



**1978**  
*american legion*  
**BOYS' STATE**



BOYS STATE



## Director's Message

I wish to express my congratulations to all staters. May this week's activities be only a beginning in a successful chain of events in your life.

Also, many thanks to the counselors, advisors and all in Boys' State who have worked very hard to make this a most successful session.

Many thanks to the University personnel and the members of the Lawrence American Legion Post #14.

My sincere best wishes go to you wonderful people.

Dino J. Spigarelli



## Governor's Message

Fellow Staters,

As our session of Boys' State becomes history we go back to our separate towns and schools to share our week long experiences. We will never again be united as a single group. It is our job to keep our memories alive, as we meet new challenges and obstacles. Throughout life we must be responsible to meet the obligations Boys' State has prepared us for.

We can never change the fact that we are 1978 Staters. With that fact goes a duty. We can make a difference, by participating, sharing and learning more about government. I know we will obtain our goals. Together let's create a better world for the citizens yet to come.

With sincere best wishes,

David J. Adkins

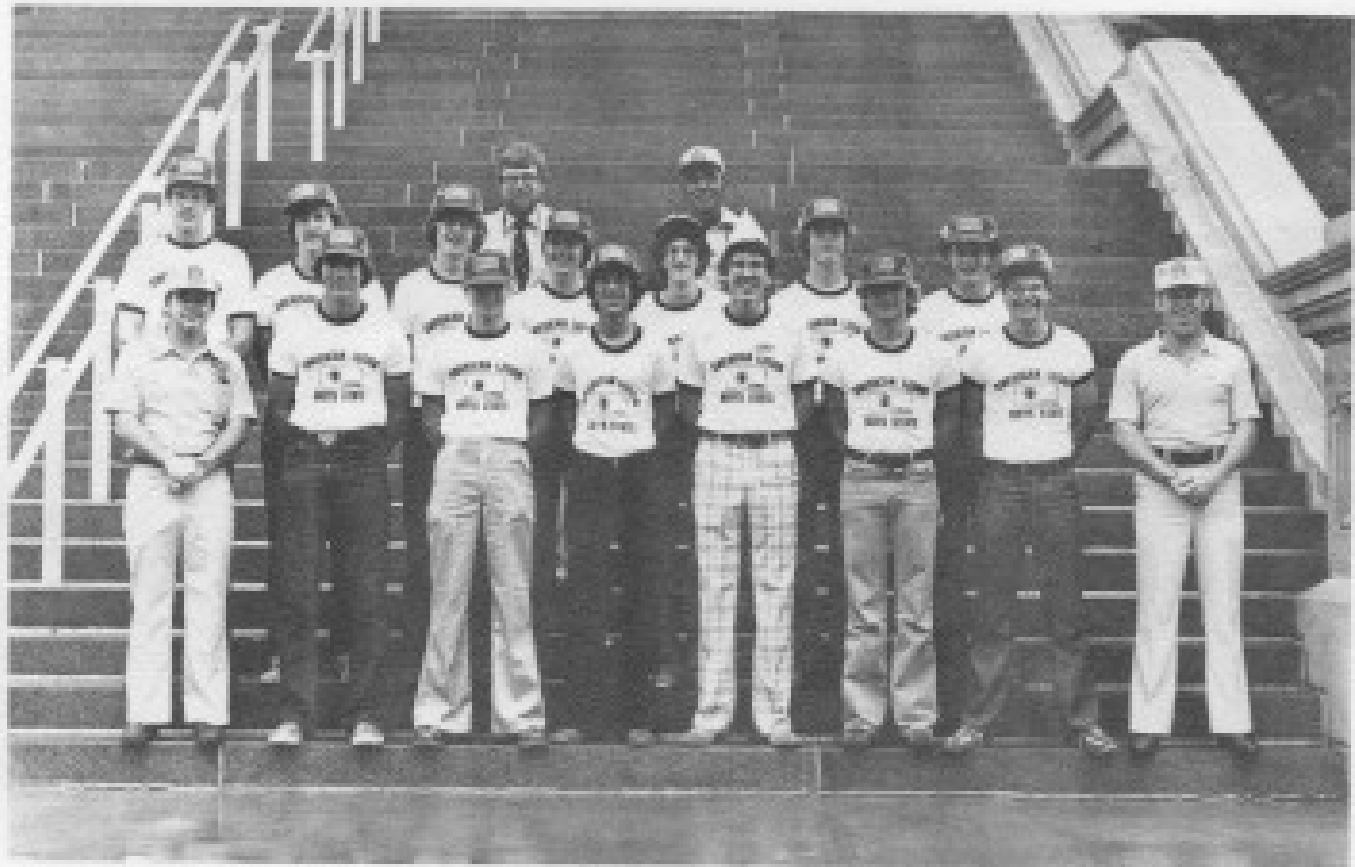
# BOYS' STATE HISTORY

"To inculcate a sense of individual obligation to the community, state and nation" is the purpose of The American Legion Boys' State, originated in 1935 by the Department of Illinois (Department meaning 'state' in the American Legion organization).

Kansas, holding charter number 5, was among the first to institute the week-long government-in-action training program. Within these past 30 years, virtually every state American Legion, realizing the program's potential for educating youth in practical politics and governmental operation, has set up its own Boys' State.

Boys' State operates under the American Legion National Americanism Commission and is administered here by the executive committee of the Department of Kansas.

For 26 years, Kansas Boys' State was headquartered in Wichita. In 1963, in order to provide larger and more suitable accommodations, the Department moved Boys' State to the University of Kansas at Lawrence where it was housed in Templin and Lewis Halls, expanding the following session to include Hashinger Hall, and in 1968 a portion of Ellsworth Hall was used.



The program is no longer limited by physical facilities but instead is available to any high school senior-to-be who meets the academic standards and demonstrates leadership qualities. The number of delegates has doubled since the move to Lawrence. Civic and church groups as well as American Legion posts sponsor delegates.

Over 27,000 Kansas boys — 932 delegates this year bringing the total to 27,833 — have participated in Boys' State, performing during each session every function of government, in city, county and state levels.

Selected former staters — 100 of them — return as counselors to Boys' State, and are assisted in its direction by 50 Legionaire advisors and Executive Director, Dino J. Spigarelli.

At the conclusion of each annual session, two Staters are elected 'Senators' to attend the American Legion Boys' Nation, which convenes later in the summer in Washington, D.C.

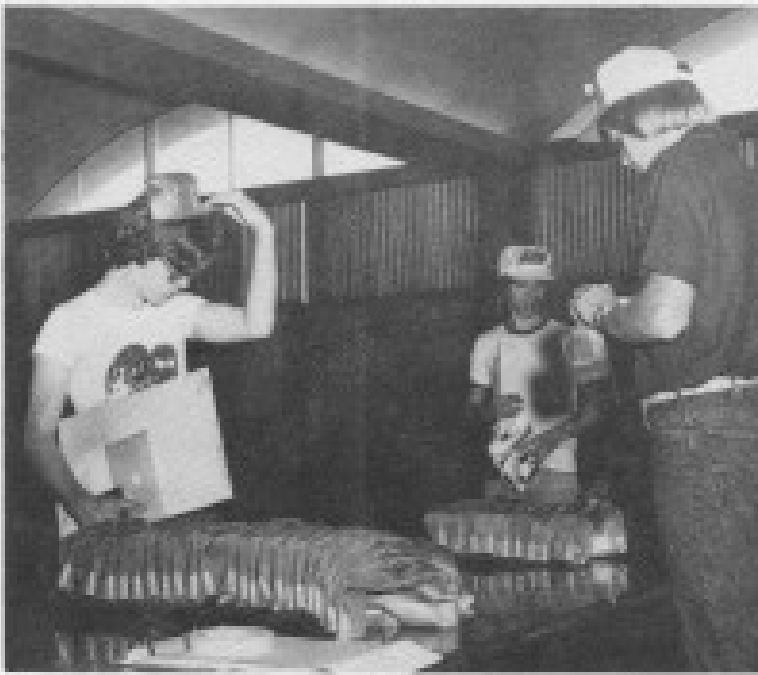


## WELCOME... to BOYS' STATE



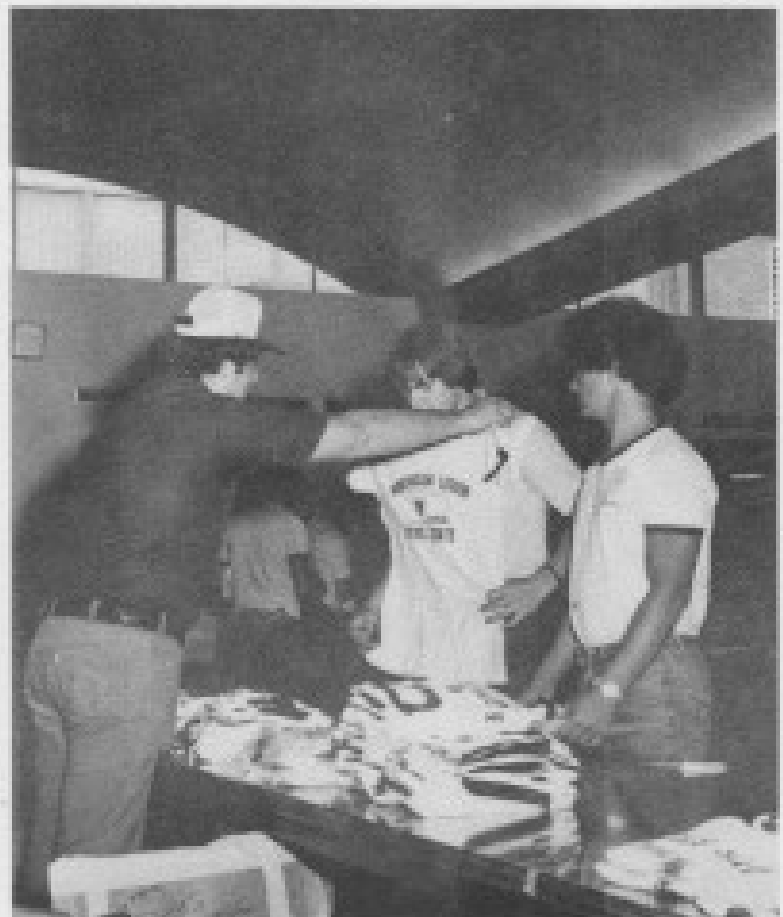
Staters arriving by bus, train and car. Legionnaires met buses and trains Saturday and Sunday and delivered the boys to Lewis Hall for registration.

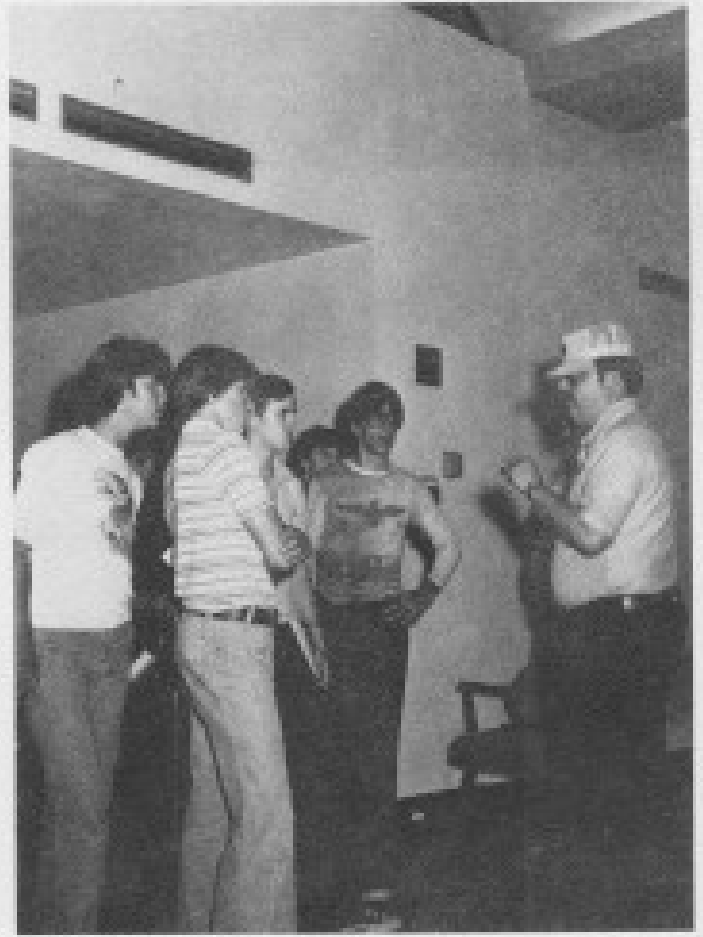
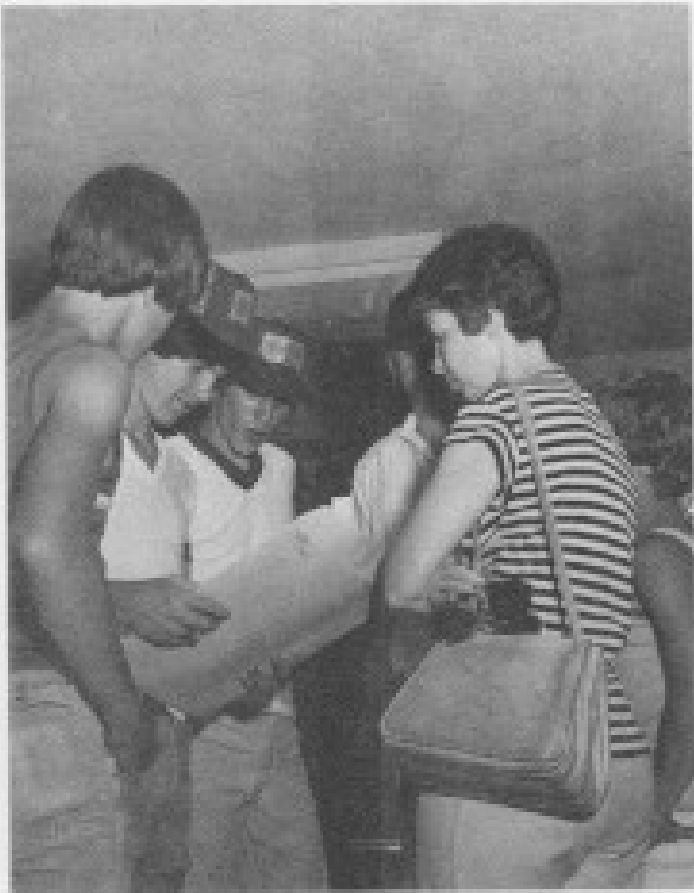




