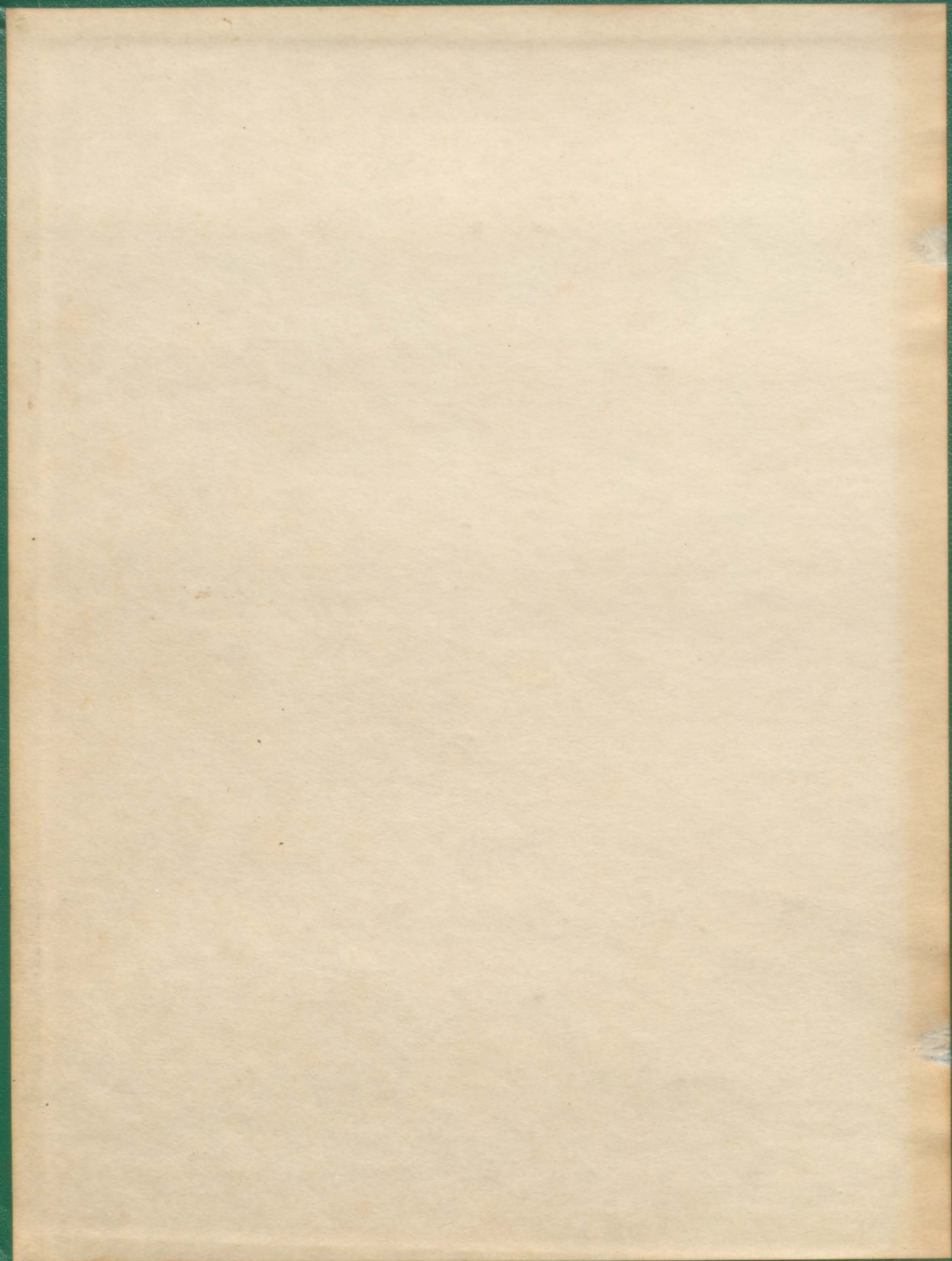


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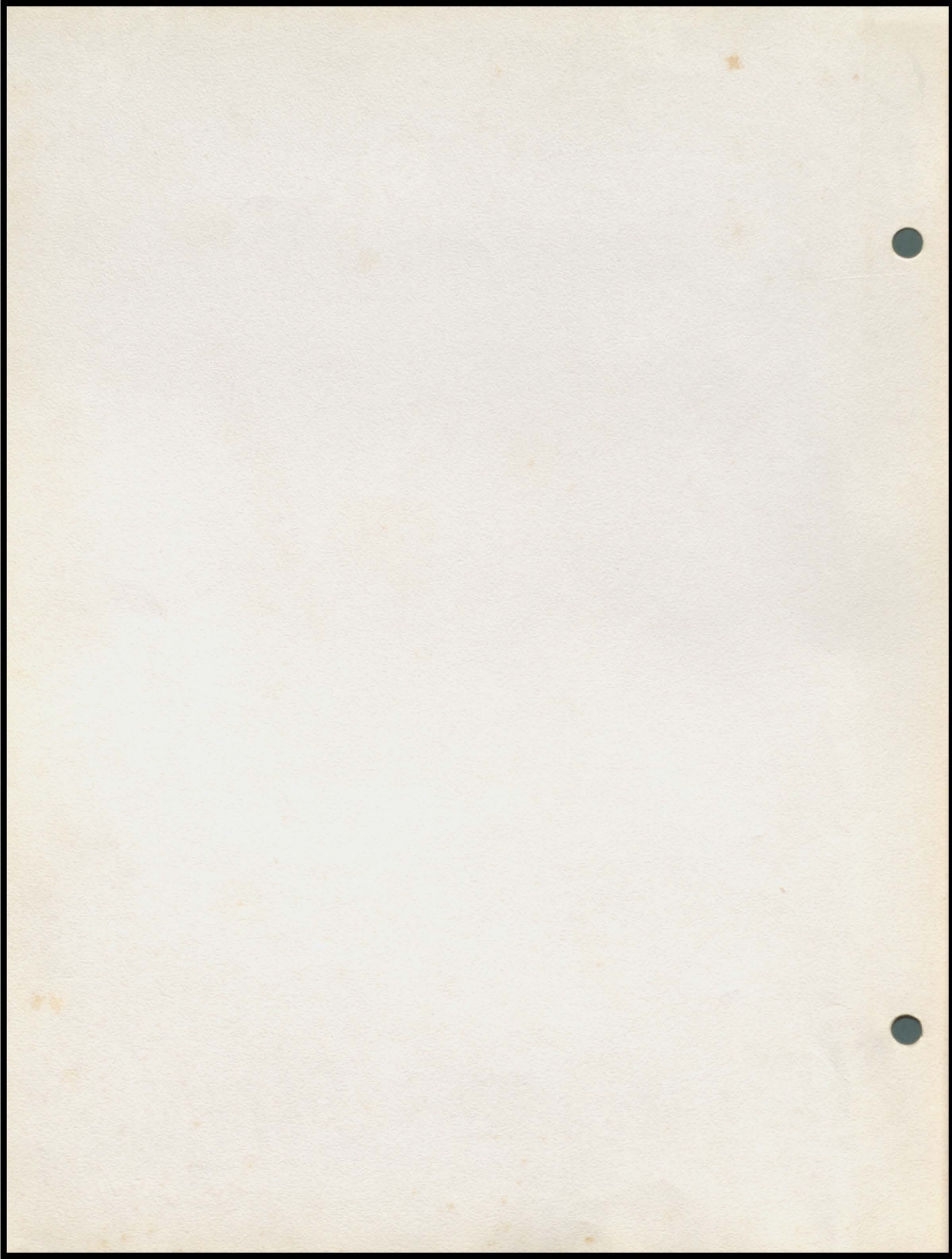
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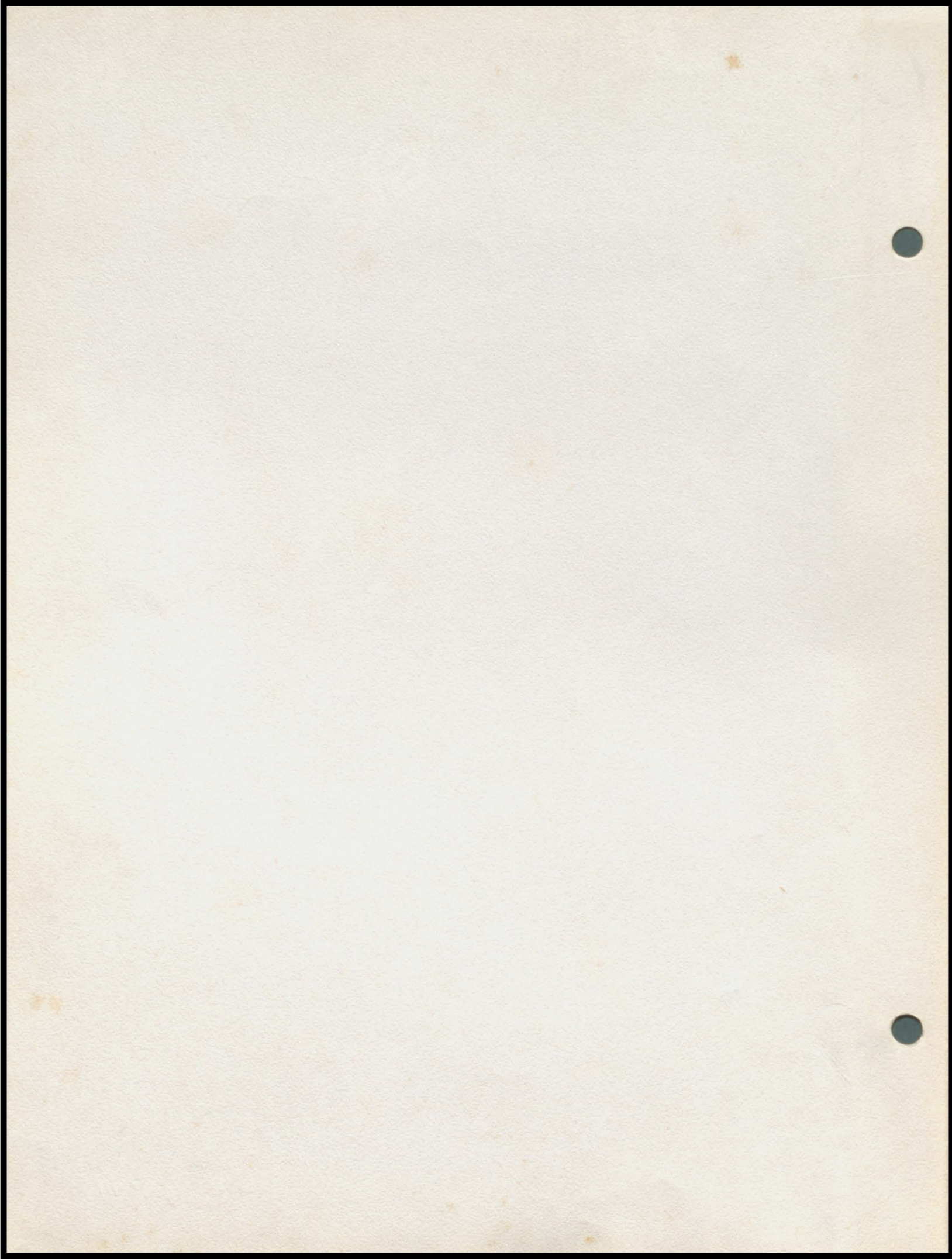
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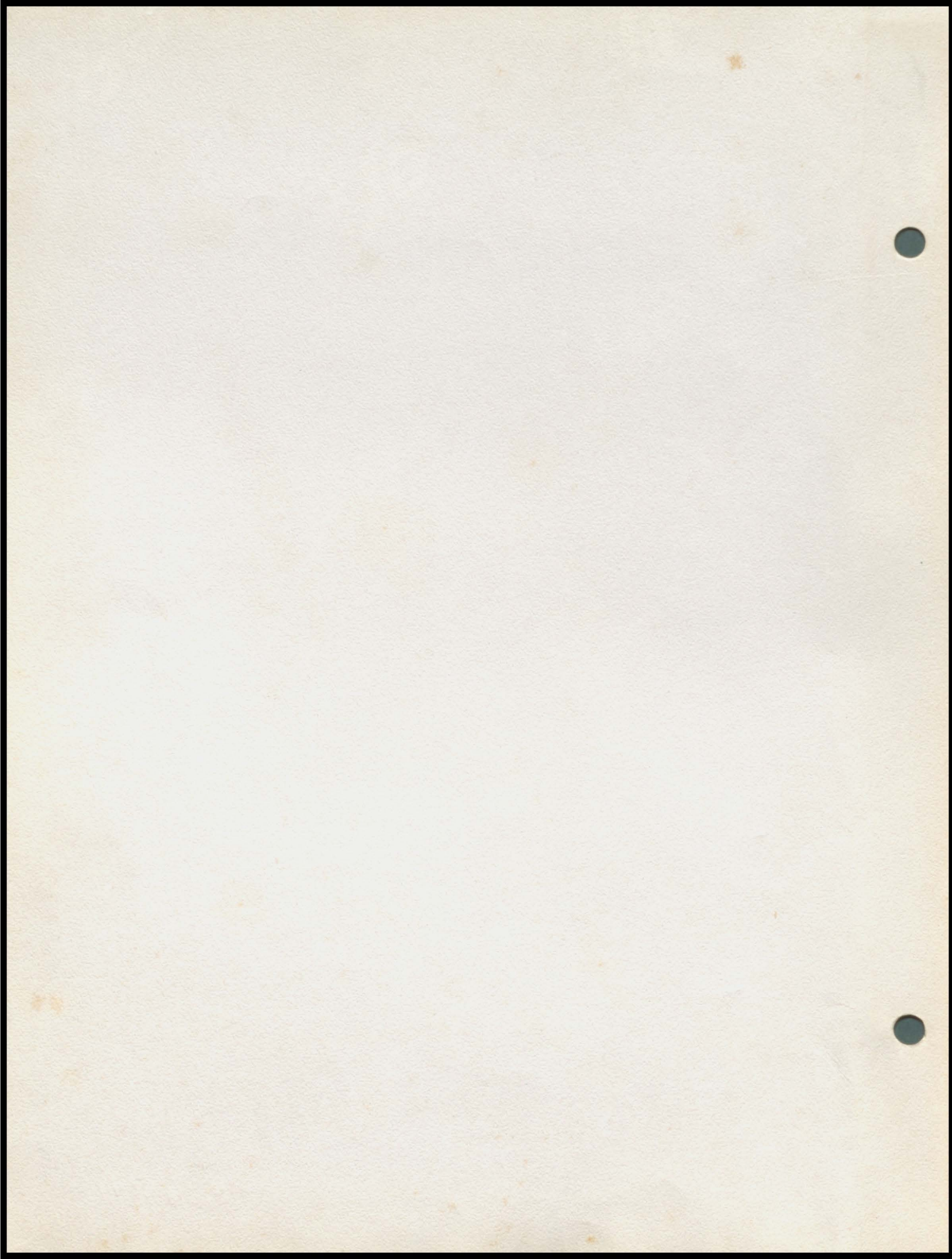
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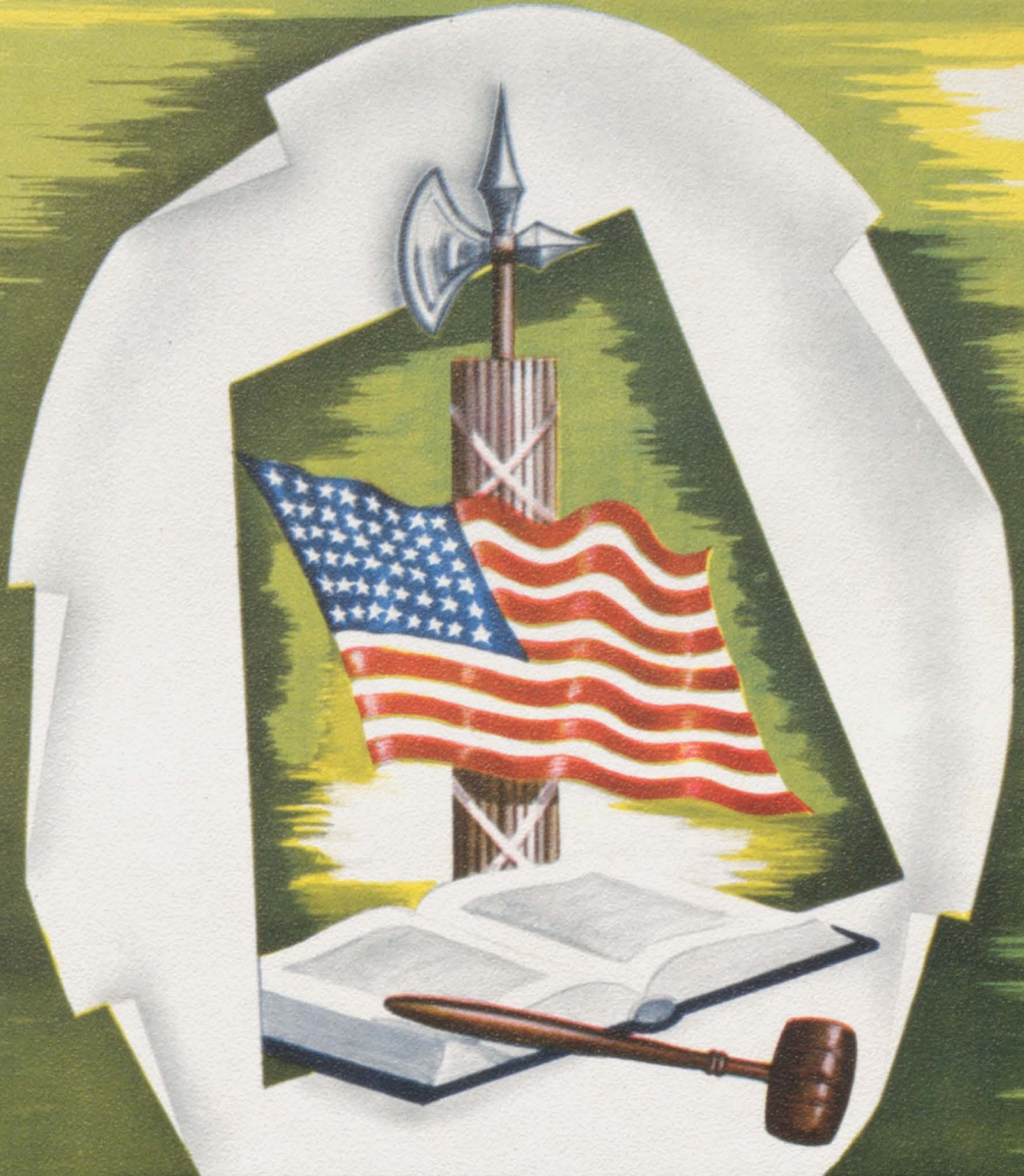
To a man of unusual capabilities whose sincerity, generosity, kindness and deepseated interest in the individual and the school for the past two years, won for him the admiration of each and every student and every co-worker.

To

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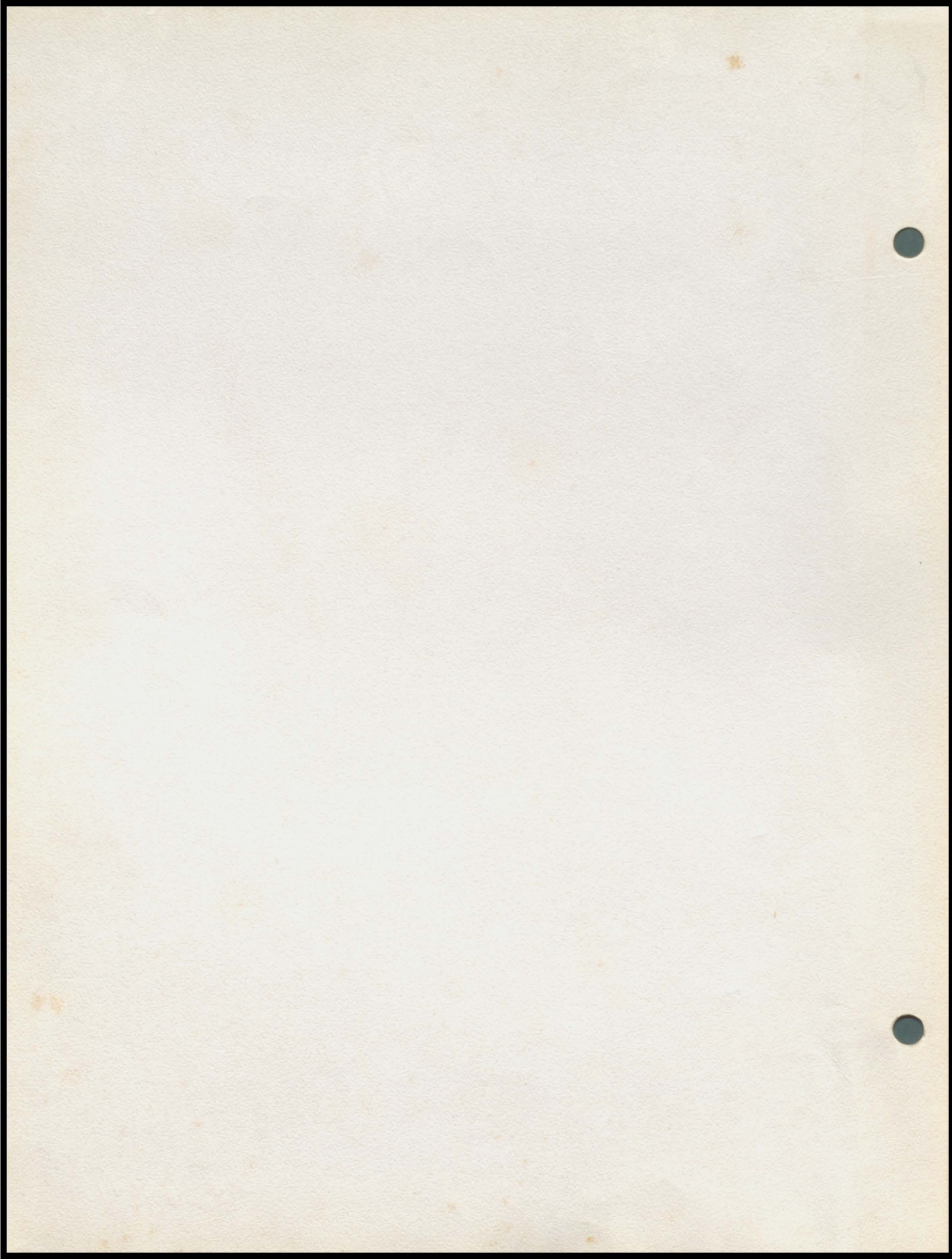
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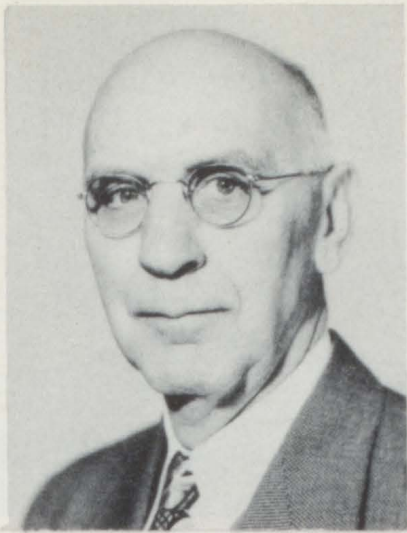




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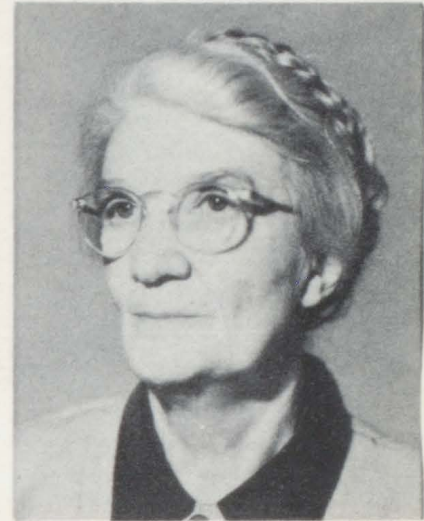




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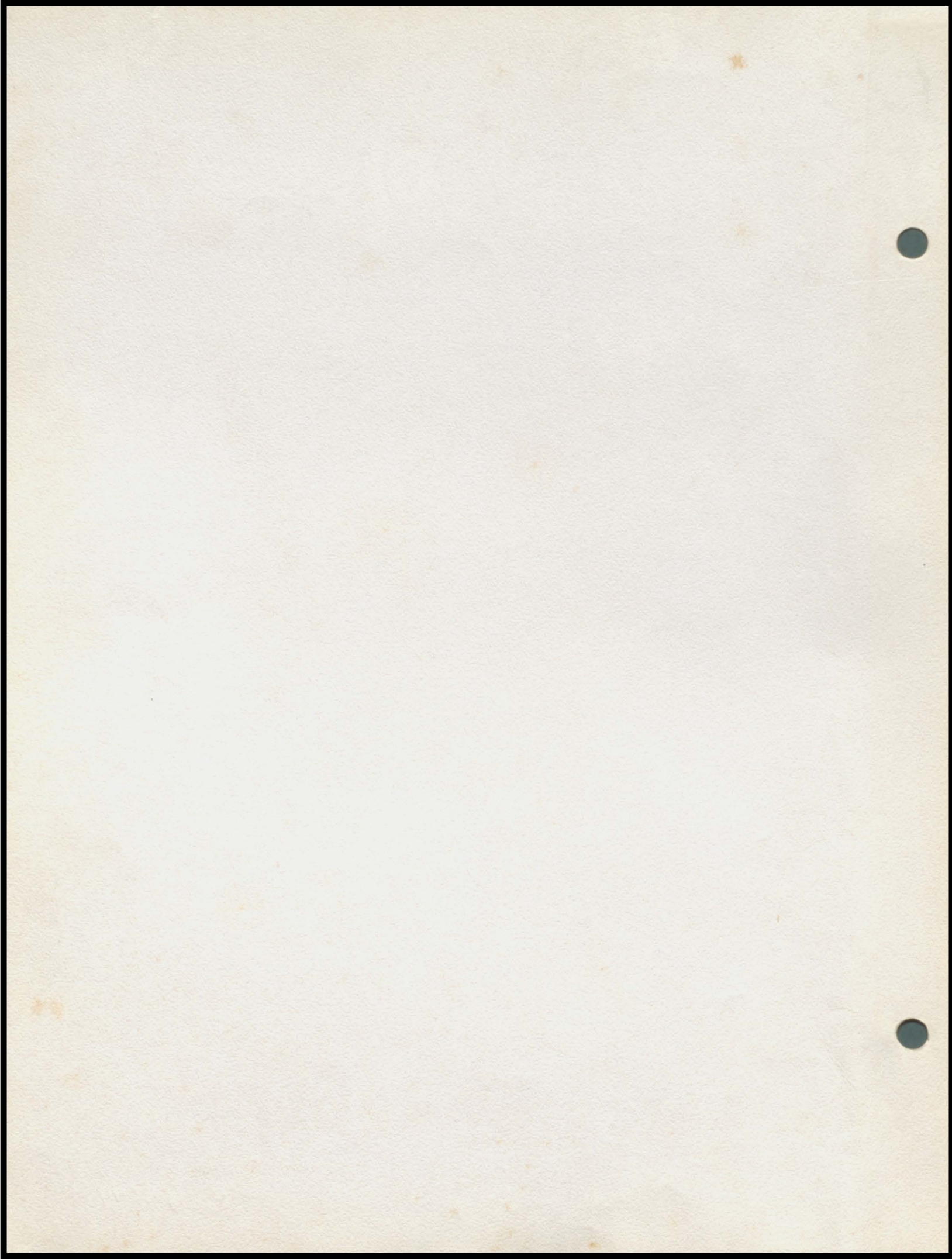
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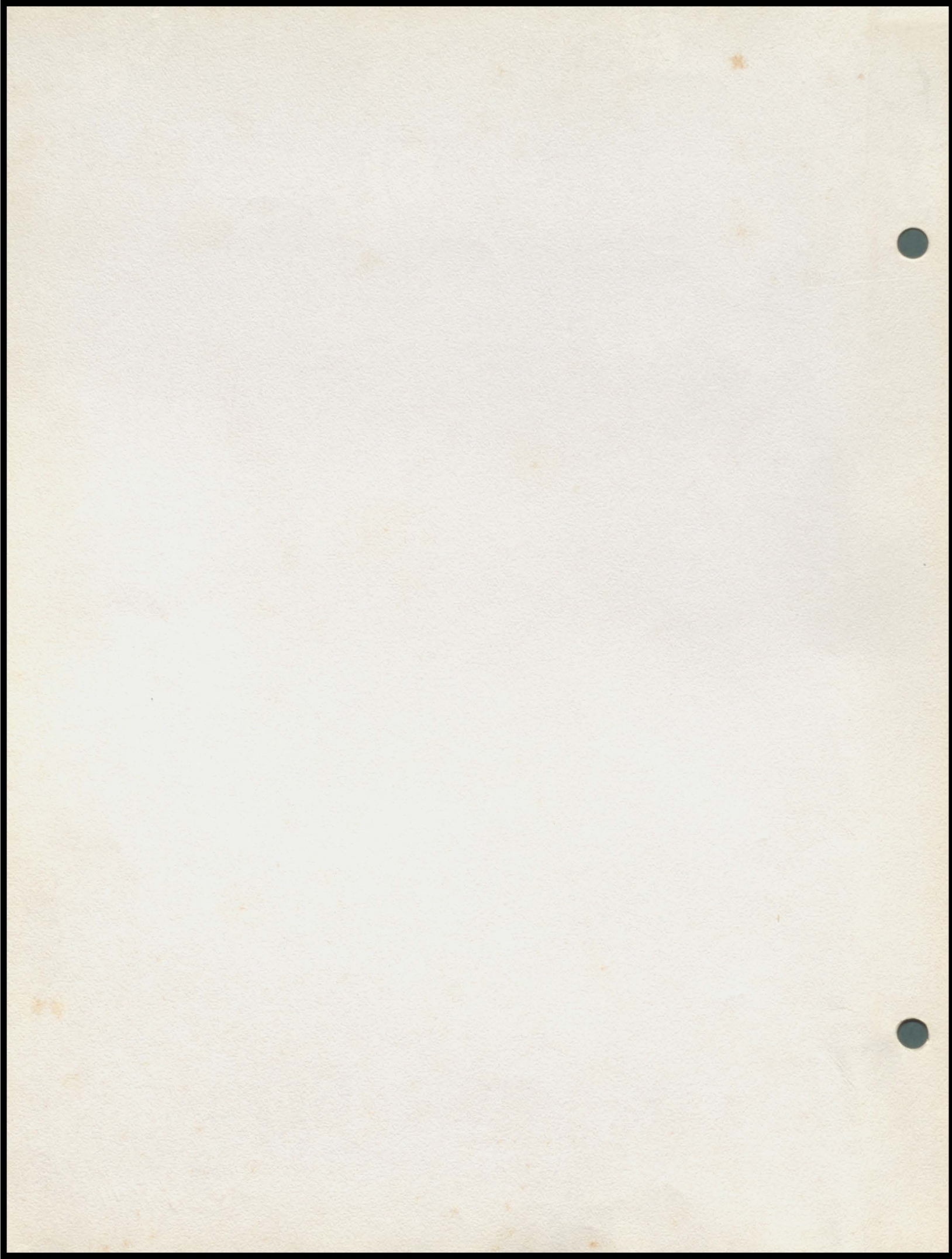


