Here every type of subject from noblest knight to lowliest serf mingled together to enjoy the various diversions，such as the royal balls，the jousting bouts and tourna－ ments，and the countless festivals so prevalent in court life．In addition to these activities，the medieval court also was a strong influence in readying young nobles for a life of high ideals and instilling leadership in their character．

As the castle of olden times provided all these services for the kingdom＇s subjects， so does Junior College，our own castle on the mount，benefit its students．Here we find the security of an education；the diversion of plays and dances；the annual festivals such as homecoming；and the leadership training we receive in our clubs．

Unlike the medieval court，however，the stay of the Junior College court members is limited．We are allowed to remain for only two years under the protecting spires of our castle．Then we must either journey further into the world to seek addi－ tional knowledge or look for our security in other places－some in jobs，others in the service of our country，or still others to take their places in society as parents of future court members．

There are those of us who will remain here at the castle for one more year to guide the newcomers during the coming year，but we too will soon pass through the gates of the castle and join those of you who are now preparing to leave her halls． To those who remain，strive to maintain the honor of the castle and preserve her high deals－and to those who are leaving，always keep in your memory these same ideals，and with their practice，attain your highest goal．


The year of 1954－55 has been one of great strides for the Junior College tudent Body．School spirit was at its highest all year．An outstanding basketball ticket compaign paved the way for maximum crowds at ail the basketball games， With support like this and a good team，J．C．was destined to have a winning season， Attendance at school functions such as the Ice Breaker，conyocations，the All－ School Play，the Operetta，＂Footlights，＂etc．，was better than ever．From the very beginning Junior College seemed to be more aliye than any other year；the final result was the founding of the Junior Coliege Alumni Association．Through the combined efforts of the student body president，Art Calloway，the administration， and interested alumni，the long－dreamed of association became a reality．So，with great pride for the fine spirit this year，and with anticipation for the future，we dedicate the 1954－55 yearbook to the Junior College Alumni Association．


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Front row (left to right): Mr. G. L. Blackwell, Mr. E. F. Garvey, Mr. R. V. Bloomfield. Back row: Mr. Alva Lindsay, Mrs.
Poul Knepper, Mr. W. Fairleigh Enright, Mr. Hary Herschman, Mr. David Hopkins, Mrs. John Wyeth.

Behind the supervision of the castle stand Sir George Blackwell, Sir C. M. Coleman, and Sir R. V. Blomfield. These men can always be found backing projects for the betterment of the castle, helping the instructors in the tower, and encouraging the ladies and gentlemen to meet the high scholastic standards which the court imposes. It was because of these gentlemen that the royal dining room and parlors were redecorated and became more comfortable and convenient for the court members.


DEAN NELLE BLUM


If royalty reigned supreme, our dean would be both king and queen. A queen who possesses the it and subtlety needed by one who faces the ladies and gentlemen of the whit mule with a fist of steel, a heart of diamonds and gold, a will cor and problems brought to his attention with each day's rising and lowering sun. Thus, our castle on the mount is ruled over by our Dean Nelle Blum - king and queen of Junior College.

## DEAN OF MEN

On the royalty staff, Sir Little acts as an advisor to the king and queen. Besides serving the castle as an efficient chemistry teacher, he also counsels erstwhile students. Being active in student affairs, Sir Little can always be found taking tickets or supervising at the royal balls and jousting bouts.
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STUDENT SENATE


FIRST SEMESTER SENATE
Front row (left to right): Grace Denton, Shirley Heumader, Art Callowoy, Judy Matthews, Luella Ratcliff. Middle row: Sarah Keller, Phyllis Yost, Barbara Cohrs, Rosie Zbierski, Marjorie Jackson. Back row: Howard Miller, Larry Ackley, Stewart Case, Bob Bush, David Schadt.

CABINET
Stanley Harrison, Art Calloway, Howard Miller, Marjorie Jackson. SECOND SEMESTER SENATE
Front row: Grace Denton, Shirley Heumader, Art Calloway, Judy Matthews, Luella Ratcliff, Second row: Stanley Harrison, Saroh Keller, Richard Barnoski, Mariorie Jackson. Third row: Howard Miller, Phyllis Yost, Rosie Zbierski, David Schadt. Back row: Bob Coons, Chuck Adkins, Carl Bolz, Bob Bush.