## GETTING SETTLED

We checked out our pockets, bought our two T-shirts, were fitted for hats; and then after we'd unpacked and settled in our rooms, we were full-fledged Staters at last.

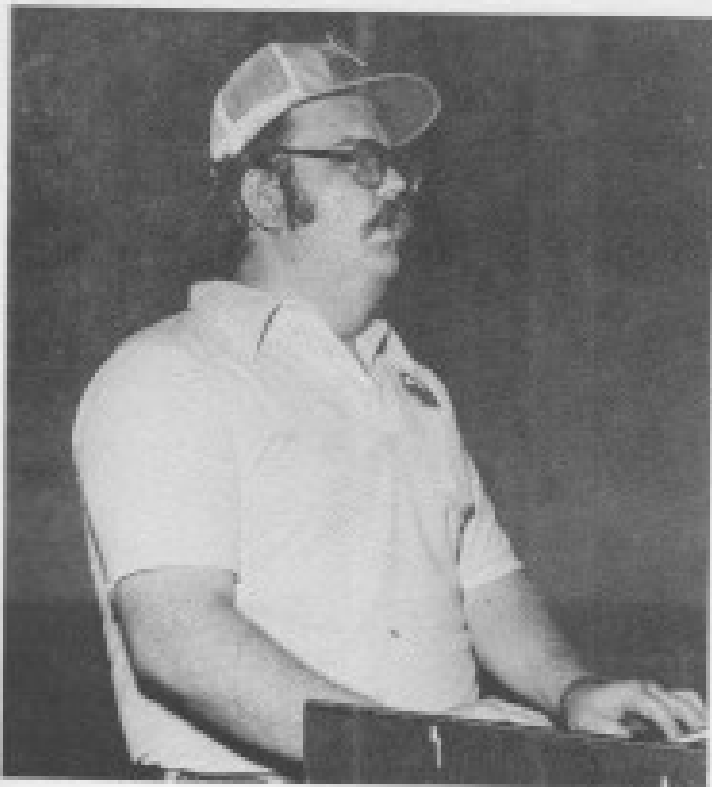




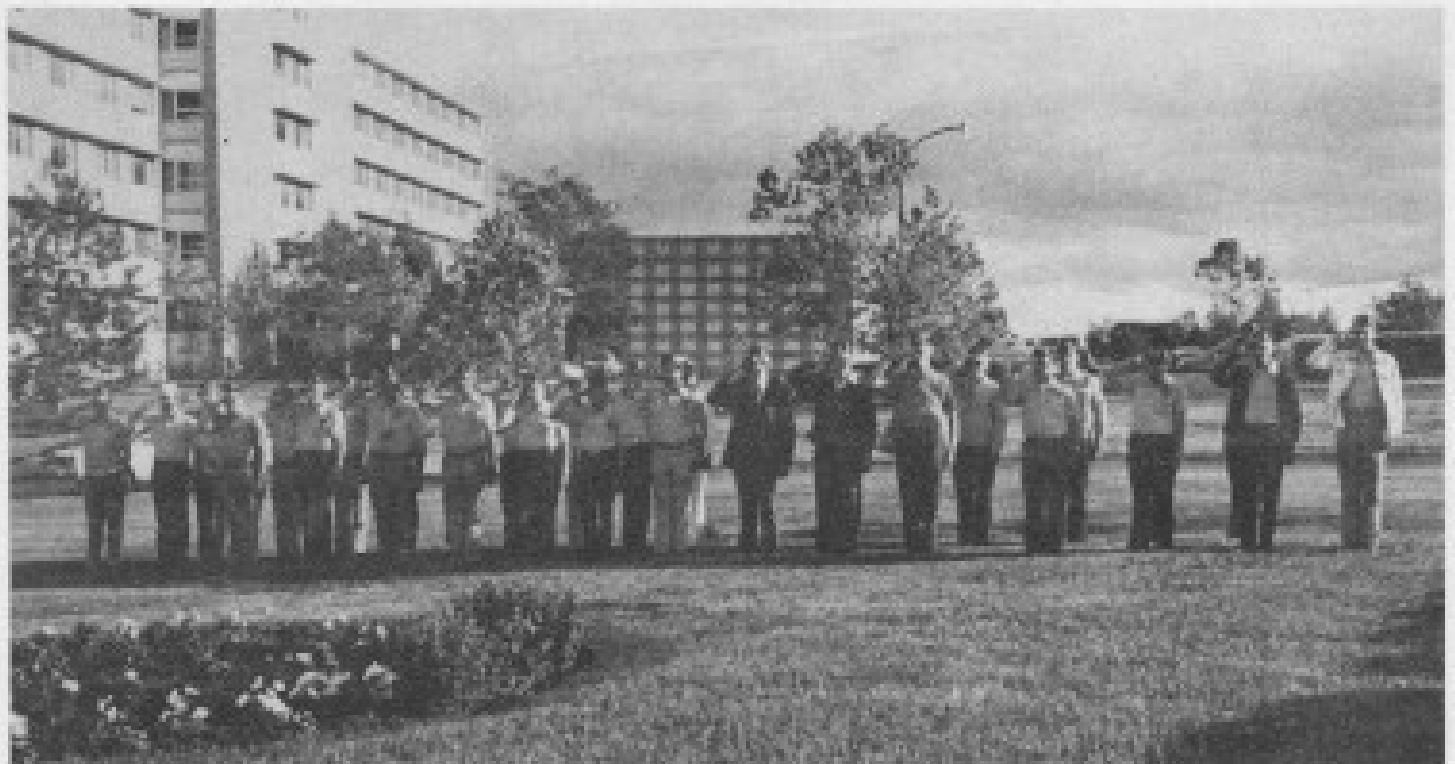
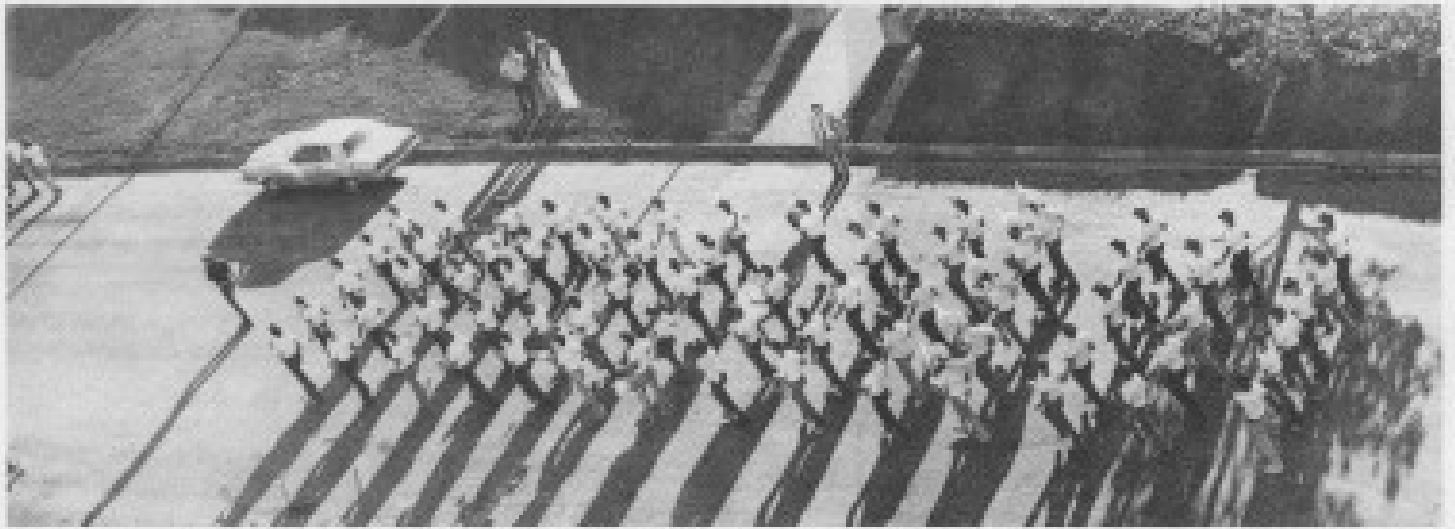
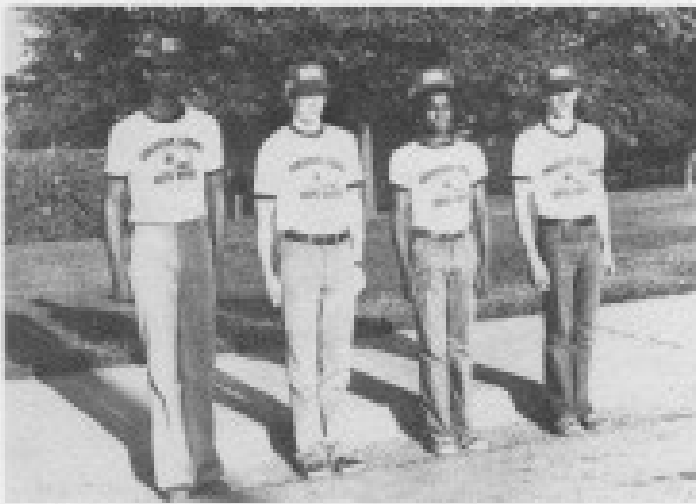


## OPENING SESSION

Retreat, passing in review, assembly. Legionnaires, visitors and staff helpers. All a part of Boys' State.









## CAMPAIGNS

Psters were hung from the ceilings with care—and plastered on the walls and the windows, too—as the primary races headed at a dead heat for the general election payoff.

City councils convened to meet and hear candidates for county offices, the senate and the house. State candidates addressed county meetings.

Whether we were running for county clerk or state senator, we each wanted to win. And it was every man for himself in the 24-hour-long primary campaign which ended with primary elections at 1:00 p.m. Tuesday.

We splashed our names across every available space—we used every play on words, every gimmick to make those names stick with the all-important voter.

We learned what it means, too, to remember names—to shake hands—to make a good impression when we spoke.

