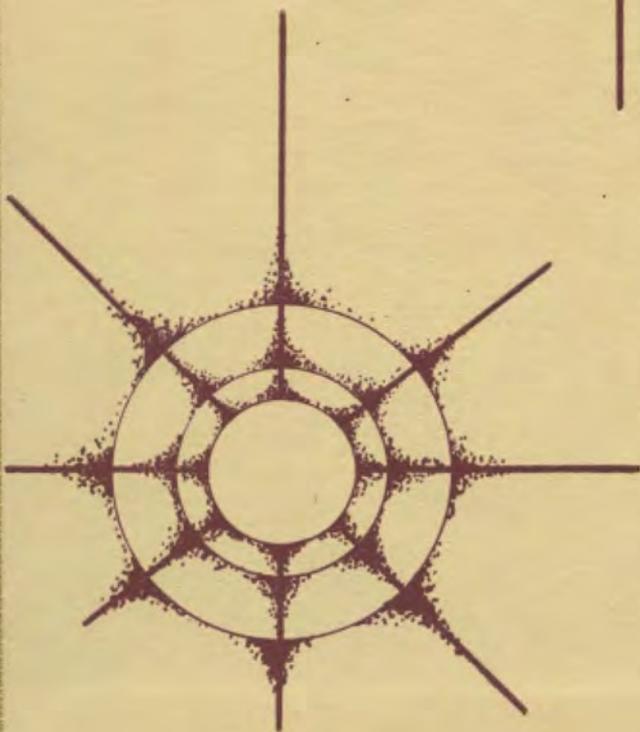
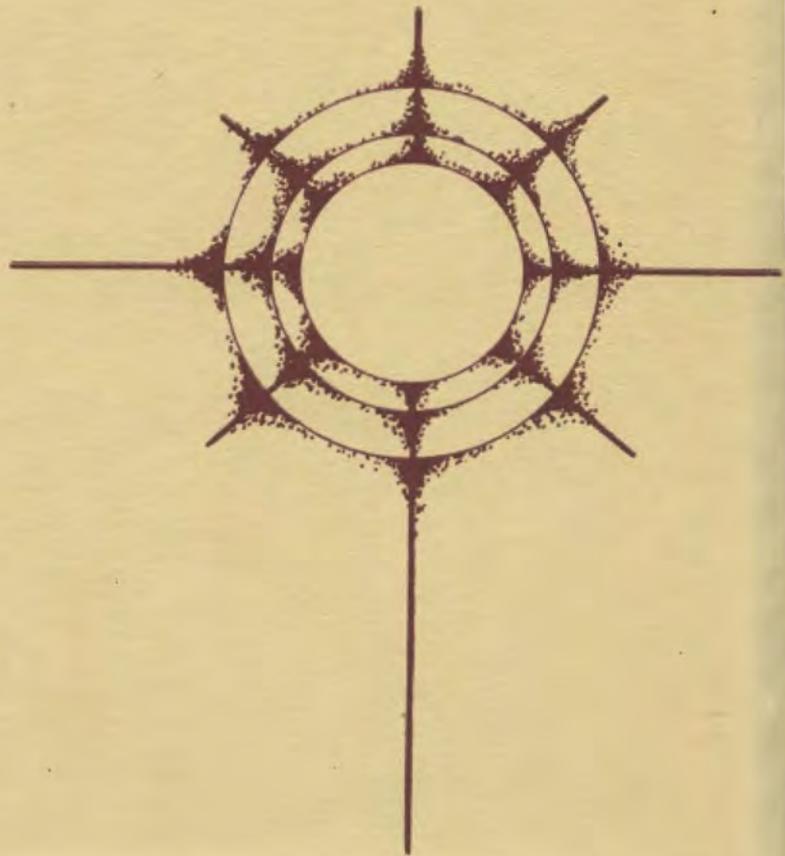
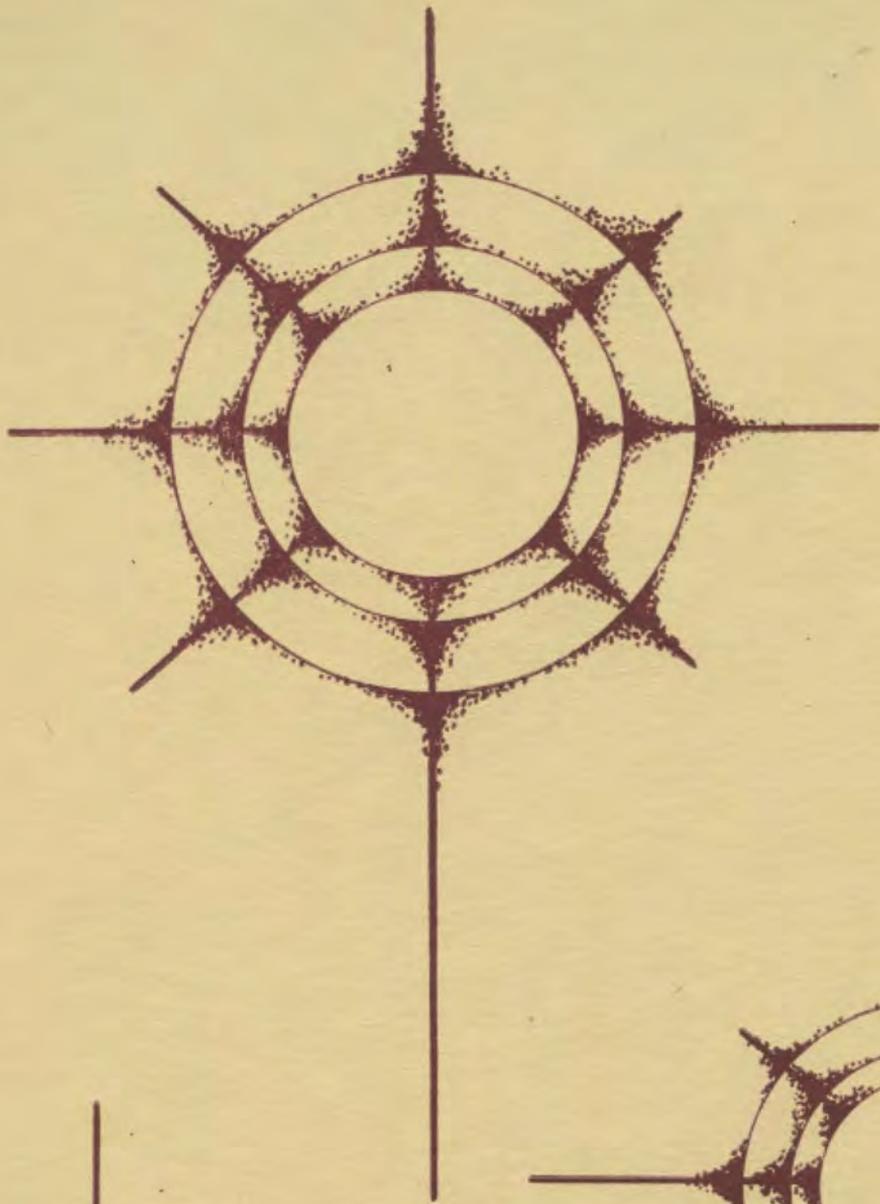
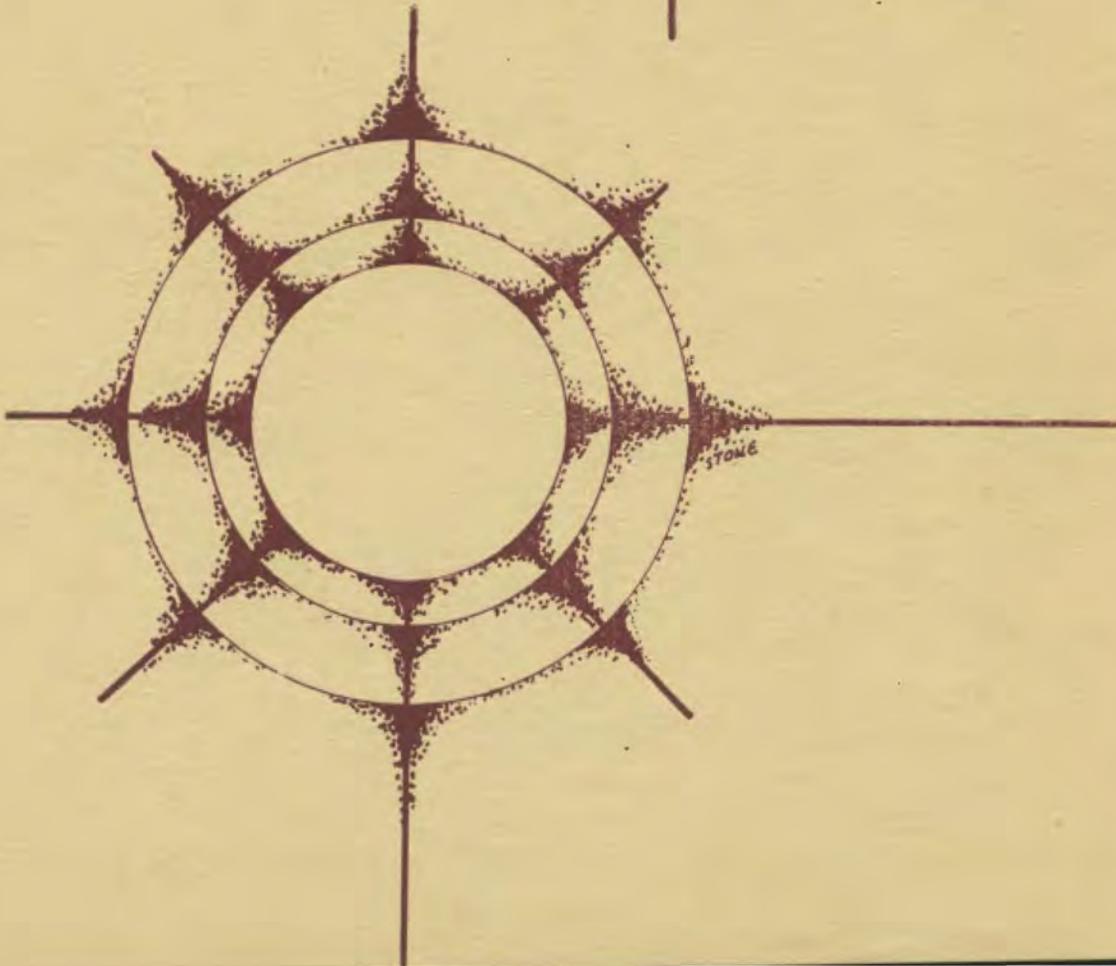