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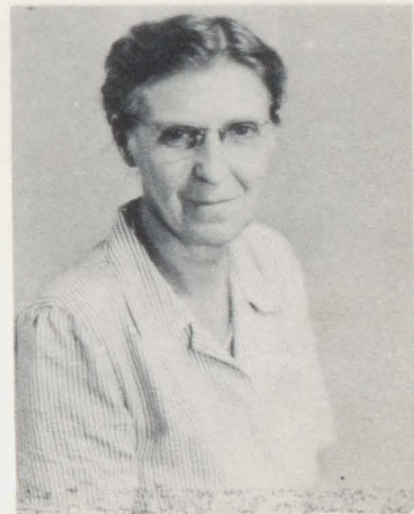
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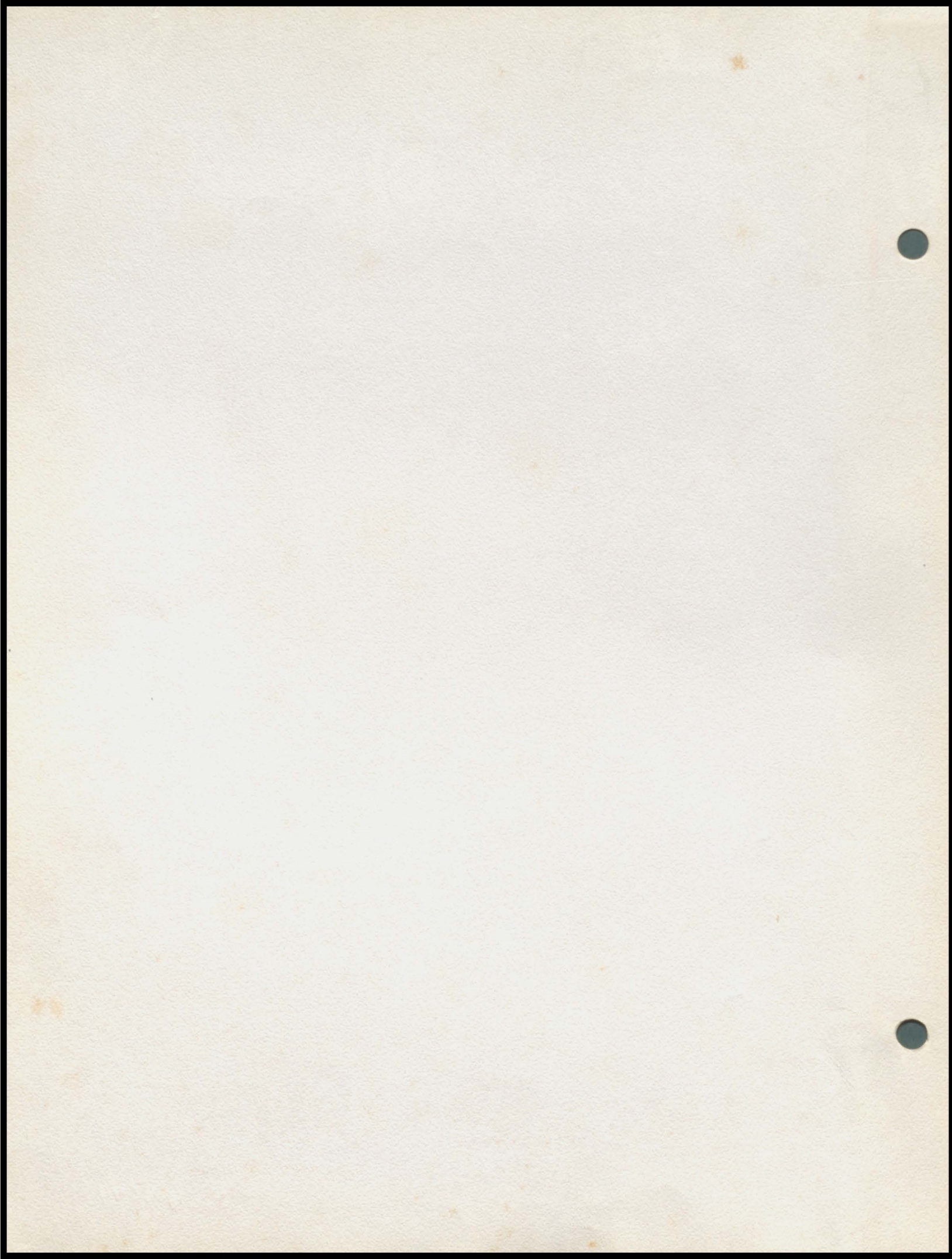
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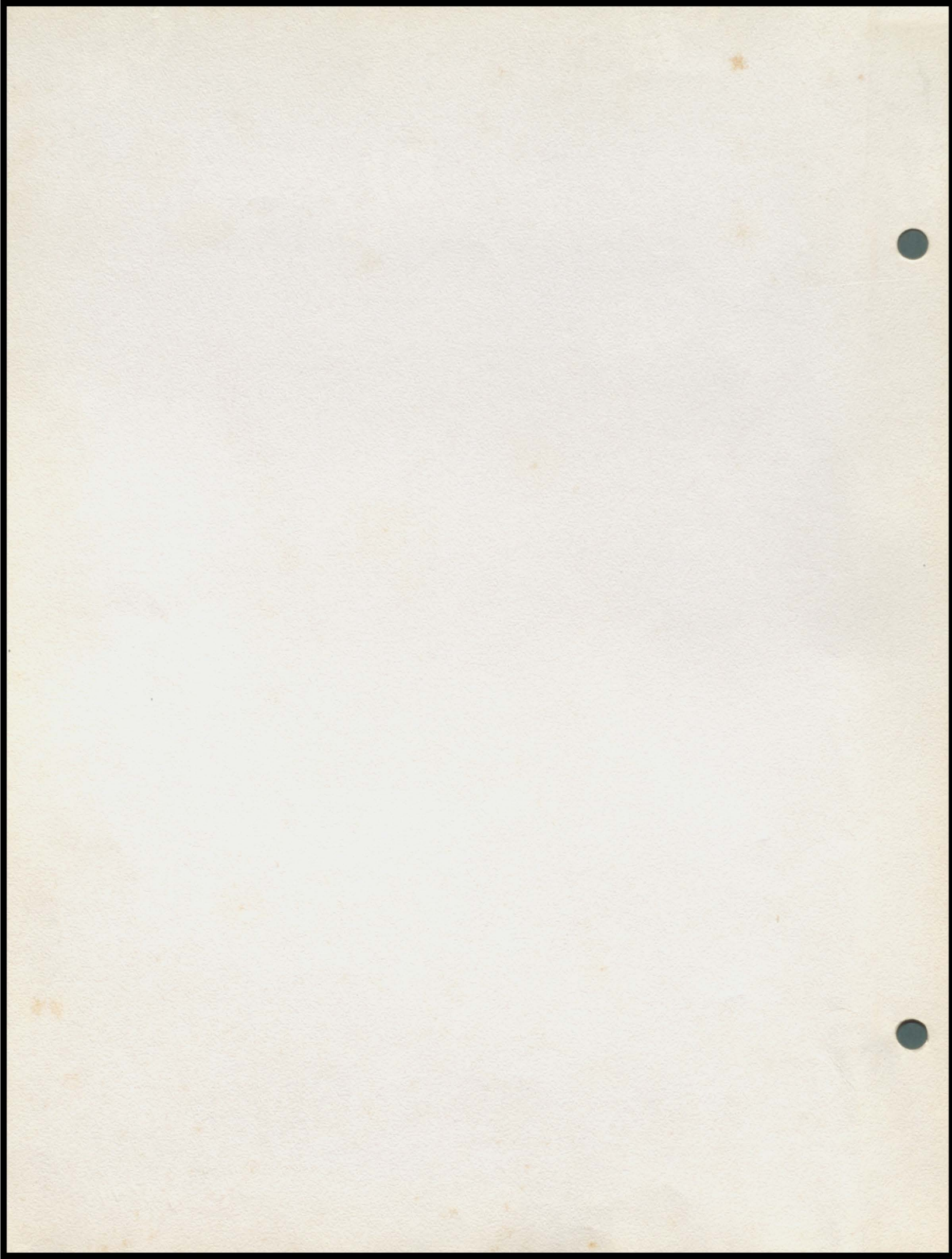
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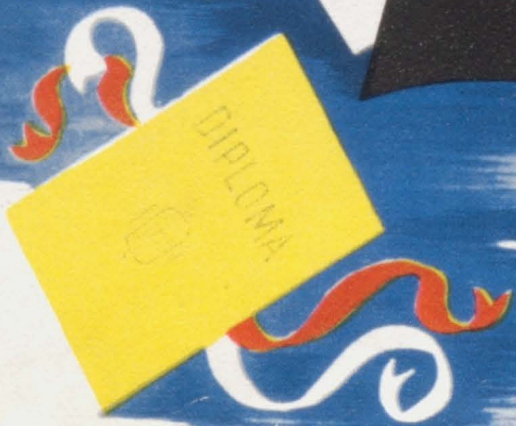
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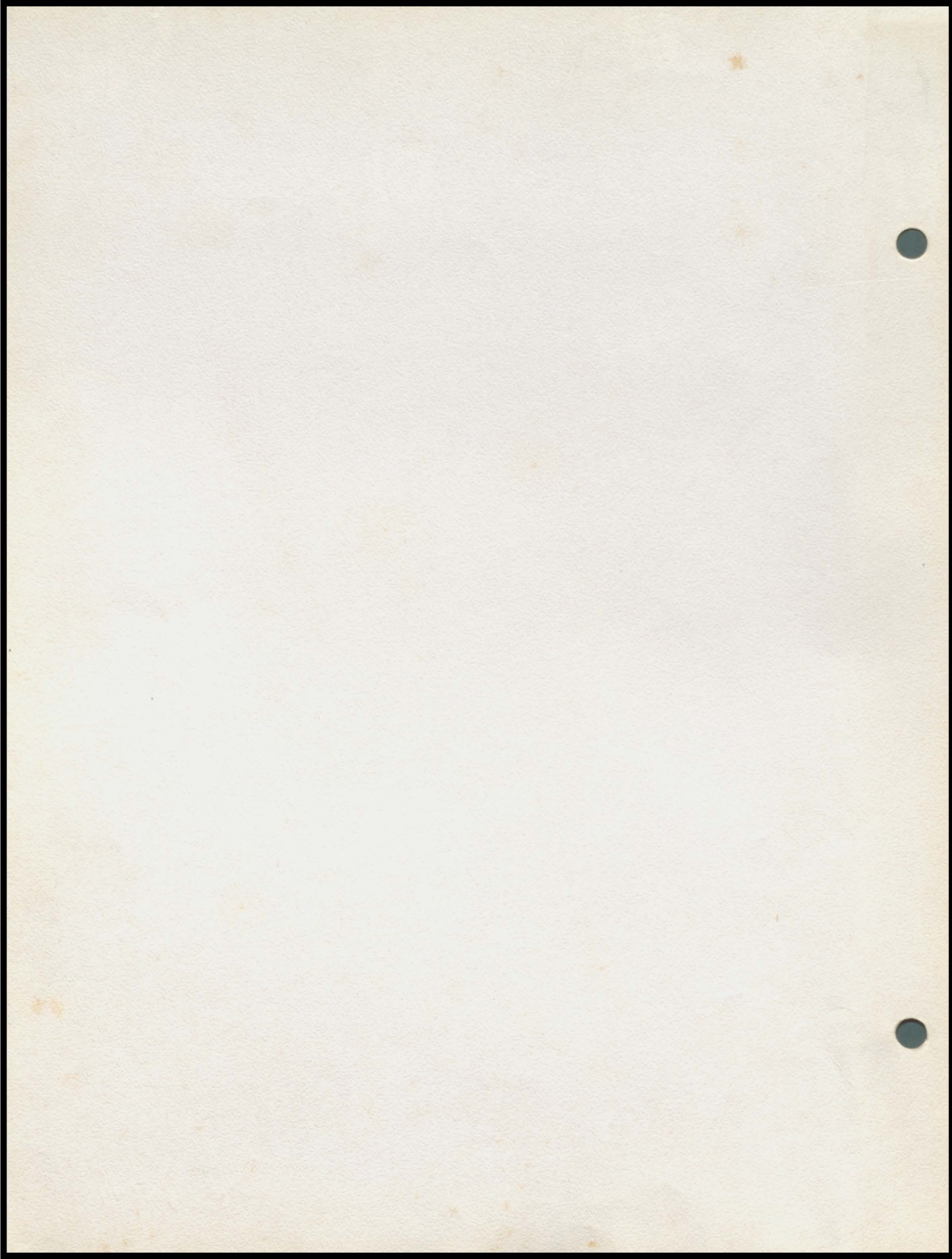


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President Sophomore Class '49. Reporter
Junior Class '50. President F.F.A. '49,
'50, '51. 4-H Club '47, '48. Assistant Ed-
itor "The Echo" '51. Secretary S.C.A. '49.
Dramatics Club '51. F.F.A. Basketball '49,
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Motto: "The higher we rise, the better the
view."

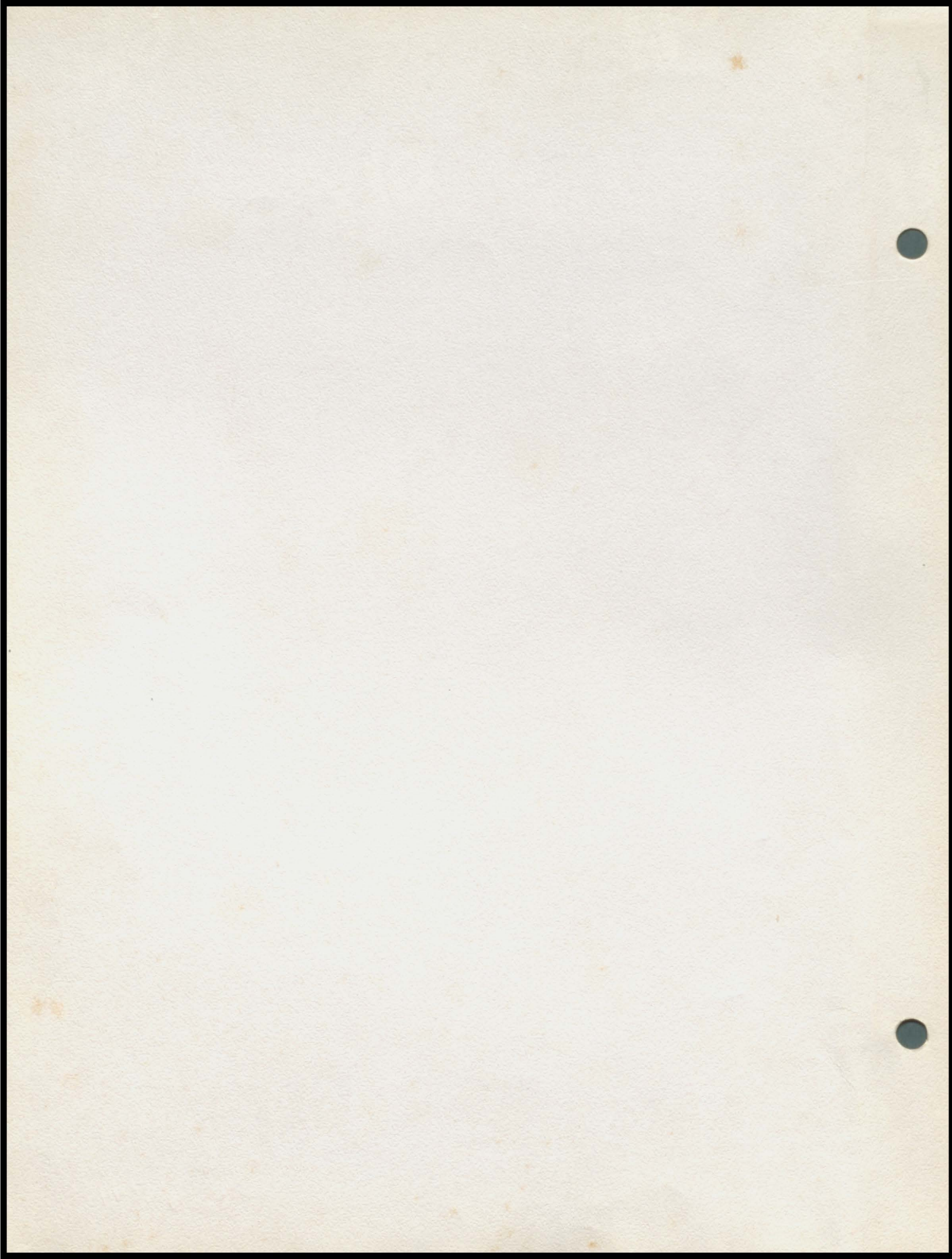
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F.F.A. '49, '50, '51. Student Council '51.
Editor-in-Chief "The Echo" '51. K.V.G.
Club '50, '51. Crew Leader K.V.G. '51.
Motto: "His nature is too noble for the
world."



VIRGINIA GAYLE RICHARDSON.....SALUTATORIAN.
Freshman Class President '48. President Jun-
ior Class '50. F.H.A. '49, '50, '51. Basket-
ball '49, '50. Manager Basketball '51. Library
Club '50. Dramatics Club '51.
Motto: "What's done Can't be undone."

CARL W. SCOTT.....Vice-President.
S.C.A. Reporter '51. Latin Club '50, '51.
Vice-President Latin Club '51. Basket-
ball '49, '50, '51. Dramatics Club '51.
President Y-Teen '50. Treasurer Y-Teen
'51. 4-H Club '51. K.V.G. Club '50, '51.
Motto: "No one is free, who is a slave
to his body."





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J. R. MOREHEAD.....S.C.A. President.
F.F.A. '49, '50, '51. Treasurer Sophomore
Class '49. Vice-President S.C.A. '50. F.F.
A. Softball '50. Baseball '50, '51. Dram-
atic Club '51. Treasurer F. F. A. '50, '51.
K.V.G.Club '50, '51.

Motto: "What wisdom can you find that is
greater than kindness."

GLORIA FAITH TICKLE...Secretary-Treasurer.
F.H.A. '49, '50, '51. Library Club '49, '50,
'51. S.C.A. Committee Chairman '51. Dram-
atics Club '51.

Motto: "It matters not what you are thought
to be, but what you are."



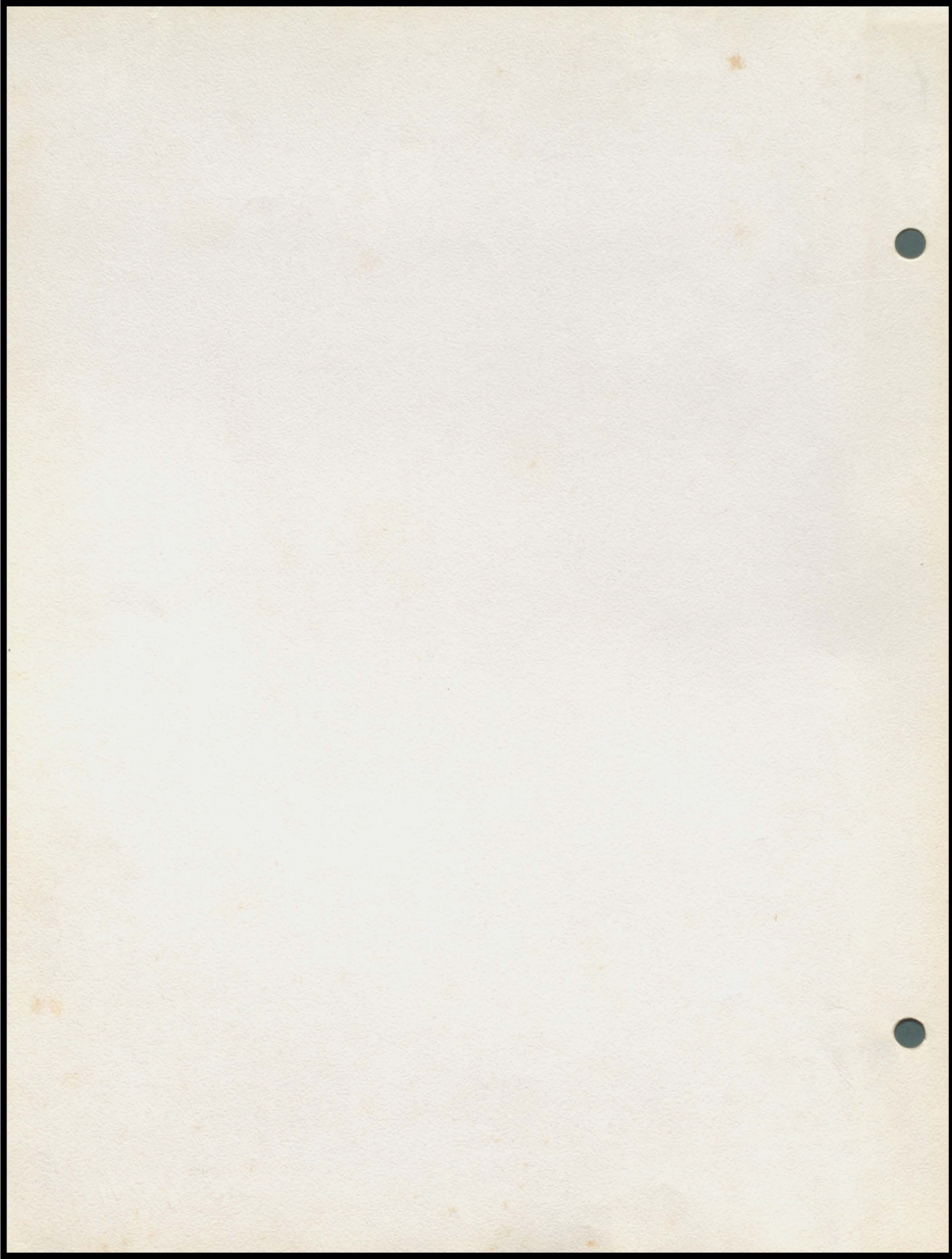
DORIS ROSALEE DUNN.....F.H.A.
'49, '50, '51. Vice-President F. H..A.
'51. Library Club '50, '51. Latin Club
'50, '51.

Motto: "I having been your lover can-
not stoop to be your friend."

SALLIE MARIE HOGE.....Reporter.
Cheer leader '48. F. H. A. '48, '49. Girl
Scout President '48, '49. Vice-President
4-H Club '51. Basketball '49, '50, '51.
Captain Basketball '51. Softball '48-'50.
Business Manager "The Echo" '51. Library
Club '48-'51. Dramatics Club '51. Y-Teen
'50, '51.

Motto: "Better late than never."



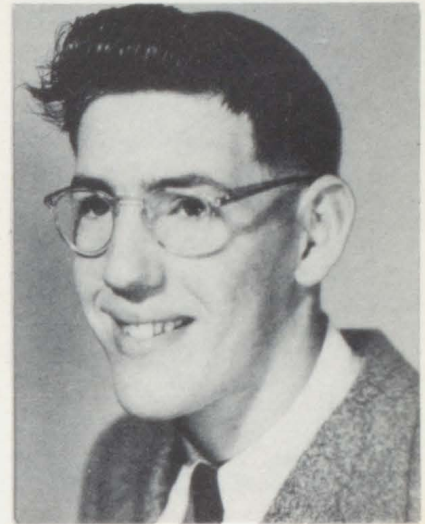


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MARY LETHA THOMPSON.....F.F.A. '49, '50.
 Vice-President Freshman Class '48. S.C.A.
 Home Room Representative '49. Secretary
 and Treasurer Junior Class '50. Library
 Club '49, '50, '51. Basketball '48-'51.
 Softball '49, '50. S.C.A. Committee Chair-
 man '51. Dramatics Club '51.
 Motto: "Ambition has no risk."

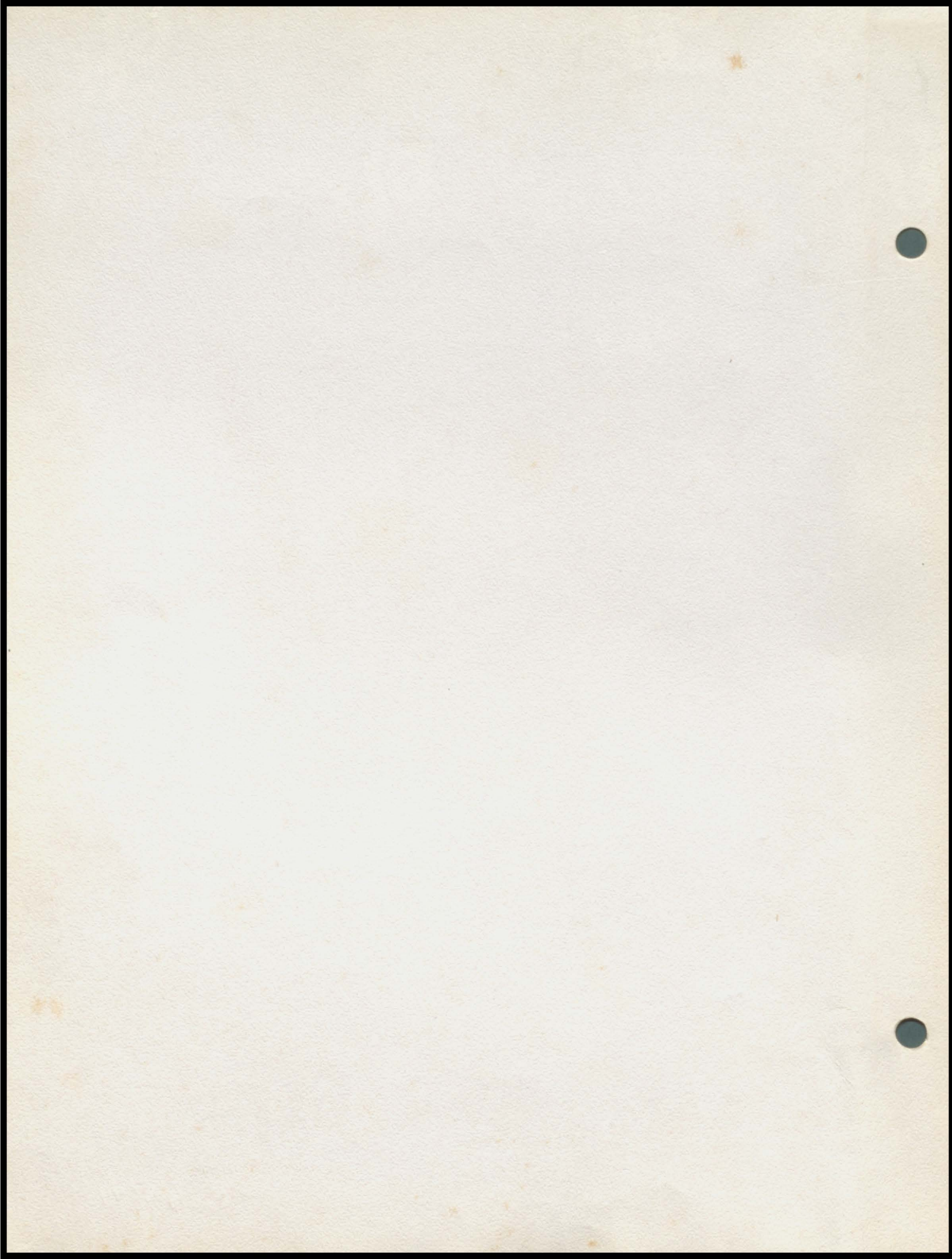
JAMES WILEY THOMPSON.....F.F.A.
 '49, '50, '51. K.V.G. Club '50, '51. Crew
 Leader K.V.G. '51. Committee Chairman
 S.C.A. '51. Assistant Art Editor "The
 Echo" '51.
 Motto: "Merry as the day is long."



JOAN CAROLYN SCOTT.....Music
 Club '48, '49. Basketball '48-'51. Library
 Club '48, '49. President 4-H '51. President
 Girl Scouts '51. President Y-Teen '51.
 Dramatics Club '51. Latin Club '49, '51.
 Assistant Business Manager "The Echo" Soft-
 ball '48, '49, '50.
 Motto: "You should eat to live not live to
 eat."

ELDON OKEY TICKLE.....Basket-
 ball '50, '51. F.F.A. '49, '50, '51.
 K.V.G. Club '50, '51.
 Motto: "Better three hours too soon
 than a minute too late."

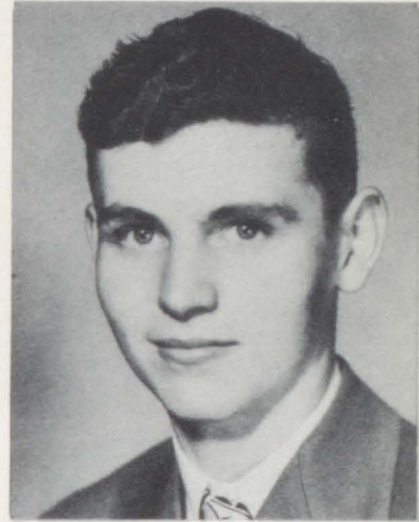




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SIDNA CAROL CHILDRESS.....F.H.A.
'49, '50, '51. Softball '50. Library Club
'51. Assistant Art Editor "The Echo" '51.
Dramatics Club '51.
Motto: "How many coming men has one known,
where on earth do they go."



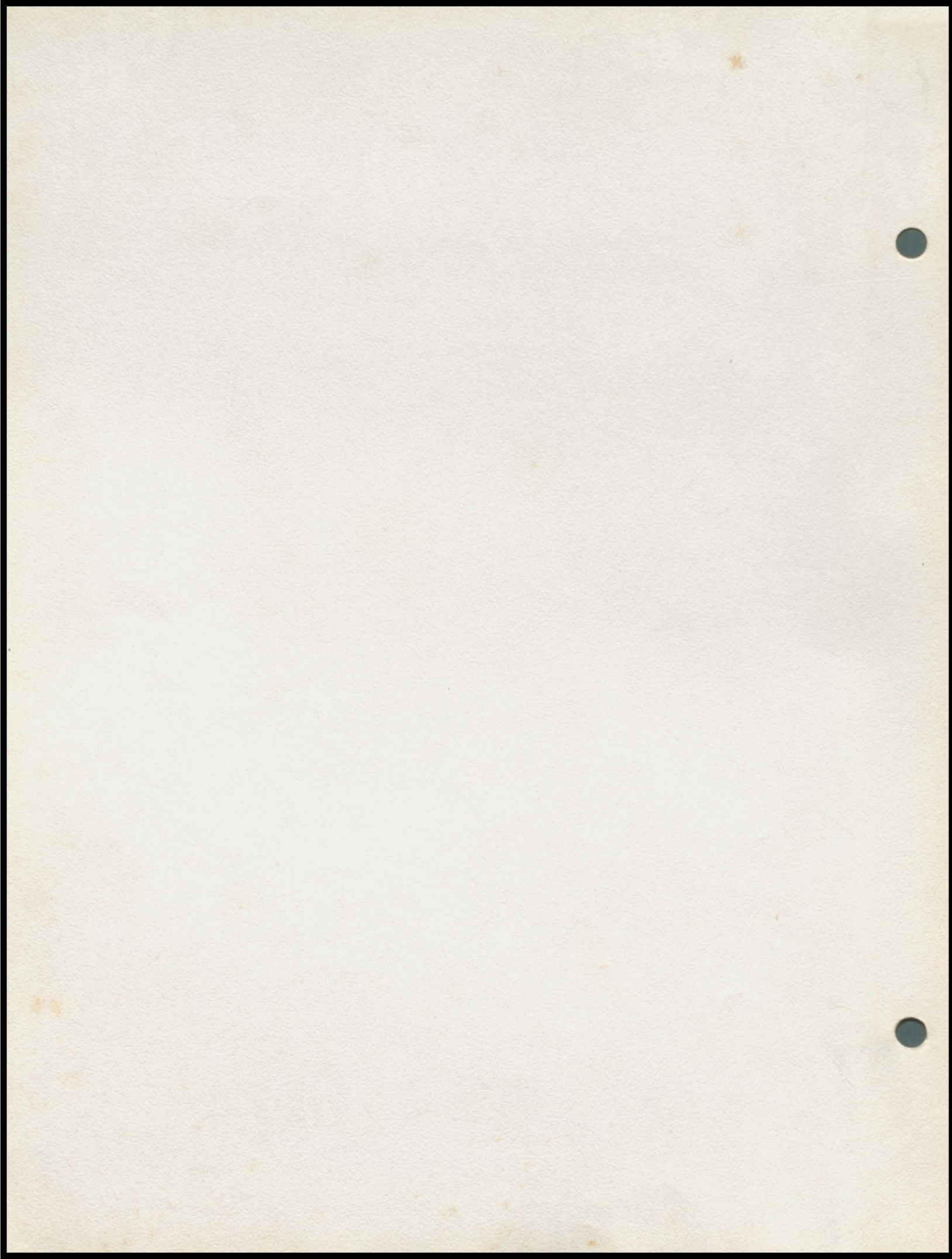
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'50, '51. K.V.G. Club '50, '51. Dramatics
Club '51. F.F.A. Softball '50.
Motto: "Let every man mind his own
business."



ELVA JOY WRIGHT.....F.H.A.
'50, '51. Dramatics Club '51. Transferred
from Hollybrook School.
Motto: "A thing of beauty is a joy forever".



BEN LEE BIRD, JR.....F.F.A.
'49, '50, '51. F.F.A. Basketball '51. 4-H
Club '51. K.V.G. Club '50, '51. Dramatics
Club '51. Y-Teen Club '50, '51.
Motto: "A bad beginning makes a bad ending."



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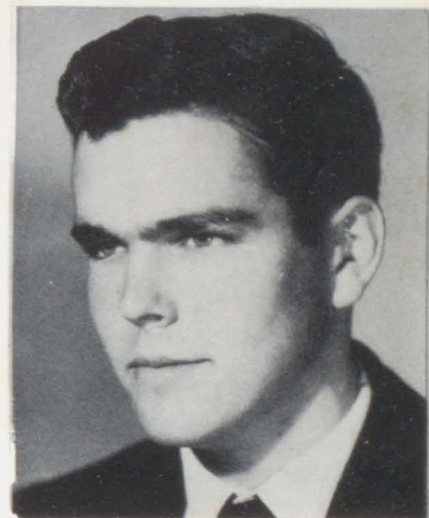
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'48, '49. Treasurer Freshman Class '48.
Library Club '48, '49. Basketball '48, '49.
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Motto: "What is life, if you can't laugh."

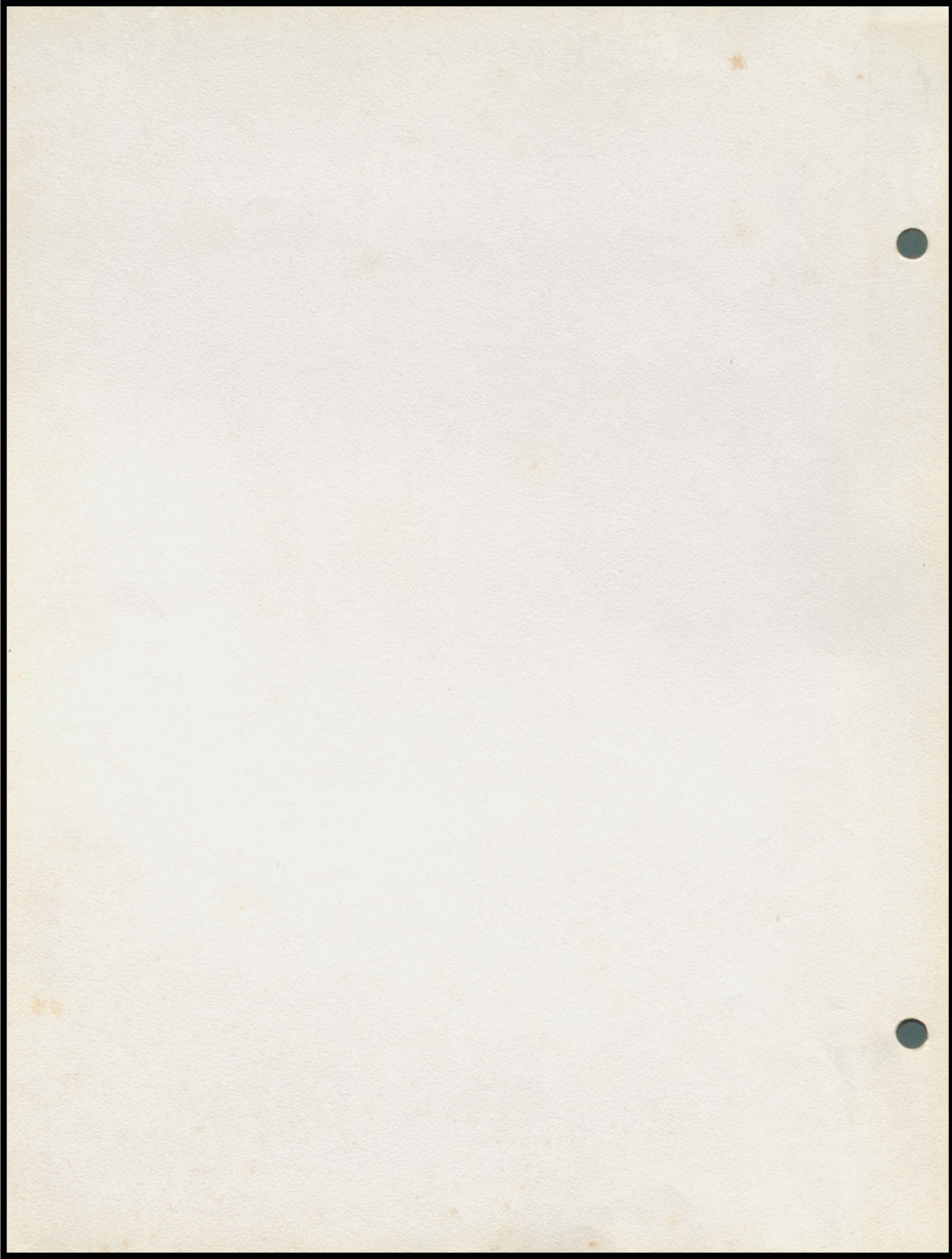
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F.F.A. Basketball '51. Baseball '50, '51.
K.V.G. Club '50, '51. Dramatics Club '51.
Motto: "Actions speak louder than words -
but not so often."