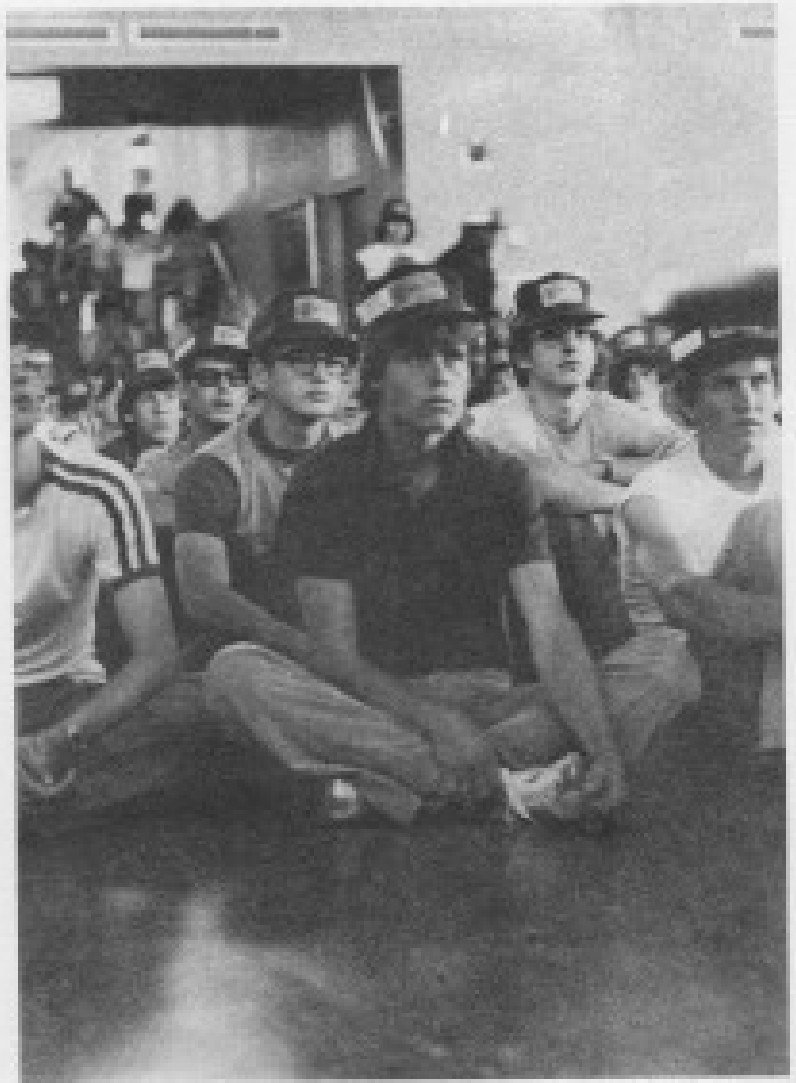
Perhaps most important, we learned that only one can win, but many must lose. And we who lost, proved our mettle as good citizens by working for our party and our candidates and exercising our votes in the general election.

For as we left Tuesday night's general assembly, whether victorious or defeated, we united behind our party standard...vowing victory for our candidates, our declared platform goals.

Roaring "two-bits, four-bits, six-bits, a dollar" we hauled down our primary signs and began the big push behind our candidates for Wednesday's general election.

# And MORE CAMPAIGNS

Both parties, the Federalists and Nationalists, campaigned for their party candidates. Each party chairman organized a vigorous campaign to win votes for their party.



## PRIMARY RESULTS

Tuesday the delegates to the American Legion Boys' State of Kansas selected party nominees for major state offices in a primary election at their annual government-in-action training program on the campus of the University of Kansas. Chosen by the Nationalist Party to head their list of candidates as governor was David J. Adkins while The Federalists picked David Cunningham as their nominee for governor of Boys' State.

Voting in the primary culminated a tough battle for over 100 staters competing for 14 positions on general election ballot. Other state candidates include the following:

Lt. Governor:

F — Marlon Brown

N — James Brull

Attorney General:

F — Tyler R. Brown

N — Ron W. Fields

Secretary of State:

F — Jim W. Gum

Thomas E. Akins

Treasurer:

F — James E. Crawford

N — Edward G. Cantrell

Commissioner of Insurance:

F — William N. Fleming

N — William A. Keck

The results were announced during the evening assembly. After the announcement the parties joined in support of their respective candidates in 20-minute rallies. The hall rocked with cheers and slogans as the parties competed to show their superiority.





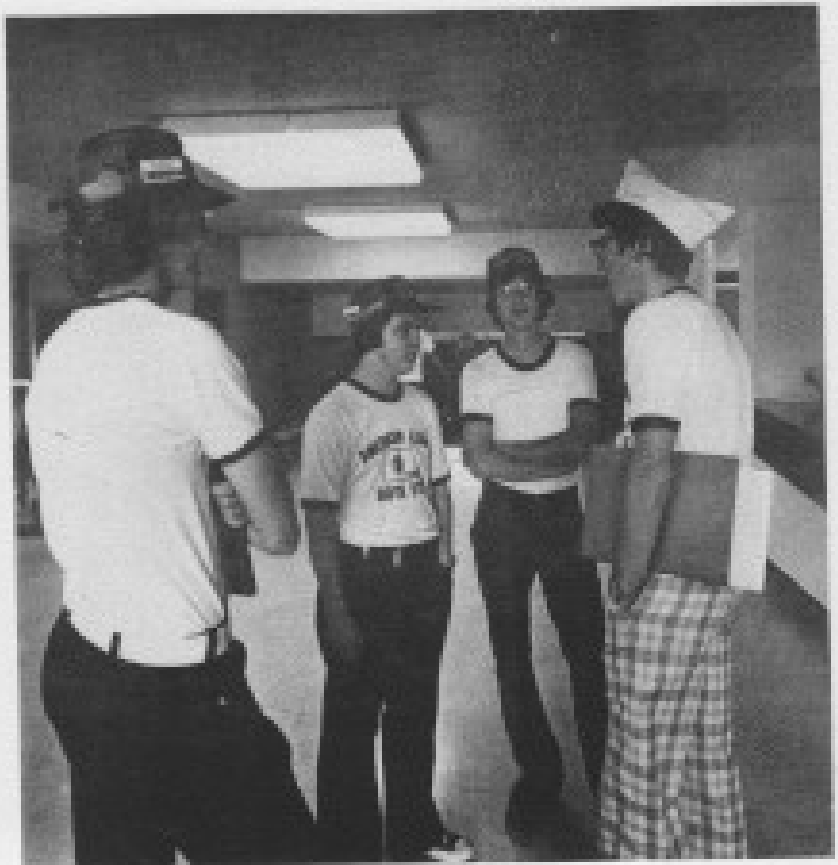
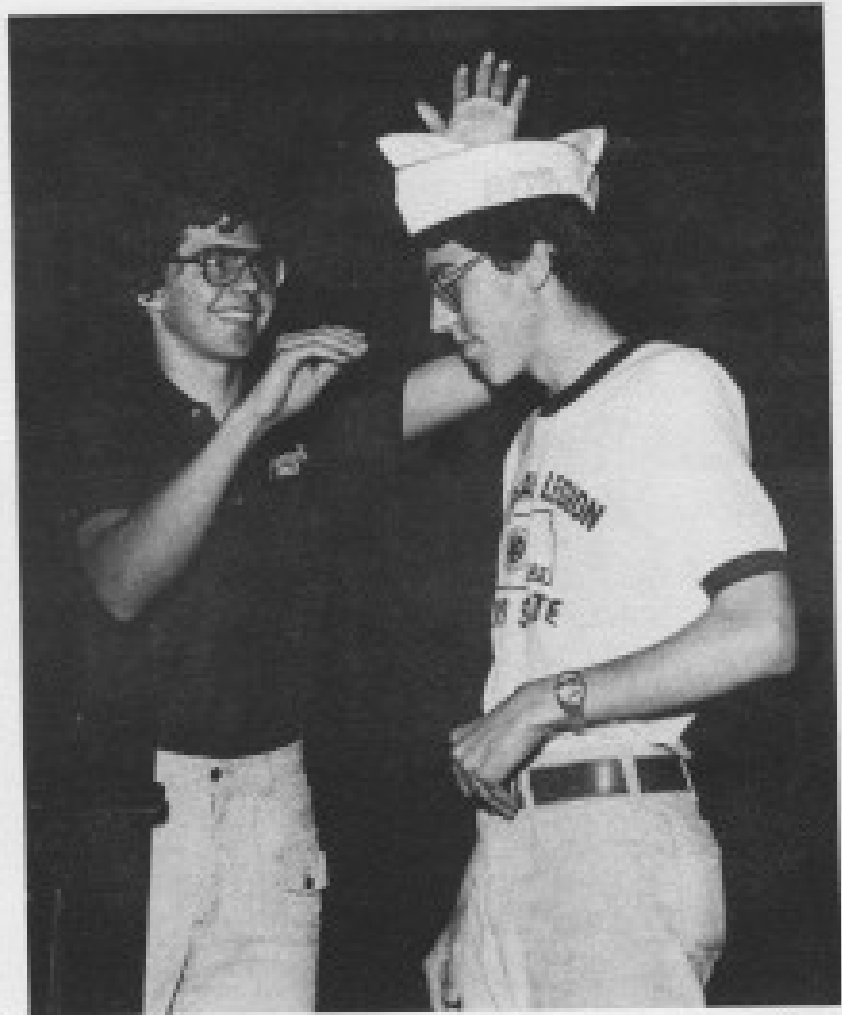
"Federalist and Nationalist Candidates"



## YOUR VOTE COUNTED....

We voted in our cities Wednesday afternoon and our election boards tallied the votes so that the winners could be announced that night.

Then with the traditional request "will you please escort the new Governor of Boys' State to the platform?" Dino J. Spigarelli, Executive Director of Boys' State escorted the new Governor, David J. Adkins, to the platform.





## ....AND THE RESULTS

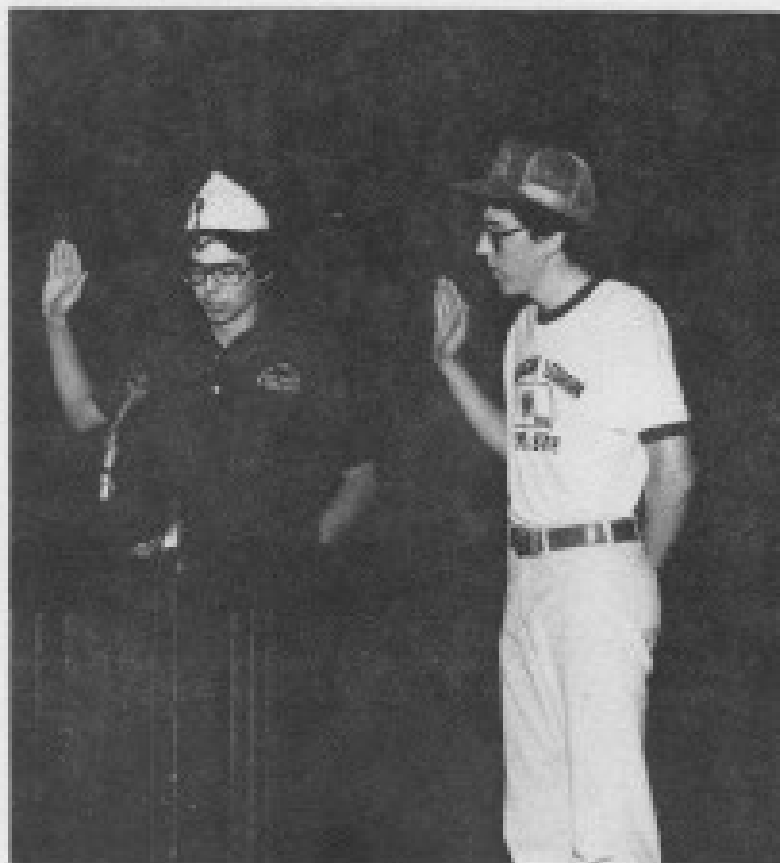
This afternoon the delegates to the 41st Annual American Legion Boys' State of Kansas elected David J. Adkins as Governor of the government-in-action program being held on the University of Kansas campus. The long awaited announcement came at the evening assembly in Murphy Hall.