Sue Walter，Vice－President；David Schodt，President；Delores Moore，Secretary－Treosurer．

Each group at the castle needs a spokesman for their wishes．Such a position do these officers fill for the upper－classmen at the college．The desires of the majority are presented to the king and queen by these representatives．This year the sophomore class presented the college with a badly needed trophy case．


MRS．MARION BUCZEK
Mrs．Buczek has the honor of graduating as the This year the highest scholastic honor of our top－ranking woman of her class．She has worked college goes to Dick Barnoski．Besides earning hard during her career here at J．C．and has this honor，Dick also had the big task of editing earned an Associate in Arts Certificate．In the Griffon News．Although he is undecided addition to her studies，she has been active in Phi Theta Kappa and was in charge of the dec－ oration committee for the annual banquet and initiation．Mrs．Buczek hopes to continue her education at Mount St．Scholastica in Atchison Kansas

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 Junior College Certificate；Boys＇IntramuralSports；Athletic Council；Golf Manager．

WILLIAM R．CARROLL

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| LOUIS HUND | BOB TURNER |
| DONALD JESSEE | ALAN VANZANT |
| CARL JONES | JAMES WALSH |
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FRESHMAN CLASS OFFICERS


Phyllis Yost, President; Jim Schiltz, Vice-President; Bette Carroll, Secretory-Treasurer.

The above students represented our large Freshman Class this year. The President is automatically a member of the Student Senate where she brings up ideas and complaints of her classmates. The officers usually superyise arrangements and decorations for the Spring Formal.

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 sor; Mary Jo Ziph, Bryan Lott, Rosalynne Hancock, Martha Richardson, Joyce James, Marion Buczek, Rosie Zbierski. Third
row: Dovid Schadt, Lorry Hager, Janet Waller, Corole Miller, Groce Denton, Merna Butterworth, Phyllis Yost, Claudia Baeunlein, Charleen Carolus. Back row: Donna Roberts, L. R. Switzer, Howard Miller, C. M. Corbet, J. L. Davis, James Bailey,
Caroi Robinson, Rolph Hicks, Thomas Kalin.

Phi Theta Kappa is a group of young men and women of the court who have maintained a high scholastic ranking. Miss Marion Harvey sponsors the group. Our division, Kappa, represented the first co-educationa school admitted into the fraternity, which is non-active in almost all junior colleges in this country. The
inset is Howard Miller, who was elected national vice-president of the annual convention.

DELTA PSI OMEGA


Front row: Chuck Ackins, Stonley Harrison, president; Miss Lacy, sponsor. Middle row: Shirley Burnside, vice-president
jery Greenberg, Jim Augustine, treasurer; Phyllis Miller, secretary, Back row: Sue Lorey, Shirley Heumader.
The Junior College branch of Delta Psi Omega National Dramatics Fraternity is under the auspices of Miss Louise Lacy. The goal of the organization is to encourage a more active interest in the drama and to the fraternity.

MACE


Early in the history of our beloved school the need for acknowledgement of outstanding students was recognized. Thus in
936 the Mace was organized to give these students the reconnition they deserved and to encourage their helpful activities.
These select few are yoted into the Mace by the old members and must have been very active during the school year
to be qualified for the Mace.
It has been the practice of the organization to take in only three members, but because of the unusually large number
Moce membership is one of the most coveted positions in the school, for it represents the outstanding student.

GRIFFON YEARBOOK



COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN
Front row (left to right): Grace Denton, co-editor; Phyllis Miller, co-editor; Sue Lorey, literory editor. Bock row: Pat Tunnell|,
art editor: Betto sophomore editor.

STAFF MEmbers
Front row: Arthur Maynard, Dick Benton, Middle row: Charleen Carolus, Cornelia Barnes, Carole Miller, Sue Lorey, Bette Carroll, Janet Woller, Bock row: Wima Stagner, Betsy Sinclair, Howard Miller, Elaine Yotes, Corol Shody, Jim Augustine, Judy This anels is
This group is the hardest working group of the school. They work from the first week of the term to the last week trying to complete an entire, original book. Any spare time that these students might have is
devoted to toking pictures, writing copy, or any of the other million and one details connected with producing a yearbook. The maior part of the work, of course, is on the shoulders of the editors who must supervise, compile, and edit all the work of the staff. The editors and staff would like to say of this
time that they hope regardless of the hard , the students of J. C., will get as much enjoyment out of this book as they hadregardess of the hard work - in bringing it to you.