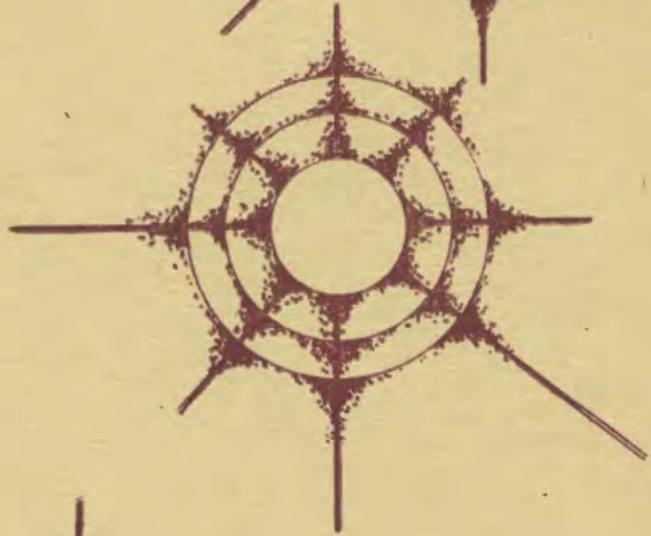
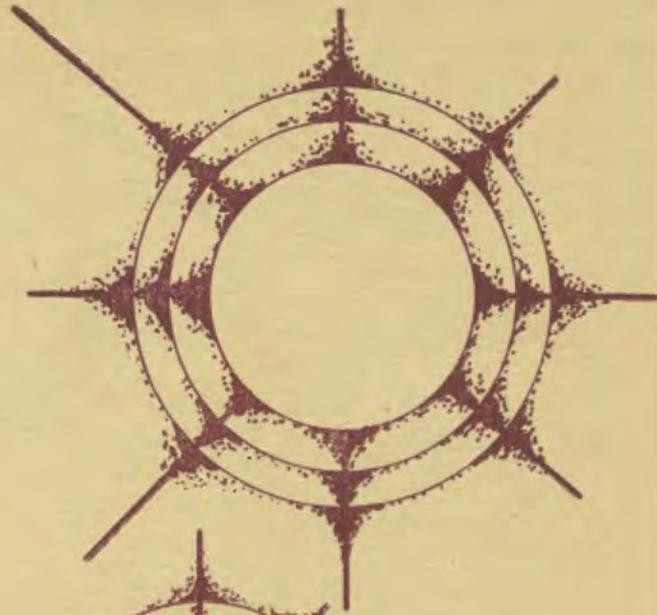
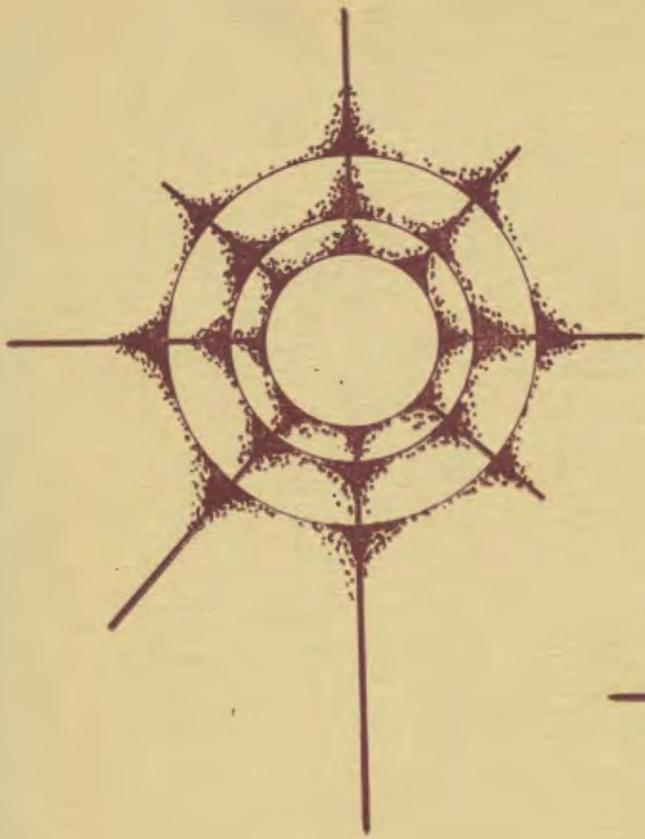
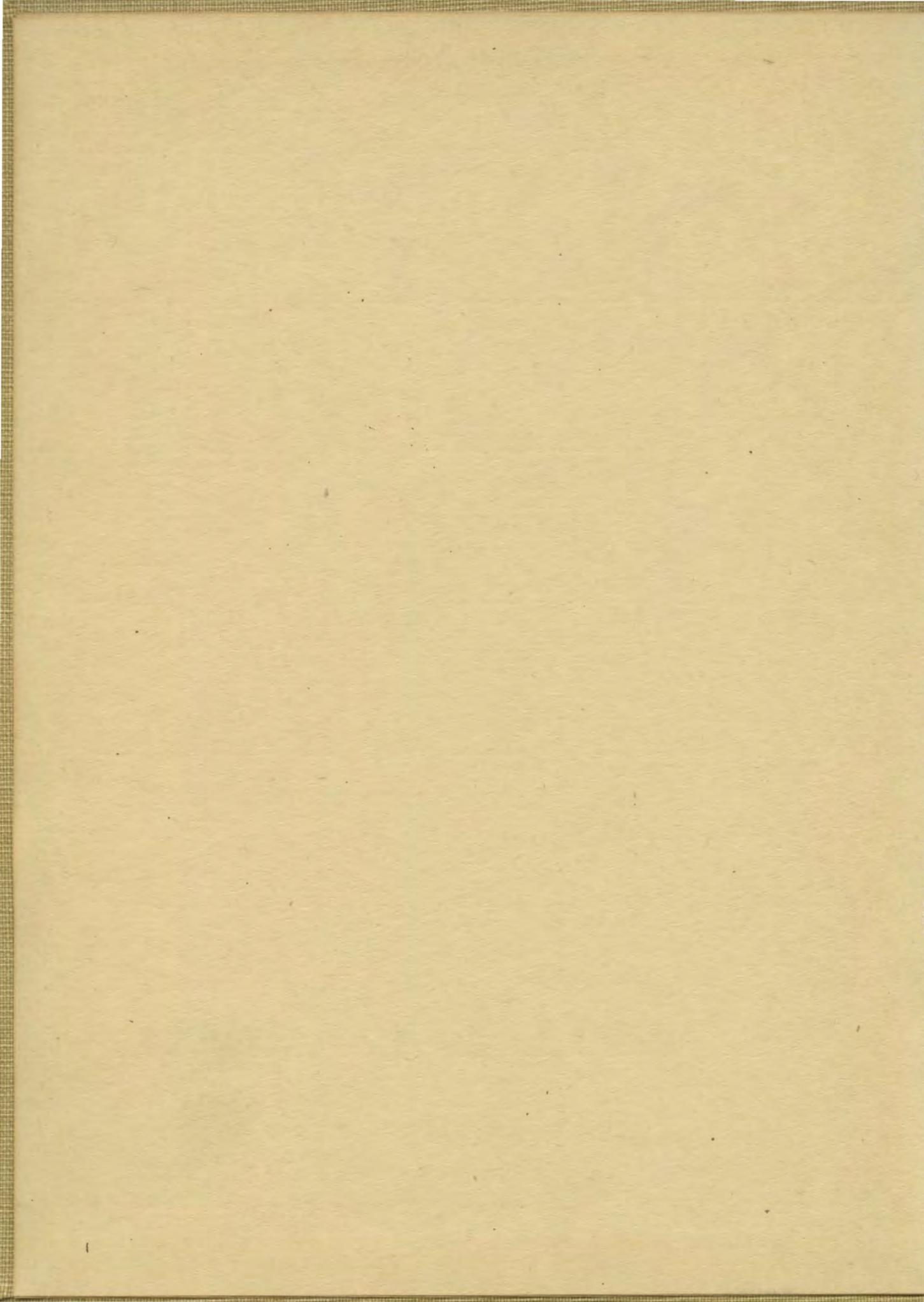