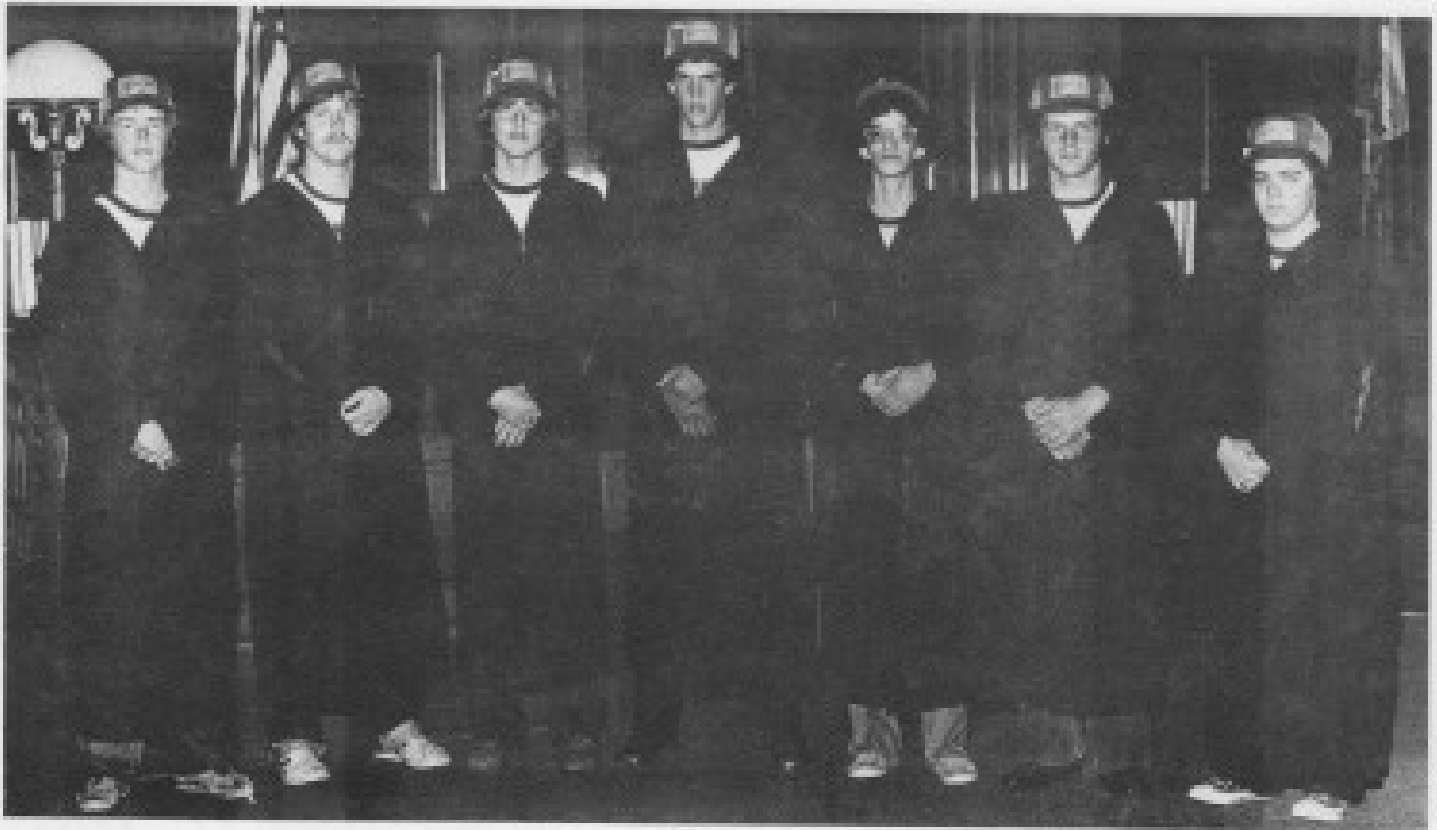
The Nationalist Governor is from Topeka where he attends Seaman High School.

At school, Dave is very active in debate, forensics, drama and is an Eagle Scout. He is presently serving as vice president for student council and will be president when he returns next fall. Dave plans to study law and politics in college.

Other state officials elected today were the following:

LT. GOVERNOR ..... James Brull  
 ATT. GENERAL ..... Tyler B. Brown  
 SEC. OF STATE ..... Thomas Akins  
 TREASURER ..... James E. Crawford  
 COMM. OF INS. .... William Fleming





## Supreme Court

Steve Winsemantel   Mike Titens   Matt Asher   Bob Teeter   Mark Sachse   Roger Martin

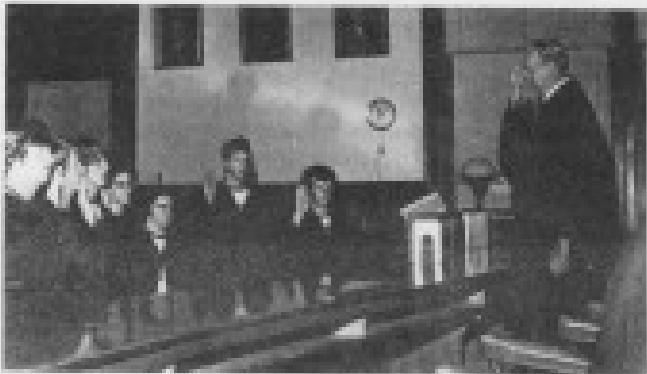


## Boys' State Band and Chorus



## GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS' DAY

All the Boys' State Elected officials visited their counterparts at the State Capitol in Topeka making it a very special day for Boys' State.





## **ELECTED OFFICIALS**



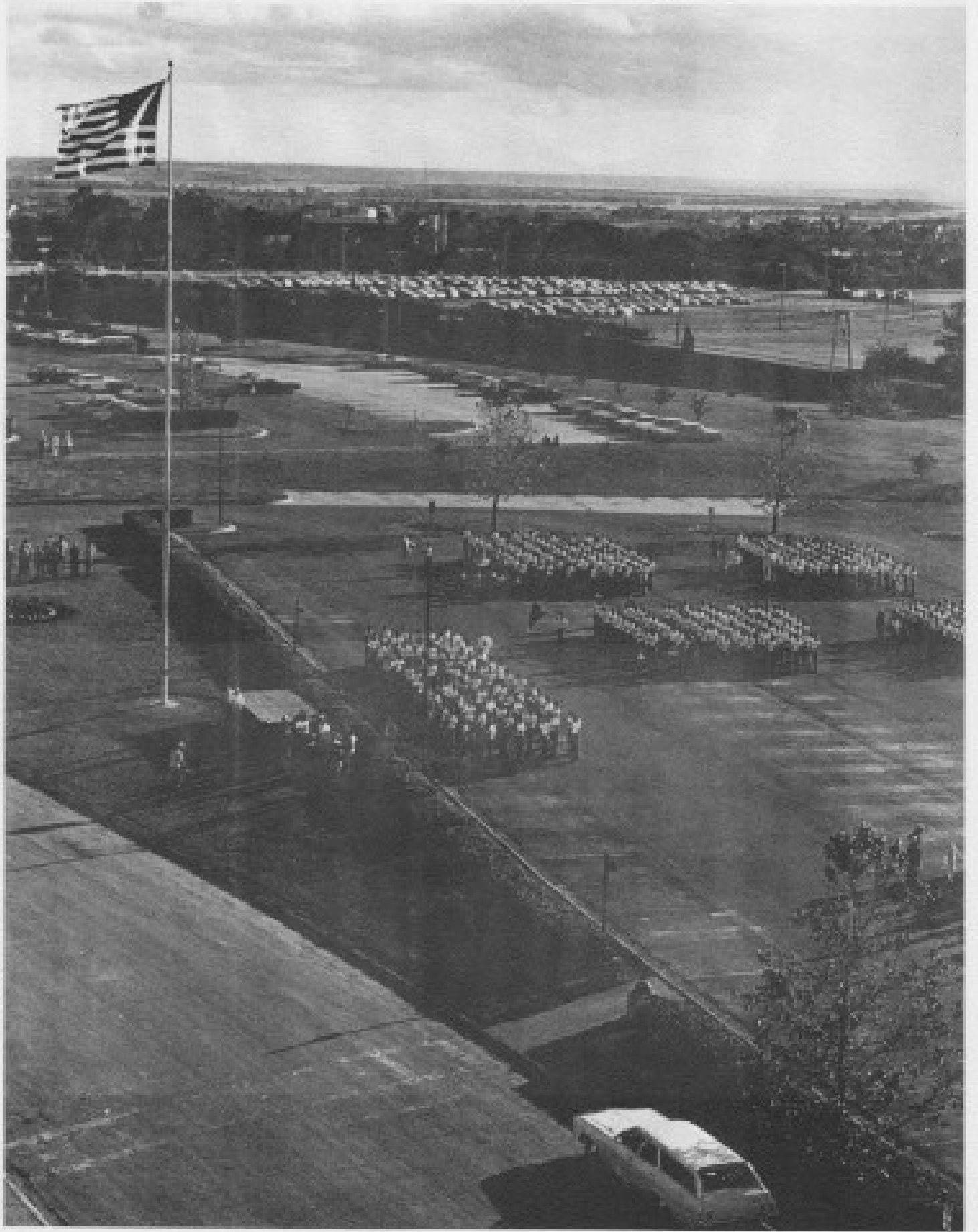
**YOUR LEGISLATURE CONVENES**

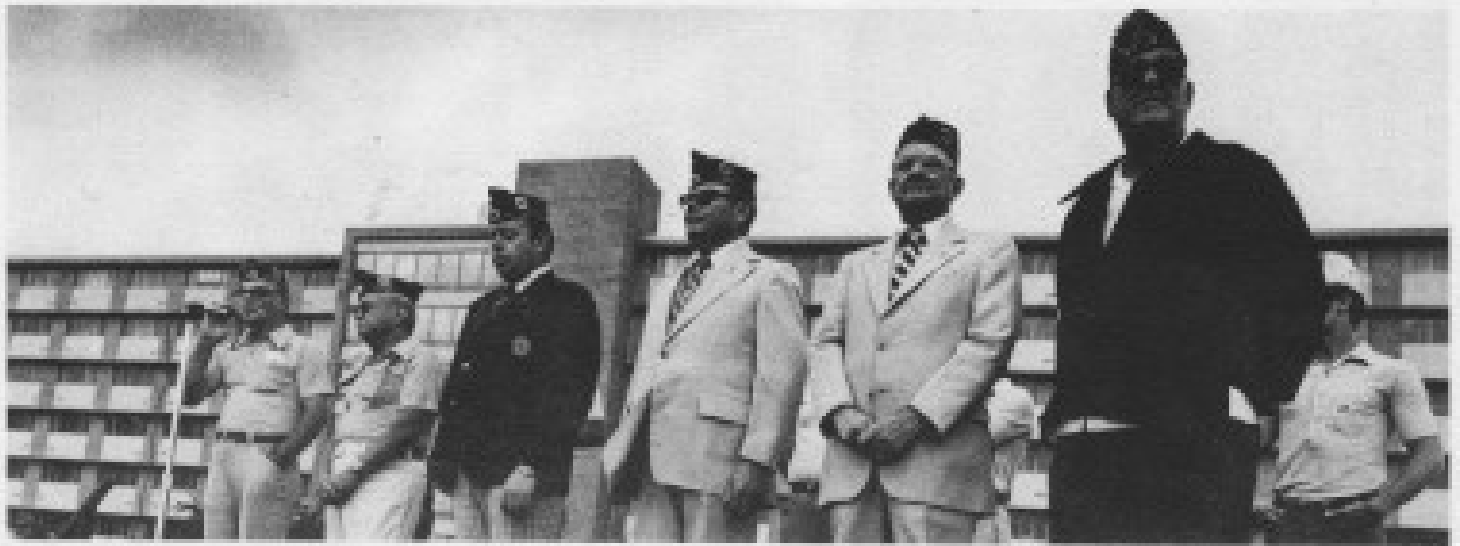


## BAND

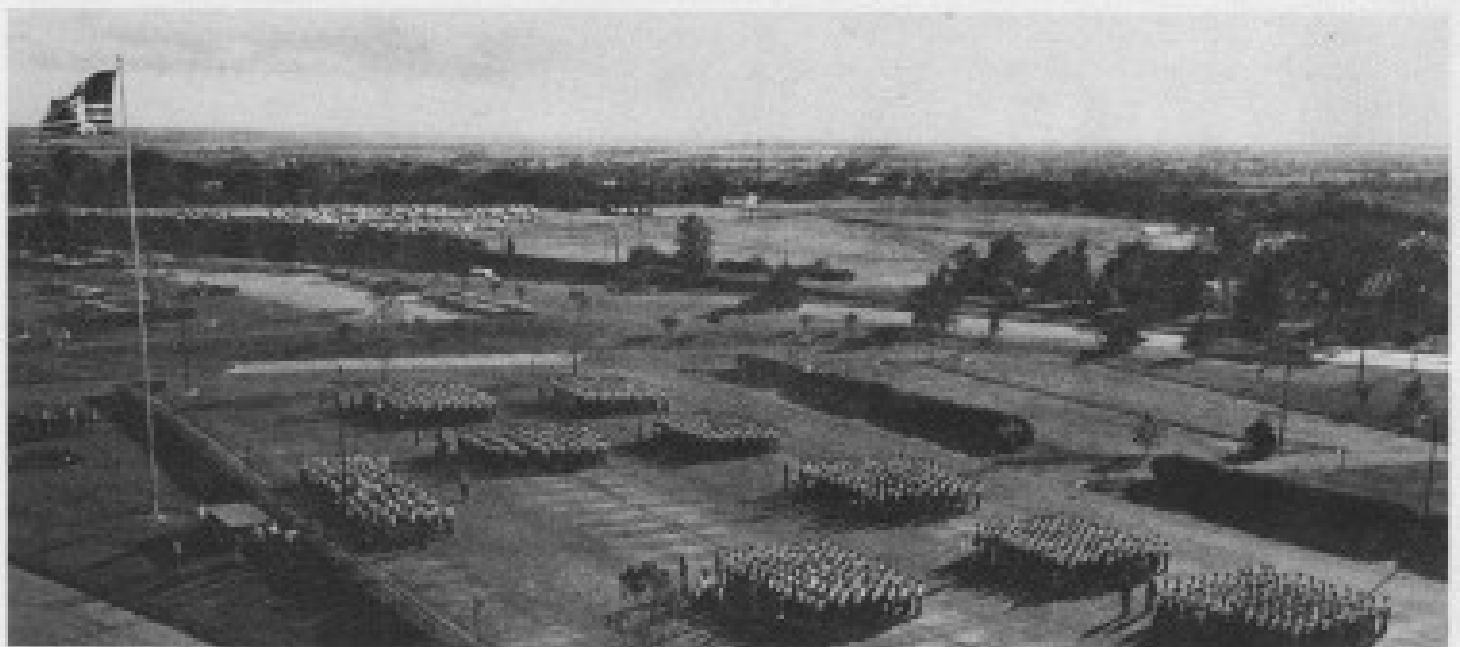
Our own Boys' State band piped us down the hill to "The Boys' State March", and we were entertained by the Boys' State chorus.