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GRIFFON NEWS


Front row (left to right): Bill Dudgeon, exchonge editor; Olive Ann Cox, second semester feature editor; Richard Barnoski,
editor-in-chief, Beyerly Martin, editor; David Schadt, sports editor.

Front row: Betsy Sinclair, Mr. Ronald Lanser, sponsor; Bill Dudgeon, Olive Ann Cox, Sue Walter, Beverly Martin, Alene
Mueller, Dovid Schadt) Back row: Art Colloway Bryon Augustine, Roger Duncon, Mok Tokko,

The daily happenings in the court are published every other week in the Griffon News by the hardworking
members of the stoff. Without these students, this bi-weekly publication could not be presented and
enjoyed by everyone - so - to the the members of the staff, our thanks for keeping our comments and
our activities before our eyes.


FRENCH CLUB
CHESHIRE CHEESE


Wyatt, sponsor.
Cheshire Chese, the Junior College literary club, is for the purpose of encouraging the appreciation of good literoture, and stimulating original writings among the students. Membership is gained through the
submission of an original wori and a critical review. Each year the club's activities are highlighted by the submission of an original work and a critical review. Each year the club's activities are highlighted by the
publication of "Penny Whistles," which contains the best student writings as selected by the board members.

ART CLUB
 Front row (left to right): Norma Bigham, secretary-treasurer; Gloria Hinson, Pat Tunnell, president; Judy Murrell, Middle row:
Mayme F. Baker, Edna R. Delier, Cornelia Barnes, Gloria Summers, Geri Uuban, Miss Ino Culver, sponsor. Back row: Bob
Coons, Robert Nidy, Danny Dorsey, Aldon Addington, Forrell Adkins, Coons, Robert Nidy, Danny Dorsey, Aldon Addington, Farrell Adkins

Built on the premise of "ort for ort's soke, an Art Club is essential in a growing college community. Stimulating design, painting, and drawing among talented students of the college is the purpose of the club. Each year the Art Club
Ina Culver sponsors this group.

## PSYCHOLOGY CLUB



Front row: Elaine Yates, Beverly Martin, secretory; Shirley Burnside, president; Olive Ann Cox, vice-president; Gloria Hinson, Evelyn Guyton, Carolyy, Chaney. Second row: Mary Dale Flora, Helen R. Guyton, Gloria Summers, Charleen Carolus, Sorah Keller, Betsy Sincloir, Dorothy Ann Bregin. Third row: Joyce James, Cornelia Bornes, Mory Lou Briner, Claudia Boeunlein,
Joan Wolf, Danny Brannan, Donna Mood. Back row: Glenda Steele, Carol Robinson, Gary Gibson, Don Sklenar, Bob Alcom, Howard Keling, treasurer; Marian Harrison, Beulah Smith.

The primary requirement for membership in the Psychology Club is a sincere interest in human nature. Meerings are held every other Tuesday ot the State Hospital where progroms and parties are held
for the patients. The purpose of the club is to extend the friendliness of the students of Junior College to the patients at the Stote Hospitol.

NATURAL SCIENCE CLUB


Front row (left to right): Dick Bornoski, Donno Moad, Pot Wilson, historian; Larry E. Hoger, president; Barbara Cohrs, Carole
Miller, Billie Cobb, Sidney Horris, Second row: Miss Andrews Miller, Billie Cobb, Sidney Harris. Second row: Miss Andrews, sponsor; Bob Sprague, Larry Powell, Bette Carroll. Third row,
Barbara Graff, Ellen Thompson, Eleanor Kothe, secretary Carol Shody treosurerr, Betsy Sind, Lieb, Bob Bush, Howard Keling, vice-president; Larry Strawn, Ralph Hicks, Arthur Maynnard, Larry Whittington, David Schadt. Under the guidance of Miss Orrel Andrews, the Naturol Science Club. was organized to encourage the study of natural science and to assist in the advancement of the St. Joseph Museum. Each year money Kermis which featured everything from a style show to a mother sow ond her pigs.