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thus we enter...

...the

atomic

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Confused, perplexed, and baffled,
Men face "peace" with fear;
Yet man, if he equip himself
With this day's information,
Fails only because he fears;
His bad becomes impossible
When he accepts discouragement.

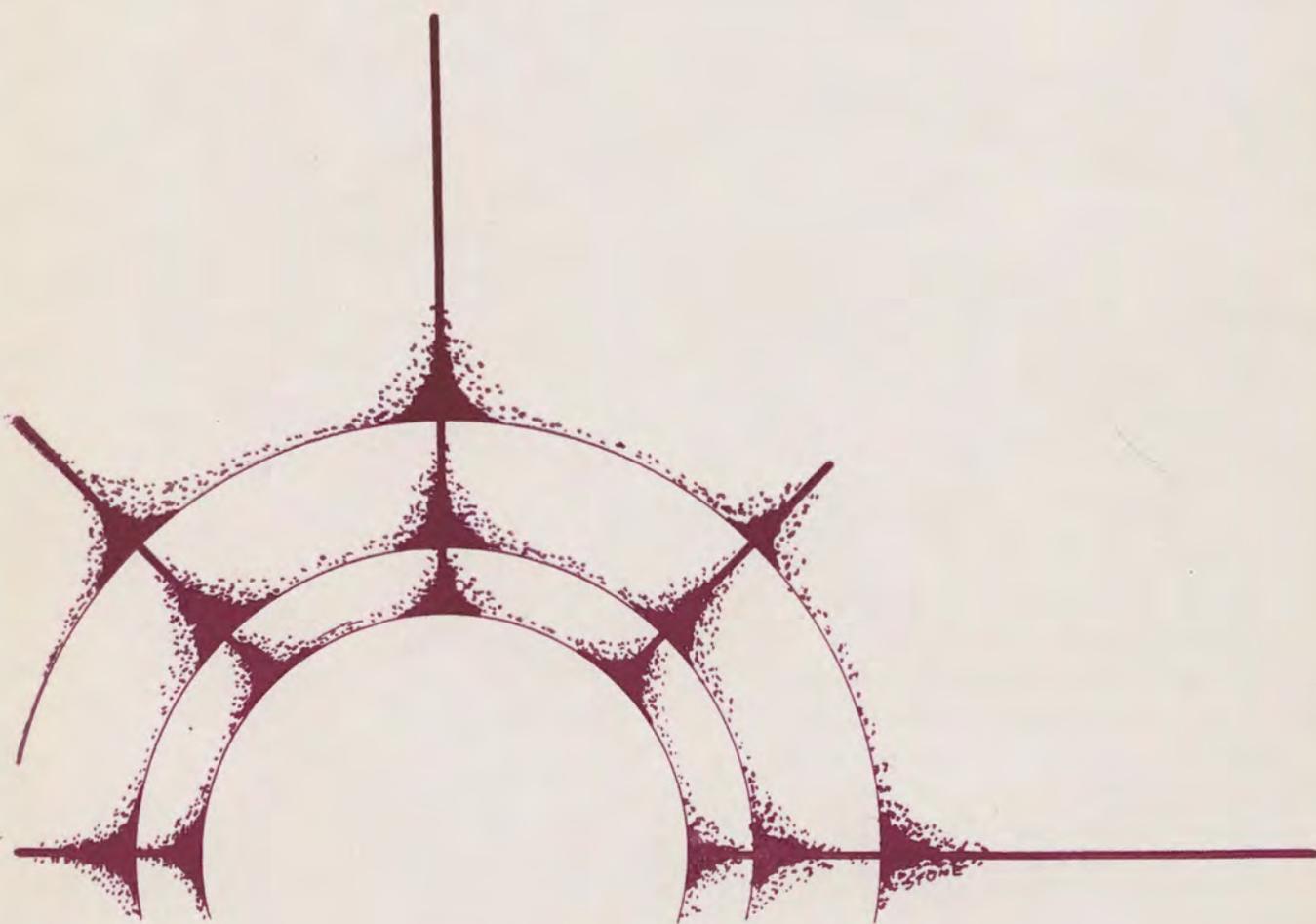
What man has dreamed, that he can do;
What man has mined, discovered, or produced,
That he can use to make man adequate,
Displace his outworn concepts,
Enlarge his vision
In this small world
For this atomic age.
Will he, then, meet the challenge?