**RETREAT** With a growing esprit de corps, "eyes-right" at the reviewing stand, we proudly marched our way each evening to city and county awards.



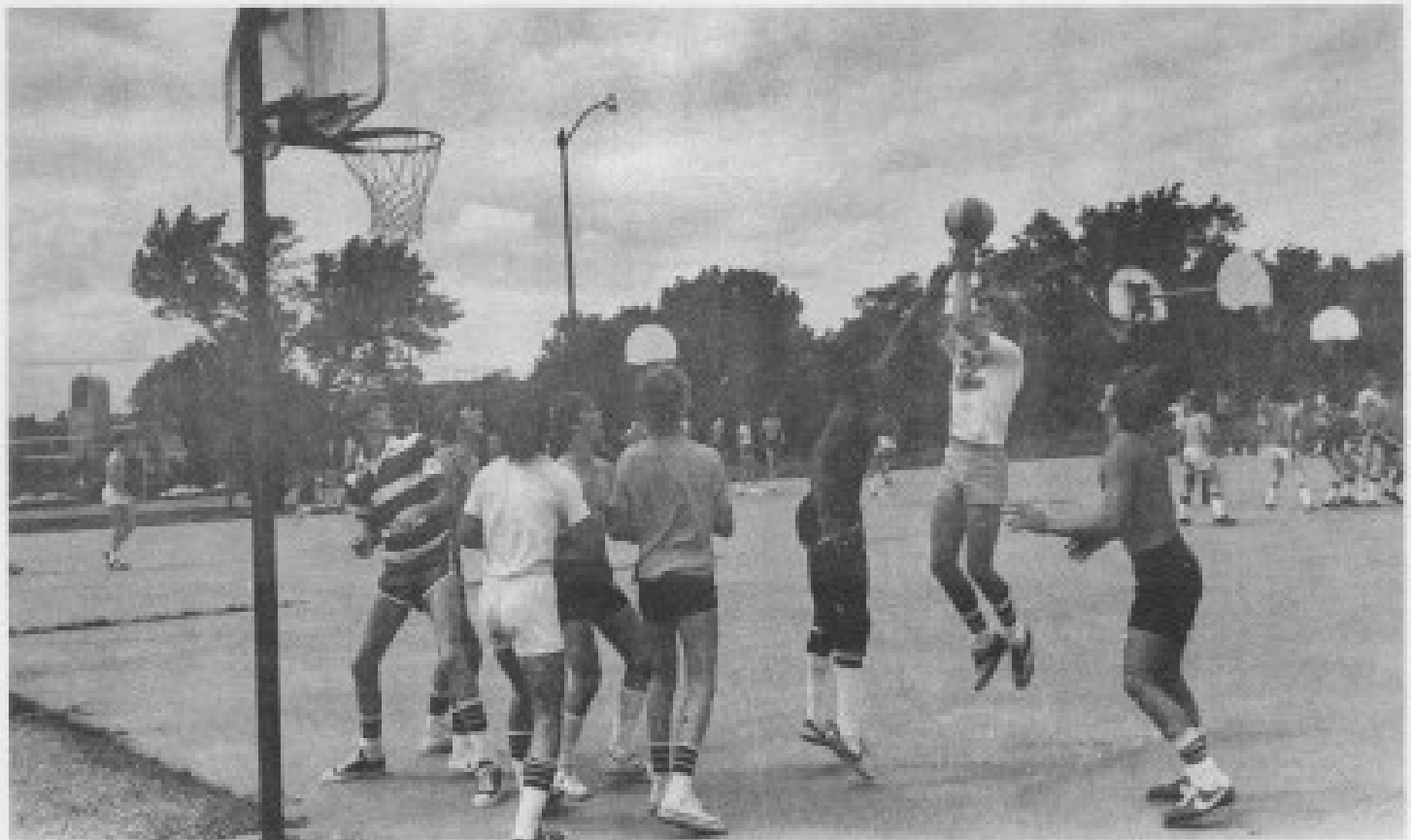


## TALENT SHOW





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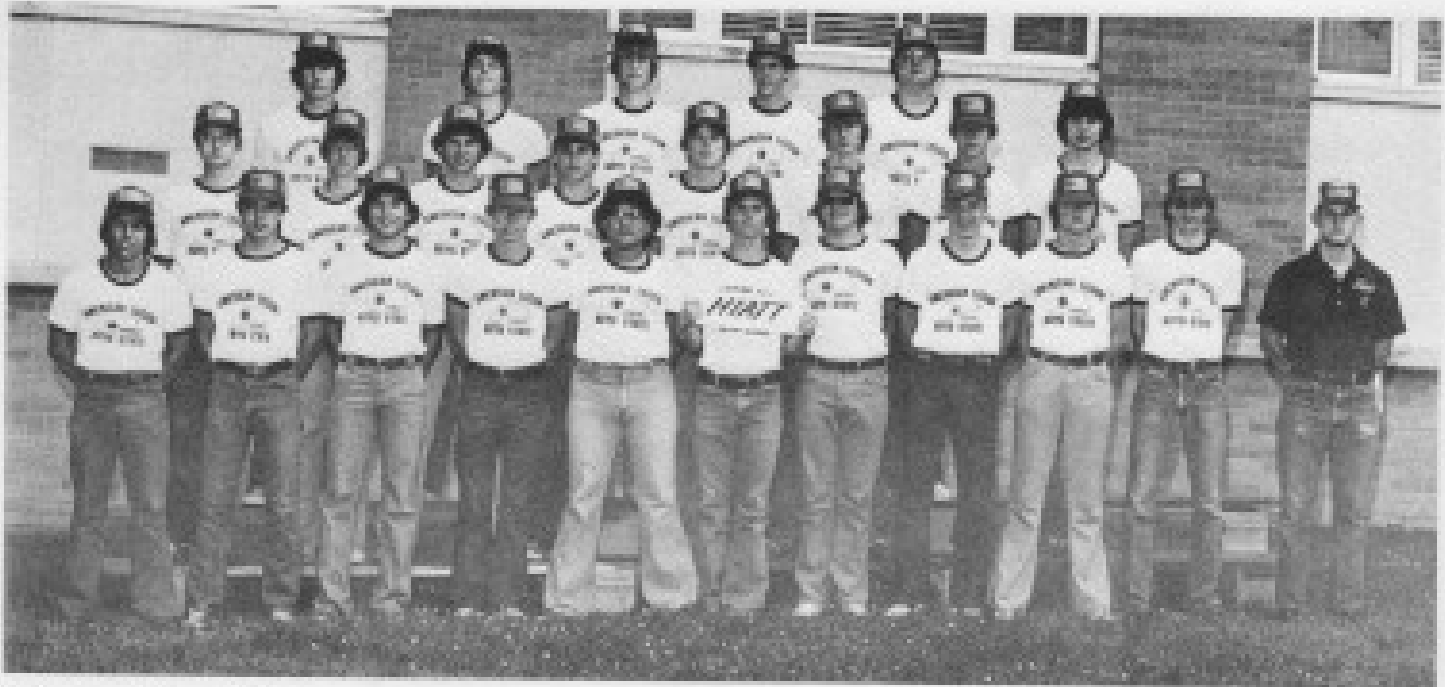
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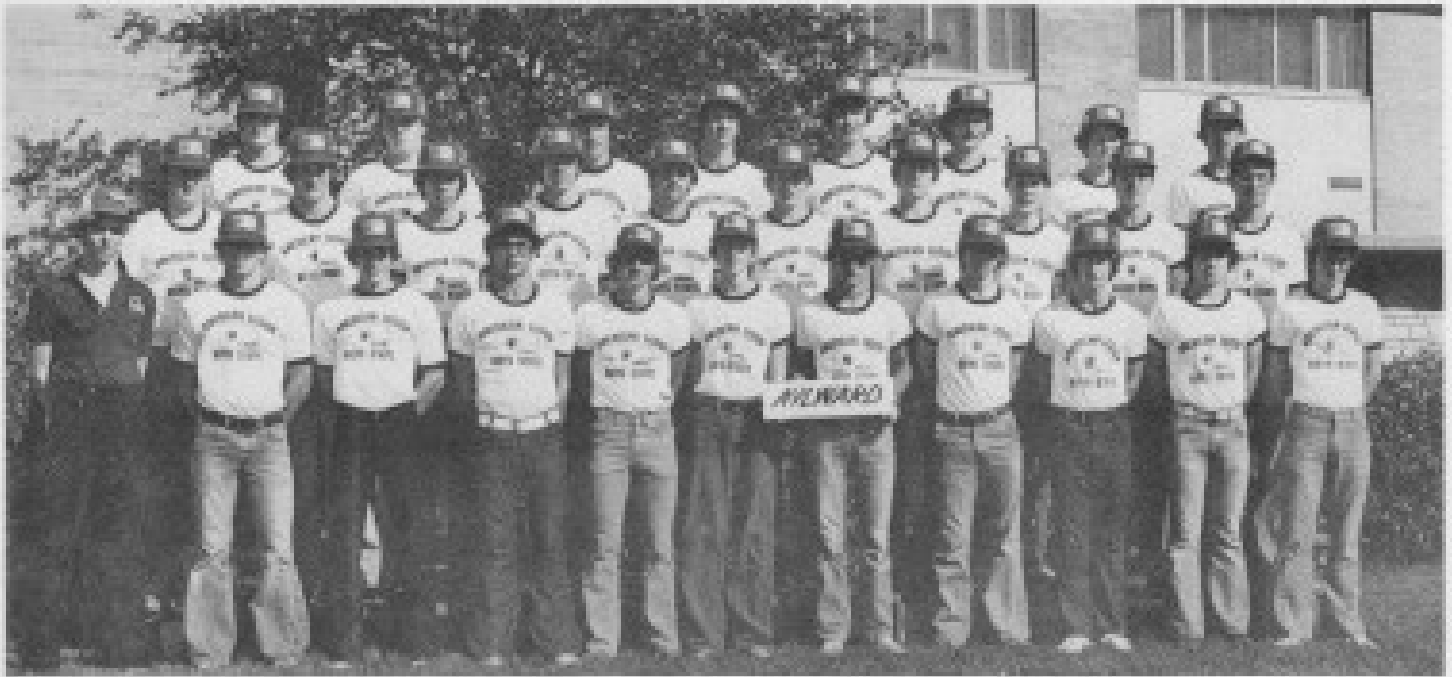
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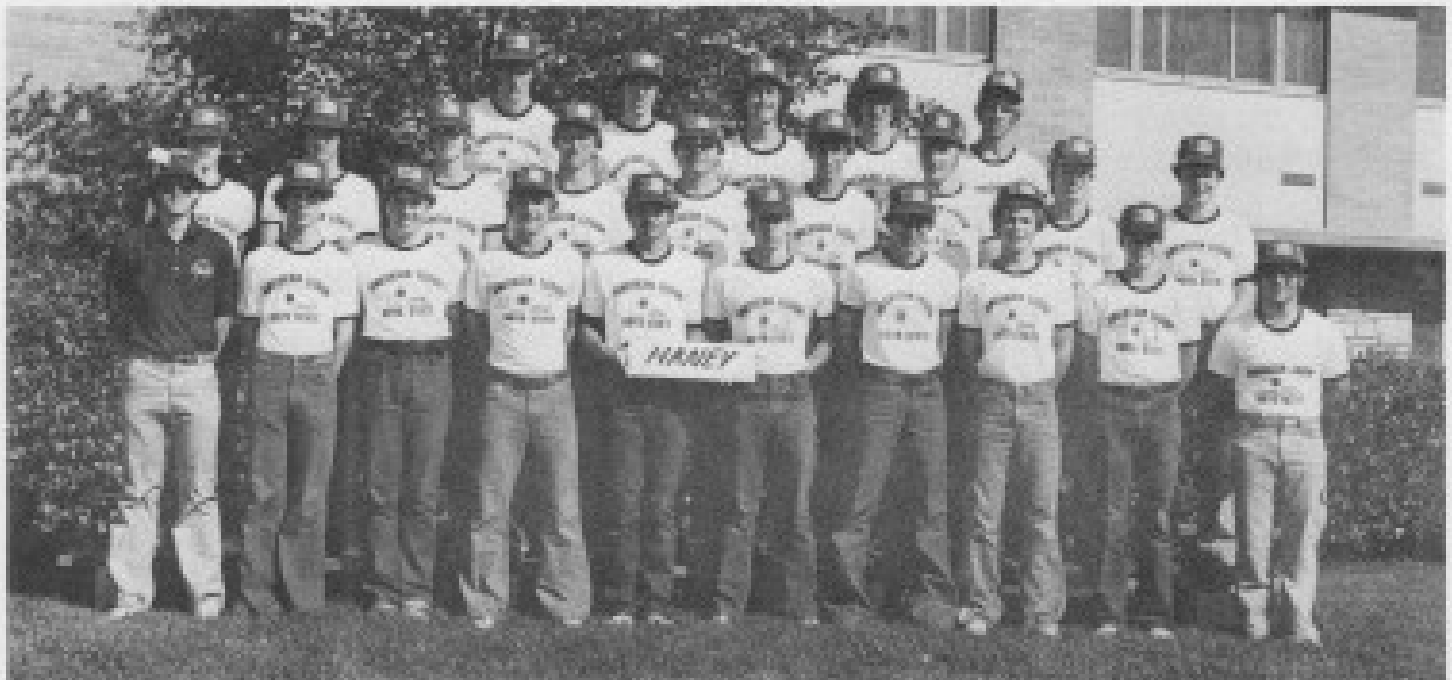