PHYLLIS ANN BURTON.....F.H.A.
'50, '51, Dramatics Club '51. Transferred
from Hollybrook School.
Motto: "The opinion of the strongest is
always the best."

BILLY SONGER FRANKLIN.....F.F.A.
'49, '50, '51. 4-H '48, '49, '50. K.V.
G. Club '50, '51. Assistant Crew Lead-
er K. V. G. '50, '51.
Motto: "Let none presume to tell me that
the pen is preferable to the sword."





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LOUISE FRANCES GOINS.....F.H.A.
'49, '50, '51. Library Club '49, '50.
Motto: "I believe the future is only the
past again, entered through another gate.



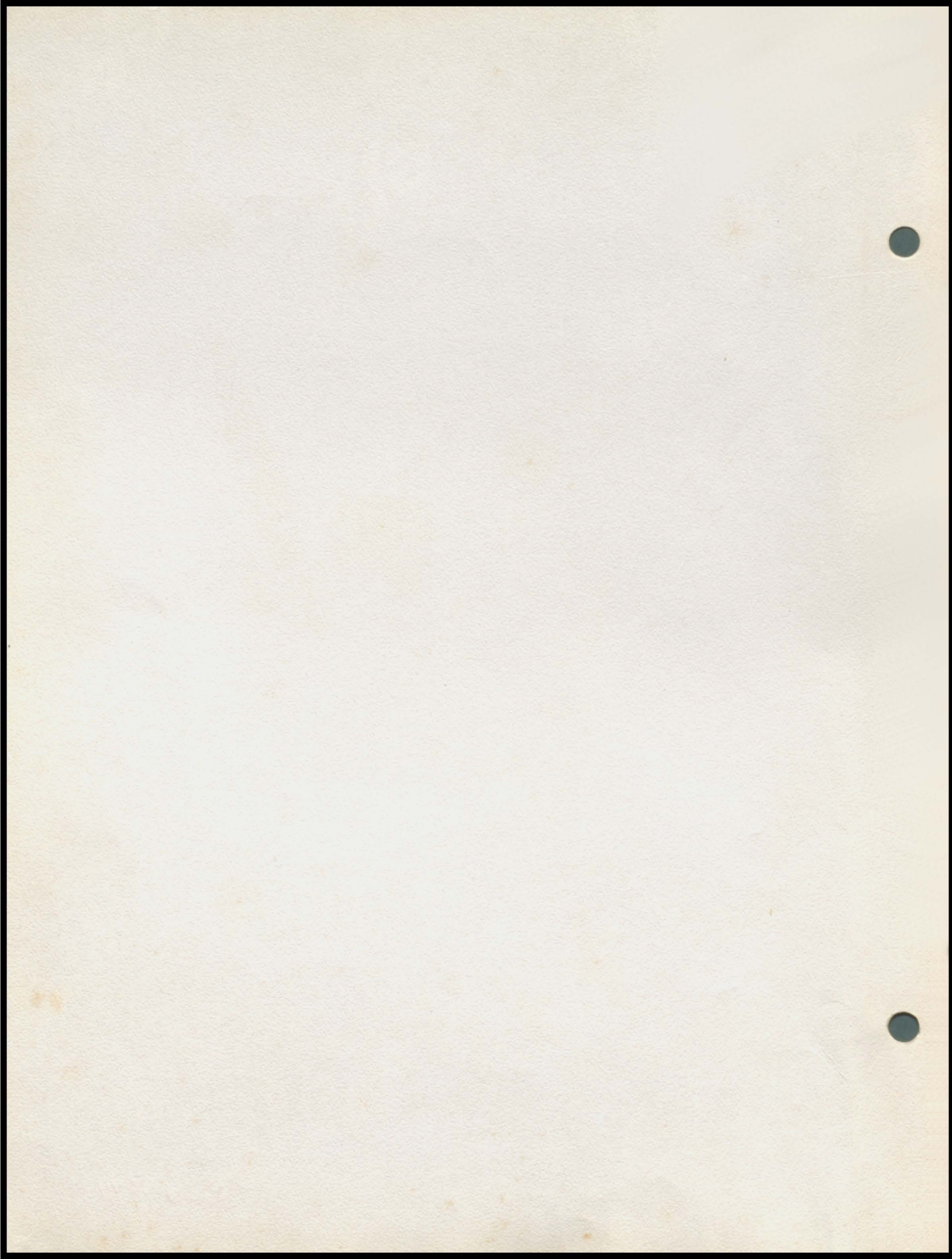
NORA JEAN LAMBERT.....Reporter
Freshman Class '48. Library Club '49, '50.
F.H.A. '49, '50, '51. S.C.A. Home Room
Representative '51.
Motto: "The hand that hath made you fair
hath made you good."



WILLARD EUGENE WRIGHT.....F.F.A.
'50, '51. K.V.G.Club '50, '51. Baseball '50,
'51. Softball '48. Transferred form Holly-
brook School .
Motto: " To act rather than to talk."



EDNA MAE CHEWNING.....Trans-
ferred from Dublin High School. F. H. A.
'49, '50, '51.
Motto: " Let men gladly believe what they
wish to."



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WILLIAM WALLACE BRUCE, Jr.... F.F.A. '51.
K.V.G. Club '49, '50, '51.
Motto: "A woman would run through fire for
such a kind heart."

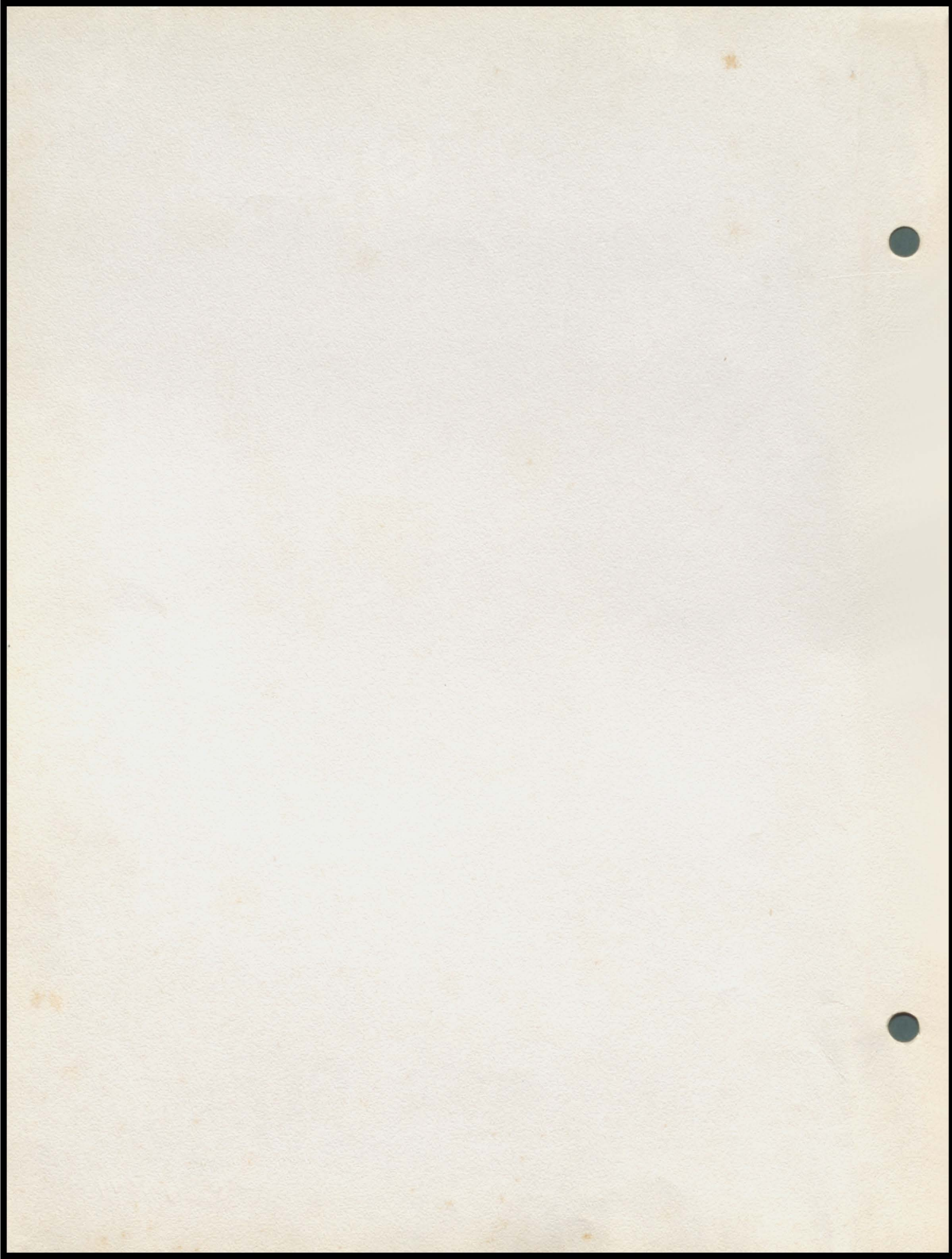
FRANCES ARLENE SHORT.....Library Club
'49, '50. Dramatics Club '51. F.H.A. '49,
'50, '51. Song Leader F.H.A. '51. Basket-
etball '49, '50 '51. Committee Chairman
S.C.A. '51.
Motto: "True as steel."



BILLY BLAIR PAULEY.....F.F.A.
'49, '50. K.V.G. Club '50, '51. Basket-
ball '49, '50, '51. Baseball '47-'51.
Dramatics Club '51.
Motto: "No fools no fun."

LOIS JEAN MILLER.....Trans-
ferred from Hollybrook High School.
Latin Club '50, '51. F.H.A. '50, '51.
Library Club '50.
Motto: "She moves a goddess, and she
looks a queen."





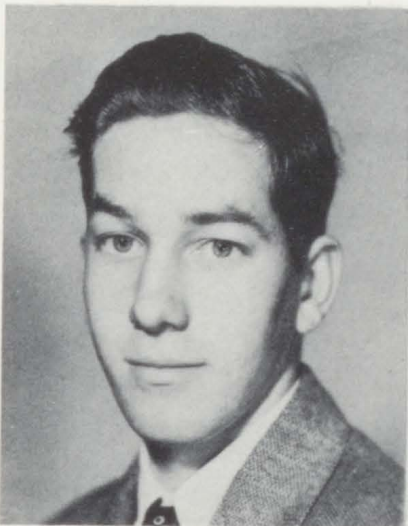
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RAMONA DAWN WRIGHT.....Transferred from Hollybrook School. F.H.A.'50, '51. Dramatics Club '51. Motto."Short but sweet."



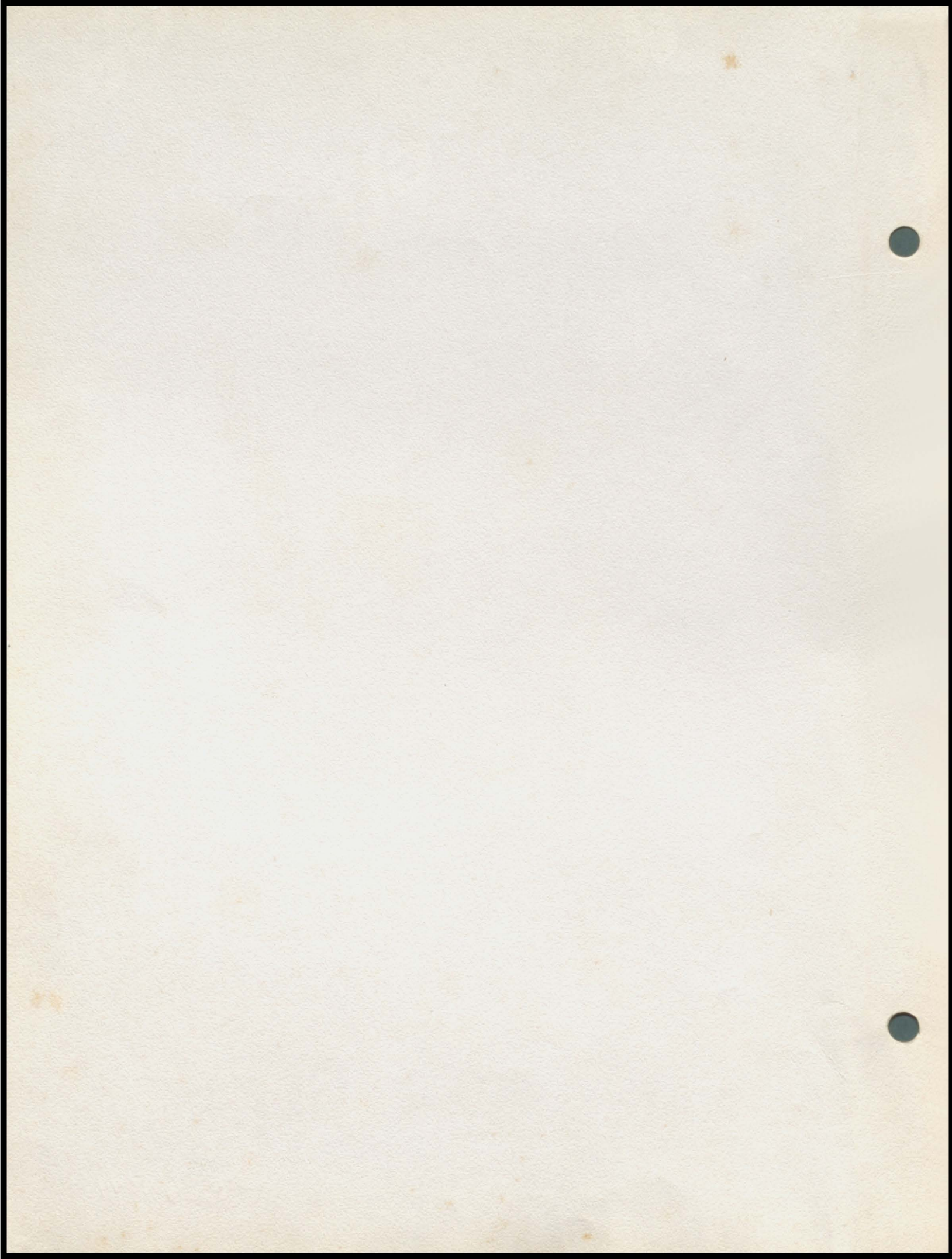
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RYLAND CARTER MOREHEAD.....F.F.A. '49, '50, '51. K.V.G. '50, '51. F.F.A. Basketball '50, '51. Motto: "People who know little are usually great talkers, while men who know much say little."



HELEN PEARL WILSON.....F.H.A. '49, '50, '51. Library Club '50, '51. Vice-President Junior Class '50. Dramatics Club '51. Motto:"Least said soonest mended."

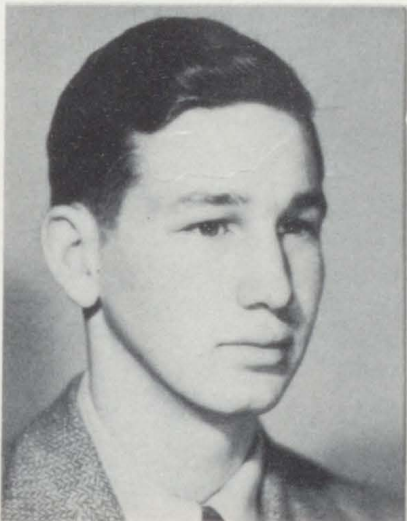


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NORMA JEAN PENLEY.....F.H.A.
'49, '50, '51. Committee Chairman F.H.A.
'51. Library Club '48, '49. Softball '48,
'49. Dramatics Club '51.
Motto: " Laugh and the whole world laughs
with you, weep and you weep alone."

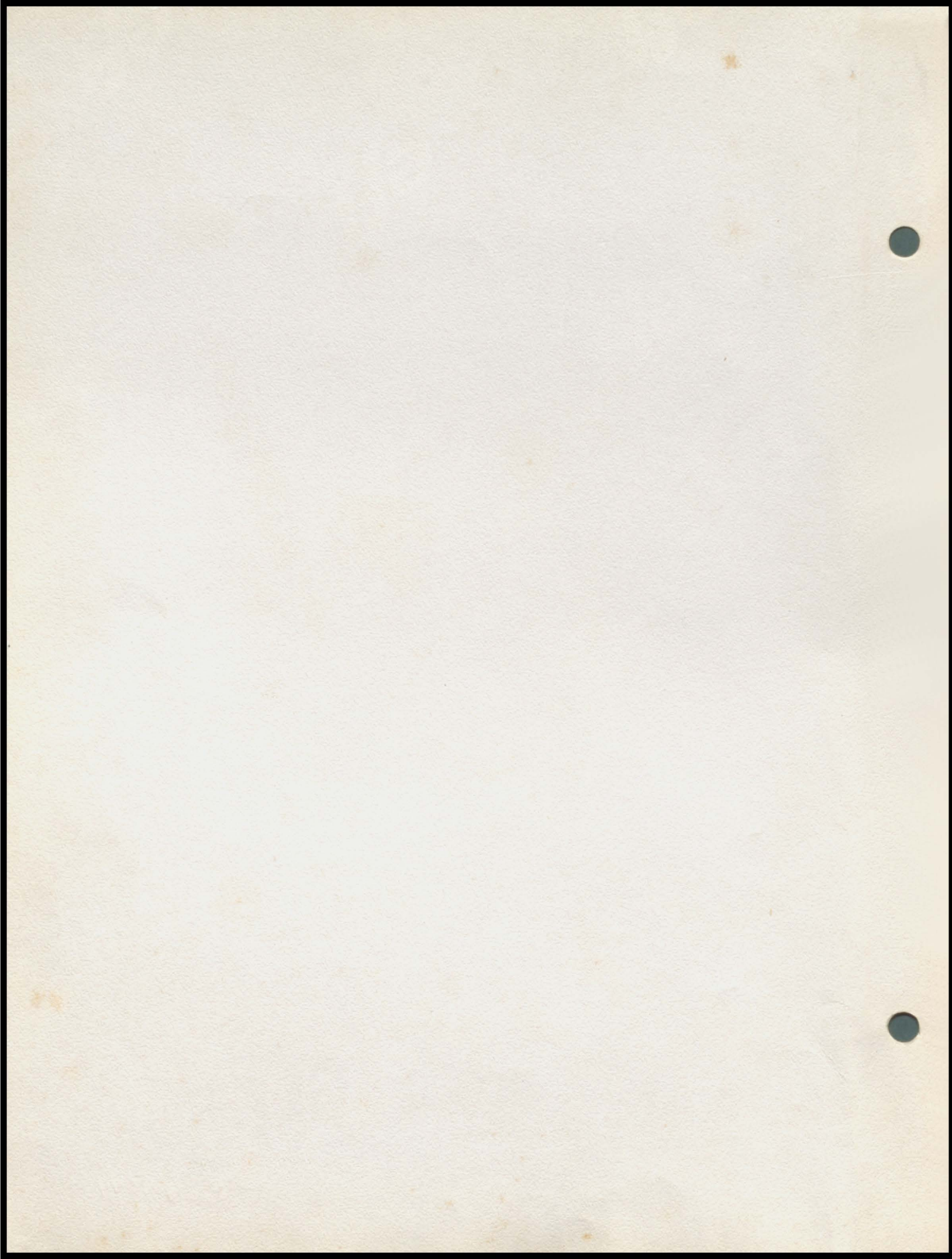
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'49, '50, '51. K.V.G. Club '51. F. F. A.
Basketball '50, '51. Art Editor "The Echo"
'51. Dramatics Club '51.
Motto: " A woman should be seen, not heard."



GEORGE KYLE MOREHEAD.....F.F.A.
'49, '50, '51. K.V.G. Club '51. F.F.A. Bas-
ketball '50, '51. F.F.A. Softball '50.
Dramatics Club '51.
Motte: "Never do to-day what you can put
off until to-morrow."

SARA MAHALA STOWERS.....Music Club
'48, '50, '51. F. H. A. '49, '50, '51. Vice-
President F.H.A. '50. Basketball '48, '49,
'50, '51. Basketball Captain '50. Library
Club '50. Vice-President Freshman Class
'48.
Motto: " My care is for the future. "





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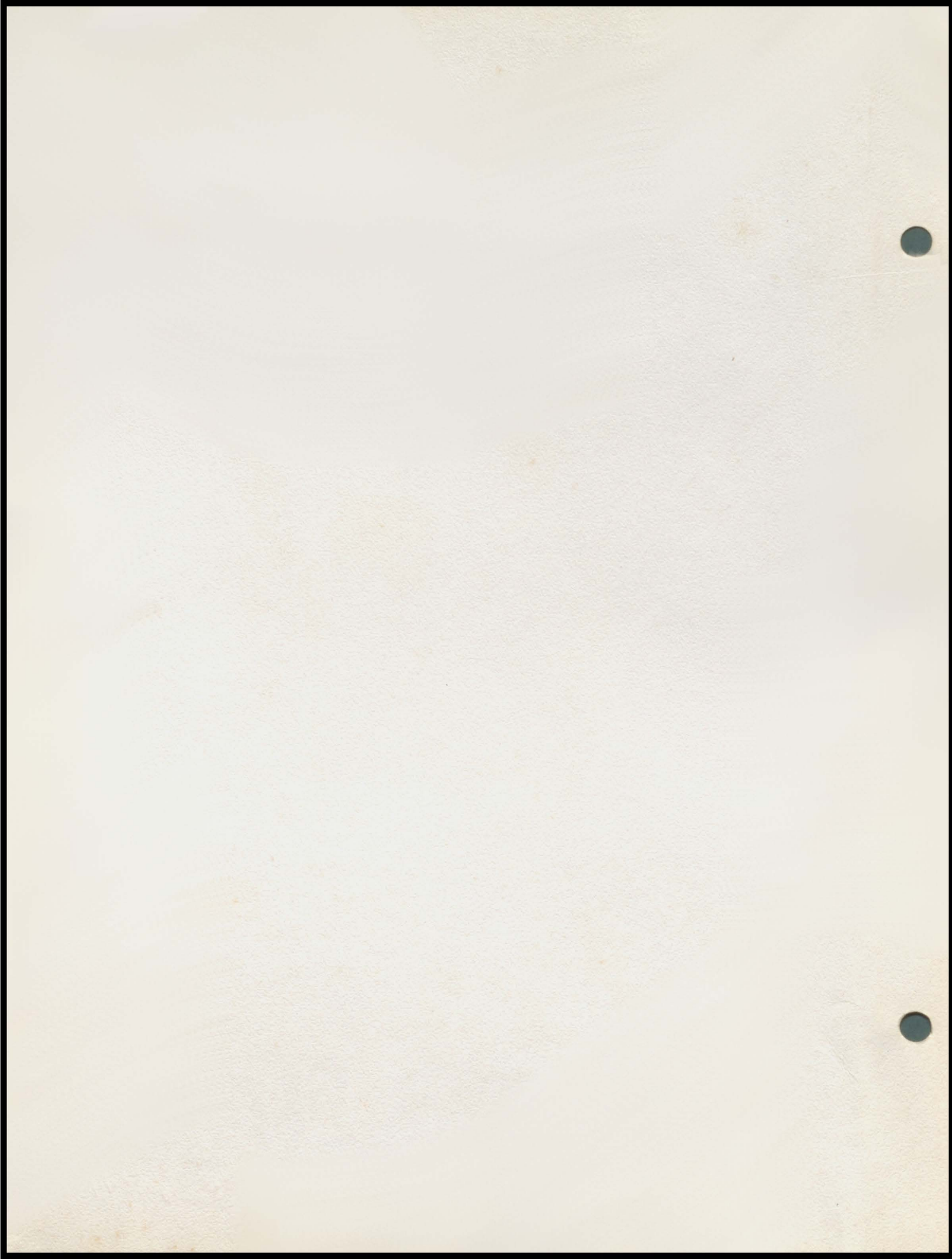
MARY DELPHINE FARLOW.....Transferred from Hollybrook High School.F.H.A. '50,'51. Dramatics Club '51.
Motto:"Those who bring sunshine to the lives of others cannot keep it from themselves."



MARGARET CHRISTINA PRUITT.....F.H.A. '49,'50,'51. Music Club '48,'49.Latin Club '50,'51. Library Club '49,'50.
Motto:" Every man for himself but God for us all."



FLORENCE BETTY BRIGGS.....Transferred from Grundy High School. Latin Club '50, '51. F.H.A. '49, '50, '51. Typist "The Echo" '51.
Motto: "Those who rise late must trot all day."





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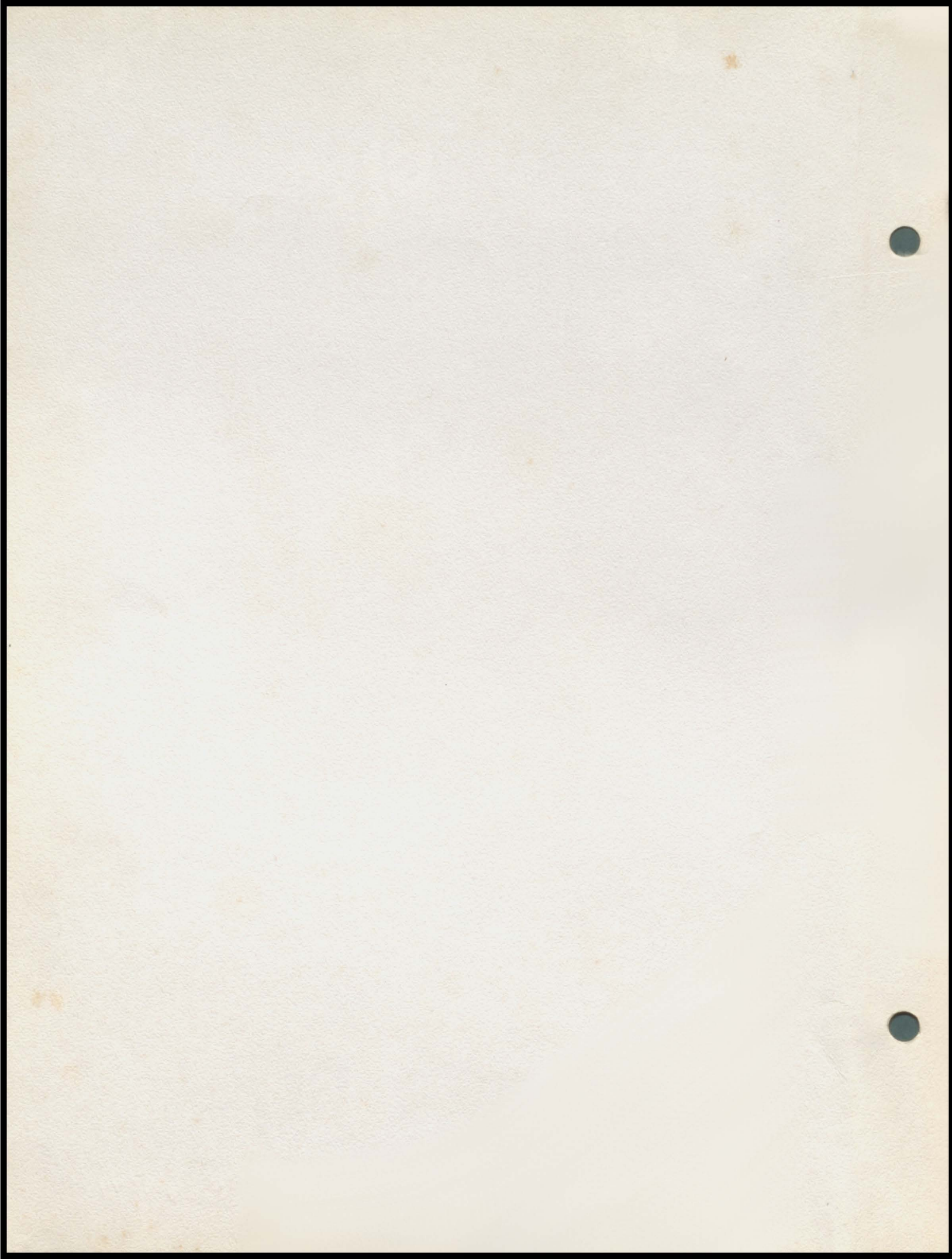
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GRUMBLER

We, the Seniors of 1951 wish to tell you, the readers of this annual, a few of the "ruts" we have pulled through while traveling over the rough road of our four years in what used to be Bland High School.

To start out with on the first day of school we were classified as the "Ignorant Freshmen" (this name followed us through our four years in Bland High School.) We were so rough that they had to get an army officer and also an assistant for our teachers. In our civics class, which was taught by the army officer, we fought World War II over again. In Physical Education he turned us into soldiers. The requirements are four subjects a year although only four subjects were listed on the board and we were told to take our choice.

Dragging along into our Sophomore year we were no brighter but a little dimmer. We were put in a room which was caving in and finally had to be propped up with fence rails. While having classes we sat like a bunch of scared kittens, fearing the room would cave in. In our Biology Class we had to bring snakes, bullfrogs and lizards for experiments and if the teachers caught us carrying them in our pockets we were sent to the office.

Moving on, our most exciting high school experience was our Junior year. We were given a history teacher fresh out of college who reminded of a Notre Dame fullback.

The day finally came to which we had all been looking forward when the so-called ring salesman came. He persuaded us to adopt Standard Rings and in return we were supposed to receive a radio which went tick tock and turned out to be a clock which was given to charity and finally ended up in the library.

Still moving on, we at last reached the peak of our journey together when we became "Dignified Seniors", but instead of being recognized as "Dignified Seniors" we were called "Undignified, Uncouth, Gawky and all the synonyms of ungraceful. The day then arrived on which we were to select our caps and gowns. We wanted maroon but were told the color was for another race. (Say! don't you think we should change our school color?) We finally, as you can see, ended up wearing blue.

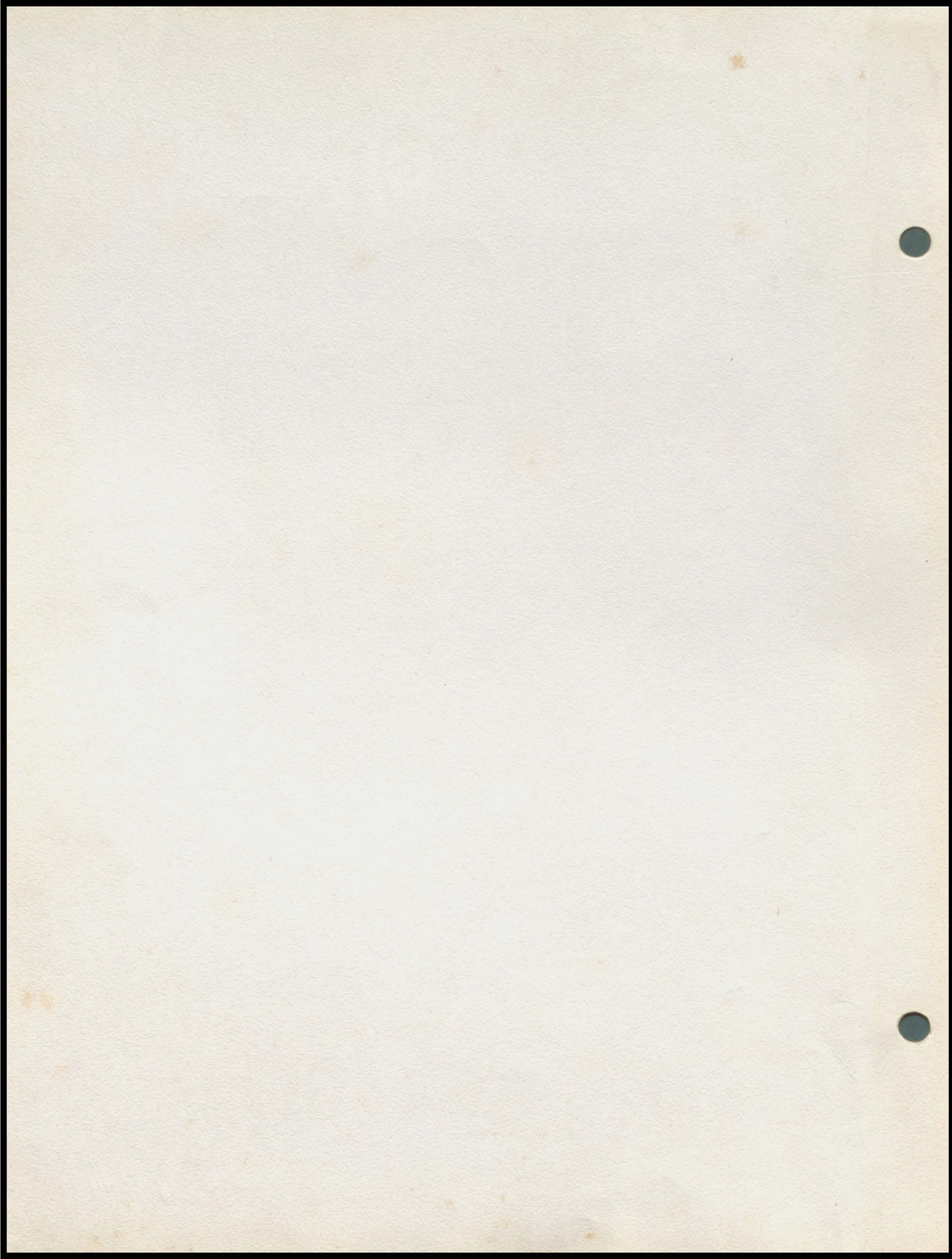
There were so many of us visiting in the office for not having our "Government Outlines", when the teacher gave us a whole chapter at one time, that the springs, feathers, and cotton started falling out of the cushions and the school had to buy new furniture.

We, the Seniors of '51, think it is a miracle that "The Echo" was completed. All the space we had to work on was about one square foot of a library table and then we didn't have room to get our breath.

Even when the "Future Chemists" did get to go to the laboratory, which was not very often, we could hardly endure the disagreeable odors because the windows were nailed down, and we not only suffocated in the laboratory but when the bell rang for lunch all one could hear was the Student Body grumbling about the odors in the halls and the class rooms.