Tam and Ivah Deering

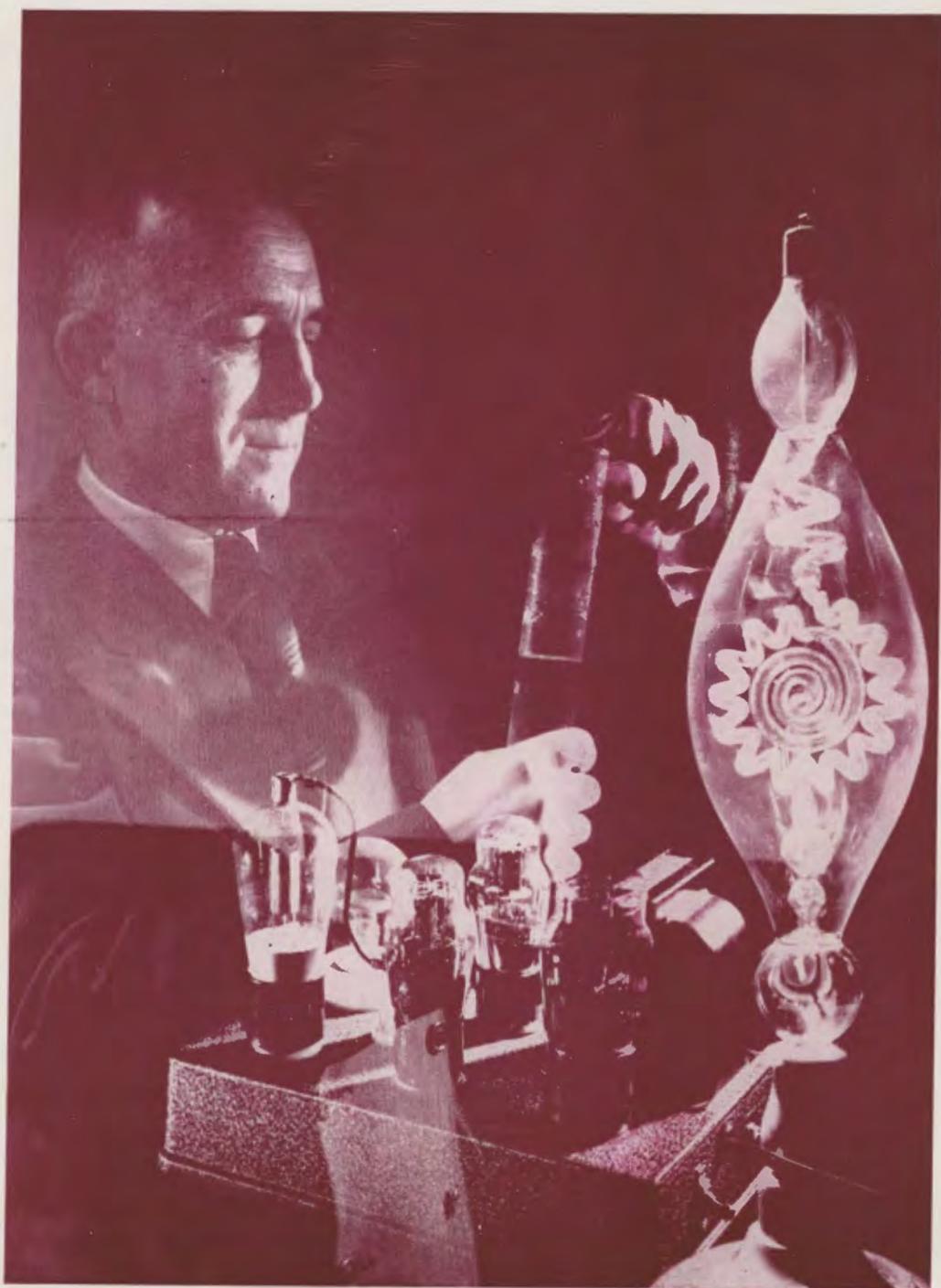




To the scientist, who holds within his powers the future of the world, the 1946 issue of the Bakersfield Junior College Raconteur is dedicated. It is left to science to determine the right road. Such challenges have been met before. Today we turn again to the scientist; in his unimpassioned search for truth he is the potential source of wisdom to build the age of the atom.



energy directed





"What is life made of? Earth, air, water? 'Hammers and nails and puppy dog tails'? Electrons, neutrons, protons? Hearts, brains, digestion?"

"One of our men, writing from Okinawa during the bitterest days there, gave HIS answer: 'Memories, Experiences, Dreams.' It is this kind of answer which the Raconteur accepts and honors so admirably as it tells the story of your college life together during the year which is closing. And it is this kind of answer by which we ask you to appraise the days you have spent here. Save the memories, use the experiences, aspire to the dreams."

Grace Bird

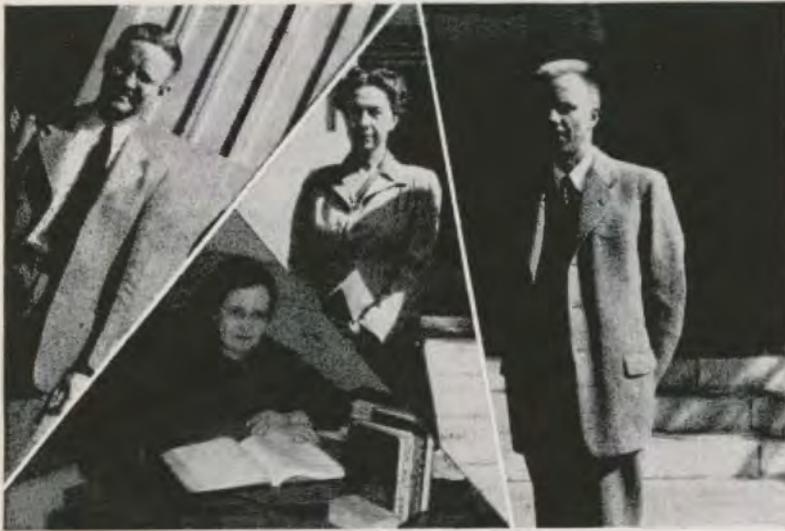
Grace Bird, director, was the nucleus of this atomic B. J. C. during this transitional year. Her radiating smile, gracious manner, and captivating wit supremely enhanced the campus.

Margaret Levinson—"Levy"—illuminated the J. C. office with her warm personality and genuine concern for student affairs. The dean of women is a favorite on the campus—even with her literature students.

"Mac," known officially as Leonard B. McKaig, dean of men, was kept busy this year, but his twinkling eyes and roguish grin were unfailling.

Returning from military service to become coordinator of veterans' affairs, Paul Freed handled this complicated task with a calm good humor which won the confidence of the spring's bumper crop of veterans.





A novel application of atomic power showed up in English classes instructed by Jorgensen, Keough, Robinson, and Cannon. Many Shakespeare students were of the opinion that the course should be thoroughly denatured.

Testing with VHF,* this fact-finding board (Albaugh, Young, Luke, and Jaggard) earnestly sought to find out what makes students tick.

*Very High Frequency.

Then, too, the math department got busy preparing future calculators in their favorite testing site—Elm Grove. Pananides, Hemmerling, and Dennis handled the equations.





Any day bombastic threats may come from vengeful young prodigies of the science lab, experimenting with their newly found knowledge of U-235, under the cyclotron wizards, Vandereike, Magee, Baldwin, Hulsebus, Hoenshell, Chamberlain, and Sagen.



Life still depends on the kitchen rather than the test tube, so say Moore and Kollenberg, home economists.

Enthusiastic endeavor in the music department sent strains of celestial (?) sound from the rooms of Clark and Burt, while Uebele and Emerson struggled in tangible art from the spirit of the age.



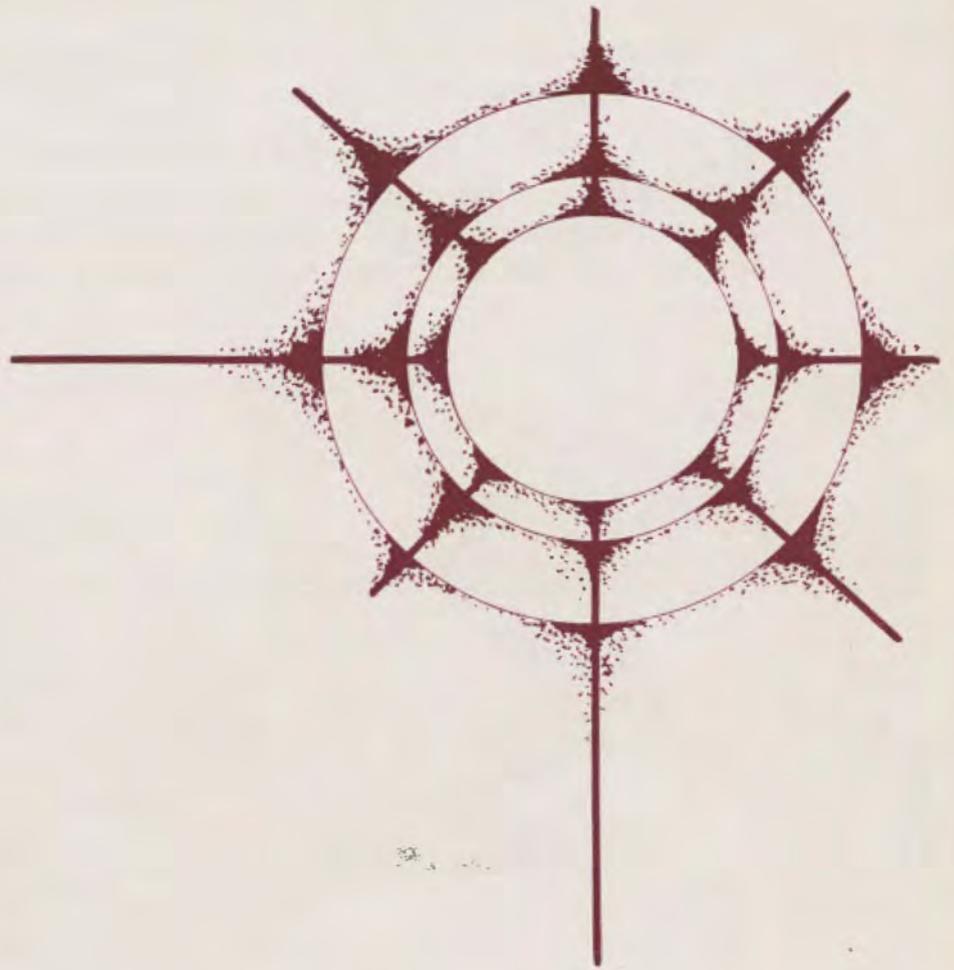
The less progressive pupils continued to express themselves in English despite the foreign influence exerted by Forker, Schafer, and Lefevre.