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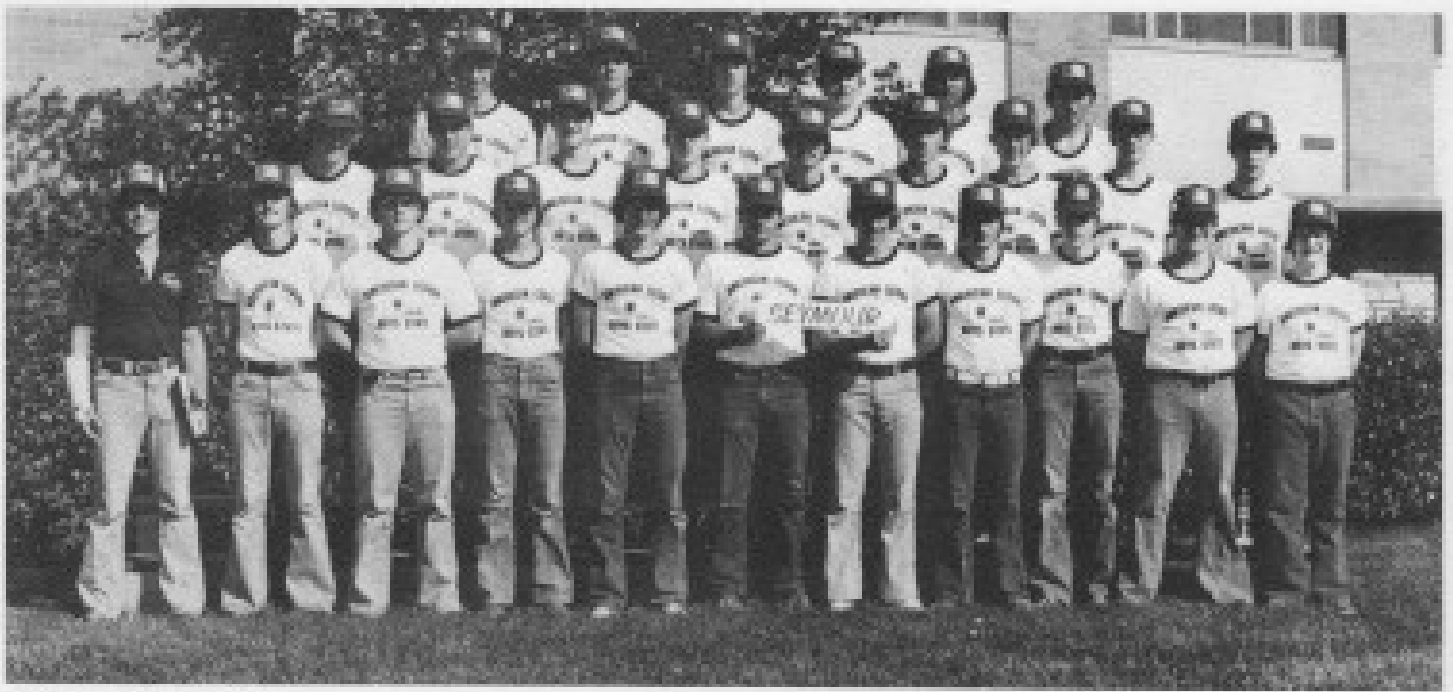
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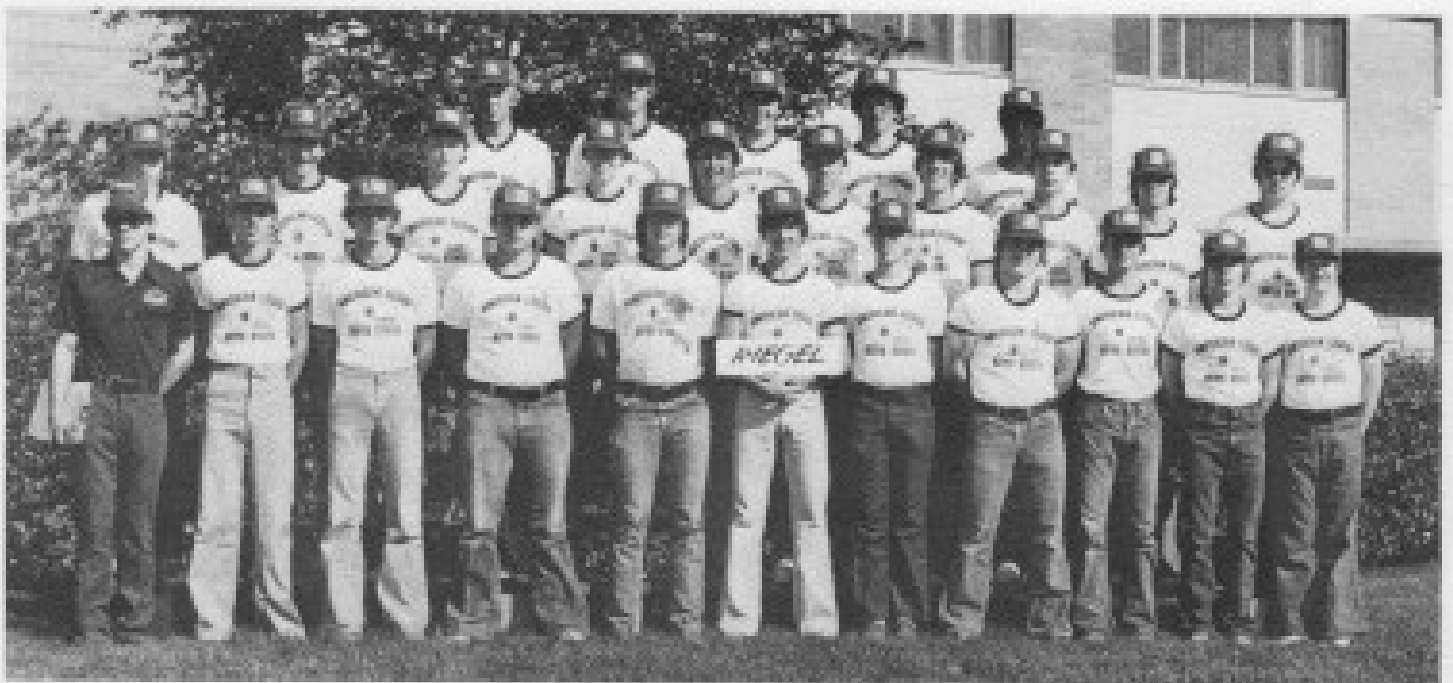
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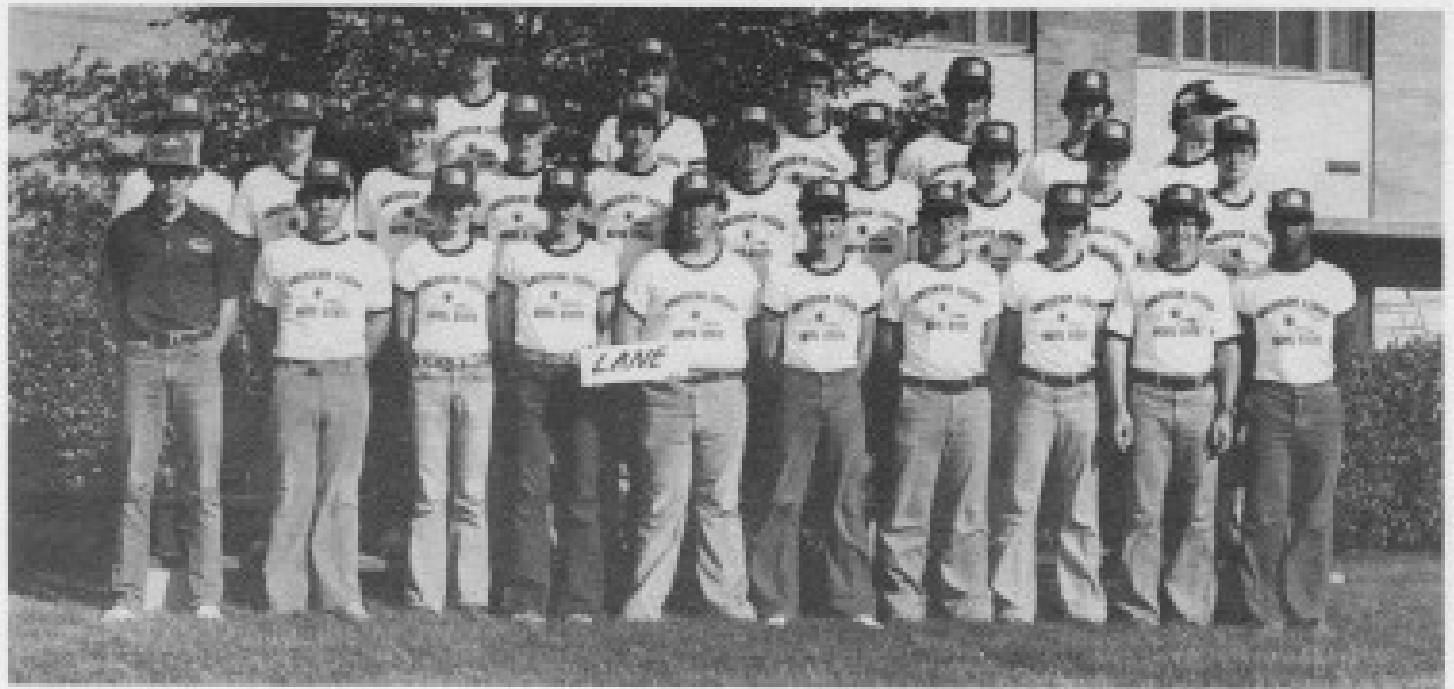
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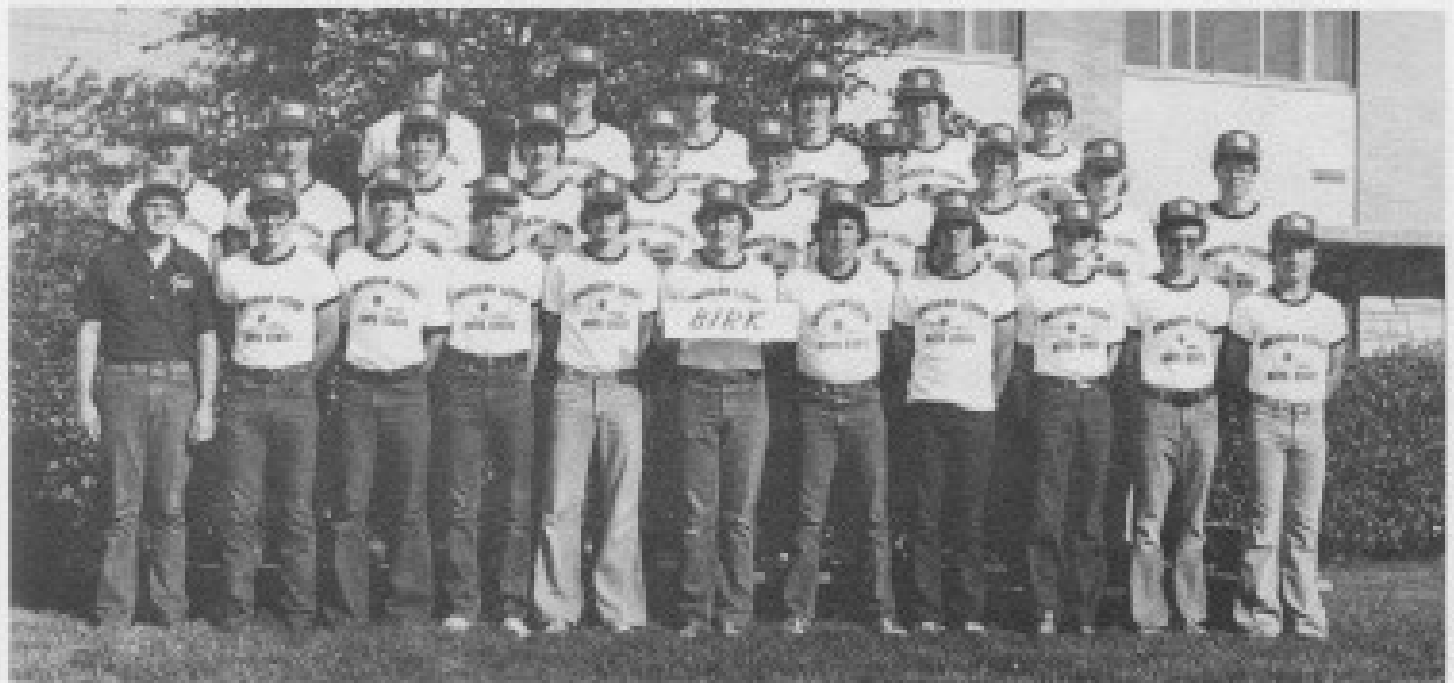
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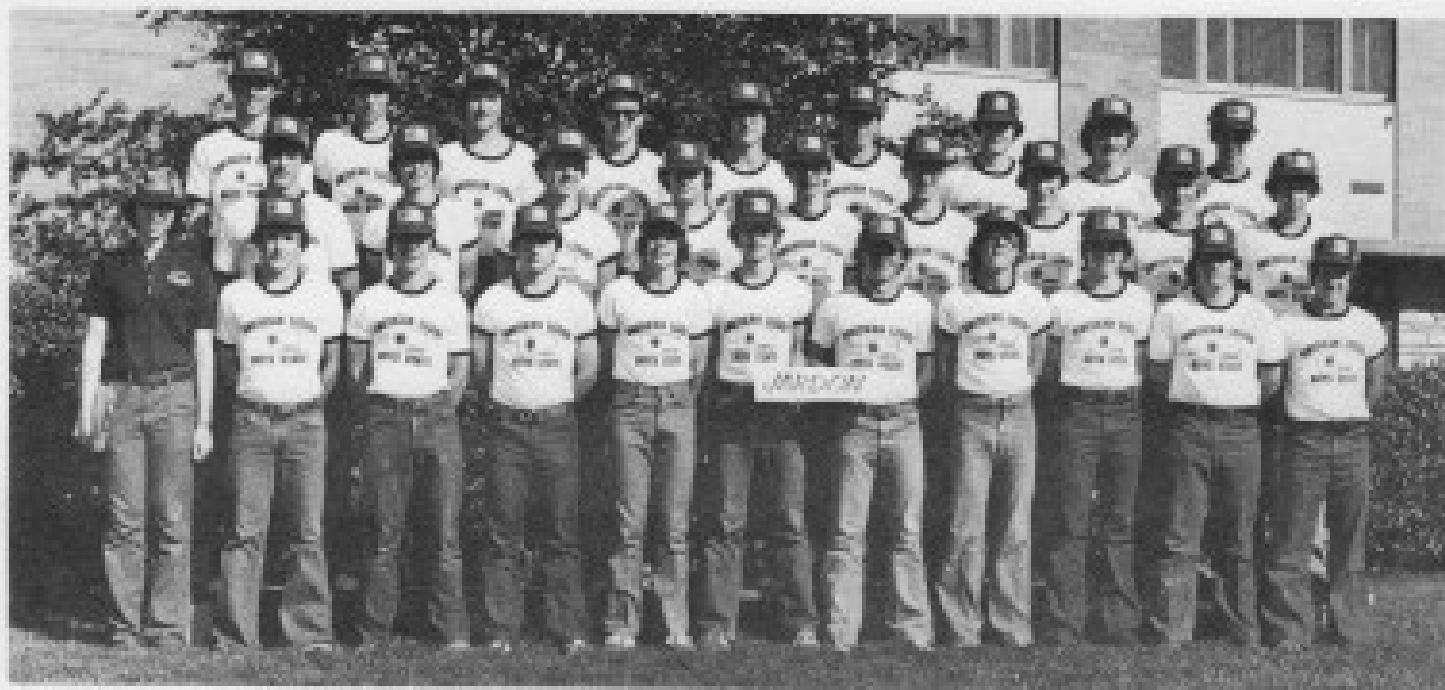