So, considering the rocks and ruts, we are convinced, without any doubt, that we have traveled a rough road during our four years at Bland High School.

"Weedie" Hoge
L. R. Marchand



CLASS HISTORY

It was on the seventh day of September 1947, a calm, peaceful, autumn day, radiant with sunshine of hope cheer, and joyous promise, that the great ship, Bland Hi, stood at anchor at the wharf of a new school year. It was the same ship that has carried many passengers to safe harbor in the land of Great Wisdom, but this day was a gala one in its history and many people watched the forty-nine girls and boys as they happily stepped aboard, for it was rumored that they were about to set sail for new untried water on a quest for the Fountain of Knowledge.

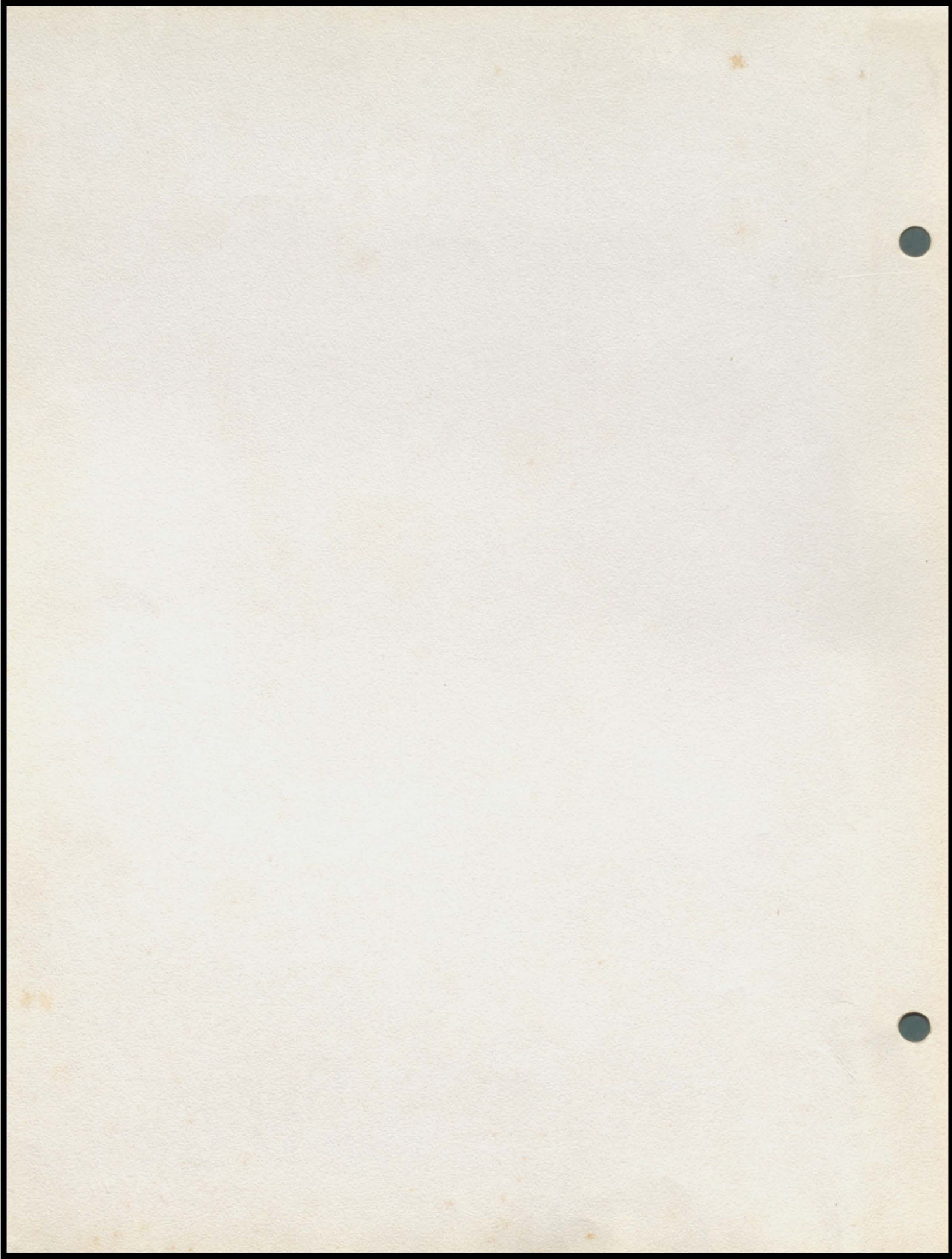
We met many new faces on our voyage from Bastian, Bland, Crandon, Mechanicsburg. Our commanding officer our first year was Mr. Claude Stowers.

As our ship stood at anchor on that eventful September day the passengers began to arrive. We were the first to enroll of the list of passengers so to us was intrusted the task of writing the log of our voyage.

We were young and socially inclined so it was not long before we became acquainted with our fellow shipmates and began to feel at home with the pilot, captain, steward, and even the porter. Of course there were a few cases of seasickness and many attempts to throw overboard their algebra, Latin and chemistry but they were told that they must consume these indigestibles over and over until they were assimilated. Mrs. Annie Dunn was our Captain this year. We had many comical happenings. Oh no, not because of our teacher, but we were at ease with one another and it seemed that from year to year the funny side of us began to come to the surface a little at a time until---Oh! well, perhaps if you would like to know what happened you had better talk to our "Commanding Officers."

While we were sailing we noticed that the stream upon which we were sailing was very narrow, but as we looked ahead we could see that it began to broaden and we were led to ask Miss Blankenship, our third year officer, the significance of the situation. We were told that we had gone over three of our four seas of High School Life. Though these four seas were so closely joined together that they seemed but one immense sea. We came to realize we had but one more sea to cross which was to be the roughest one. Although we enjoyed (and really showed by our actions we did) it more than the other three years of our voyage. Mrs. Helen Hardy carefully piloted our ship through the fourth sea.

It would take too long to read the complete log of this voyage. It would be very interesting to tell the different and wonderful adventures of each traveler-the parting of this one, the welcoming of that one, and the why and wherefore of it all.



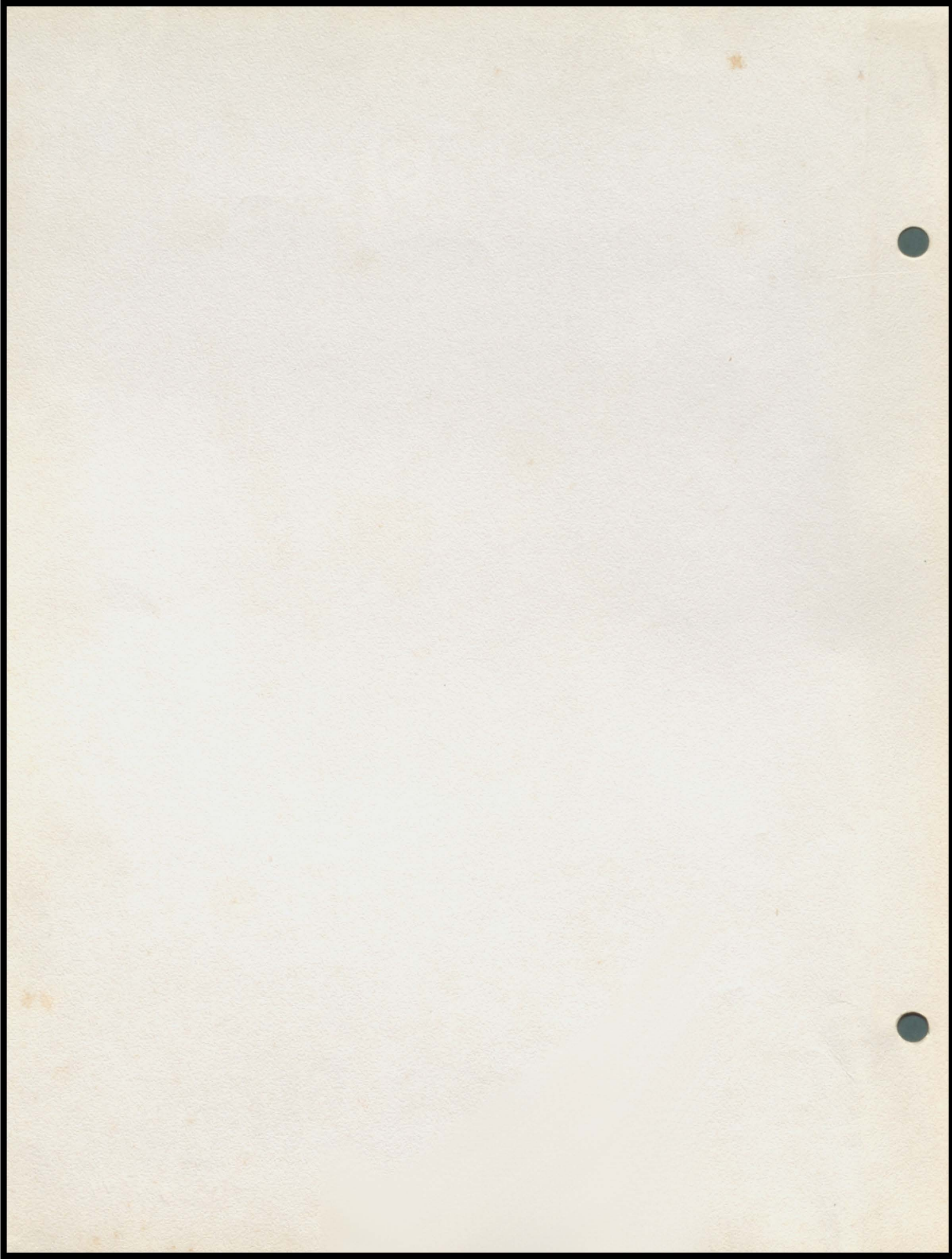
But we realize that it has been of but little vital significance except to ourselves who still remain together to land at Commencement Wharf. We must not make known the secret of our classmates. We must not forget the loyalty due to our class. The best history of any person or thing is never given to the world--so with the Class of '51.

It has been a wonderful voyage; we have not faced any gales we could not withstand. The billows of examination questions have sometimes tried their best to overwhelm us--but none of them have succeeded. We have, by hard work, secured the passport at the entrance of each sea. We have sympathized with the seasick passengers that make up the various new classes. We have enjoyed the successful experience of those who have landed on other shores.

Now we look at the larger and more complicated ocean ahead and we trust that our experience has fitted us to withstand every storm.

We shall go on writing our new logs of greater adventure and yet more wonderful discovery; for while the "Voyage of High School" is at an end the "Voyage of Real Life" has just begun.

Margaret Pruitt
Doris Dunn

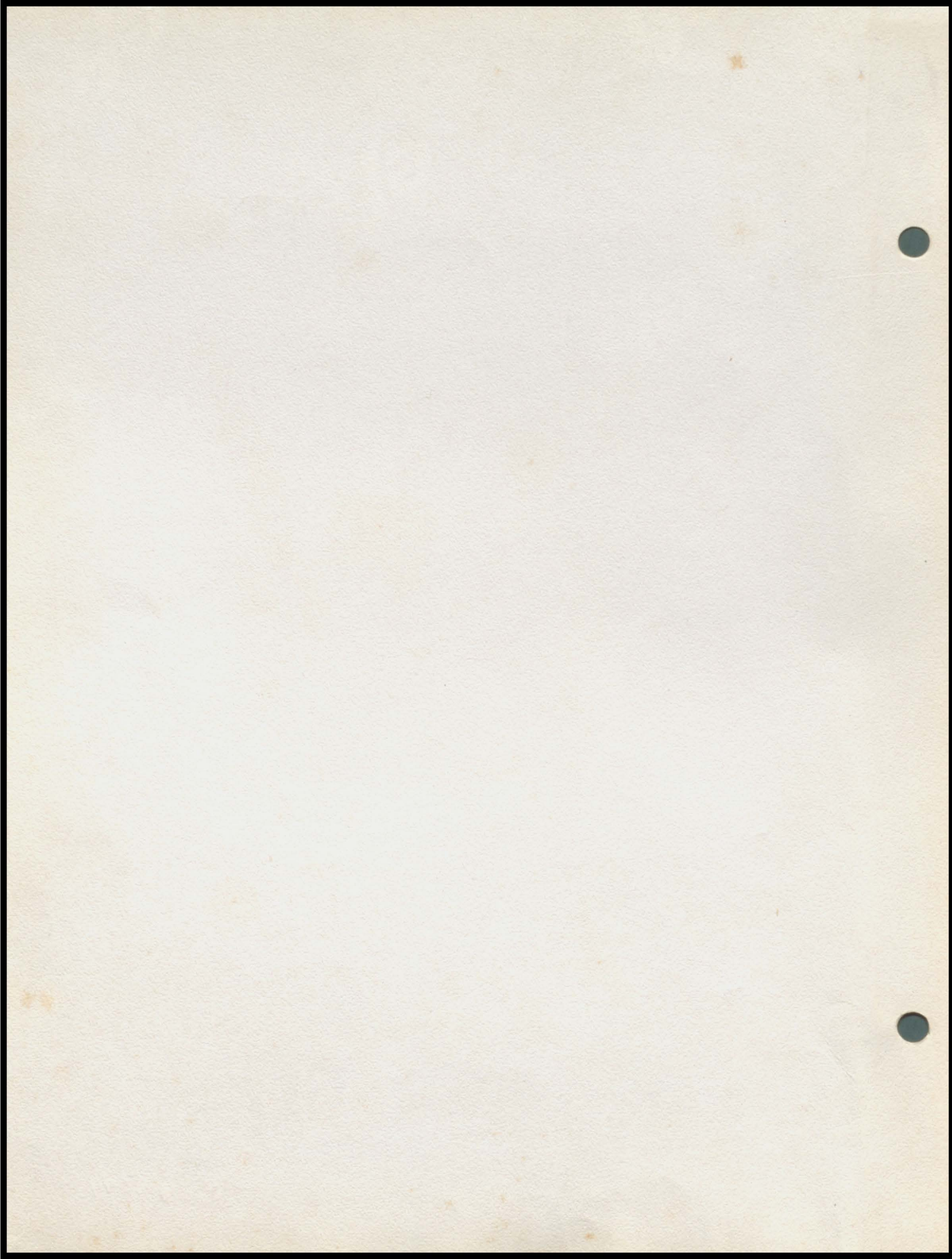


Last Will and Testament

We, the Senior Class of '51 of Bland High School, County of Bland and State of Virginia, being of unsound mind and disintegrating memory after four strenuous years, hereby make, publish, and declare this our last will and testament, hereby revoking all former wills made by us.

The members of the Senior Class generously, with charity for all and malice toward none, bequeath the following personal and class belongings to underclassmen to help them in the pursuit of happiness:

- I, Frances Short, hereby will David Miller to Bobby Lee Muncy for safe keeping only.
- I, Ola Stowers, will my ability to sleep in class to "Gib Ray" Repass.
- I, Ben Bird, will my dramatic ability to Randel Wright.
- I, Dan Smith, leave my ability to kiss the girls in the closet to David Hubble.
- I, Pearl Wilson, bequeath my sarcastic ways to Jo Ann Collins.
- I Gayle Richardson, will my ability to wash dishes in the lunchroom to Jerry Durham.
- We, Sallie Marie Hoge and Letha Thompson, will our ability to play basketball to Nadine Lambert and Polly Shewey.
- I, Carolyn Scott, will my kind ways to Alma Hamblin.
- I, Bobby Bane, hereby will my ability to make good grades to Clayton Wright.
- I, Rhudy Faulkner, hereby will my ability to hold hands in English Class to Rodney Morehead.
- I, Delphine Farlow, leave my friendly ways to Dorothy Blankenship.
- I, Ramona Wright, hereby will my seat in the Freshman Room at lunch to Lucy Sexton.
- I, Joy Wright, do bequeath my popularity with the boys to Louise Puckett.
- Gloria Tickle, leaves her giggles to make life cheery after she's gone to Nell Vanover.
- I, J. R. Morehead, will my S.C.A. gravel to Junior King.
- I, Carol Childress, hereby will my "curls" to Leona Collins.
- I, Kay Morehead, will my pull with all the teachers to Bobby Gene Stacy.
- I, Billy Hart, will my ability to annoy Miss Blankenship to Earl McPeak.
- We, Doris Dunn, Margaret Pruitt, and Florence Briggs, will our excuse to go the Home Ec. Building to Mary Ella Dillow and Dolly Ann Nicewander.
- Billy Bruce leaves his mathematical mind to William Parnell.
- We, Nora Jean Lambert and Louise Goins, will our ability to stick together to Ethel Burton and "Libby" Wyatt.
- I, Milford Puckett, leave my driving ability to "Jeff" Burton.
- I, Willard Wright, leave my ability to be called "teacher's Pet" to Robert Newton Morehead.
- I, Lois Miller, hereby leave my sincerity to Margaret Pruett.
- I, Edna Chewing, will my ability to make good grades in English to Norma Jean Waddle.



I, Eldon Tickle, will my ability to disagree to Wayne Peery.
Billy Pauley leaves his basketball playing ability to "Jackie"
Hylton.

Billy Franklin leaves his love for "funny books" to Sara Betty
Muncy.

I, Phyllis Burton, will my good disposition to Nita Davis.

I, Bobby Bruce, hereby leave my geometry book with Eddie Hoge for
safe keeping.

I, James Thompson, will my ability to make good Government grades
to Frances Billings.

We, Sara Stowers and Norma Jean Penley, leave our ability to roam
around and be late for class to Billy Hylton and Donnie Ray Muncy.

"Buzz" Morehead leaves his quiet ways to Nancy Pauley.

I, Carl Scott, leave my job as school reporter to John Wayne Pennington.

The Senior Class requests Miss Blankenship to take care of the clock
(although we were promised a radio) we received from Herff Jones for
adopting Standard Rings.)

To our Alma Mater, we leave our sincere love and loyalty; to the
faculty our good grades, our everlasting thanks, and good will for their
kind assistance.

To Mr. Smith, our principal, we leave our studious habits.

To the Juniors, we leave the remnants of our books, chalk and erasers
(if they can find them)-also, our cooperation, our front seats in
assemblies, all the knowledge we failed to gain, and the priveleges we
were promised and never received.

To the Sophomore Class, we leave our quick wits, and best of all,
our ability to play "hooky" without serving double time.

To the high school infants (Freshmen), we leave our utmost sympathy,
our ability to absorb English, Math., Science and other studies which
are beyond their undeveloped minds.

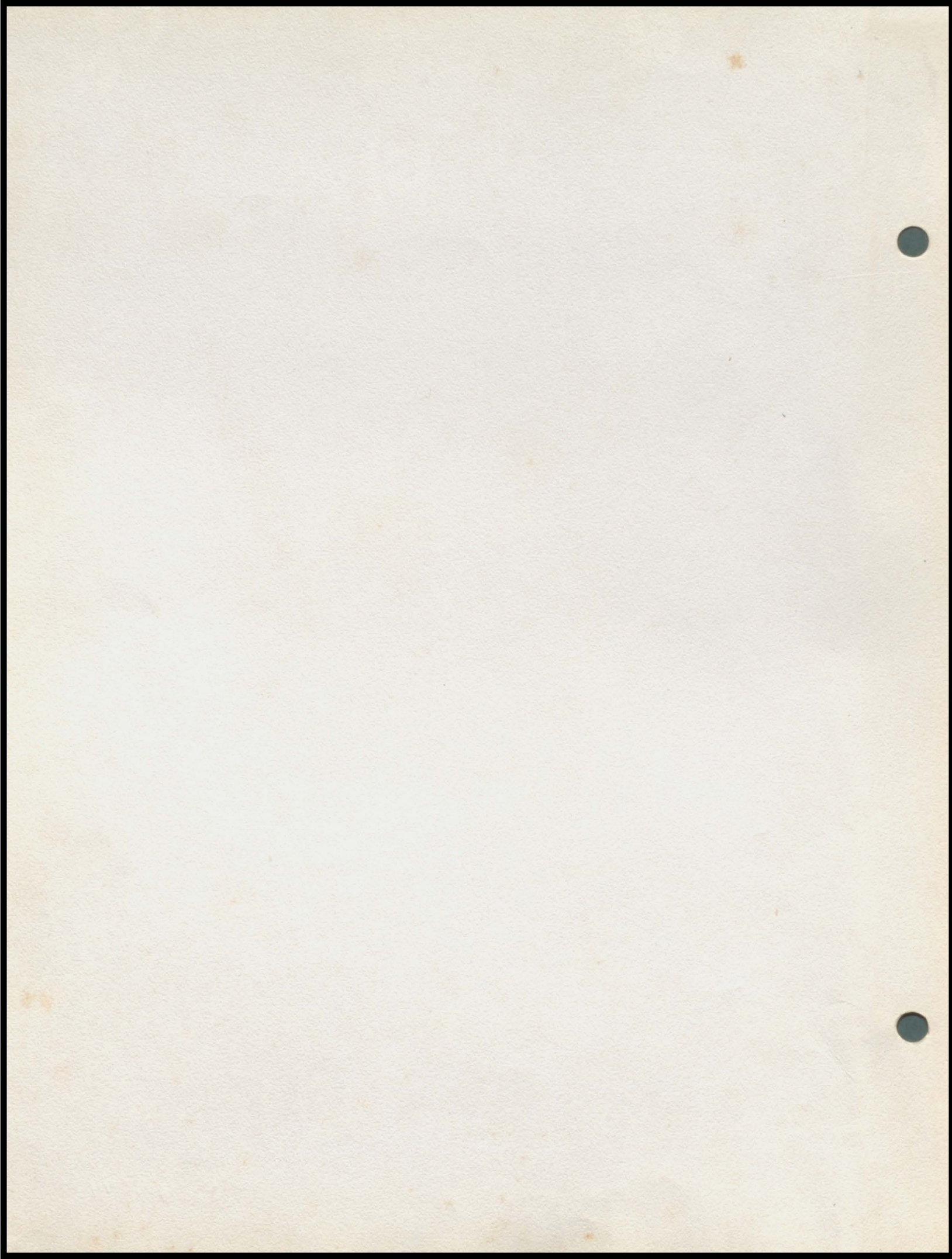
All the blow gum under the desk, our arguments, our good grades,
our ability to have a good time, our school spirit, and our seats in
the office, we, the Senior Class, gladly and with free heart leave to the
future students of Bland Hi.

Witnessed by:

Virginia Brown
Helen P. Hardy

Signed:

Norma Jean Penley
Sara Mahala Stowers.



Class Prophecy

Looking into the seeds of time we see the members of the Senior Class of '51 of Old Bland High reaching their full development.

The first seed we seek to explore is Phyllis Burton. She was very fond of the Air Corps men in her Senior year, and now we see her happily married and living on a ranch in Texas.

We see Dan Smith, a recent graduate of Washington and Lee University, an attorney-at-law in Bland. We always knew that Dan's ability to argue would get him somewhere.

Who should we see next but a blonde, Carolyn Scott, who is a Doctor with her own office in Bland. Her favorite nurse, a tall brunette, is Carol Childress.

J. R. Morehead, clown of the class, has great promises of being a comedian. We expect to see him greater than Bob Hope.

We see Doris Dunn and Florence Briggs taking postgraduate work in a college in Tennessee. They seem to be preparing for missionary work-probably in Japan.

Now we have a vision of a beautiful stage, and whom should we see on this stage but two opera stars, Margaret Pruitt and Nora Jean Lambert, singing to their hearts content.

Lazy Kay Morehead is no longer lazy. We see him managing the farm of Miss Blankenship, and one of the outstanding farmers of the Mechanicsburg district. Kay is Miss Blankenship's pet, you know.

A vision of a happily married girl living in Bastian comes into view, she is none other than Pearl Wilson.

Whoever thought that the boy who liked to hold hands in English class, would be a bachelor. We see Rhudy Faulkner running a large farm in Hollybrook, and doing his own cooking.

We see a pretty cigarette girl at the Stork Club in New York City. This could be none other than Delphine Farlow.

Now we see a pretty blonde, who was very outstanding basketball player in her Senior year, married to a Bland Hi Bus driver. Everyone could guess that this is Sara Stowers.

Now we hear the strict voice of an Army Lieutenant. Who could this be, but Billy Pauley giving orders to five hundred soldiers.

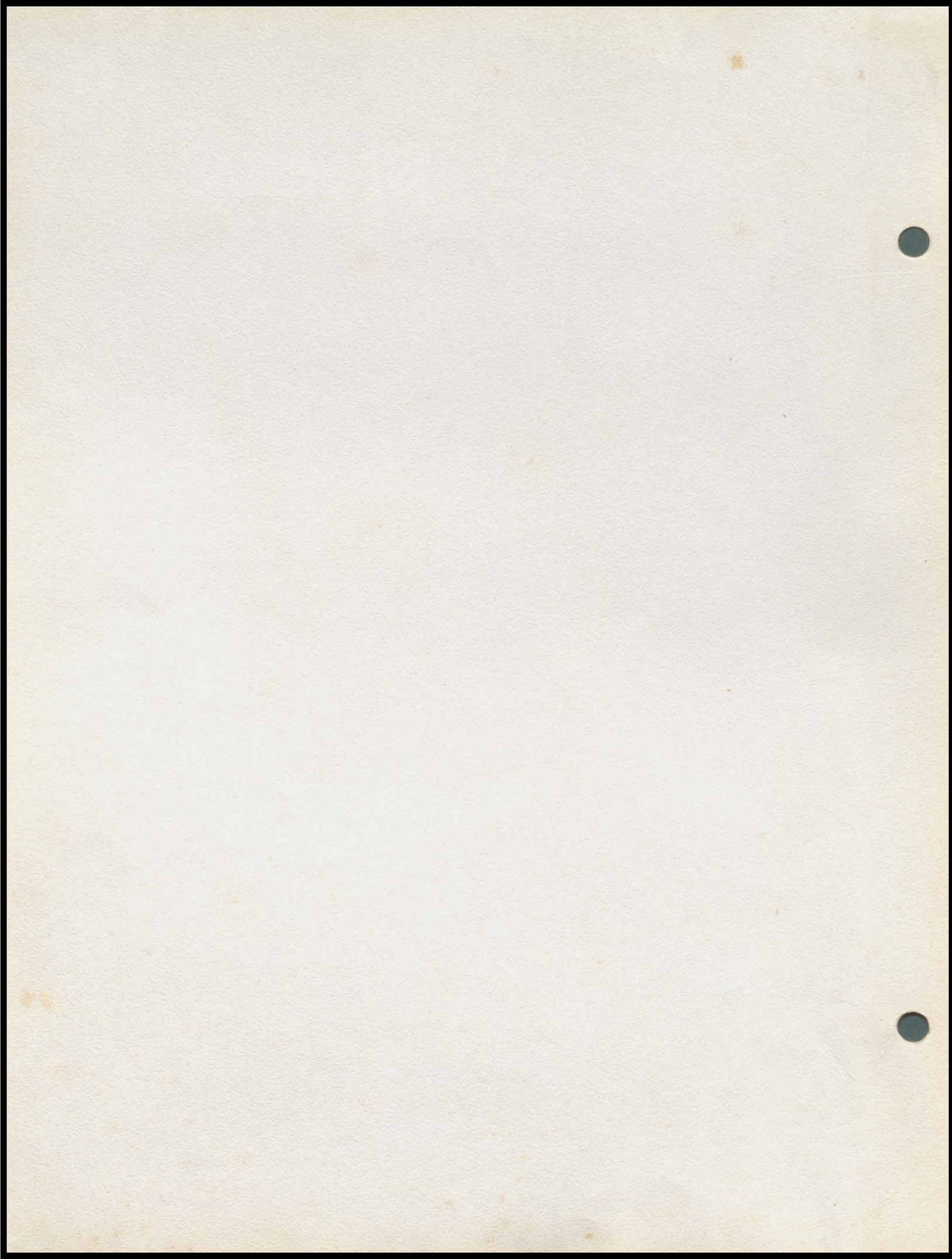
Jimmy Thompson, the best driver in our class, is employed by the largest Consolidated Bus Company of the Southwest.

Ola Stowers is living on a beautiful farm near Mechanicsburg and raising African Violets as a hobby, which will grow into a profitable business.

Norma Jean Penley, who was glad to get out of Bland High School didn't find it such a bad place after all. We see her employed as Secretary to Mr. Eugene Smith, Principal of Bland Hi.

Billy Hart, famous grumbler of the class of '51, is Dean of government at the University of California.

Buzz Morehead shows unusual business ability. We see him manager of a large Department Store. It's probably M&W Department Store.



Billy Franklin is really getting publicity. We envision him a comic strip writer of the Sunset News.

Prominent in business circles in Bland is Eldon Tickle. He is a large stock holder in the Bland Hosiery Mill Company.

We will be proud to congratulate our first woman taxi cab driver of Bland. This is Louise Goins.

"Weedie" Hoge we see is Dean of the Woman's Division of V.P.I.

We see Bobby Bane in Kansas City making a motion picture for M.G.M. called "Where's that Blonde."

Now coming into view is a busy housewife. This seems to be none other than Edna Chewning in Crandon, Virginia.

Now we get a glimpse of "Potty" Bruce acting as President of the "Big John" in Bastian. We see it is going full speed.

Whoever thought we would have an owner of a large plantation in South America and a tobacco auctioneer. This seems to be none other than Willard Wright, the quiet redhead that all the girls were crazy about-and to think he is still single!

We see that Frances Short is still waiting patiently for her husband to finish college, so they can settle down and live in their neat little bungalow at Hollybrook.

No one would guess after Ben Bird, Jr. finishes four long years at V.P.I. that he is going to join up with Tommy Dorsey's Orchestra as pianist.

We wondered why Gloria Tickle spent so much time in Squire, W. Va. We see she likes it so well that she decided to make her home there.

Coming before our vision are some Art Museums in Washington. We see among the many paintings some of Milford Puckett's. We remember Milford was Art Editor of our Annual.

Roaming around at the top of Brushy Mountain and the little town of Bastian we see Billy Bruce. The same ho-bo as he was in his senior year.

Joy Wright is happy helping to manage a large dairy farm near Bland.

The citizens of Bland no longer will have to go to Bluefield or Wytheville to have their dental work done. Junior Scott will make history and establish the first dental clinic in Bland.

Lois Miller and Ramona Wright, graduates of Radford College, have secured positions as teachers at Hollybrook.

Gayle Richardson is a famous sweater girl of New York City.

Letha Thompson was so busy during her senior year keeping up correspondence with certain branches of the armed forces, will soon be relieved of some of this work because she is securing a position as Secretary at an army post.

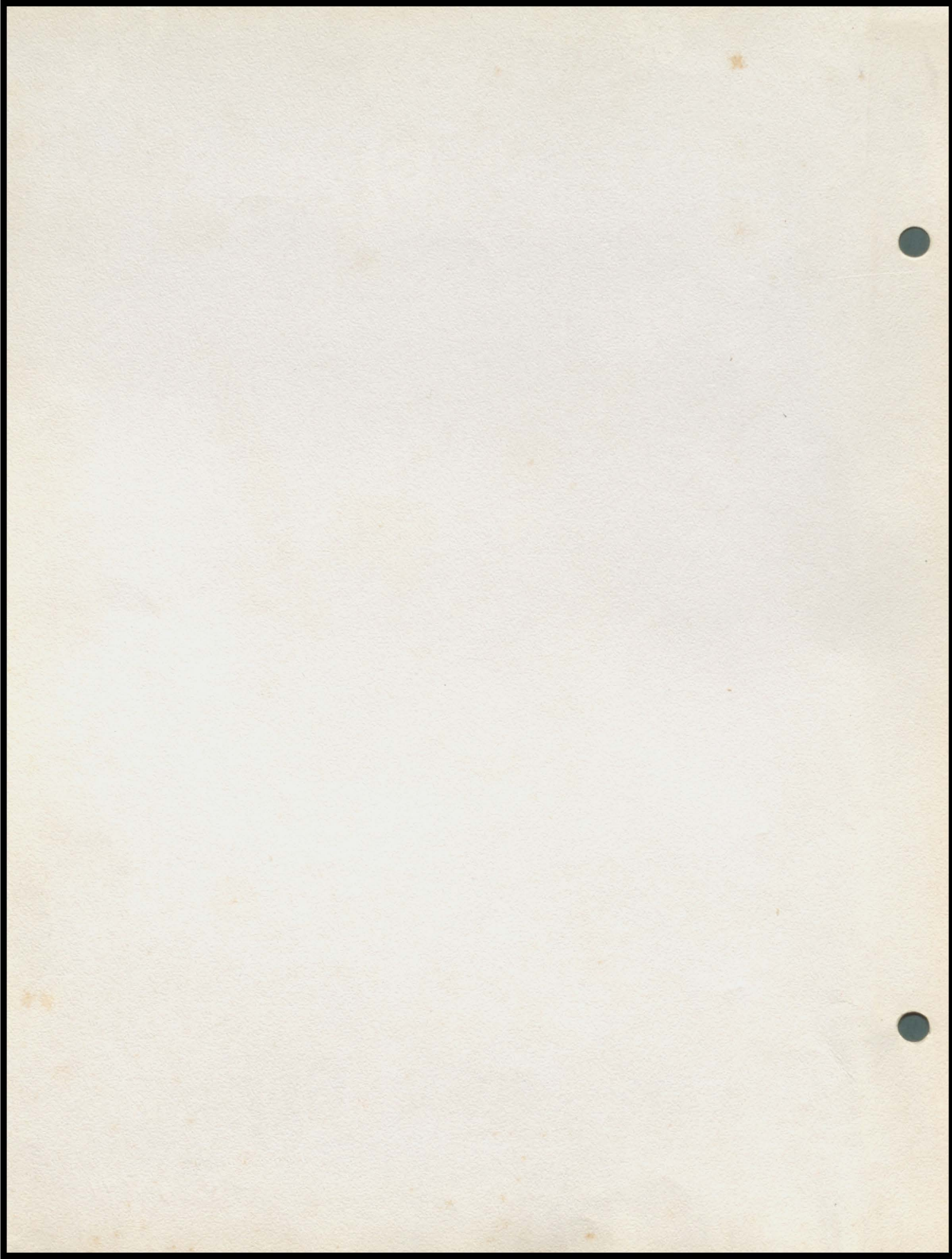
Hopes have blossomed to fruition

In achievements and careers-

Rare in intellect and promise

'51 has no peers.