Education of world business was stressed by Carson, Kinnear, Holmes, and the absent Asperger.

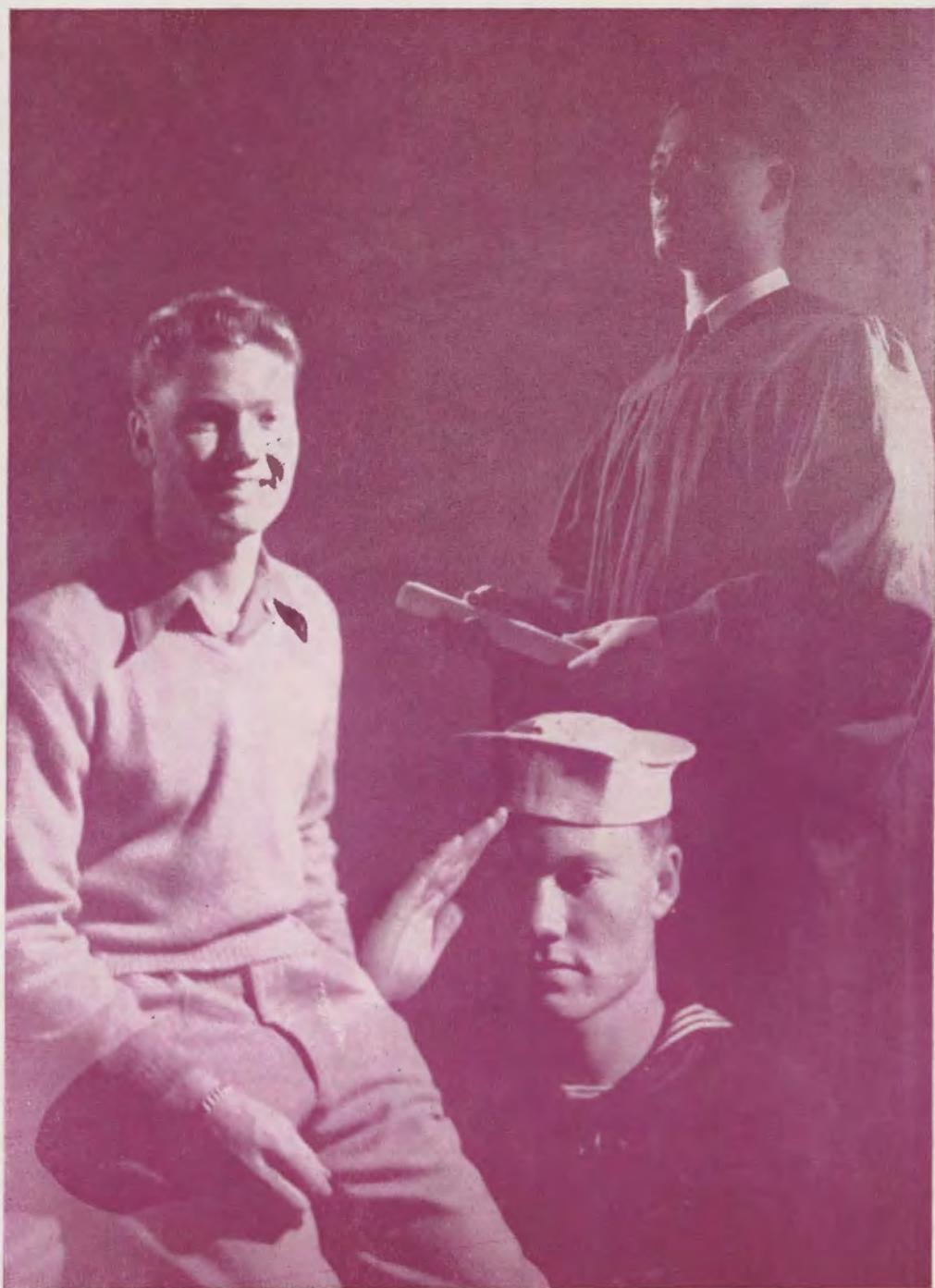
Moehnke and Frost labored to energize the weary student body.

Bringing the theoretical problems of the future to practical application in the present were the technical specialists Lynn, Drennan, Buckle, Stutzman, Cullimore, Perkins, Cross, Anderson, and Van Leuven.





energy exploded





Susan
Allen

molecules supreme



Catherine
Antongiovanni



Helen
Core



Sally
Curran



Barbara Lee
Farrell



Mildred
Fulton



Ellen
Garner



Emma
Gibson



Paul
Griffiths

Ruthmarie
Hegarty



Mary
Helm



Eleanor
Hall



Eleanor
Hilty



Jean Rose
Hayes

Alene
Jensen



Robert
Kaylor



Ethelyn
Lancaster



Lorene
Jensen



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Jones





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Diana E.
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Ruby



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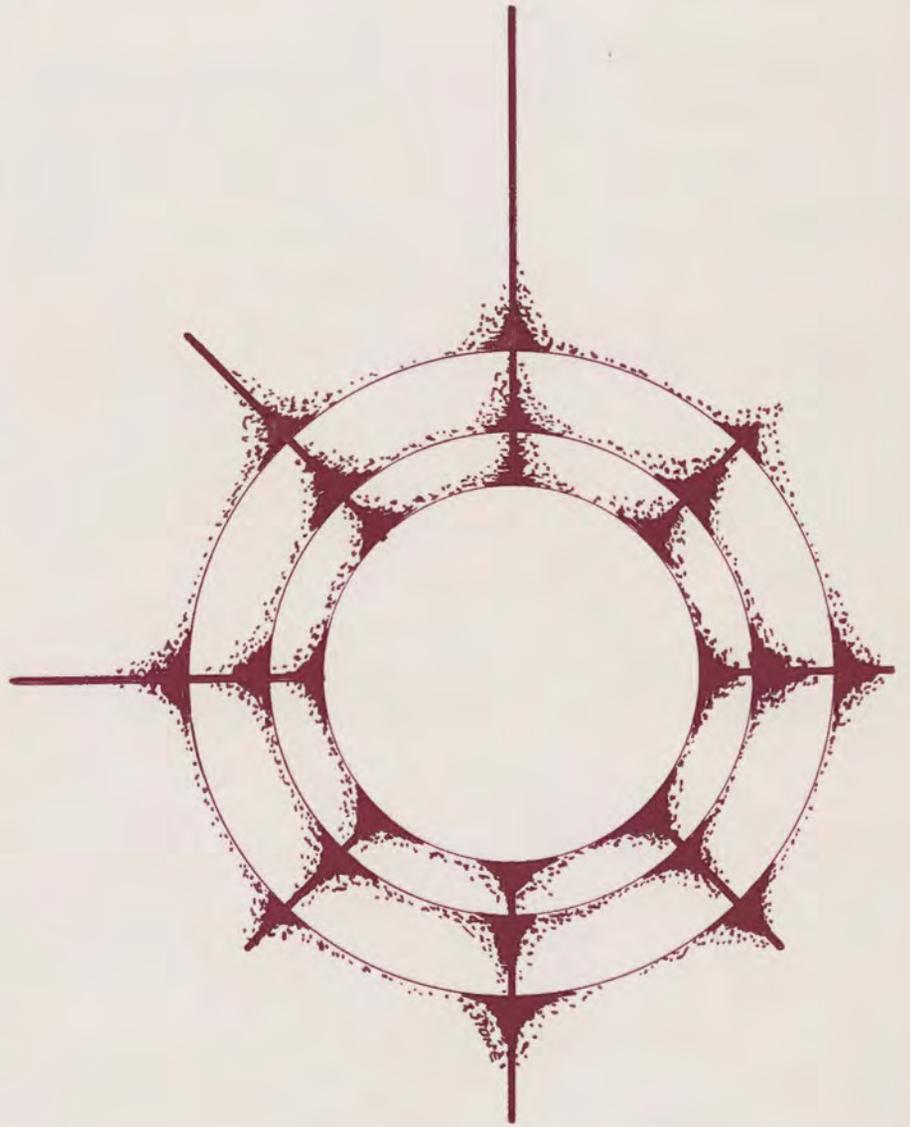
Laurence A. Maes
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Patricia Van Meter



These students, the ever-suffering freshmen, are still a bit hazy about J. C. life. They worked in a circle all year and seemed to get nowhere. But certainly by next year, what with Radar and all, they will square up and come into focus, for being a sophomore in B.J.C. is the life.

uncombined atoms





energy diverted





fall



The fall Exec Council guided student life through the first peacetime semester in four years. The Christmas formal was the climactic social function of the winter season, while the get-acquainted picnic, assemblies, and other informal events all went to fill the semester with pleasant memories.