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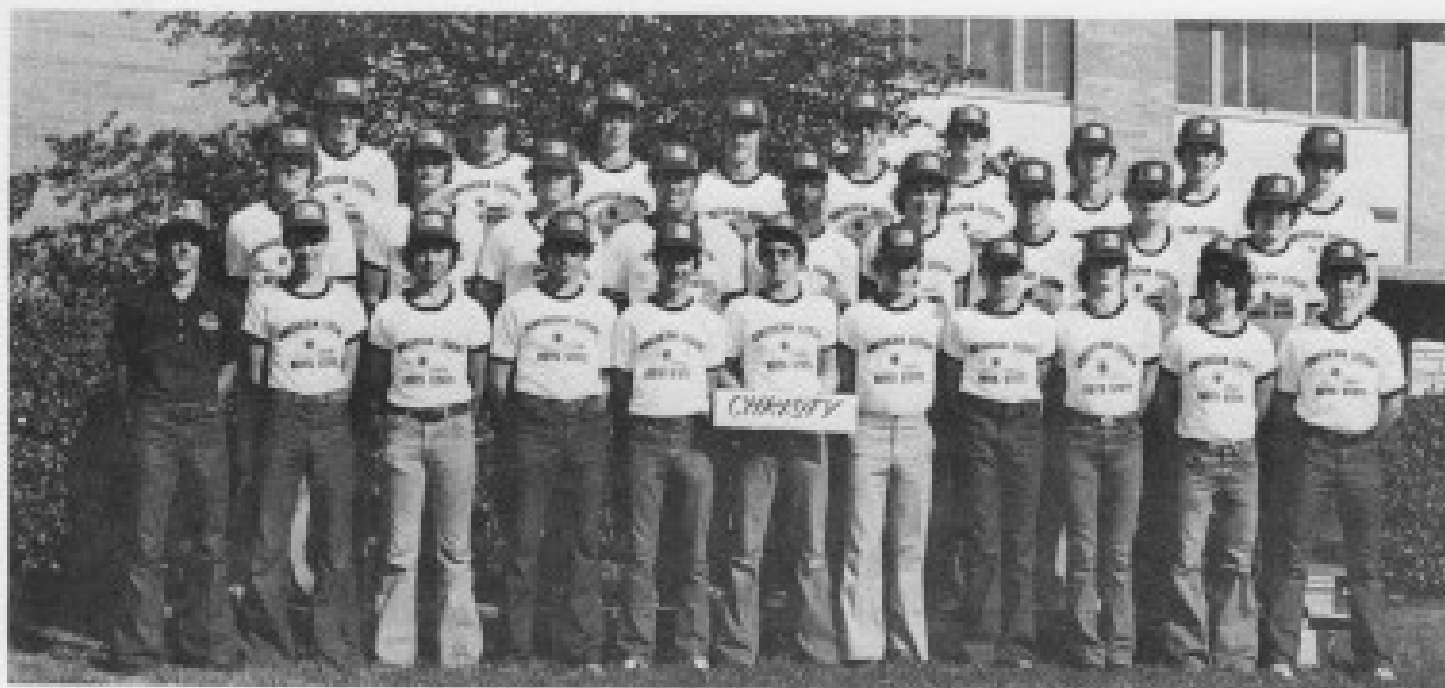
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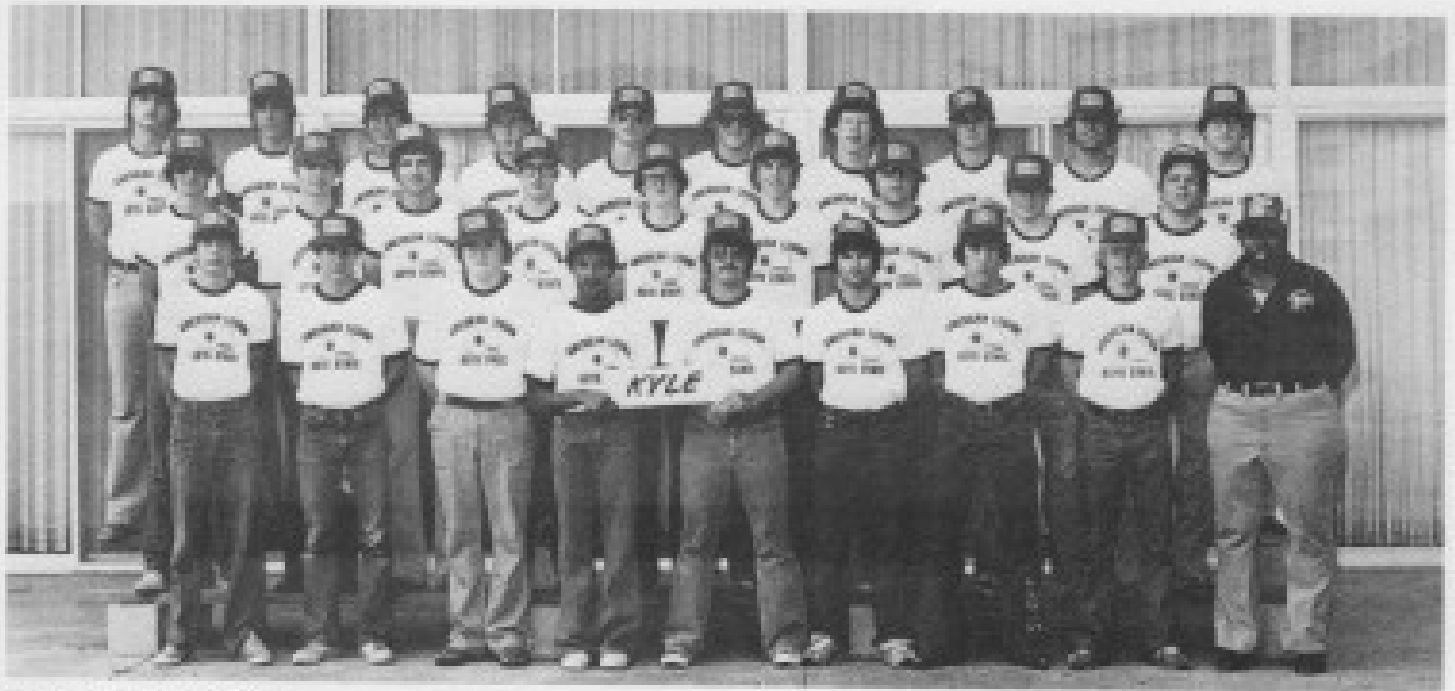
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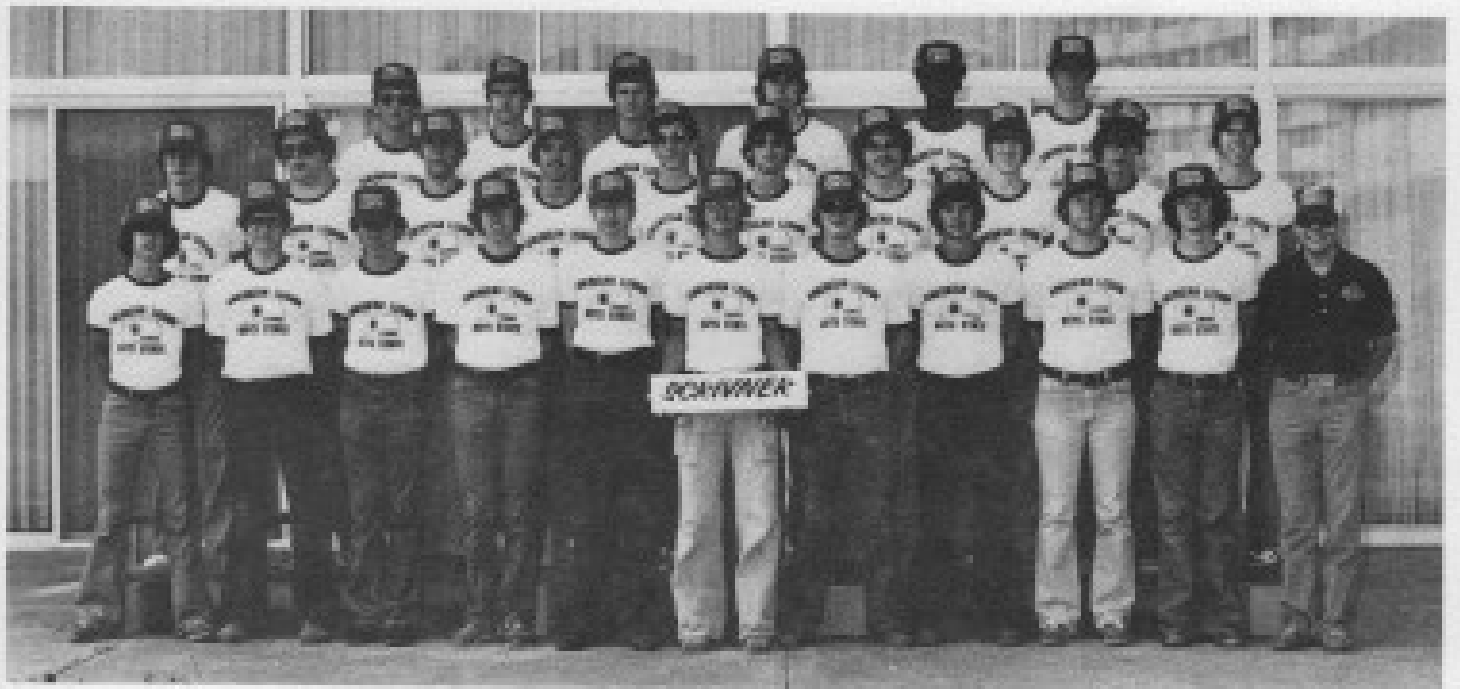
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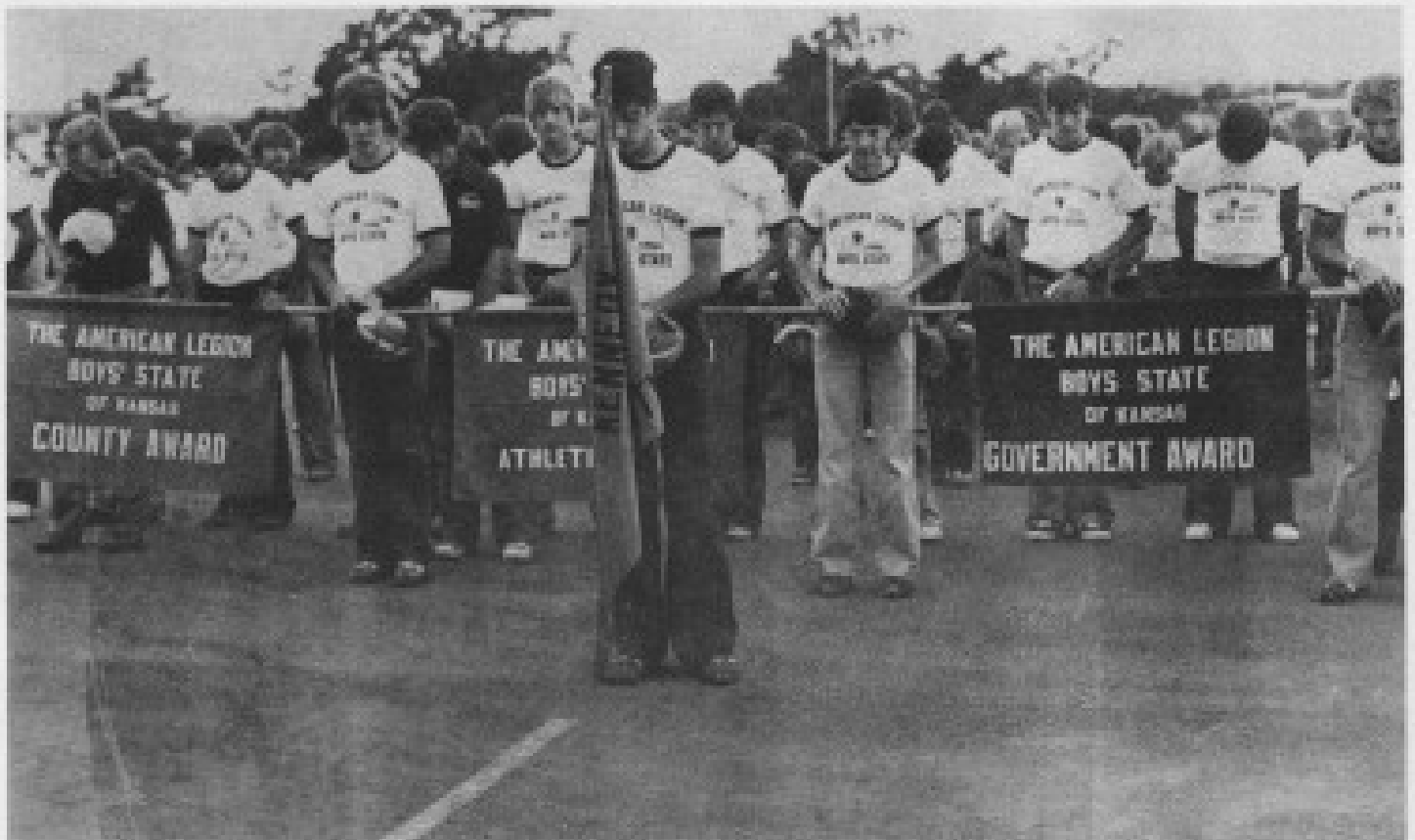
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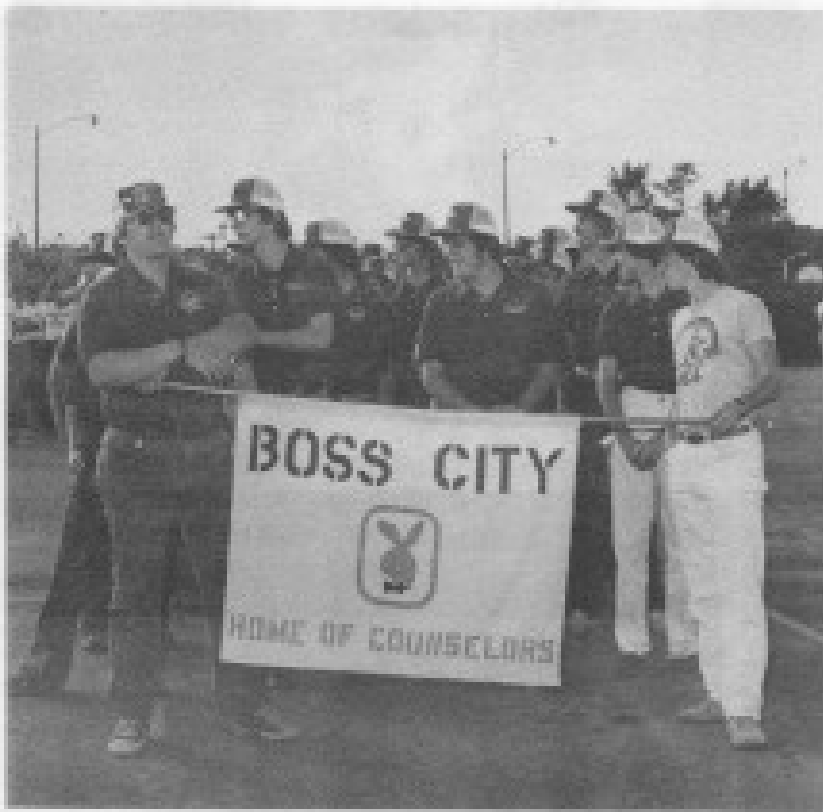