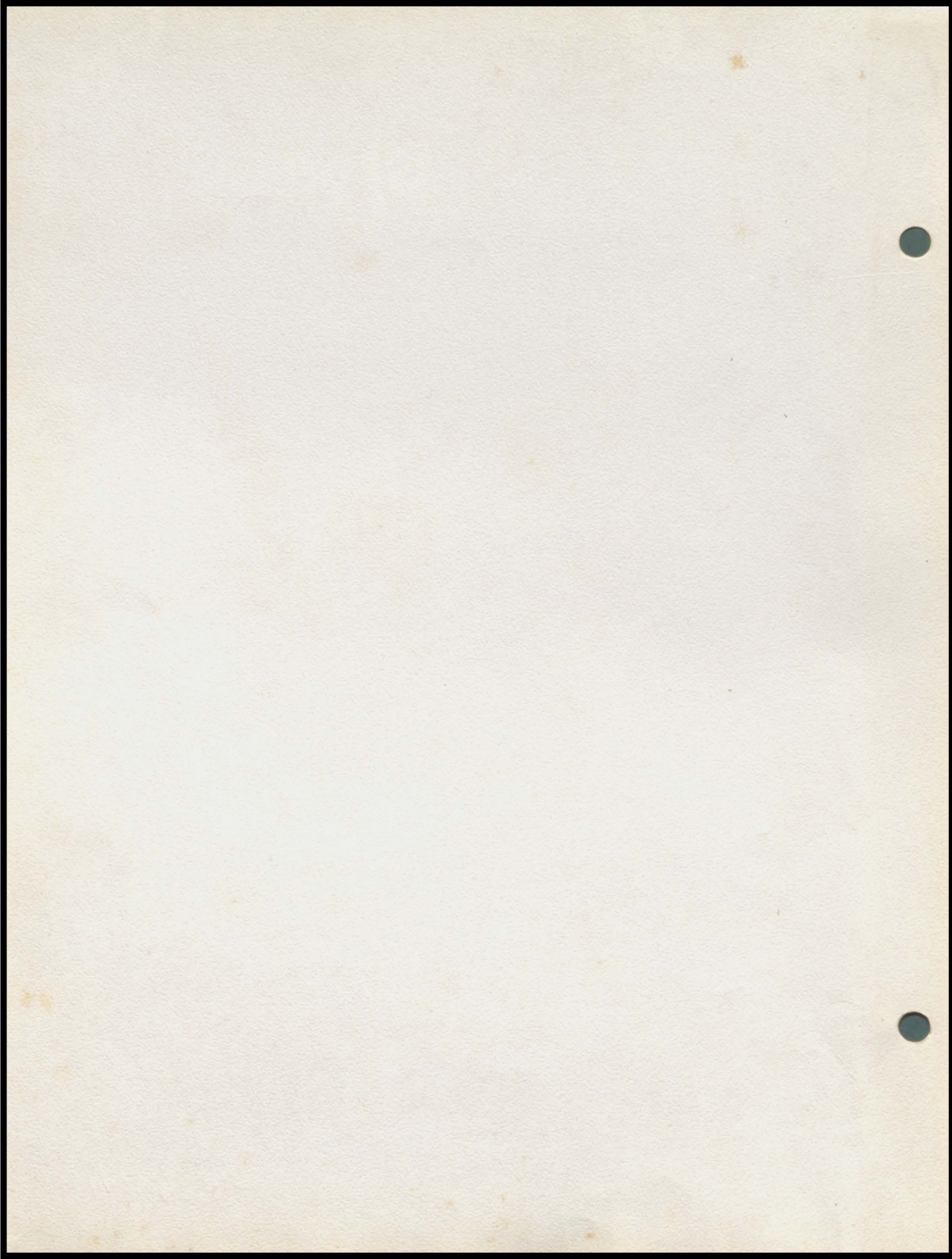
*Letha Thompson.
Gayle Richardson*





JUNIORS







Edward Meek Hoge



Jo Ann Collins



Leona Ethel Burton



Nancy Rae Pauley

Junior Class

OFFICERS

Eddie Hoge.....President
 Jo Ann Collins.....Vice-President
 Ethel Burton.....Secretary-Treasurer
 Nancy Pauley.....S.C.A. Representative

Miss Marjorie Blankenship.....Faculty Sponsor

Motto: "Those who do not advance, fall behind."
 Colors: Pink and White
 Flower: Pink Carnation



Miss Blankenship



Lucy Sexton



Nerma Jean Waddle



David Henry Hubble



Julia Ester Wright



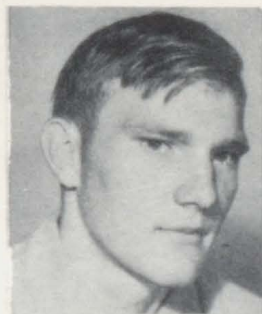
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Bobby Gene Stacy



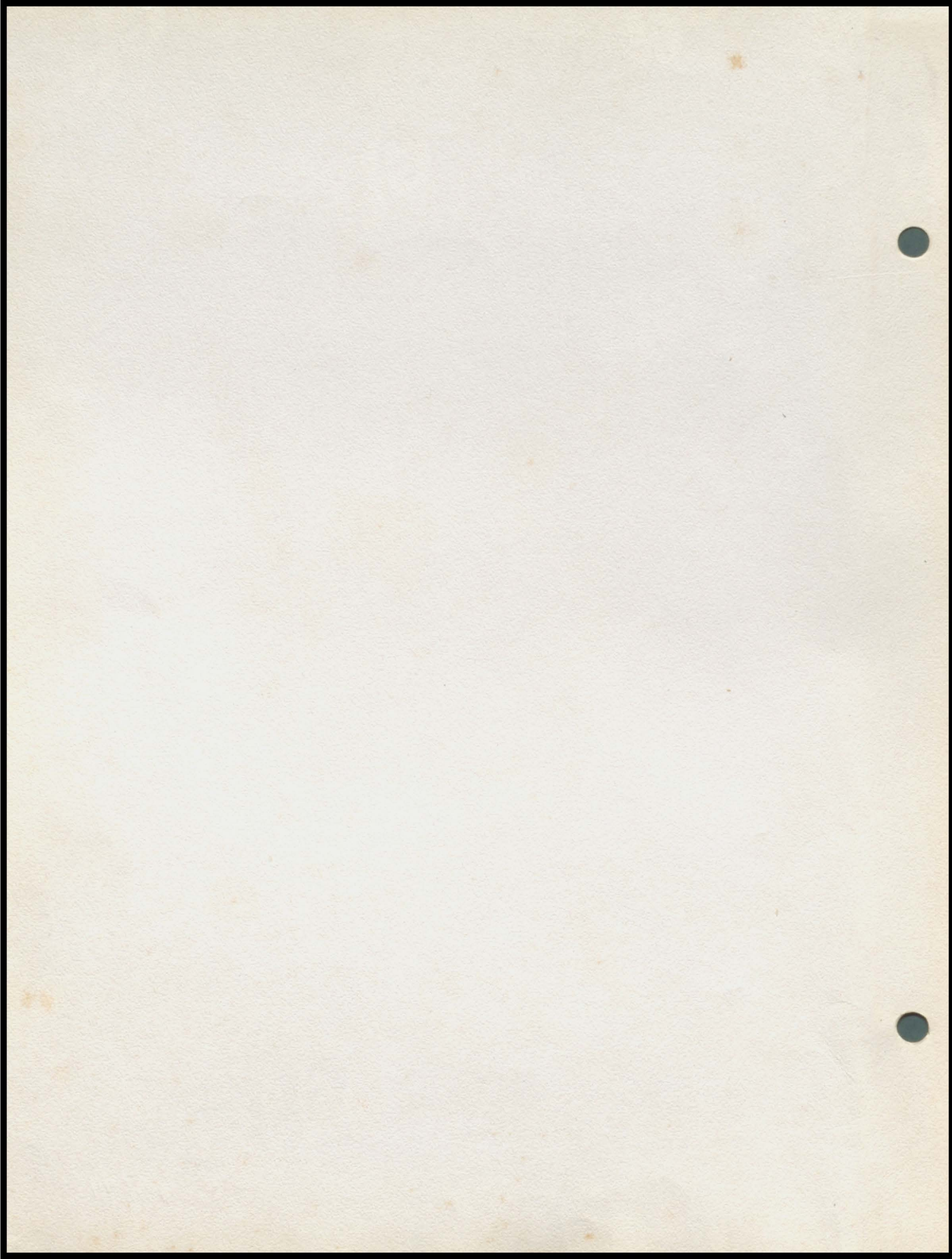
"Donnie" Muncy



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Billy McCall Hylten





Dorothy Blankenship Nell Freida Vanover

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Jean Hoosier



Rodney Morehead

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William Parnell

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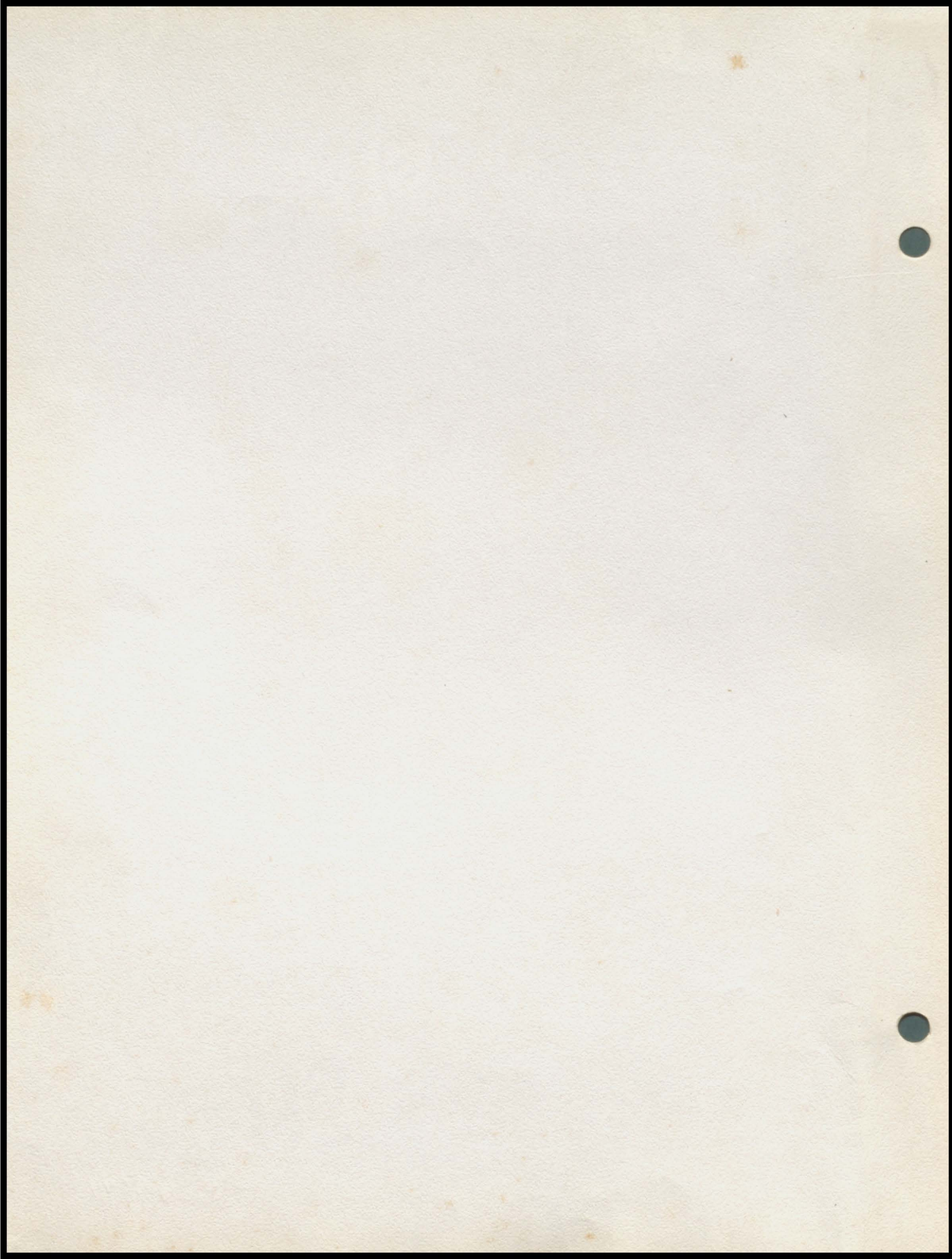


Ned Randall Wright

Jeff Burton

Robert Newton Morehead

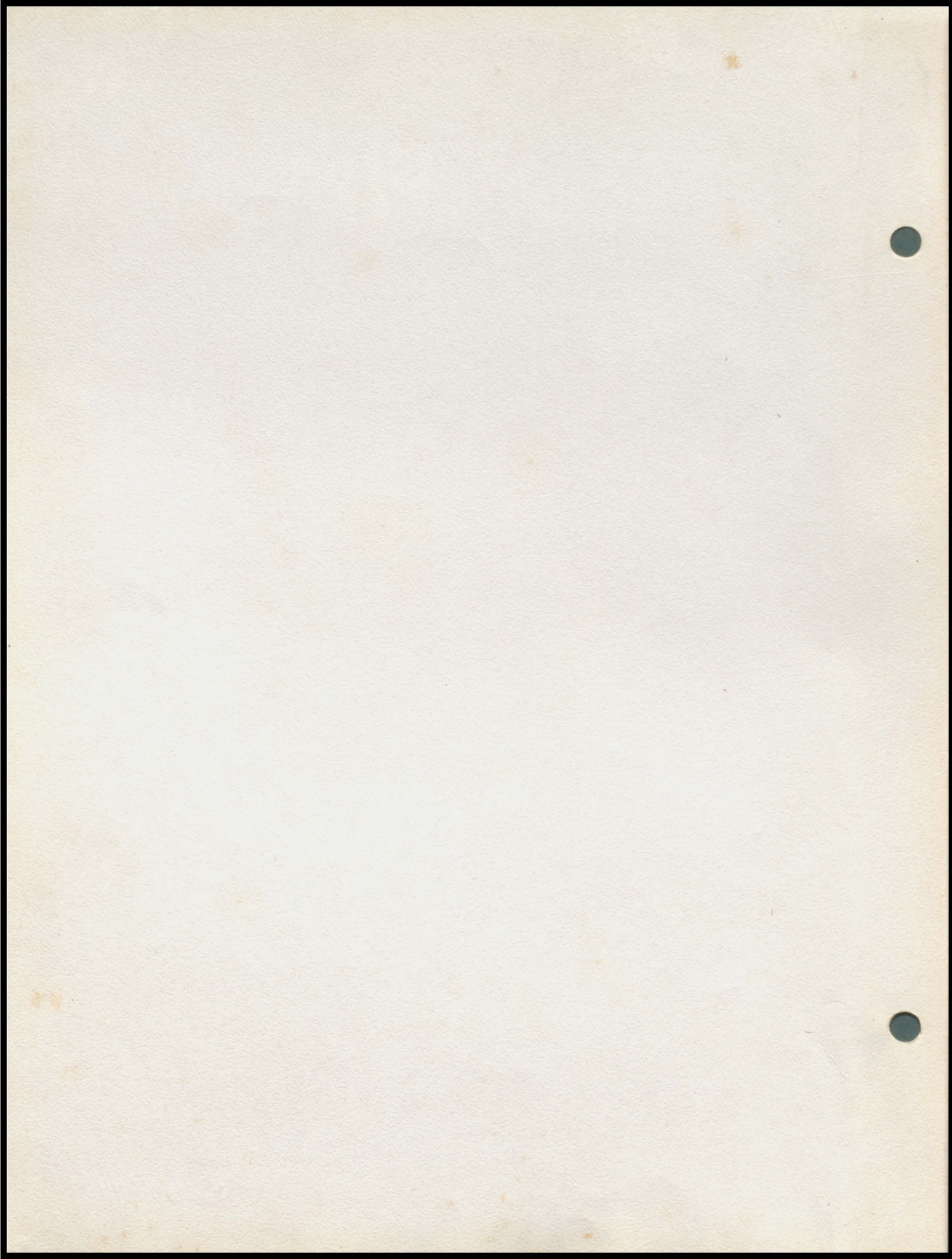
Frances Billings





SOPHOMORES







Sophomore Class

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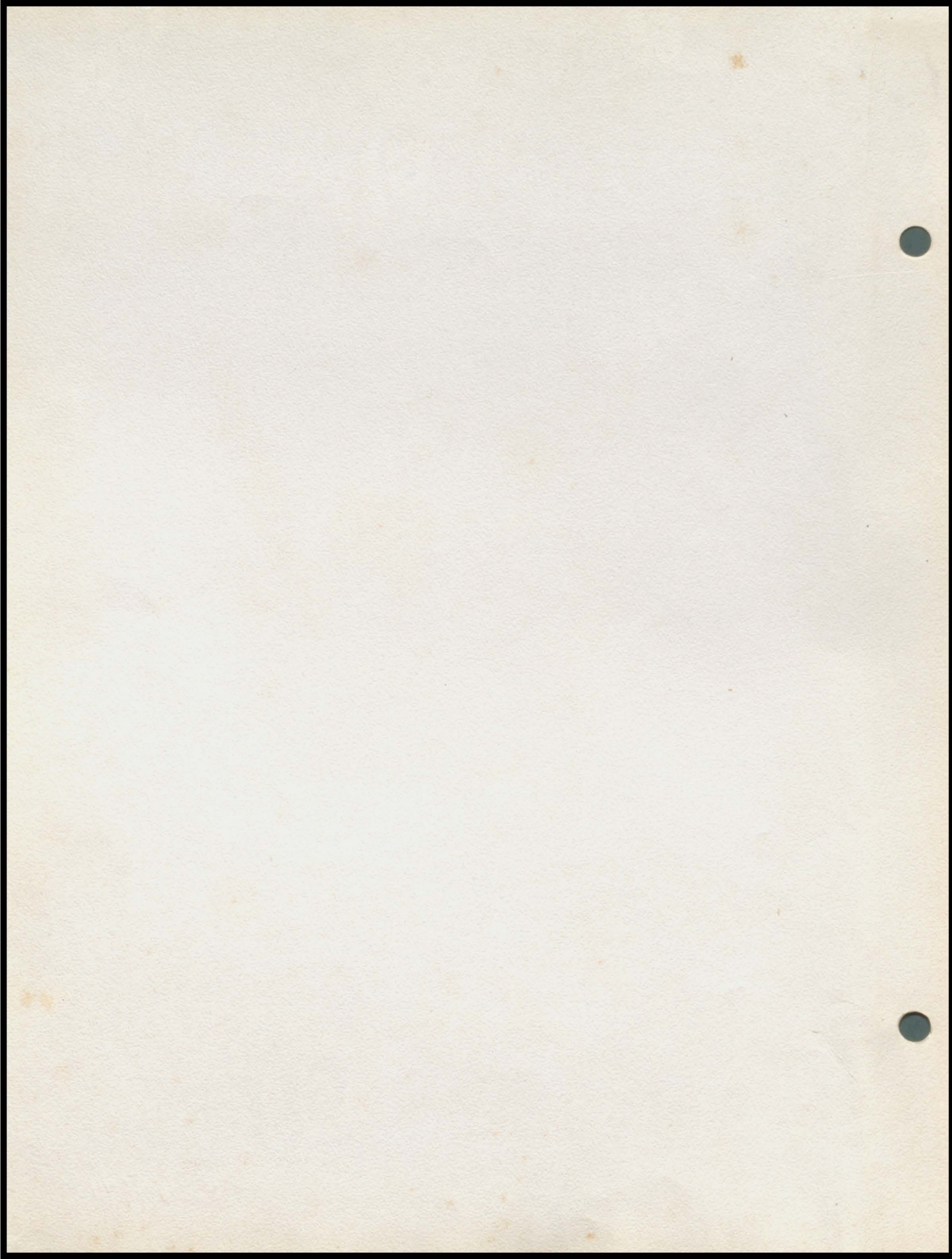
Kathleen Muncy.....President
 David Dunn.....Vice-President
 Barbara Bane.....Secretary-Treasurer
 Margaret Waddle.....S.C.A. Representative

 Mrs. Annie K. Dunn.....Faculty Sponsor

Motto: "Watch us Climb."
 Flower: Red Carnation
 Colors: Red and White

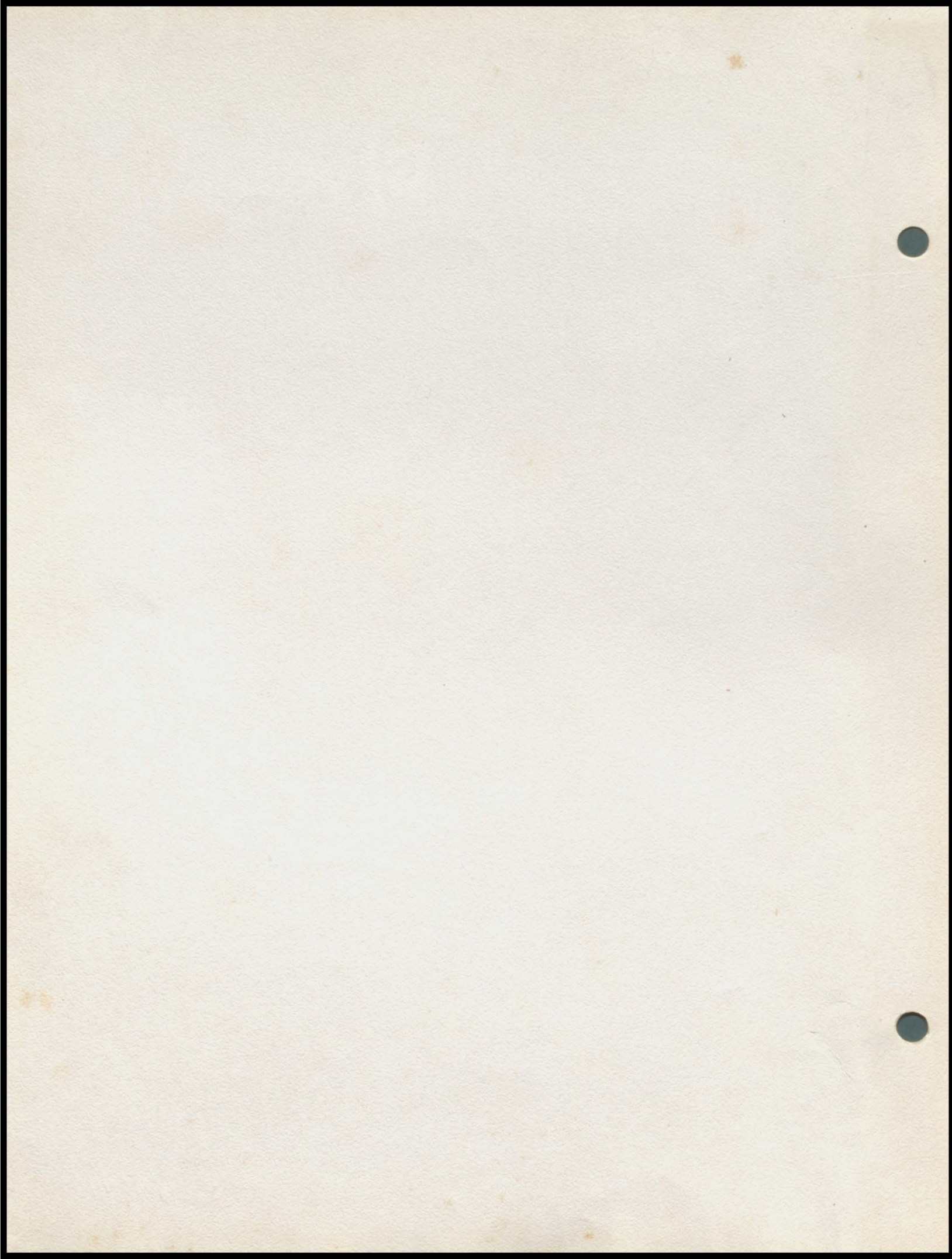
MEMBERS

Shirley Patton	Wayne Peery	Carol Daniely
Jean Kimberling	Jimmy Hylton	Junior King
Sue Ann Kidd	Richard Baker	Robert Chewning
Betty Bruce	Jimmy Pauley	Donald Kidd
Polly Shewey	Johnny Stafford	Louise Puckett
Nadine Lambert	W. R. Dillow	Richard Parker
Sara Betty Muncy	Donald Chewning	Harry Hull
Jo Ann Morehead	David Dunn	John Wayne Pennington
Margaret Waddle	John Lundy	Betty Jean Chandler
Barbara Bane	Wayne Kitts	Nancy Waddle
Martha Lee Foote	Eddie King	Mary Ella Mann
(Serber King, Boris Tomlinson Not shown)		Kathleen Muncy





FRESHMEN





Freshmen Class

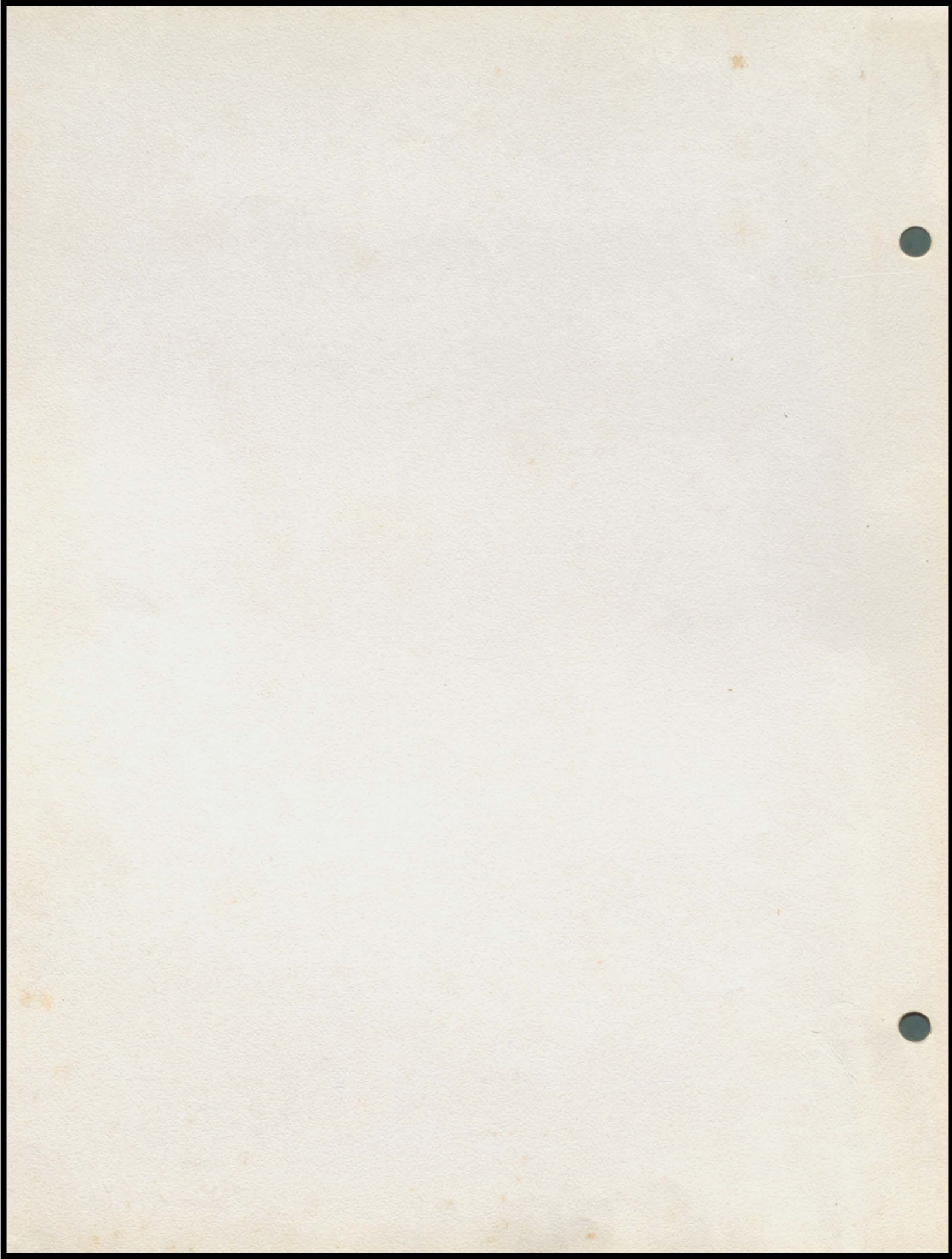
Kenneth Walker.....President
 David Miller.....Vice President
 Eleanor Sue Davis.....Secretary-Treasurer
 Jamie Muncy.....Reporter

Mrs. Ruth B. Kegley.....Faculty Sponsor

Motto: Live and Learn
 Flower: Thistle
 Colors: White and Lavender

MEMBERS

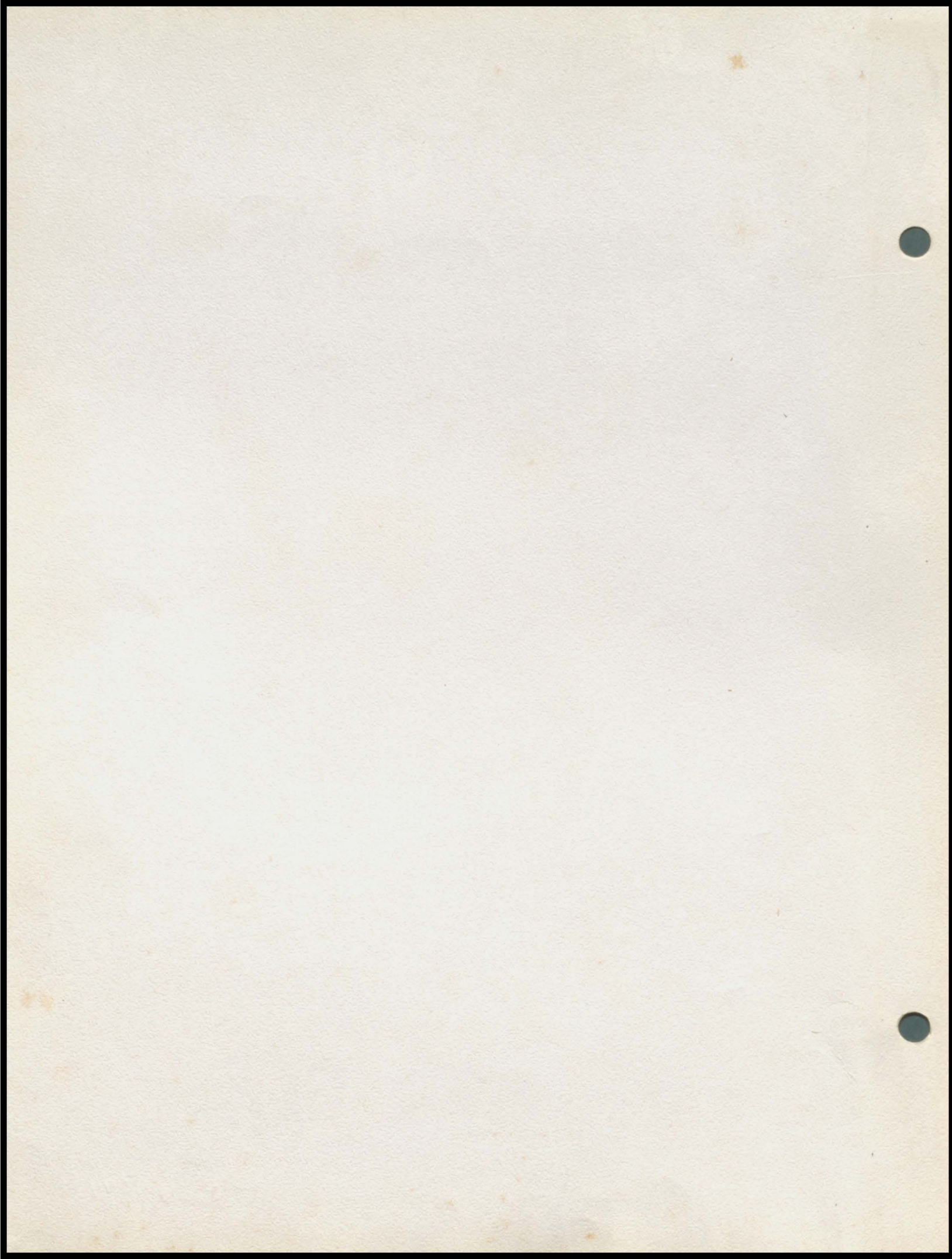
James Thompson	Jacky Hylton	Regina Dykes
Curtis Tickle	Lewis Dillow	Gay Pennington
Elmer Lundy	Mack Kitts	Margaret Bruce
Lee Tate	Robert Kegley	Randolph Waddle
Alfred Faulkner	Lois Pruett	Dolly Neal
Sammie Miller	Eleanor Sue Davis	Betty Joe Sluss
Randolph Davis	Ronald Kidd	Iretta Kidd
Dan Tickle	Earnest Pauley	Jane Barger
Douglas Harman	Alfred Smith	Jamie Muncy
David Pruitt	Willard Peck	Betty Waye Hardy
Cecil Melvin	David Miller	Lillie Mae Goins
Danny Harden	Kenneth Walker	Patsy Baker
Lilburn Martin	Isaac Tickle	Irene Hounshell
Rayella Terry	Mary Richardson	Jean Ann Morehead
Fred Tomlinson	Barbara Sexton	Weir Dillow
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ATHLETICS







GIRLS' BASKETBALL TEAM

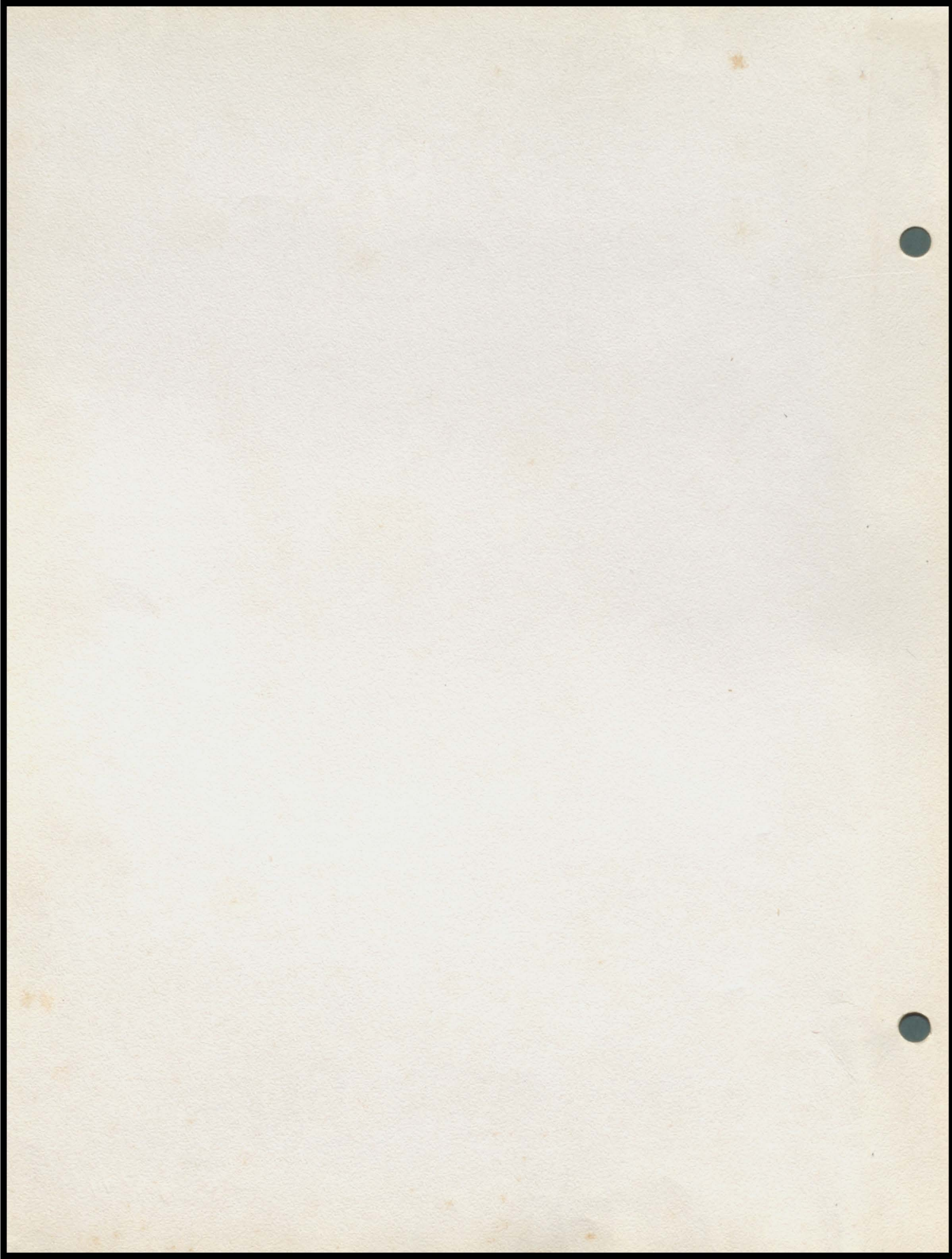
The 1950-51 girl's basketball season was filled with many thrilling games and also a few heartbreaking games. The record of 14 wins and 8 losses doesn't show the true worth of this season's basketball team.