Comprising the council were Pat Wells, Sara Stahl, Dick Hoover, Jean Hayes, George Simpson, Margaret Morrans, Paul Mason, Kay Knight, Helen Core, Barbara Lee Farrell, Catherine Antongiovanni, Alene Jensen; Leonard McKaig, sponsor.



spring



New faces enhancing the executive branch of student government were Emma Gibson, George Simpson, Ken Stoddard, Rocky Stone, Russ Kniffen, and Don Cook.

The council planned the assemblies, conventions, and social affairs of the spring semester. Highlight was the talent assembly, starring Jean Hayes, versatile Rip editor, and the piano playing of Alene Jensen, Susan Allen, and, in a popular vein, Bunny Giraud.



executive council

aws



First event of the year for the Associated Women Students was the hilarious kid party, to which sophomores, dressed as boys, escorted the freshmen girls. A Christmas tea conveyed holiday greetings to women students and to visiting alumna.





Peggy Poteete, the sparkling vice-president who worked so hard on the kid party and then on the Sadie Hawkins dance, was the logical popular choice for the typical Daisy Mae. The sight of Daisy Maes chasing their bearded Lil Abners was common during Sadie Hawkins week.

Catherine Antongiovanni, likable and competent president, directed the A. W. S. council, comprised of Eleanor Hilty, secretary; Emma Gibson, treasurer; Pat Van Meter, social chairman; Barbara Lee Farrell, recreation chairman; and Eleanor Hall, service chairman. Somewhere in her busy schedule, Margaret Levinson found time to serve this active organization as adviser.





ams

The Associated Men Students started this year with a small, select group of men—81—the entire male student body. But in the second semester the men rose to their pre-war status as the most powerful organization on the campus. .

Fall officers of the group were Richard Hoover, president; Jim Sagen, vice-president; Dean Van Zant, secretary-treasurer; and Gwynne Slack, publicity manager. These men, with Don Cook and George Simpson—in fact the entire A.M.S.—got off to a fine start with a Big Bean Feed. At Christmas they sponsored a turkey, duck, and chicken raffle, and restocked the treasury for the close of the semester.





A great spring influx of veterans strengthened the A.M.S. A meeting early in February planned the dance held at the Spanish Ballroom of the El Tejon—a great success. At this meeting Ken Stoddard was elected president; Wayne Morrison, vice-president; Ed McAleer, secretary-treasurer; and Dudley Steele, publicity manager—an all-veteran council! Paul Freed succeeded Leonard McKaig as adviser, completing the military domination of the A.M.S.





"rip"



B.J.C.'s bi-weekly Renegade Rip was edited this year by Jean Hayes, with Paul Jorgensen patting her golden head in official approval. Barbara Lee Farrell as news editor, Gwen Stotts as feature editor, and Margaret Morrans and Pat Grant as service page editors struggled for complete and timely news coverage, while Sara Stahl and her business staff juggled finances to keep publications solvent.



public relations council



With ears to the campus keyholes, the Public Relations Council, members of which are chosen by students of the previous year's council, worked to inform the public of the various activities of the student body and faculty. Screaming deadlines at this group was Miss Adelaide Schafer, faculty adviser. The council's capable handling of such stories as the play, "Ah, Men!," the Christmas formal, the A.W.S. tea, and the Sadie Hawkins dance served to keep B.J.C. in the public eye and to let alumni in on these events.





raconteur

The contributors, compilers, and the general staff of the yearbook this year were headed by Editor-in-chief Helen Core. Working with her were Jean Stuart, Rocky Stone, Elsie McClure, Lorene Jensen, Jo Ann Jones, George Simpson, Georgina Friesen, and Peggy Stewart. The art work was capably handled by Beverly Stephenson, Shirley Sweet, and Jotty Valle. Pat Wells, Dean Van Zant, Beverly Mettler, and Kathleen Knight took charge of the incidental photography. Mildred Fulton was typist and Miss Adelaide Schafer advised the staff.





Sara Stahl as business manager of publications, was assisted by Mabel Berryhill, Beverly Hiatt, Harriet Hall, Beatrice Bender, Barbara Pothier, Emma Gibson, and Eleanor Hall. The community division section was their special worry along with the sales of the yearbooks.

Though the future looked dark when our yearbook began, through undinted effort—coertion, that is—it finally went to press and the atmosphere cleared for the staff once again.





basketball

The Bakersfield Junior College basketball team blasted all city commercial league competition to take firsts in both series of play. In the junior college league the Renegades tied for second place with Porterville JC, winning five out of eight games. Visalia went undefeated to first place. In other non-league games, Jack Frost's squad defeated the local high school and Inyo-Kern Naval Base, but lost to the Minter Field "professionals." All in all, a gallantry-in-action citation to BJC's first post-war athletic unit.





Beaver

Hamilton

David

Jones

Jasper

Grafton

Howard

Ruby

Stoddard

Pappas

Redferd

Brown (manager)



Palmer (score keeper)





track



Our track team this year was so speedy, as anyone can see by Downing McKee, that even the camera couldn't catch them.





Organized last fall by B.J.C. water-lovers, was the Swimming Club. Throughout the fall and early in the spring semester the members met at the Elk's Club pool to swim.

High-spots of the year were the visit of a swimming and diving instructor from Minter Field and a hot-dog party at the home of Marian Rademacher.

Dorothy Meyn of the high school faculty was adviser to the group. Esther Smith served as president with Marian Rademacher as vice-president and Florence Easton as secretary-treasurer.

Swimming



drama

Delta Psi Omega, a national dramatics organization, was open to all the members of that celebrated student body play, "Ah Men!" For their initiation, this group of hams presented two one-act plays which were distinguished principally by their spontaneity. Miss Ethel Robinson—known to all as "Robbie"—advised the group. Officers for the year are president, Georgina Friesen; vice-president, Nancy Beers; secretary, Elaine Hamilton; program chairman, Jo O'Hare.



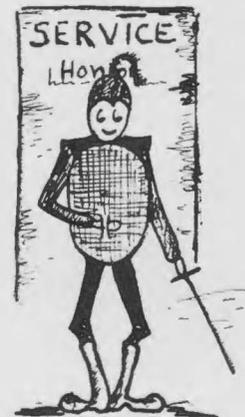


Starter of the year was the club assembly, in which each club presented in its best dramatic style its activities. Highlight of the mid-winter season was the Christmas assembly, which included "A Child Is Born" read by Miss Dorothy Donahoe and singing of the traditional Christmas carols. In a gayer mood was the annual Sadie Hawkins assembly with the typical Kangaroo Kort proceedings. Another spring success was the presentation by Delta Psi Omega of "Sob Stuff" and "Poor Old Jim." Assembly chairmen for fall and spring were Pat Wells and George Simpson.

assemblies

renegade knights

The Renegade Knights, men's honorary service organization, again came into the picture this year under the sponsorship of George Sagen. The presidential office was capably filled by Ed McAleer, who was assisted by Bob Kelly, vice-president; Harry Hofman, secretary; and Jim Sagen, treasurer. The roster of club members included, besides the above mentioned, Paul Mason and John Reed.



lance and shield

Small, dynamic Hattie Hoenshell has this year advised the women's honorary service club, the Lance and Shield. Searching for ways to be of service to the school were Gwen Stotts, president; Pat Wells, vice-president; Jo Ann Jones, secretary - treasurer, Margaret Morrans, Catherine Antongiovanni, Eleanor Hall, Jean Hayes, Barbara Farrell, Helen Core, Peggy Stewart, Sara Stahl, Eleanor Hilty, Alene Jensen, Ethelyn Lancaster, and Mary Dee Shultz, fall president.





alpha gamma sigma



The Greasy Grinds of BJC—these monuments to good, clean slavery have managed to attain a grade point ratio of 2.3 or more. Mr. Young, the adviser of Alpha Gamma Sigma, was sometimes bewildered by his brain children, but he always managed to keep one step ahead. Jim Sagen led the procession for the first semester, and Willis Reimer assumed leadership during the spring.