NEWMAN CLUB


Front row: Yun Chul Kirn, Dorothy Bregin, Ellen Thompson, treosurer; Bob Bouman, Rosie Zbierski, secretary; Jeanne Verssue Sock row: Pot Rehm, Sue Lorey, John Corcoran, Dick Robertson, Joe Nerney, Max Wiedmaier, Geri Urban, Marjorie Giles. Buck row: Dick Ss
Hund, Bill Willis.

This club is open to oll Catholic students attending the college. The objectives of the National Newman
Club Federation,"to deepen the spiritual, and enrich the temporal lives of its members through a
Solanced program of social, religious, and intellectual activities," are found in the Wednesday night
meetings of the club. Father John Quinn is chaploin. meetings of the club. Father John Quinn is chaplain

VETERANS CLUB


Front row (left to right): Bob Phelos, Sidney Harris, Paul Fisher, George Rock, president; Ralph Lieb, Mr. Rolond Lonser,
 Wow: Donald Jessee, Dovid Blockburn, Rolph Hicks, C. M. Corbet, W. R. Landess, Stanley Casper, R. L. Bimminghom, R. J. row: Don
Fairile.

The Veternas Club was organized last year to encourges the veterons to toke a more active interest in school aftaists.
urged to join.

ENGINEER CLUB


Front row: Bob Phelos, Bob Bouman, Bill Willis, Larry Goodwin, Bryan Lott, John Corcoran. Second row: G. E. Marion,



The Engineers Club is open to all students who are studying to become engineers; civil, architectural, etc. The club usually tokes trips to various industries in the territory to get first-hand information about
their future work. This year the club took a two-day trip to Rolla School of Mines. The club is sponsored
their future work. his year the
by Mr. Little and Mr. Marion.

CHOIR


The choir tokes time out for on informal song-fest oround the

## companists: Glenda Steele

and Mary Abmeyer
Accompanists: Mory Jo Zip
ront row (oft to right): Mary Lou Stover, Gloria Summers, Judy Murrell, Sue Lorey, Mariorie Jockson, Gloria Hinson, Mary Abmeyer, Marian Horrison, Second row: Carol Shady, Helen Guyton, Twyla Lone, Evelyn Guyton, Richard Pixiler. Third row: Arf Campbell, Byron Myers, Phyllis Yost, Beverly Jordan, Forrest Leonard. Fourth row: Shirley Heurnader, Mary Dole Floro,
Donno Mcelfresh, Luella Rotcliff. Fifth row: Chuck Adkins, Bill Oxford, Fronces Swyhort, Phyllis Miller, Shirley Burnside
sixth row: Jerry Greenberg, Stanley Horrison, Jim Augustine, Pot Wilson. Back row: Farrell Adkins, Roger Duncan, Glenda
Steele, Dono Foy Miller,

The Junior College Choir is open to all students who like to sing. Besides singing for the students, the choir takes a trip of the surrounding territory with hope of encouraging students to attend J. C. This ear the choir took an all-day trip to Union Star, Rosendale, and Sayannah. Each year the choir presents an operefta for the entertainment of the students and guests. The operetto this year was Victor Herbert's
"The Fortune Teller."

PEP BAND


Under the able leadership of Richord Pixler, our pep band was present at all our basketball games, pep meetings, and formal co

GERMAN CLUB


Front row: Sue Walter, Mok Tokko, president; Mory Jo Ziph. Second row: Luella Ratcliff, secretary; Martin Kunze, Paul Price,
Miss Clara L. Albrecht, sponsor. Back row: Joan Wolf, Betsy Sinclair, Byron Myers, Yun Chul Kim, Shirley Heumader.
The newly reorganized German Club is sponsored by Miss Claro Albrecht. Like the other Ianguage clubs,
the German Club's purpose is to deyelop the

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Front row (left to right): Charlie Burri, Bob Alcorn, Jack Thompson, George Grable, Bob Stahlin, Middle row: Coach Bud
Boker, Joe Nerney, Boker, Joe Nerrey, Jim Sharp, Warren Landess, Bob Littlejohn, Assistont Coach Don Froncis, Back row: Tom Kalin, Jack
Guinn, Dave Duncan, Leroy Soperla, Jerald Dallam, Lorry Powell.