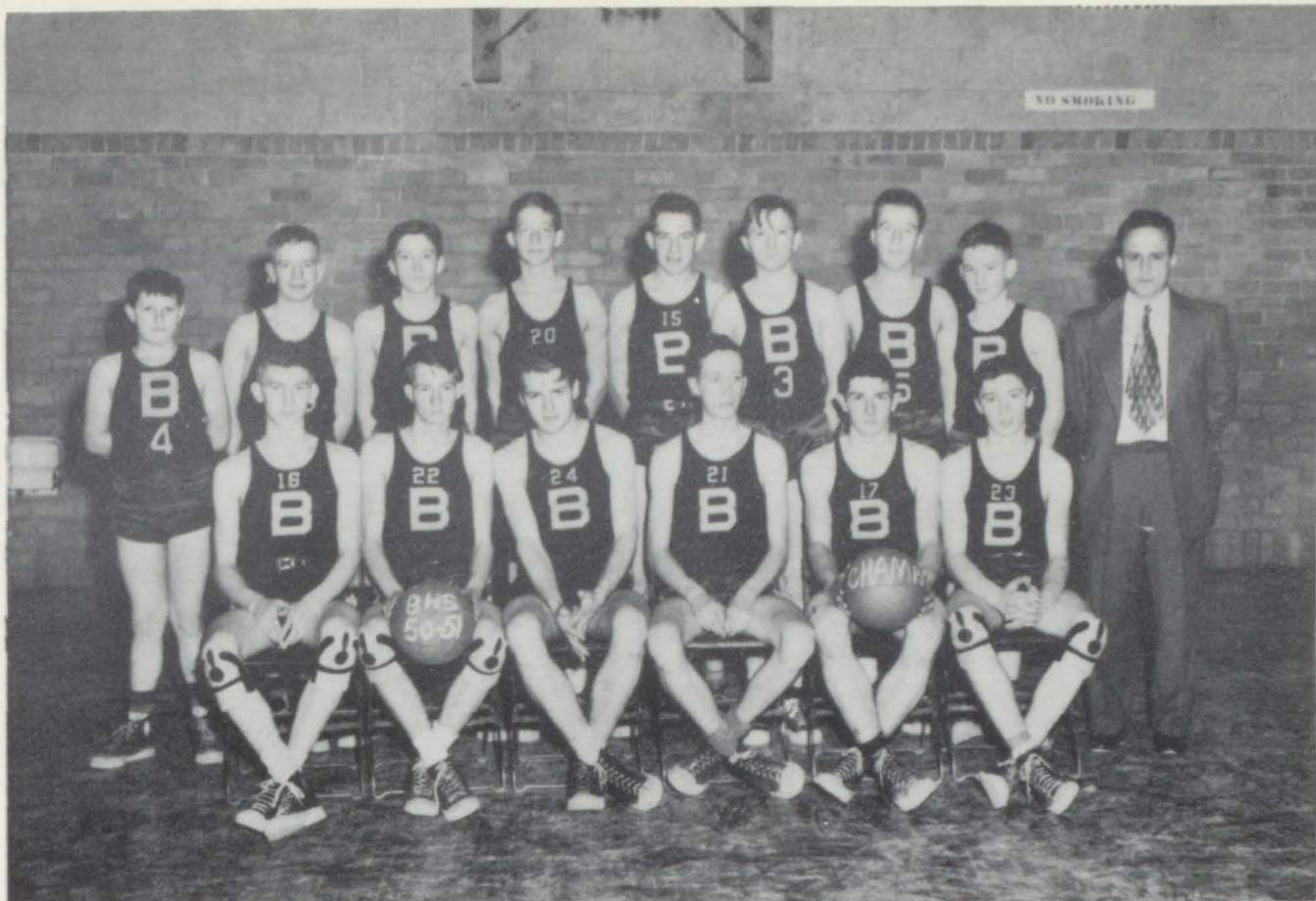
Probably the most thrilling girl's game of the year was the Bland County Tournament Finals when Ceres defeated Bland by one point 52-51.

Seniors, whose loss will be felt greatly, that graduate are: Letha Thompson, Sallie Marie Hoge, Sara Stowers, Francis Short, and Carolyn Scott.

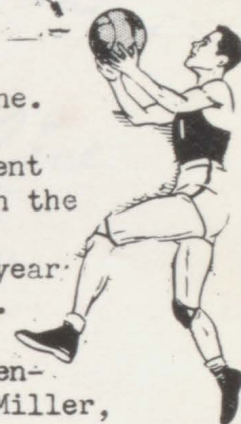
Letter winners that will return to next year's squad are: Lucy Sexton, Mary Ella Dillow, Polly Nan Shewey, Nadine Lambert Sara Betty Muncy, and Mary Louise Puckett.

Jean Kimberling, Nancy Pauley, Betty Hardy, Norma Jean Waddle, and Mary Richardson are girls who saw action this year and will be counted on heavily for next year's team.





County Champs



The 1950-51 Basketball season was a very successful one. Bland High basketeers finished with a 21-3 record.

For the third year in a row Bland reached the Tournament District finals and for the third straight year lost out in the finals. This year Bland was defeated by Floyd, 52-38.

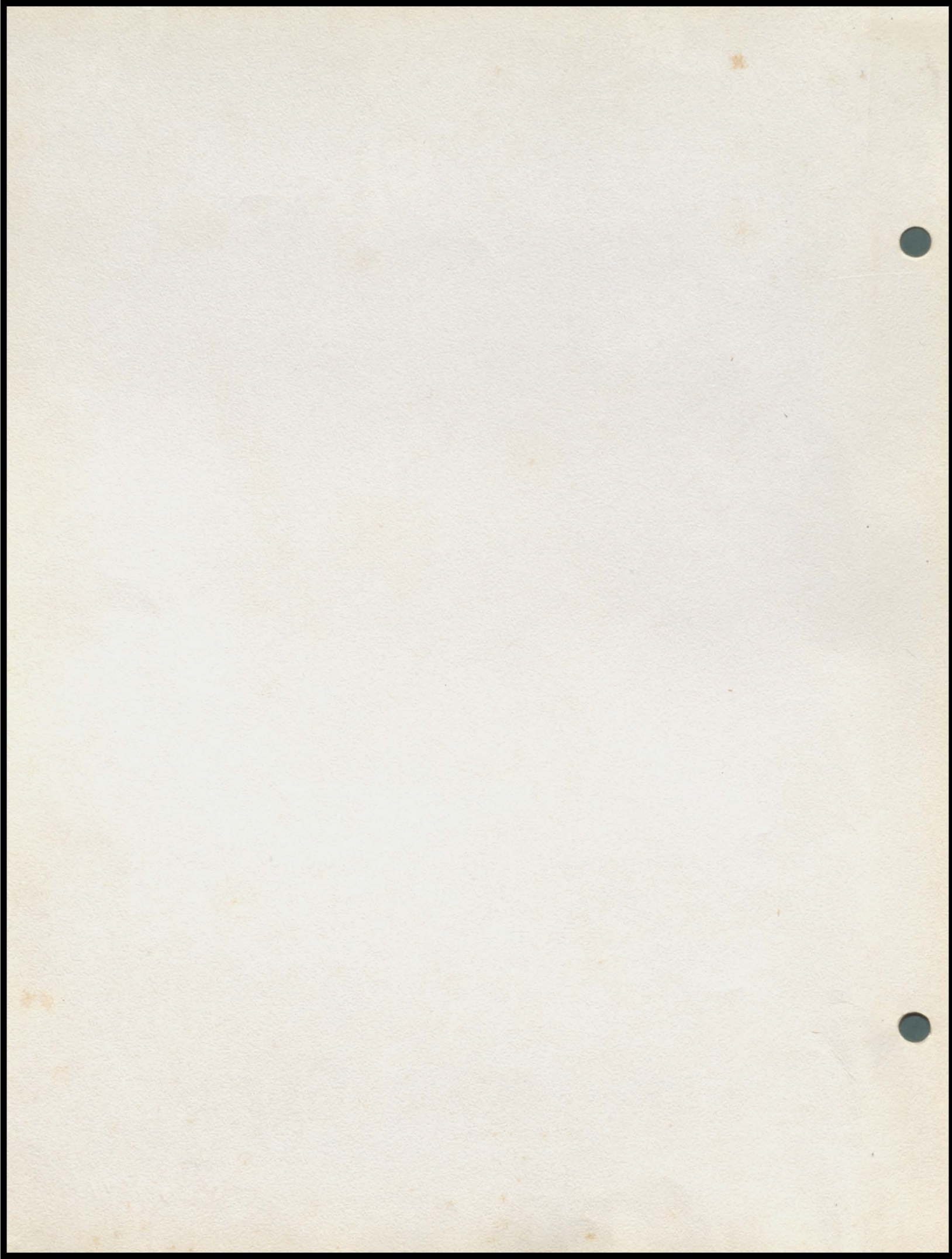
Four Seniors who will graduate from the varsity this year are- Dan Smith, Billy Pauley, Carl Scott, and Eldon Tickle. Their positions will be hard to fill.

Returning to next year's varsity will be six letter men- Billy Hylton, Eddie Hoge, Jimmy Pauley, David Dunn, David Miller, and Kenneth Walker. Bobbie Gene Stacy who joined the team at midseason is also eligible for next year.

Other players who will return also saw action this year are- Eddie King, John King, and Jackie Hylton.

For the second straight year Bland High was victorious in the county finals 67-42.

Out-standing through out the whole season was the spirit of the team work and sportsmanship displayed by each and everyone on the varsity squad.





W-E-L-C-O-M-E



CHEER LEADERS

"Shorty" Betty, "Squirmy" "Stuni" "Talent"

Chili & on Carney, Chinese Rice

Hot Tamales Hot Tamales

Loaded Dice

Are the Fox Ears? ¹⁻²⁻³⁻⁴
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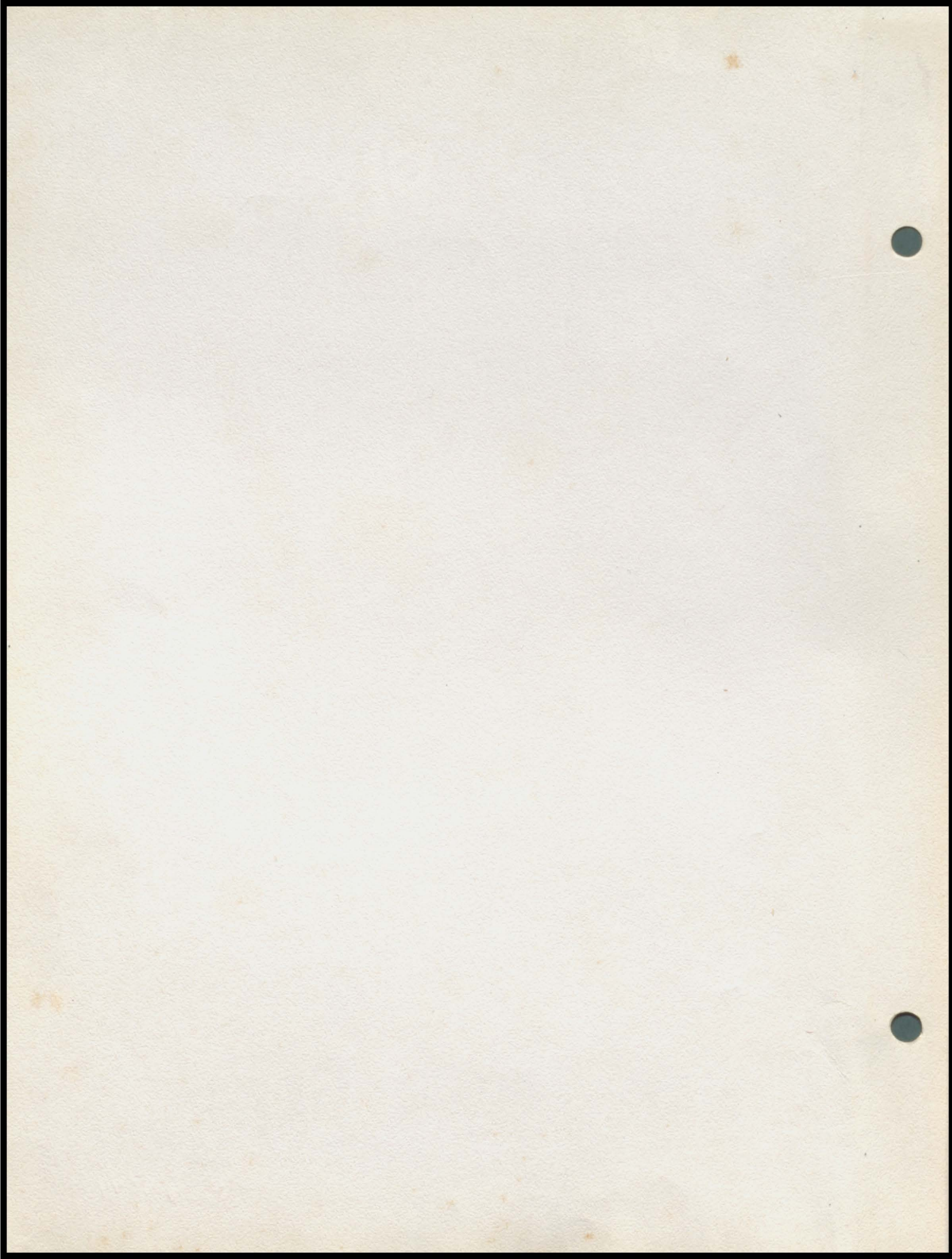
Well I Guess

Bland Hi,

Bland Hi,

Oh-h-Yes

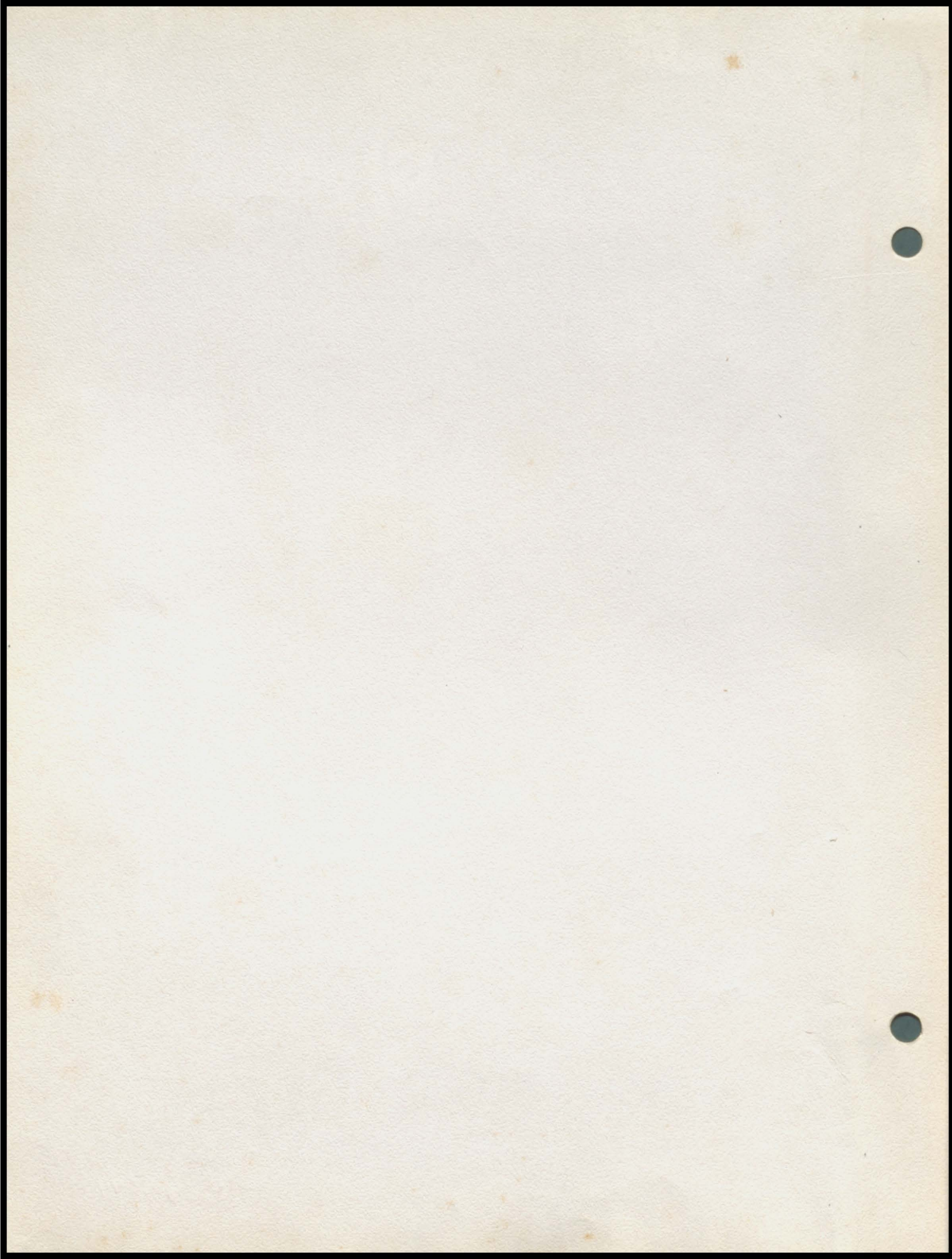






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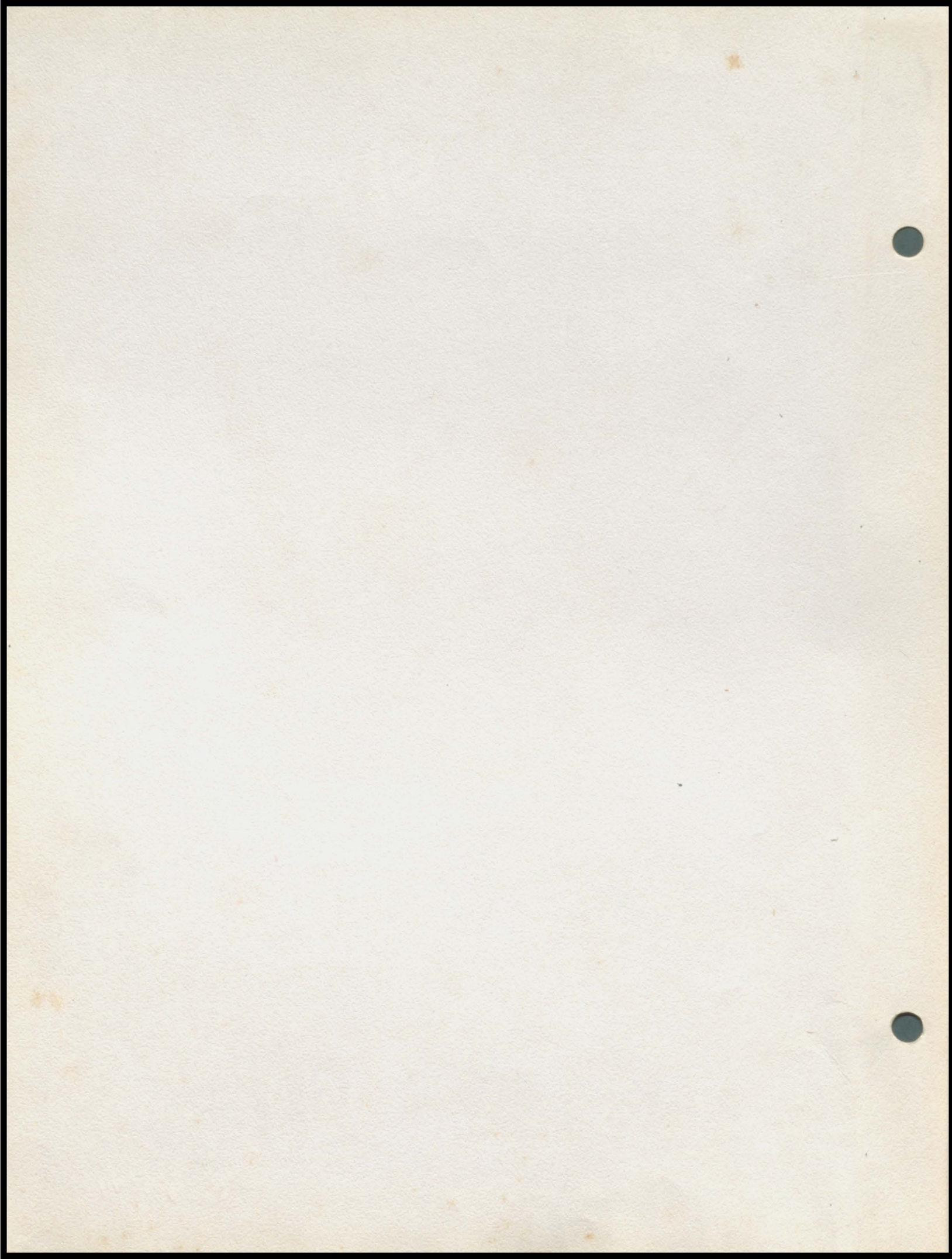




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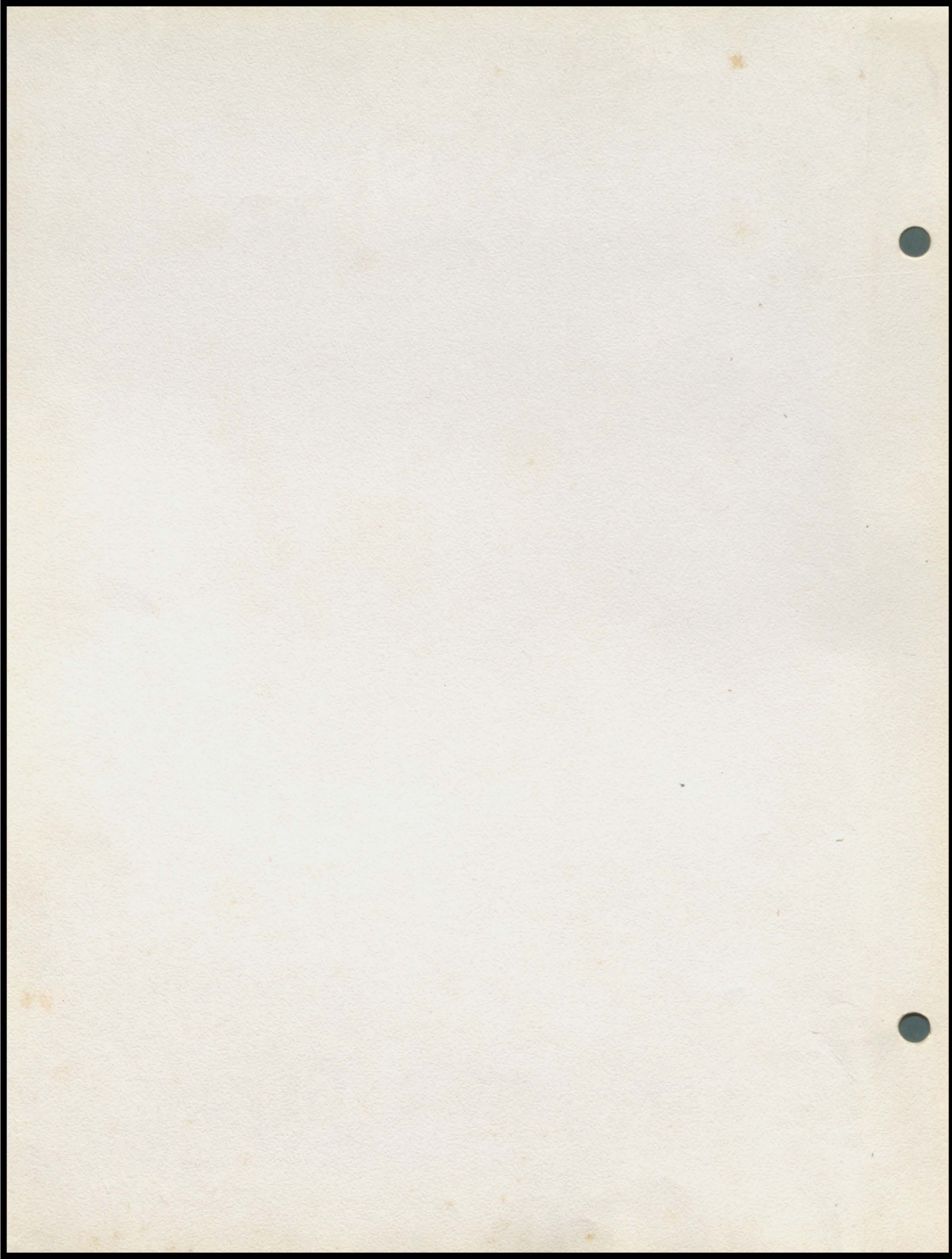




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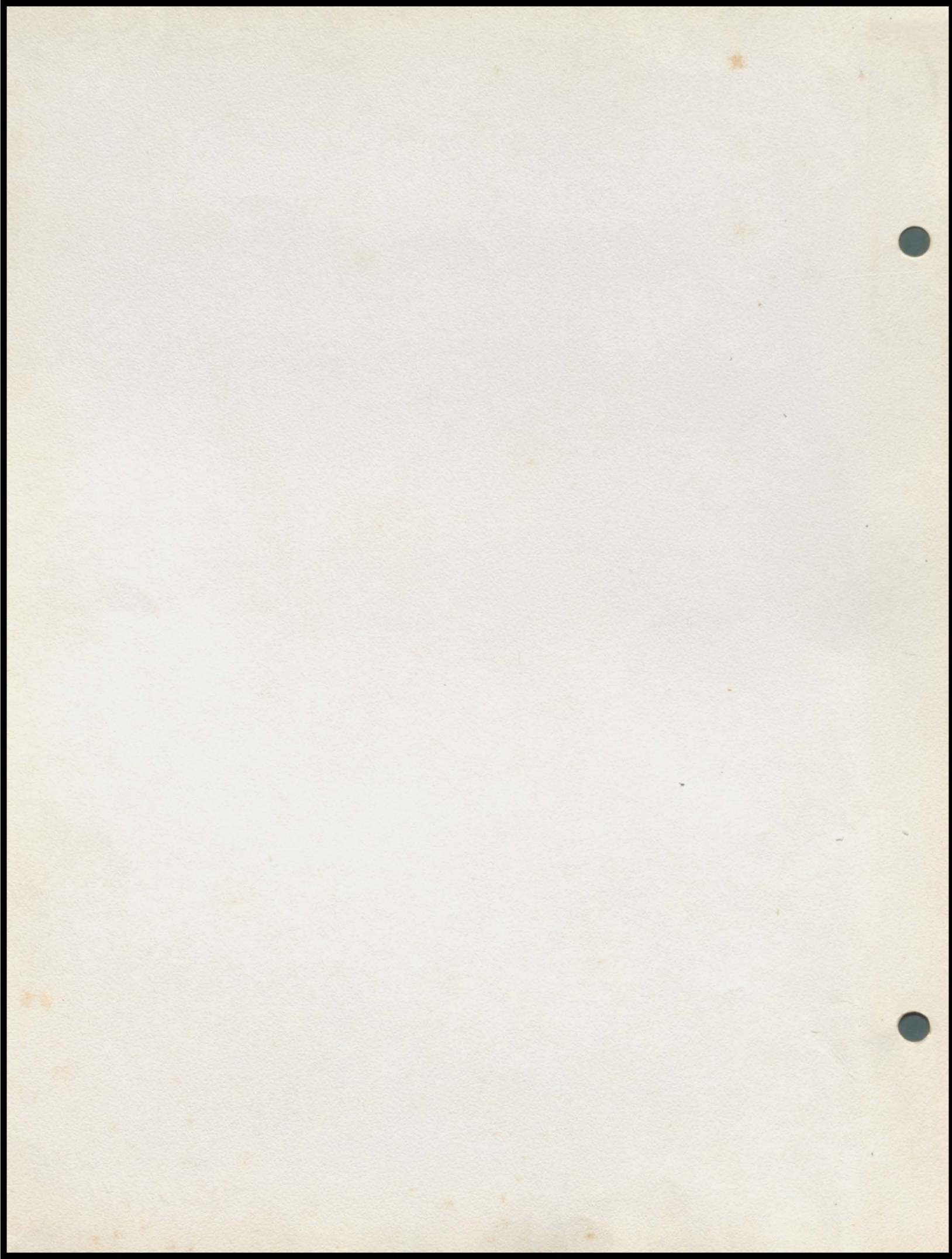
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BLAND HIGH SCHOOL CAFETERIA
MRS. ANNIE F. AGEE, MANAGER







BLAND FFA OFFICERS

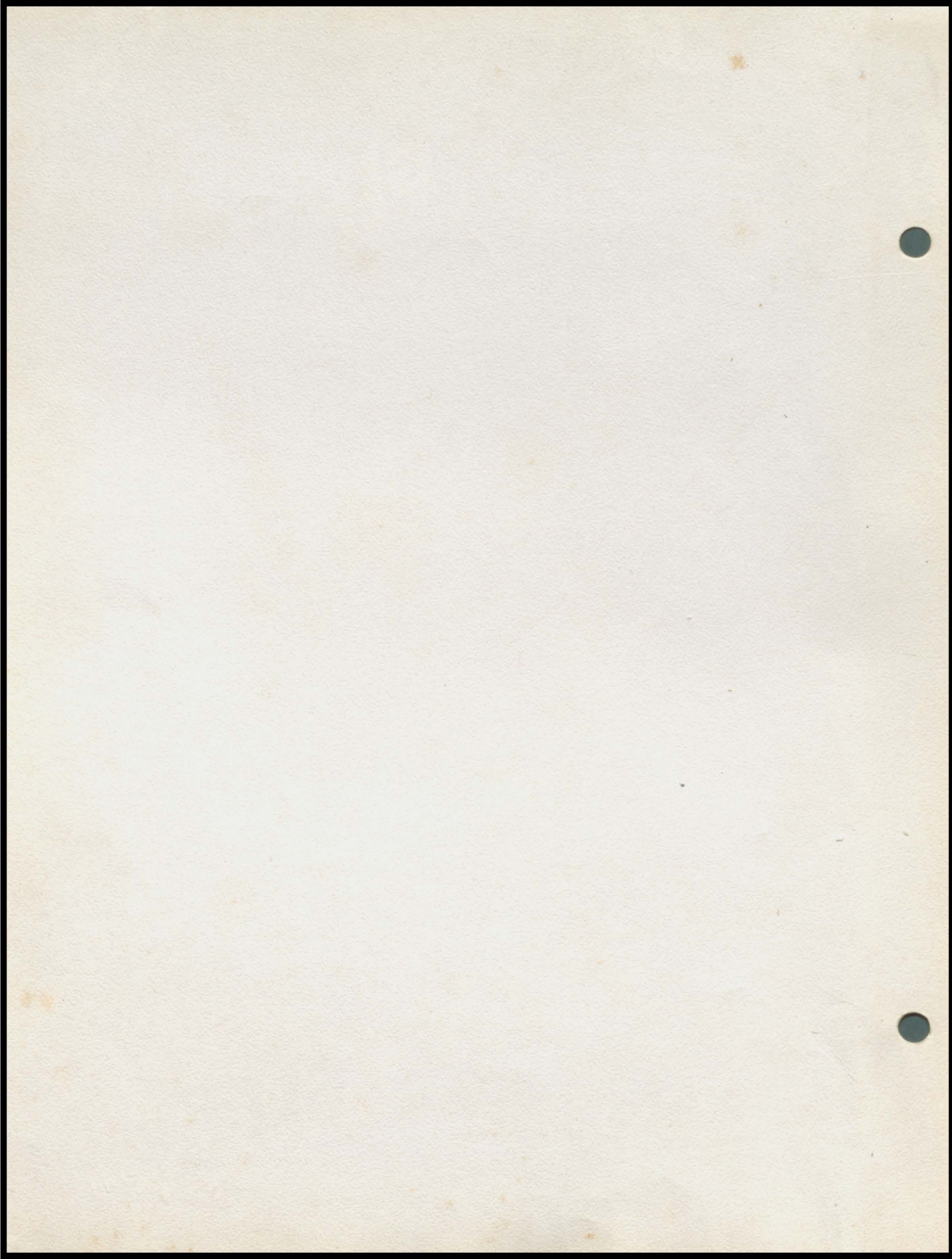
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John Lundy.....	Secretary
J. R. Morehead.....	Treasurer
Donald Clark.....	Reporter
"Jeep" Repass.....	Sentinel
Ralph R. Reynolds.....	Adviser

COVETED GOLD EMBLEM WON BY FFA MEMBERS

At the national FFA convention held in Kansas City, Missouri October 9-12, 1950 the Bland Chapter Future Farmers of America was presented the Gold Emblem award and accompanying certificate, the highest award that can be obtained by a chapter in the national Future Farmer organization. Bobby Bane, chapter president, was present to receive the award. Bland Chapter represented the Virginia FFA Association in the national chapter contest because it was picked as one of the 2 outstanding chapters in the state.