Sc a

The Student Christian Association was formed to promote good fellowship among the students of various faiths. The main activity of the year was the drive conducted at Easter for the World Student Service Fund. Guy Jaggard advised this worthwhile group, while Dick Hoover and Virginia Fuller served as presidents for the spring and fall semesters respectively.





Junior statesmen

Organizing the first college chapter in the United States were the local Junior Statesmen of America. Led by Don Cook, Oran Palmer, George Simpson, and Jan Werling, the charter members include Betty Lou Dill, Emma Gibson, Barbara Nabers and Jotte Valle.

Highlights of the year were attendance at state conventions at Santa Barbara and San Francisco, and a snow party on Greenhorn mountain.





state collegians

The State Collegians is composed of those students who expect to transfer to a state college or university. Members feverishly accumulated information on their future colleges. Social activities included a dinner for the basketball team, a dessert party, and a mother-daughter tea at which the president of Fresno State College spoke.





Engineering their way through C. E. classes and surveying the beauties of the campus this year were several dozen stalwart males plus Emma Gibson. The Engineers' Club under Ed Hemmerling sponsored the year's best steak bake; Emma, the only girl in the organization, got the dubious privilege of escorting all the equipment over hill and dale, while the men were loaded down with maps and compasses. Officers for this exclusive group during the fall were Dean Van Zant, president; Paul Mason, vice-president; Don Hylton, secretary-treasurer, and Charles Jasper, sergeant-at-arms. In the spring their duties were taken over by Don Pipkin, John Dealy, Emma Gibson and Blake Williams.



engineers club



camera club

Darkness shrouded the scene. Suddenly a violent oath was heard. But it was only a member of the Camera Club trying to develop film in that mysterious place—the darkroom. Members, under the genial direction of Paul Baldwin, learned how to take good pictures, how to develop them, and how to print and enlarge them. Officers were Beverly Mettler, president; Marian Rademacher, vice-president; and Jean Stuart, secretary-treasurer.



Le Cercle français

Madame Eva Lefevre directed Le Cercle Francais through an active year. A candy raffle and a sandwich sale obtained the money which was donated to the Quaker Relief Society for the purpose of buying food for French children. Officers for the fall semester were Jean Hayes, president; Sara Stahl, vice-president; Kay Knight, secretary - treasurer. Serving for the spring semester were Jean Stuart, president; Alene Jensen, vice-president; and Georgina Friesen, secretary-treasurer.





hia sigma

The Hia Sigma searched vainly for some good deed to do this year, but until finals no one needed medical aid. So the last week of school, on hand to distribute aspirin were Gloria Zanetti, president; Barbara Chambers, secretary-treasurer; and two dozen pre-nursing students.



international relations

The International Relations group, sponsored by Guy Jaggard, met bi-weekly to discuss the problems facing the nations of the world. The aim of the club is to aid the students in the acquisition of a better understanding of international problems and possible methods of solving them. A special social meeting was held at the home of the adviser just before Christmas. This year, George Simpson headed the club as president; Jim Sagen was vice-president and Peggy Poteete, secretary.



german club



Potluck dinner, bowling party, watermelon feed, Chinese dinner, dinner at the El Tejon, and picnics were the activities of the German Club. Were these students always hungry?

Fall officers were George Simpson, president; Jotty Valle, vice-president; and Elsie McClure, secretary-treasurer. George Simpson retained his presidency and in the spring semester was assisted by Richard Hitchcock, vice-president; and Beverly Mettler, secretary-treasurer. Adelaide Schafer was the adviser.





The Lifers, the most select group of B.J.C., is virtually a fraternity of men who have decided that education and the atomic age are only fads, and so have decided to stay at B.J.C. till the whole thing blows over. Still waiting at present are Gwynne Slack, Wayne Morrison, Ed McAleer, and Larry Maes.

lifers' club





a capella choir



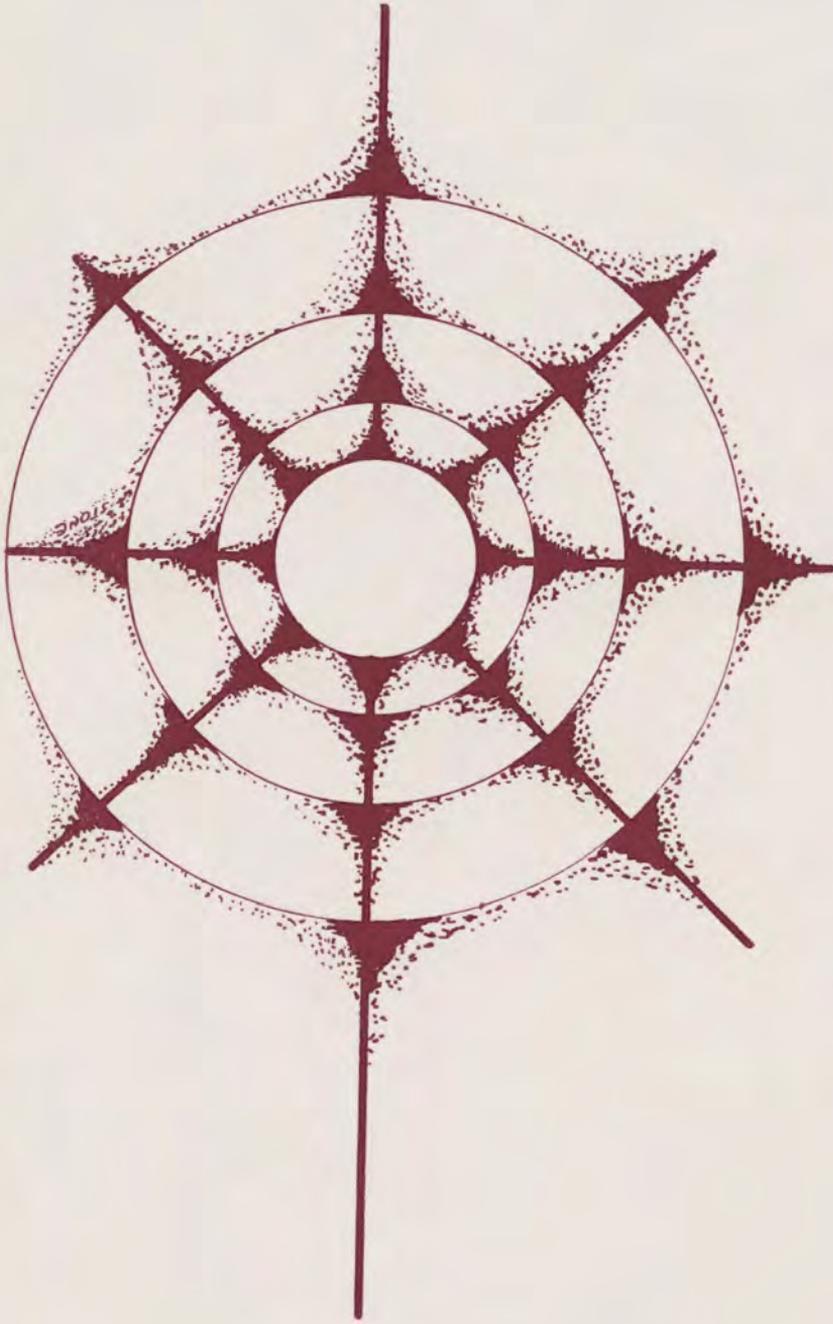
The A Capella Choir was well known to school and community for its melodic performances under Ronald Clark's direction. The performance that the public was deprived of was the one staged before the curtain rose!



musical ass'n ushers



The Musical Association Ushers ushered a little and adorned the theater a lot in the six concerts given this year. Margaret Morrans as head usher was responsible for getting the members there, and on time (when she could). Miss Evelyn Schilling was the "big boss" and straightened out the few polite tussles staged over seating.



ene799 activated





Barney Brown and Bob Eversole fill their car with gasoline at Tilley and Stahl's station before going out for the evening.