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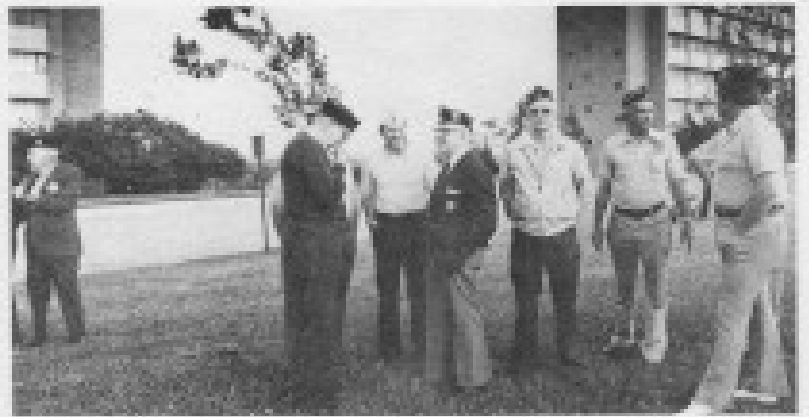




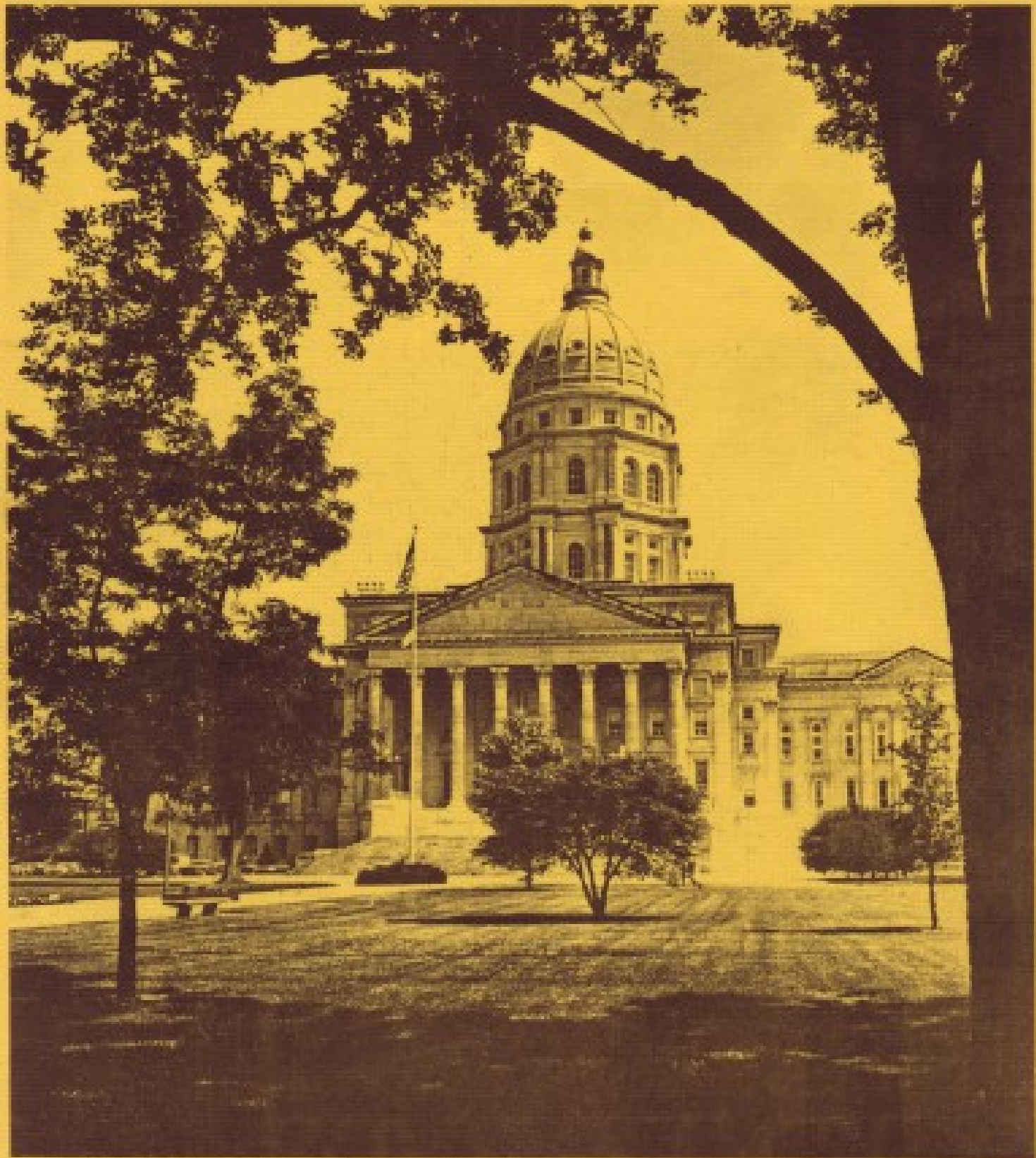


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