Bland was among the 84 out of the 8000 Futute Farmers of America local chapters in the 48 states, Hawaii, and Porta Rico that were honored in the National Chapter Contest. Bland was one of the 37 chapters to receive the coveted Gold Emblem chapter award. Other awards that were presented chapters were the Silver and Bronze emblems and Honorable mention certificates.

The award was given for outstanding objectives accomplished by the chapter during the year. Consideration was given the supervised farming program carried out by chapter members, co-operative activities with other clubs and agencies, community service activities such as setting out pine seedlings and aiding school and community organizations in accomplishing their objectives, conduct of meetings, earnings and savings of the chapter and its members, leadership activities, scholarship of the members, and recreational activities planned and carried out through the chapter.

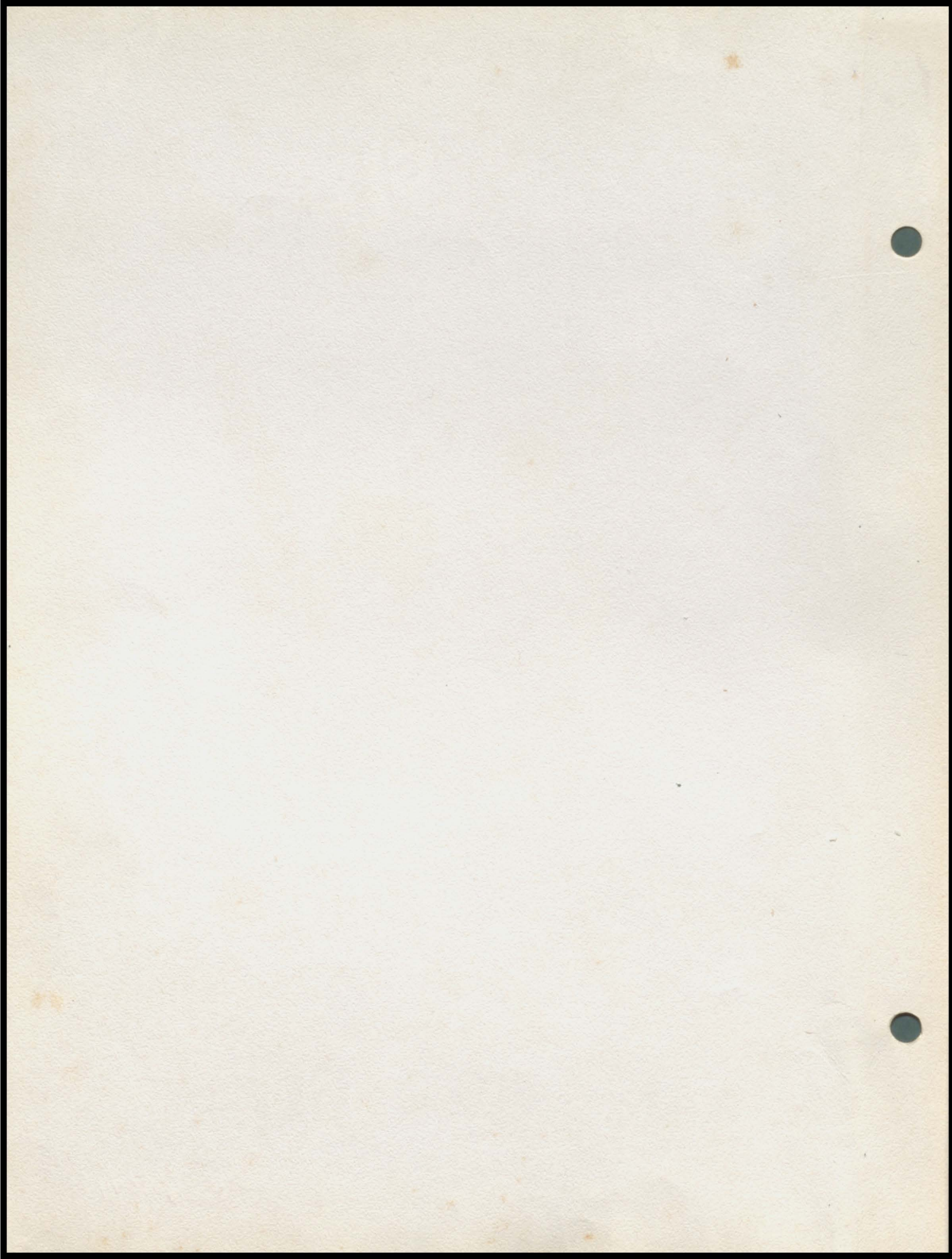




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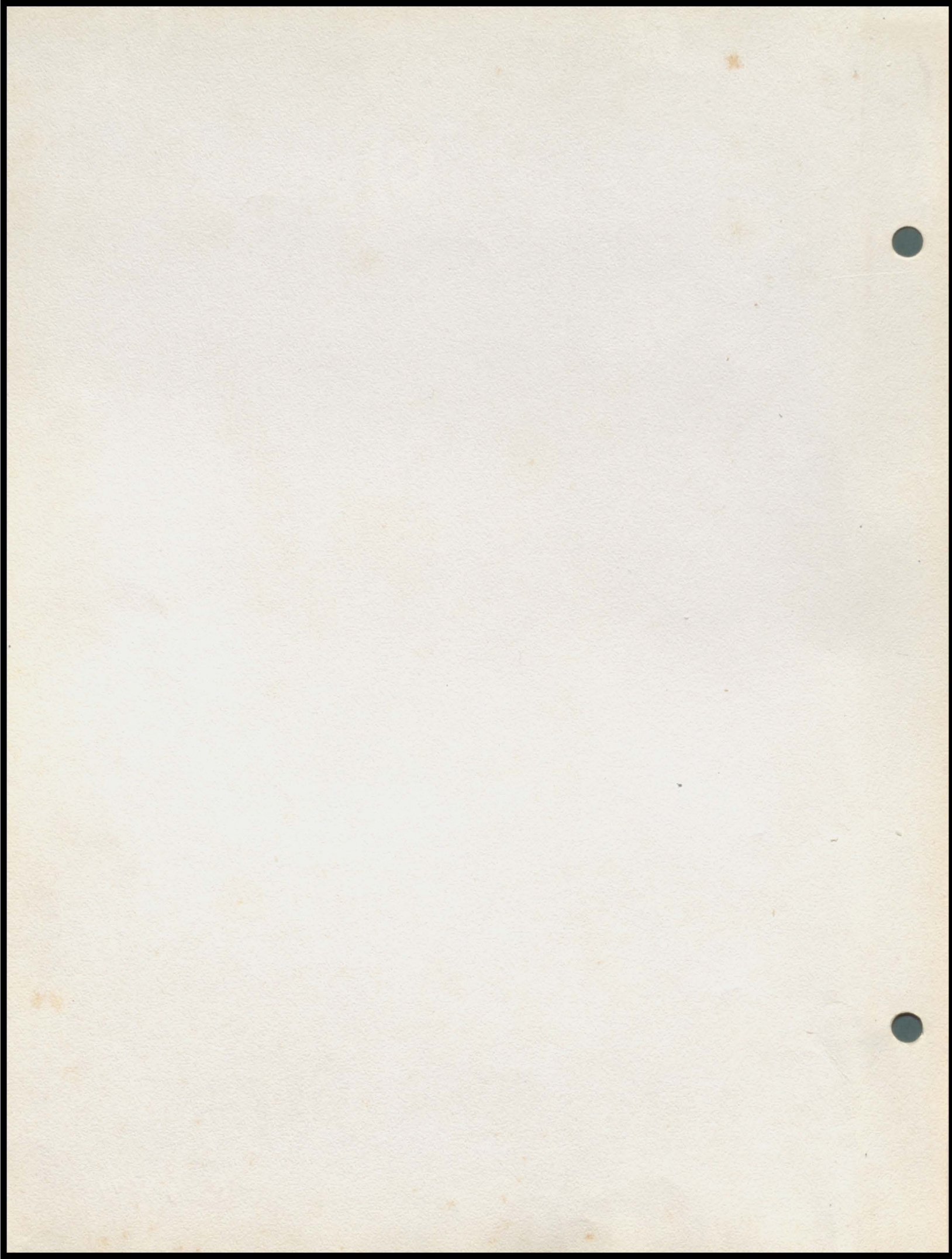
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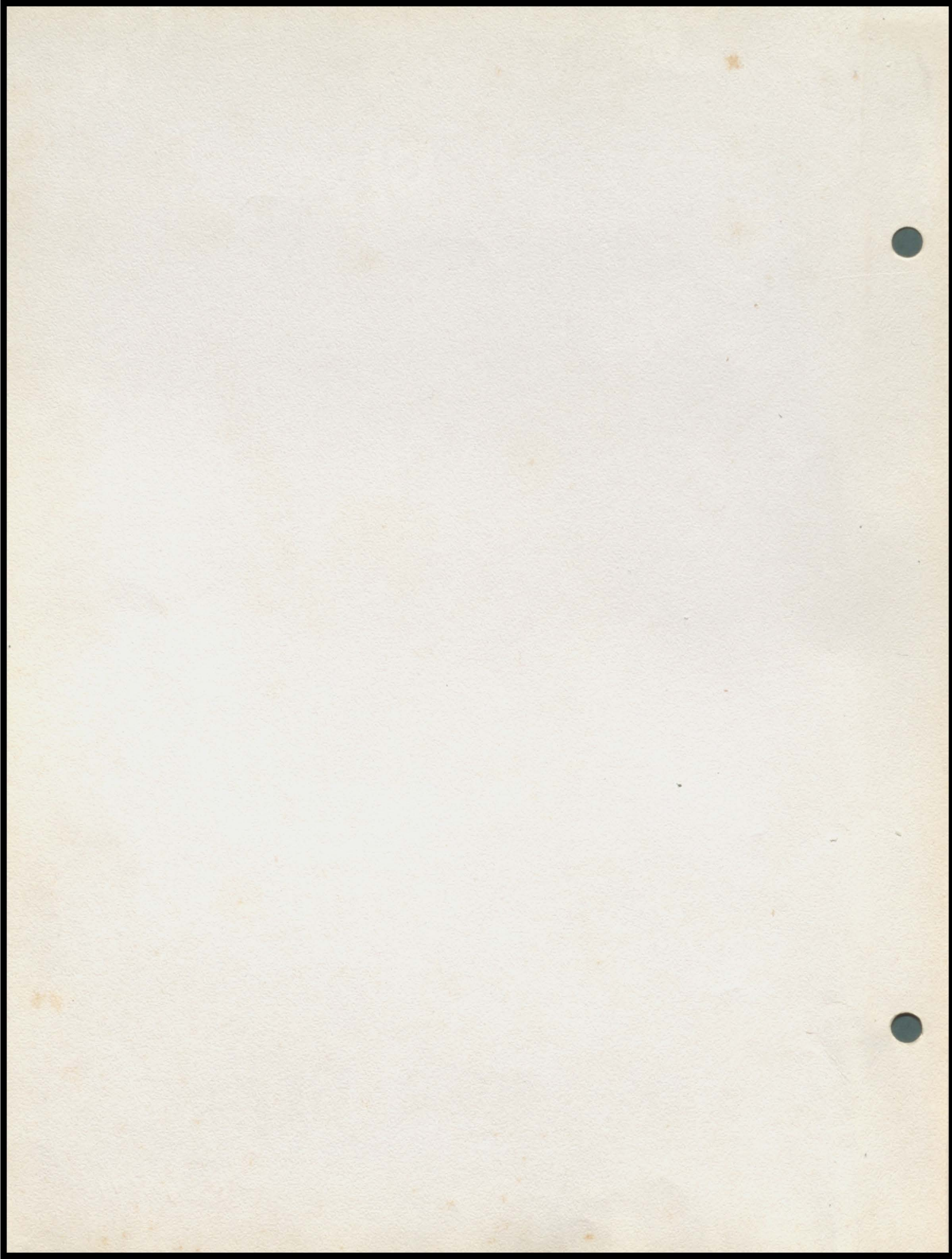
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J. R. Morehead..... President
 David Hubble.....Vice-President
 Kathleen Muncy.....Secretary
 Junior Scott.....Reporter

Miss Virginia Brown
 Mrs. Helen HardyFaculty Sponsors



Library Staff





SENIOR 4-H

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 Bobby Lee Muncy.....Secretary
 Billy Hylton.....Treasurer
 Robert Kegley.....Reporter



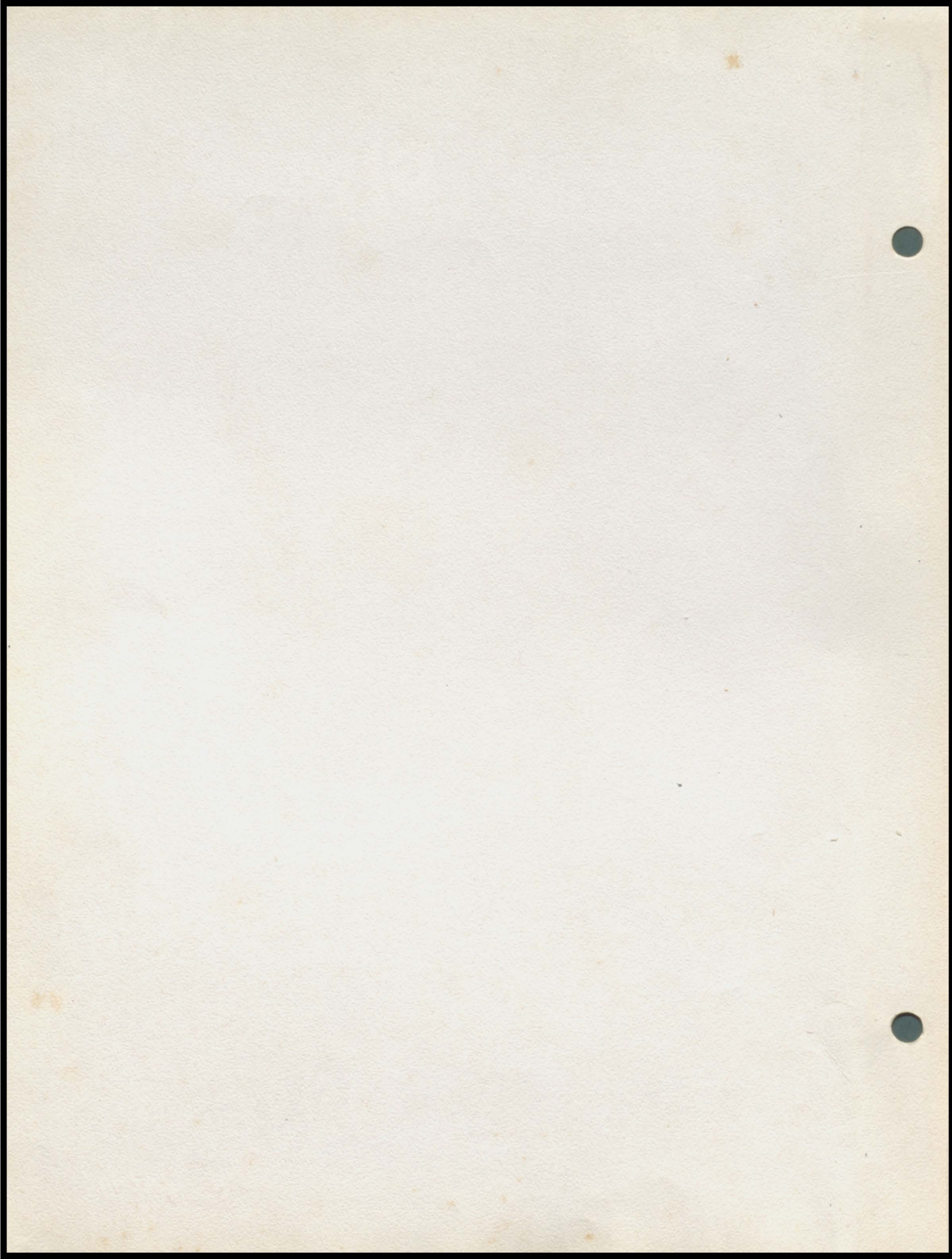
Miss Ruth Bost
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 Miss Mary Porterfield

Sponsors



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 Carolyn Bird.....Song Leader
 "Jimbo" Muncy.....Reporter

JUNIOR 4-H





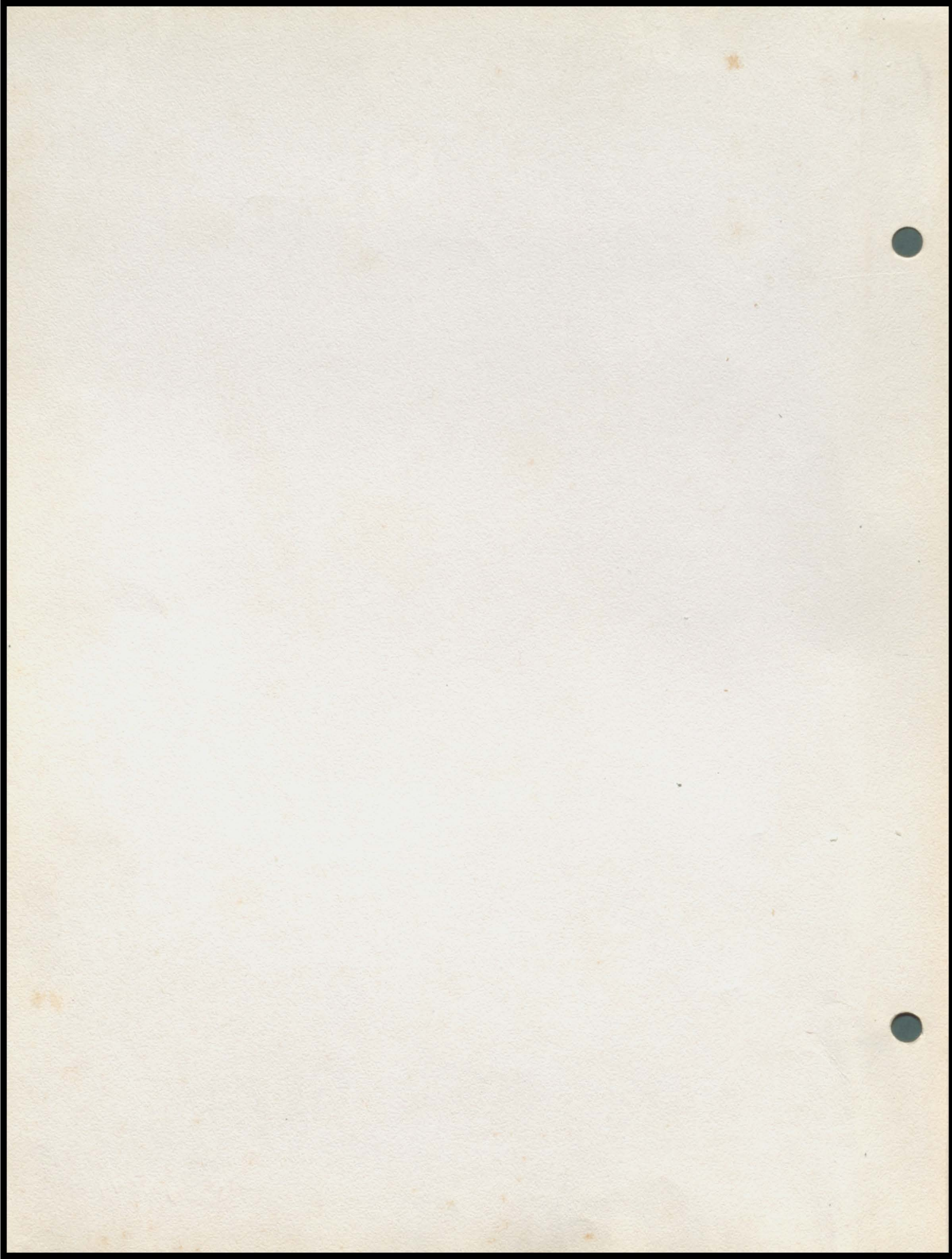
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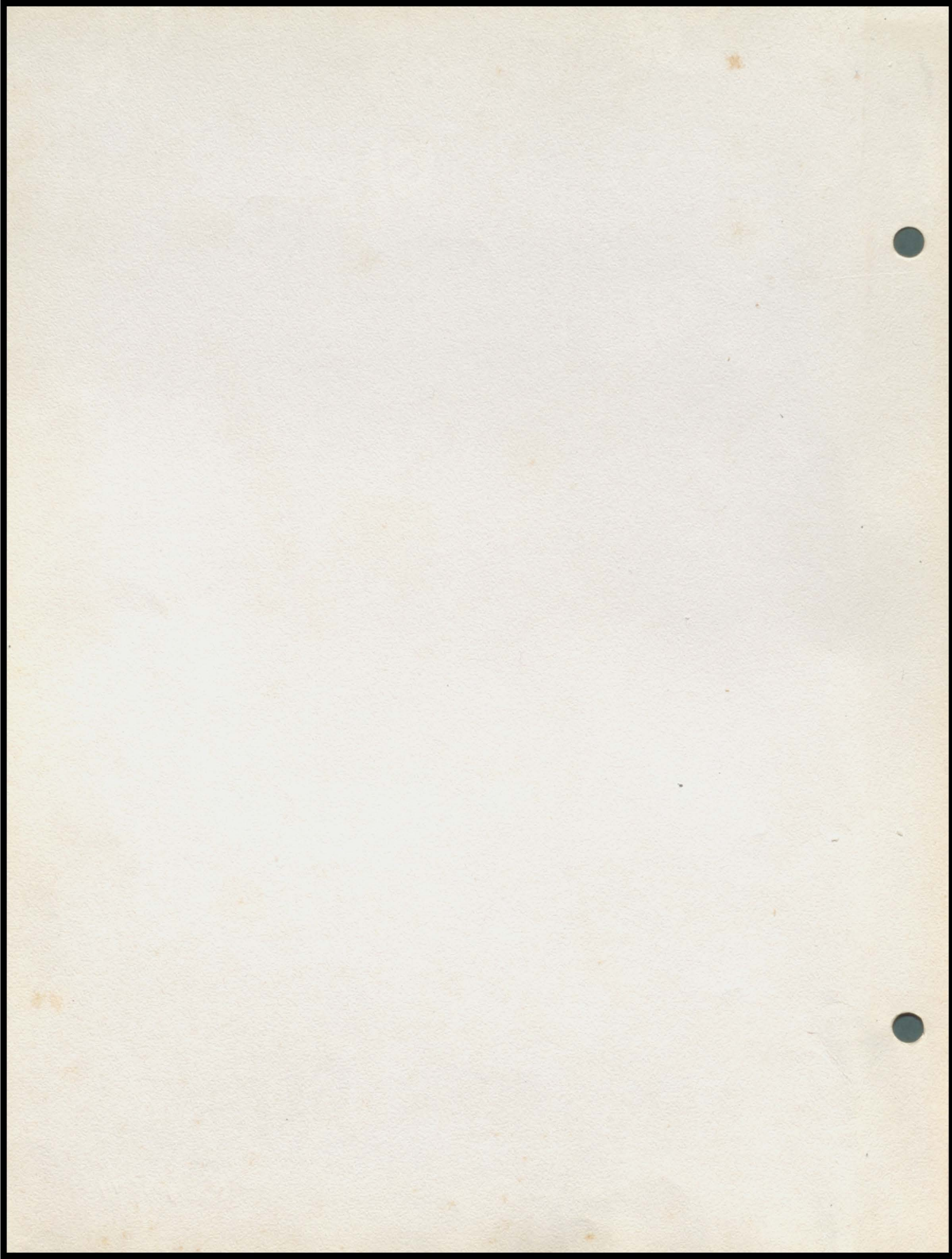
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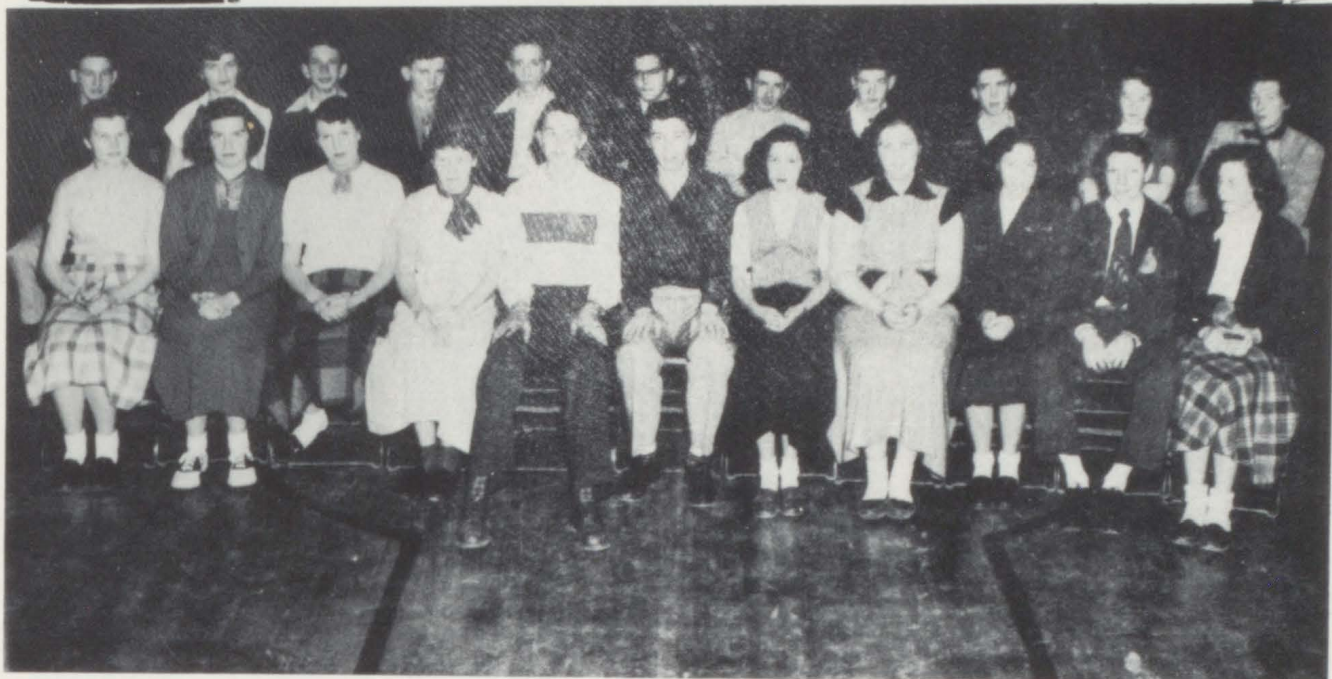
The Music Club







~ Dramatics~



Plays Given by Dramatics Class

"United Nations Program" given in Assembly
"One Night In Bethlehem" Christmas Pageant Presented
to the P.T.A.

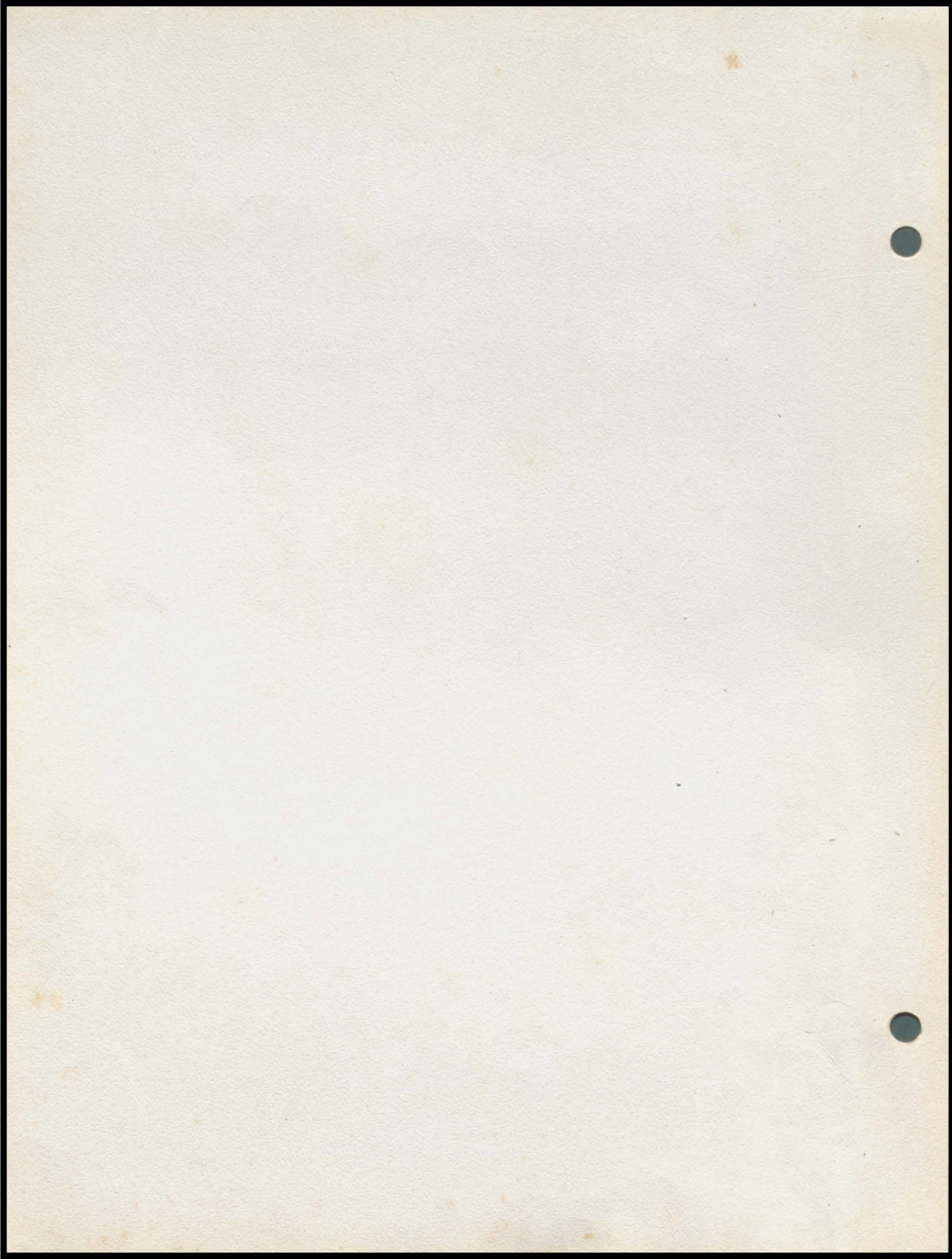
"Contest Play" "Submerged" won distinguished rating in
"District Contest Festival"

Play Cast

Billy Franklin as "Mac Andrews";
Bobby Bane as "Shaw",
Ben Bird, Jr., as "Dunn",
Milford Puckett as "Jorgson",
J.R. Morehead as "Brice",
"Kay Morehead as "Nabb".