Florence Easton uses lots of stationery writing to her friends. At Wingate's she searches for just the right box.





Who wouldn't wear a sun suit if she looked as lovely as Joy Young does in this one from Harry Coffee's?



A salesman at the office of Elmer F. Karpe's shows Peggy Poteete a lot in one of Mr. Karpe's new tracts.



Dawn Taylor and Barbara Pothier may decide to be druggists as they watch a prescription being filled at the El Tejon Drug.



"I hear music," says Downing McKee as he looks at the records which Beverly Mettler is showing him at Tracy's.

At the Valley Office and School Equipment Company, Miki Stickler selects some of the art supplies she needs for school.



Its a lovely day to be out with a new Ford. Melvin Davis and Barbara Nabers are enjoying both the weather and the car—from George Habberfelde, Inc.



Juanita and John Hamilton are interested in one of the combination radio-phonographs which they see at Booth's.



Out with the latest in date-bait is B.J.C.'s filibustering George Simpson, with a 1946 Buick from the Bakersfield Motor Center. George wagers it has a capacity of 16 girls —“Oh, at least that!”

That's Maggie Rupe in a Weill's suit—typical of their large selection of collegiate togs.



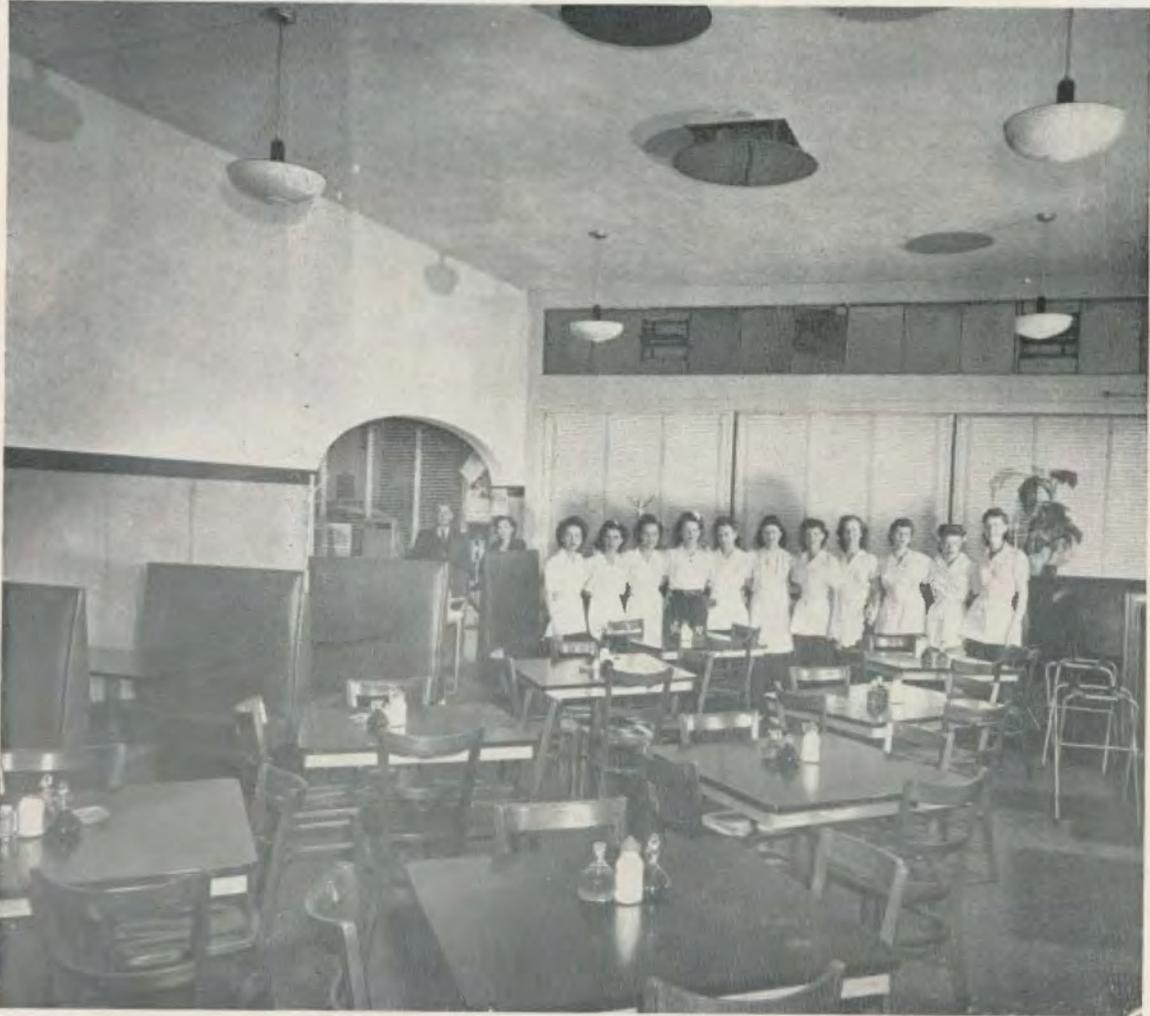


Joyce Meyers is getting an atom-izer of sweetness blown her way at Brock's convenient perfume and cosmetics counter. Just a tip to all would-be-glamorous coeds.

Barbara Glidden doesn't really work at Kimball and Stone, but it's the place where father and son latch on to that ever-necessary shaving equipment.

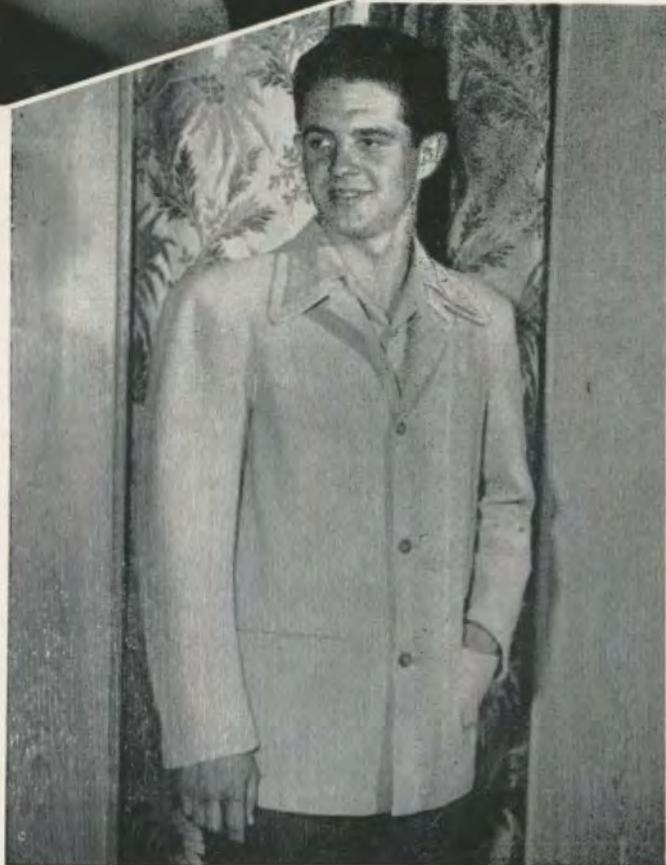


Buzz the Bamboo Chopsticks for a REAL Chinese dinner with all the trimmings—Chop! Chop!





Gazing fondly at her new watch from Strauss Jewelers is Marie Roux.



Modeling a typical Renegade clothing choice from Harrison's is the Sheik himself, Paul Asperger.



A perfect setting for Kay Knight's loveliness is Judd's salon of distinctive clothes.



Going over the menu of good meals at Elmer's Cafe are Jan Werling and Dean Van Zant, Sharon Hughes and Jimmy Weehunt.



Mr. Prather does a montage at Prather's fine photography studio.



Bill Randall finds the smartest clothes for campus wear at Seiler's Men's Store.



At Smith's Florist's, Fred Mohr finds a wide selection of beautiful flowers from which to choose Betty Wright's bouquet.



Debating whether or not to buy ice cream are Virginia Fuller and Ed McAler at the River Fountain.



Pat Wells and Lorene Jensen seem to like the friendly atmosphere of the Brundage Pharmacy.



Alene Jensen and Foy Tison look over the enticing candy counter at the River Theater in Oildale.



John Scofield shows Beverly Stephenson the fine colognes found in Martin's Drug Store in Oildale.

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