With the help of many fine basketball players, the Junior College Griffons maintained a fine record this school year of $1954-55$. Winning seventeen games, the team went to the Regional Tournament at
Moberly.

1-Here comes the parade!
2-"Fight, team, fight!"
3-The "Griffie" gets ready for the kill.
4-Grind on to victory Griffons - the Engineers ore behind
-Grind

5-Five beautiful girls grace a beoutiful float.
6-The Pep Squad got their man.
7-Our bonfire sure made short work of the Joplin lion. 8-We want a basket, Guinn.
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"J" CLUB


Front row (left to right): Shirley Swisher, Jerald Dallam, Stanley Harison, Janet Waller, Ellen Thompson, Margie Giles,
Dorothy Bregin, Alene Mueller. Second row: Jim Sharp, Larry Ackley, Twyla Lane, Billie Cobb. Third row: Bob Stahlin, Lary Dorothy Bregin, Alene Mueller, Second row: Jim Sharp, Larry Ackiey, Twyla Lane, Billie Cobb. Third row: Bob Stahlin, Larry
Whittington, Jack Guinn, Chartie Burri, Pat Wilson. Fourth row: Clarence Corbet, Larry Powell, Jeanne Verssue, Fronces Whittington, Jack Guinn, Chartie Burri, Pat Wilson. Fourth row: Clarence Corbet,
Swyhart. Back row: Bob Littlejohn, Pat Rehm, Judy Matthews, Jack Thompson.

Formed for those boys and girls who have earned their "J" in any sport or activity, the "JJ" Club is for the purpose of encouroging an interest in athietics ond co-opecey in the odvancement of the Junior
College athletic program. Awards ore given to both first and second year letter students.

ATHLETIC COUNCIL


Front row: Sue Lorey, Girls' Intramural Sports Manoger; Dovid Schadt, Chairman; Shirley Heumader, President of Pep Squad.
Back row: Donald Luboski, Swimming; Joe Nerney, Basketball; Art Calloway, Ex-Officio; William E. Carolus, Golf. A newly formed organization this year, the Athletic Council planned and helped carry out the ideals of A newly formed organization this year, the Athletic Council planned and helped carry out the ideals of
intramural sports. Also the chairmen attempted to arouse enthusiasm and participotion in the various
sports.

WOMEN'S ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION


Front row (left to right): Geri Urban, Bowling Manager; Pot Wilson, President; Sue Lorey, Chairman of Girls' Intramural
Sports; Romayne Williams, Vice-President. Second row: Shirley Bunsid, Chairman; Beverly Browning, Volleyball Manoger; Ellen Thompson, Pino Manager; Dona Foy Miller, Assistant to the minton Manager; Alene Mueller, Baskettall Manager. Besides organizing ping-pong, basketball, bow
This year the orged porticipation in these sports. The association had os its sponsor Miss Clima AlshociaThis year the organization received help from the Athletic Council as its sponsor Miss Clara Albrecht

Ping-pong


"REHEARSAL"

"THE HAPPY JOURNEY"


1-Journey's end ond a hoppy family reurion!
3-"Look, Mo, an Ohio license plate!"
5-Ma soothes Arthur during a family crisis.

2-Ma, Pa, Cororyn, and Arthur smile happily os they stort 4-Married daughter, Beuloh, waves happily from her door 6-Time out to fill the radiator with woter at a service
station,


$1-$ "| , must hove that lottery ticke
3-Madam Pompon and Ladislaus recall a past romance. 5-"No, no, you fool! This is a laundry ticket."
7-Cavalry officers minus horses.

## How dore you break my window!"

4-"Gypsy Love Song"
6-The ballet company swings into full action
8-Everyone prepares for the "joyous" wedding.


-Brad fell head over heels - in love??
3-"'Someday I'm a'gonna marry Liz."
5-"Wouldn't it be wonderful to live in the big city?"
7-The best man won.

2-Swing your partner and away we go at a good old
country hoedown.
4-You Wonderful You.
6-Entire cost.
8-The producer ond director of the summer stock com-
pany give the giris a workout.



POTPOURRI


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