Members of Class

Front row reading from L to R. Frances Short, Phyllis Burton, Carol Childress, Gloria Tickle, Ben Bird, Jr., Junior Scott, Gayle Richardson, Carolyn Scott, Letha Thompson, J.R. Morehead, Pearl Wilson.
Back row reading from L. to R. Kay Morehead, Sallie Marie Hoge, Billy Hart, Rhudy Faulkner, Dan Smith, Billy Franklin, Billy Pauley, Milford Puckett, Bobby Bane, Norma Jean Penley, Mrs. Ruth Kegley (Director).
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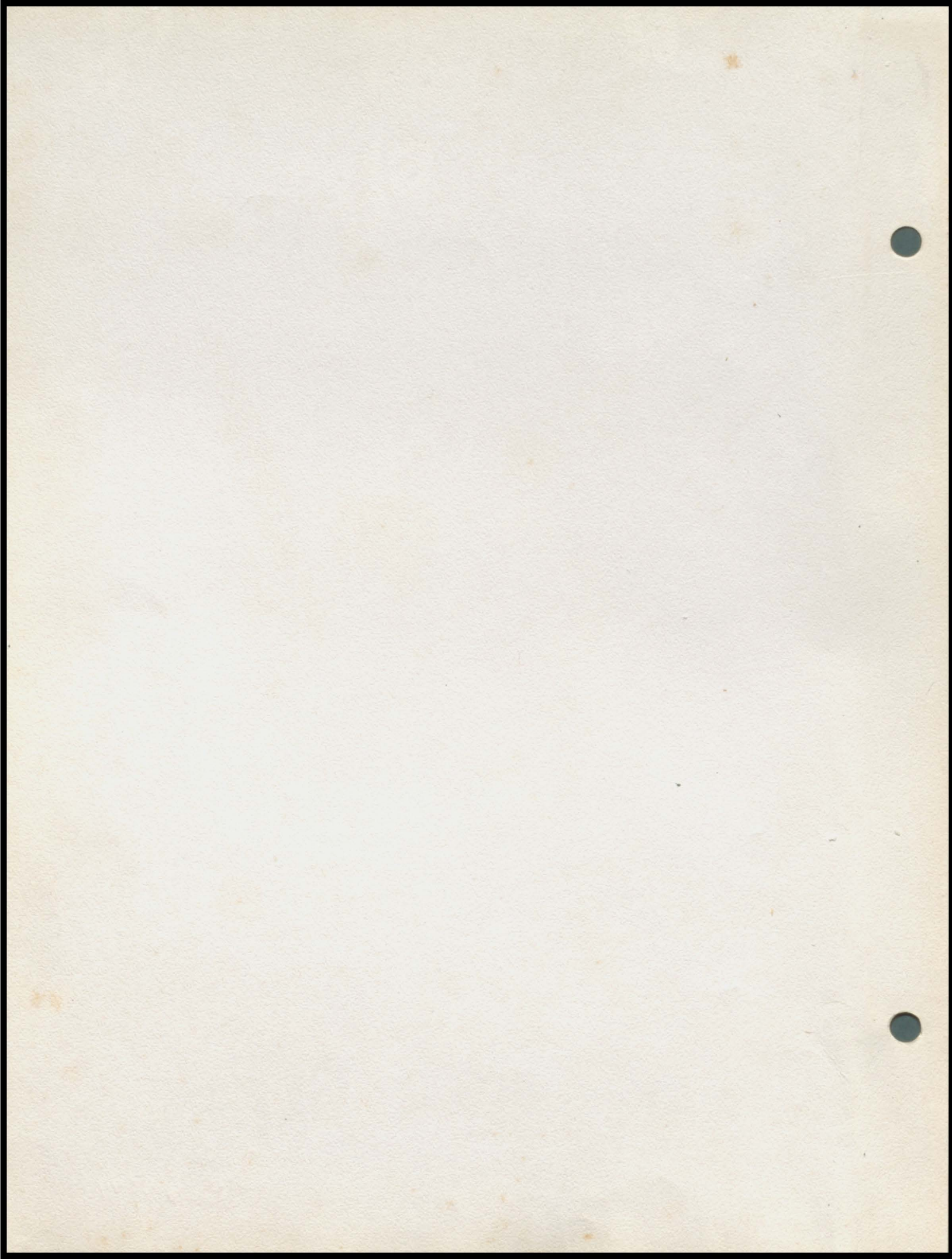


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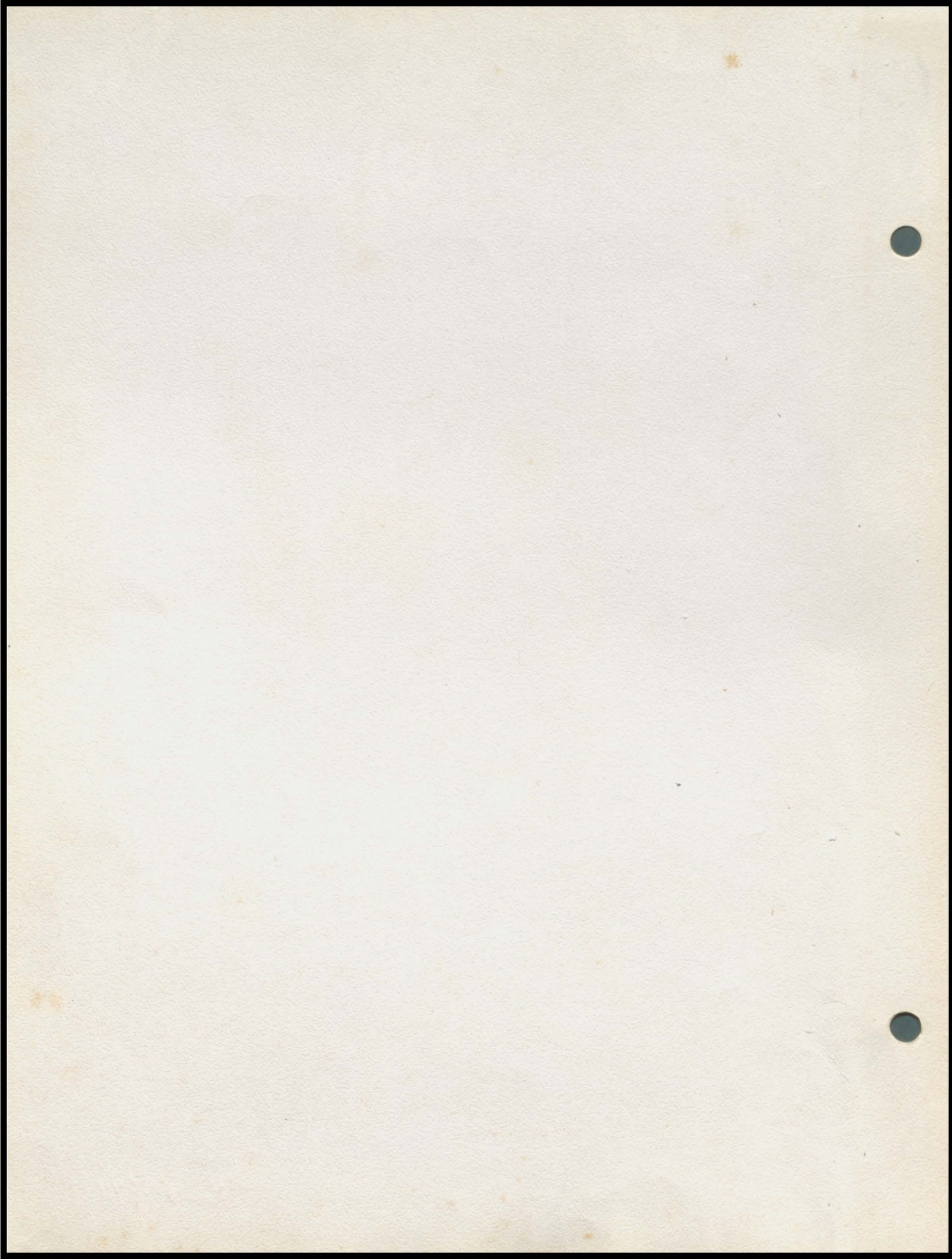
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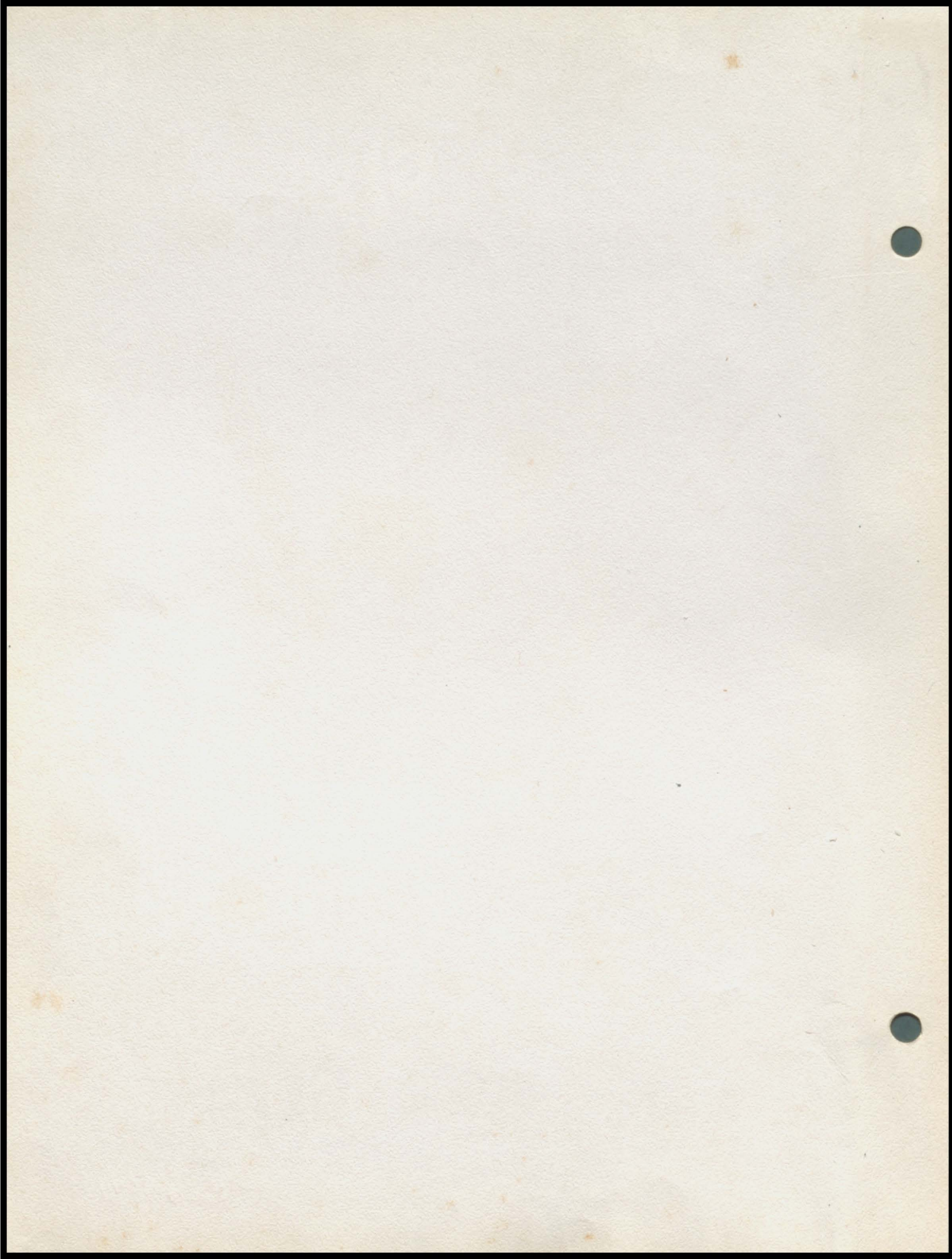






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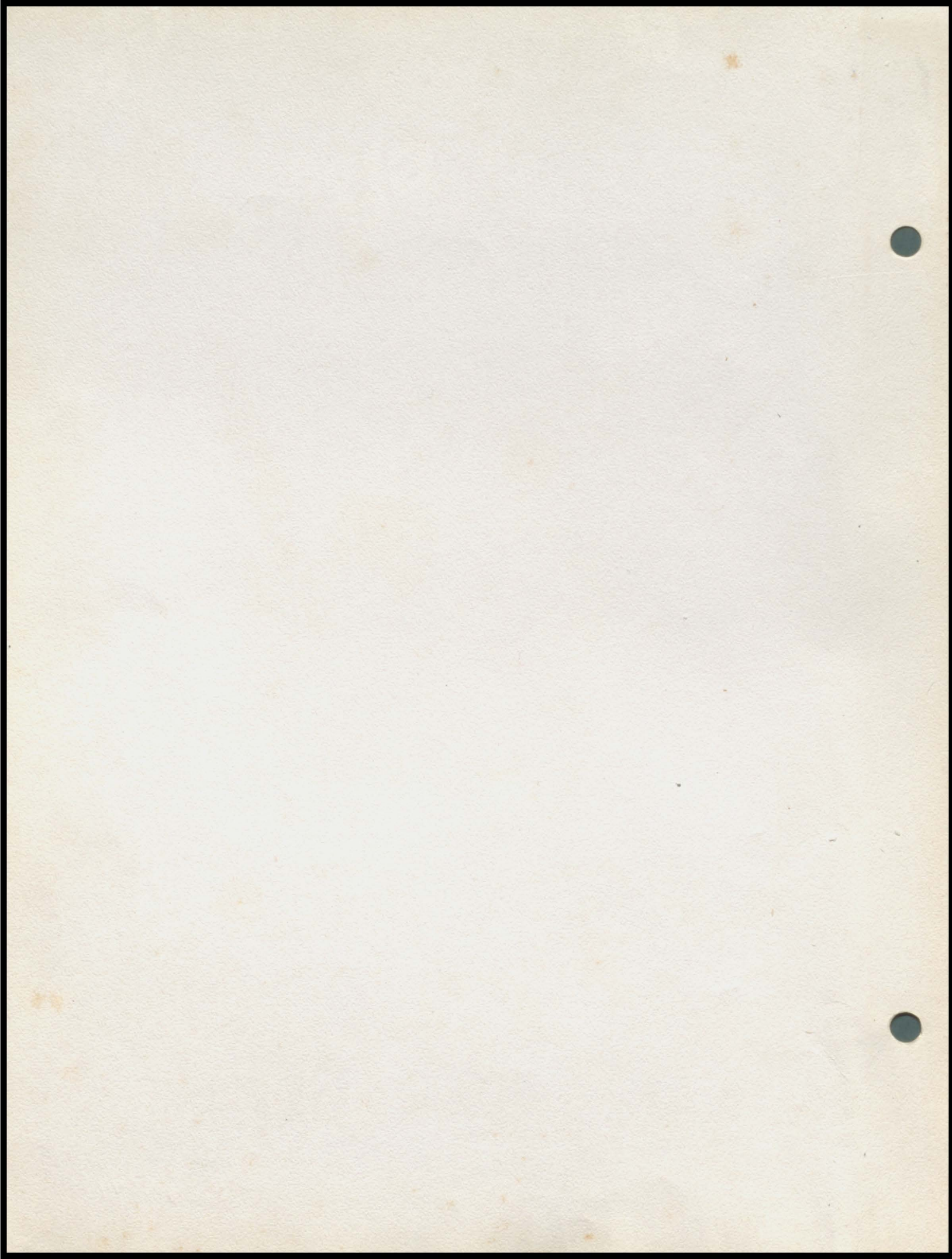






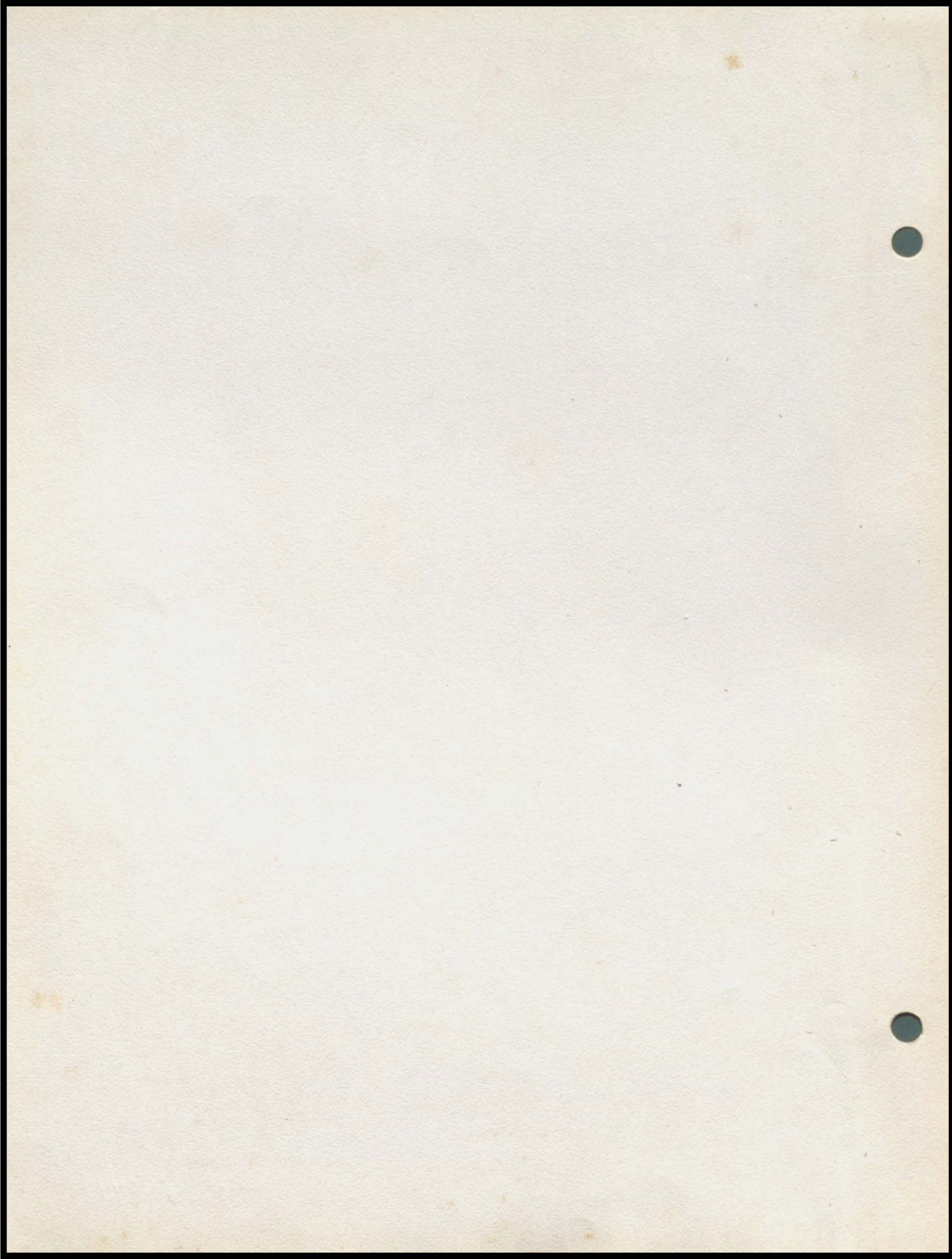
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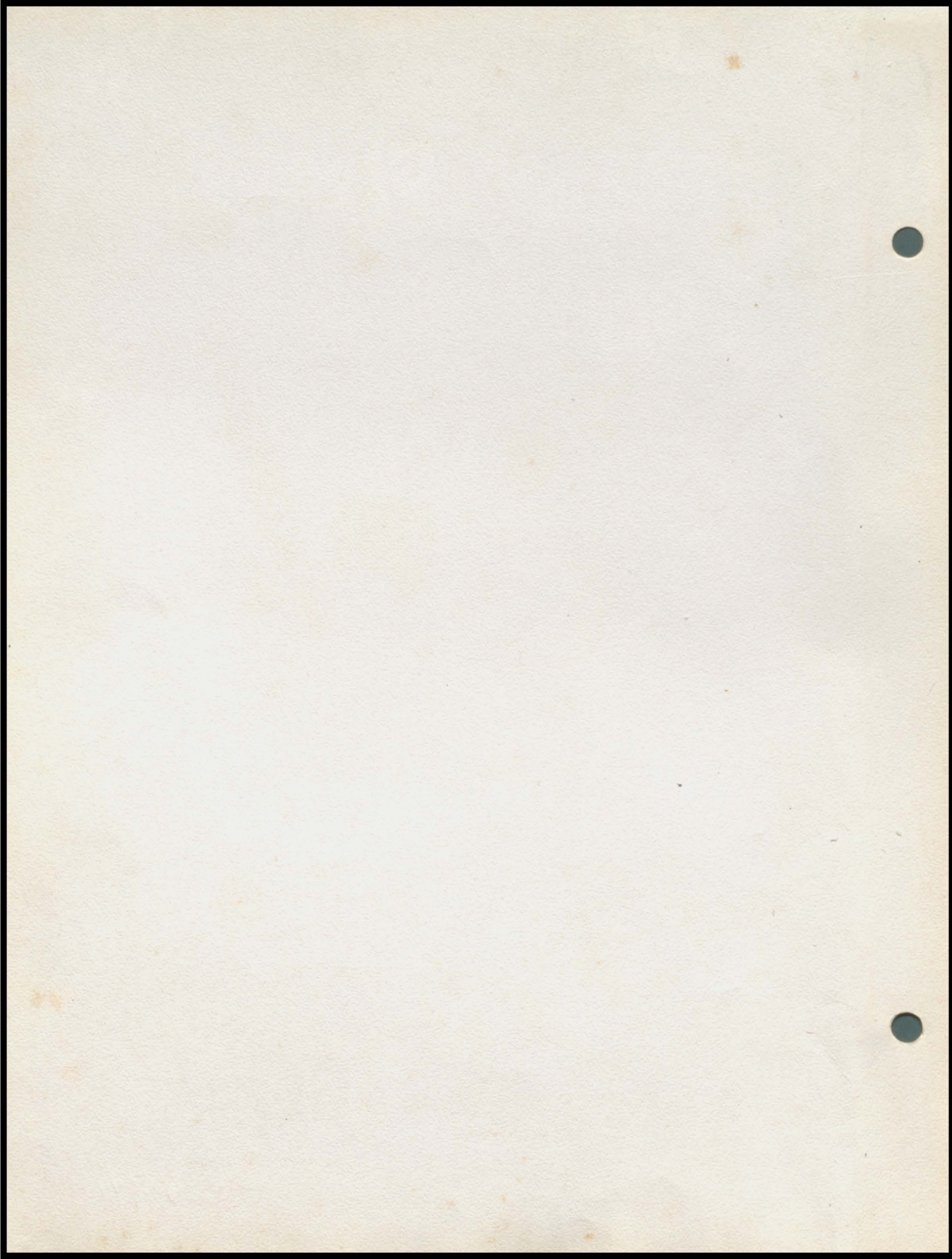






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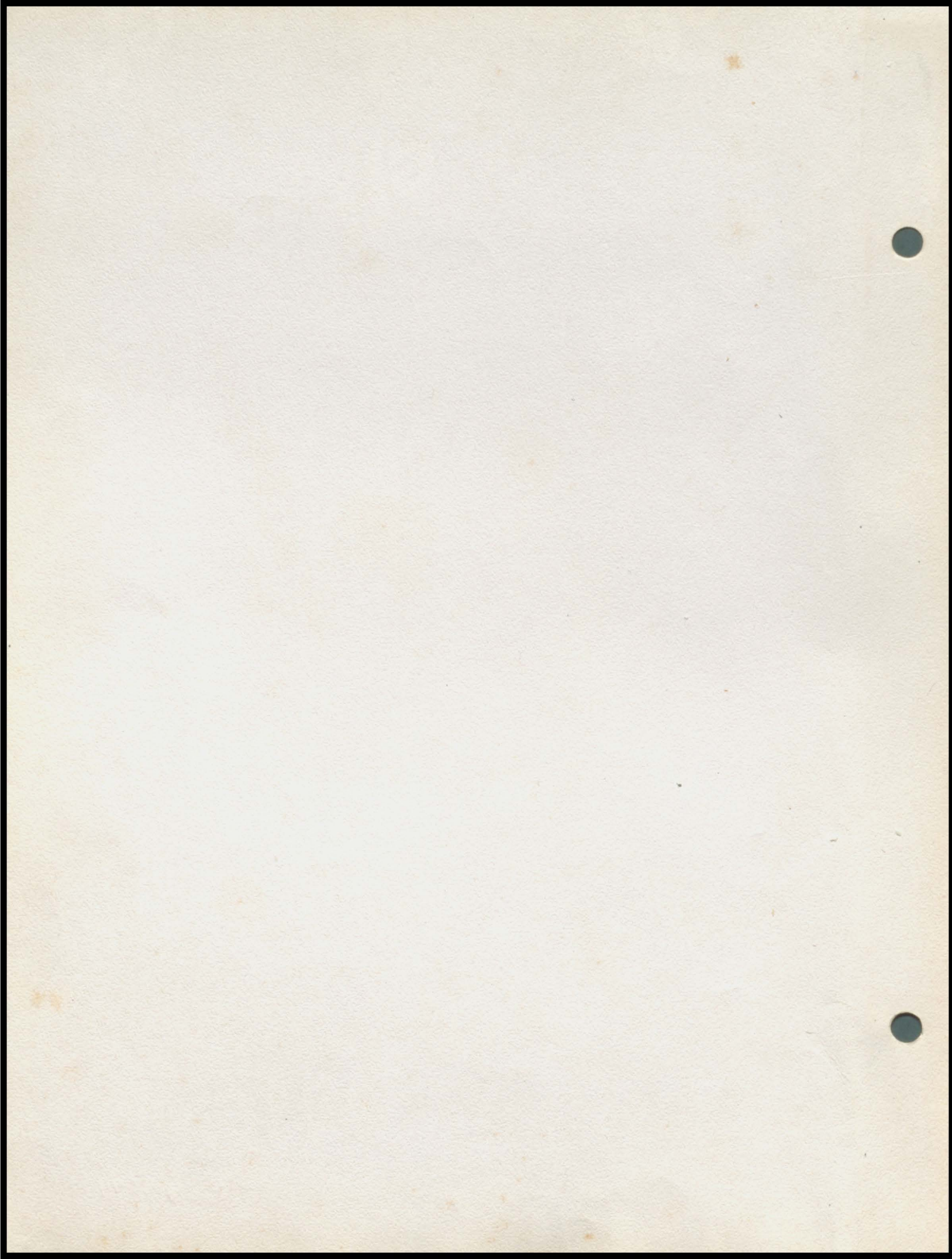
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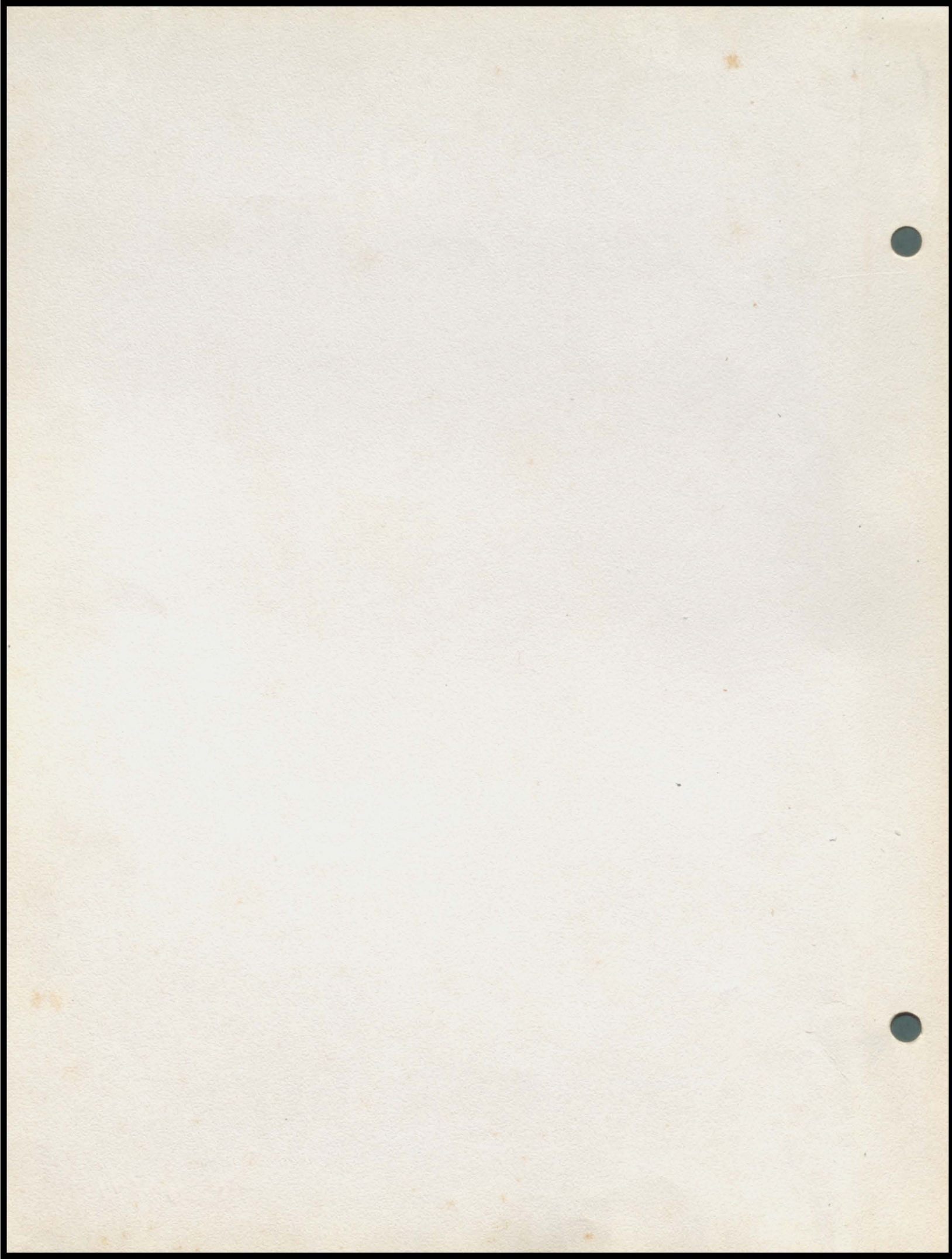
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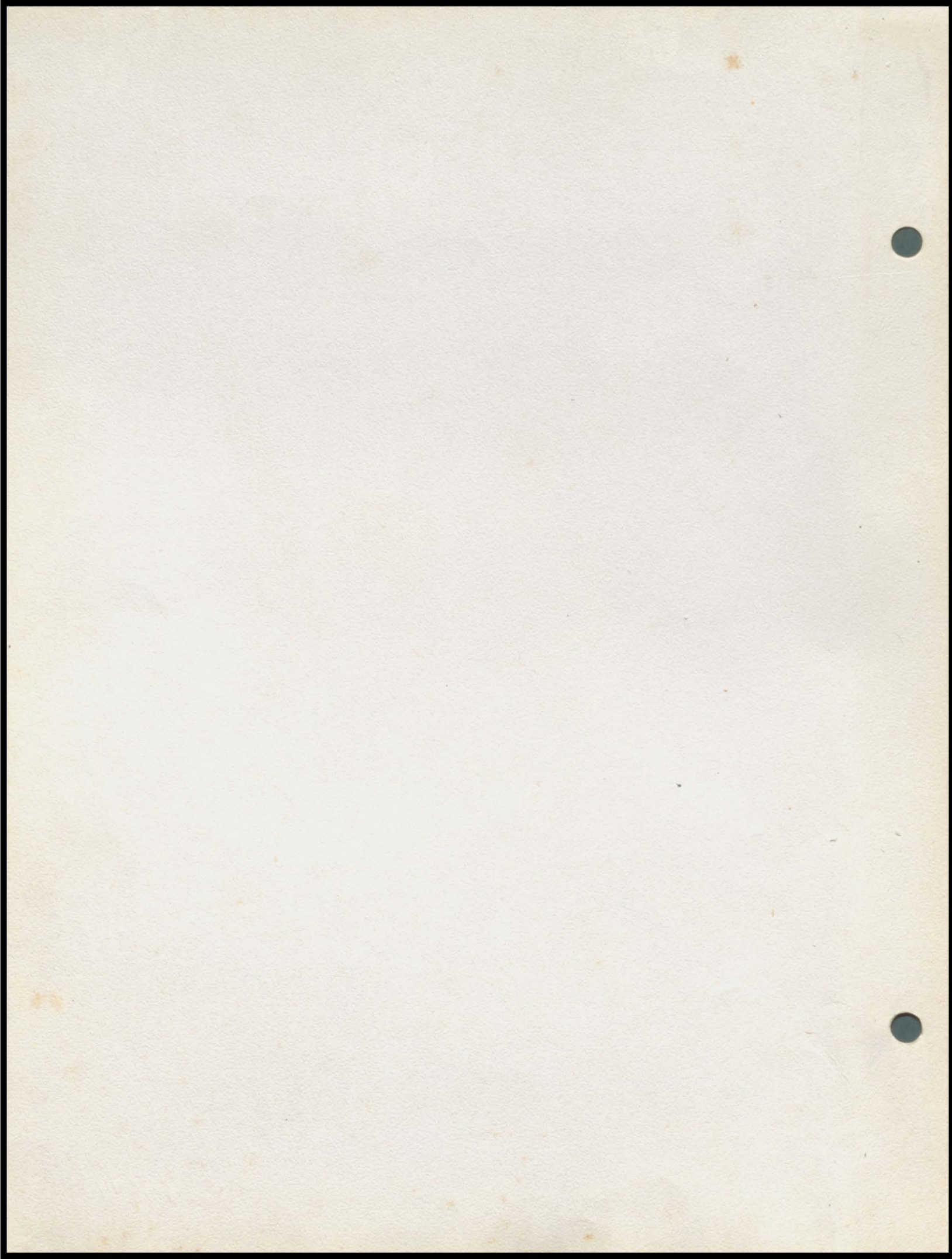
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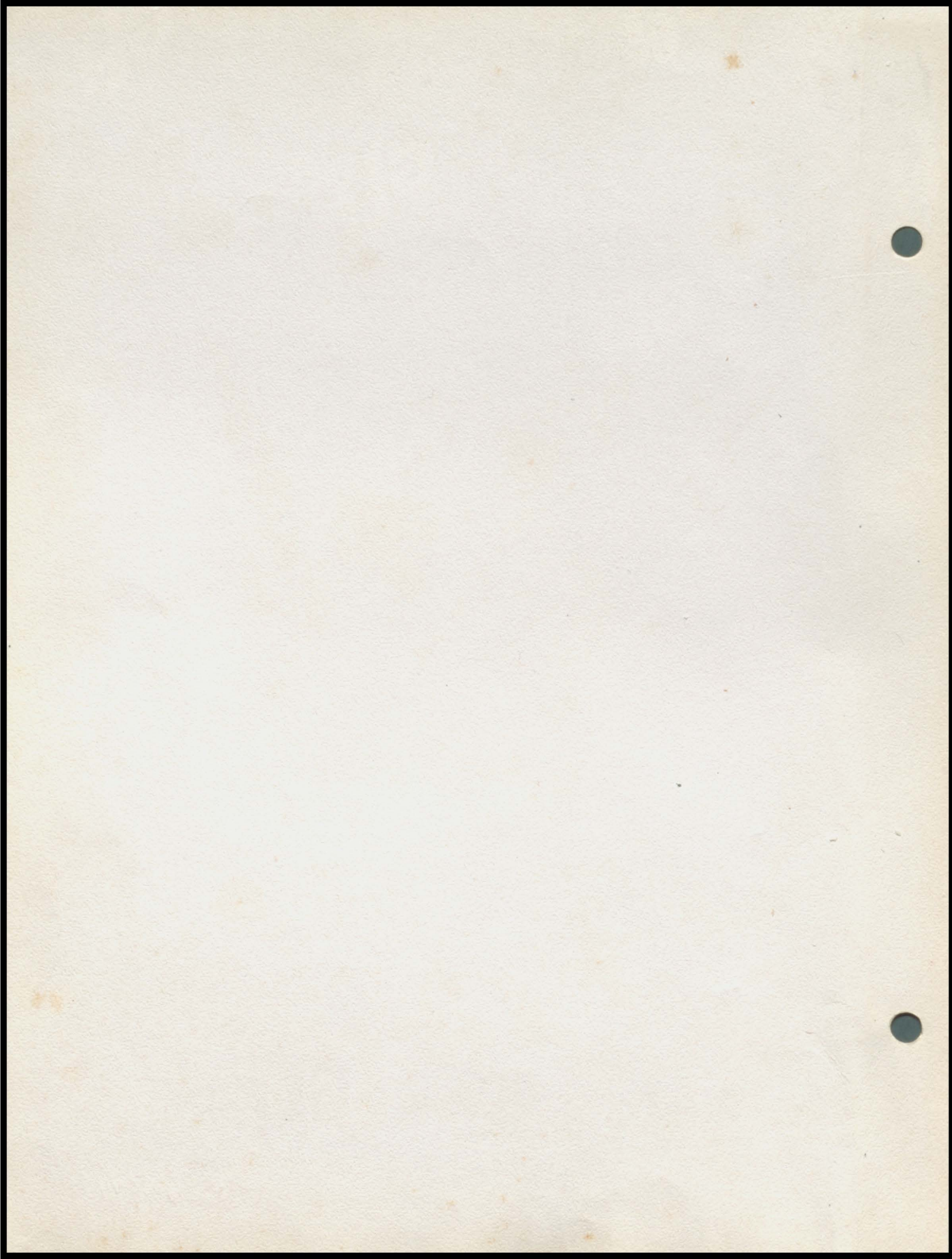
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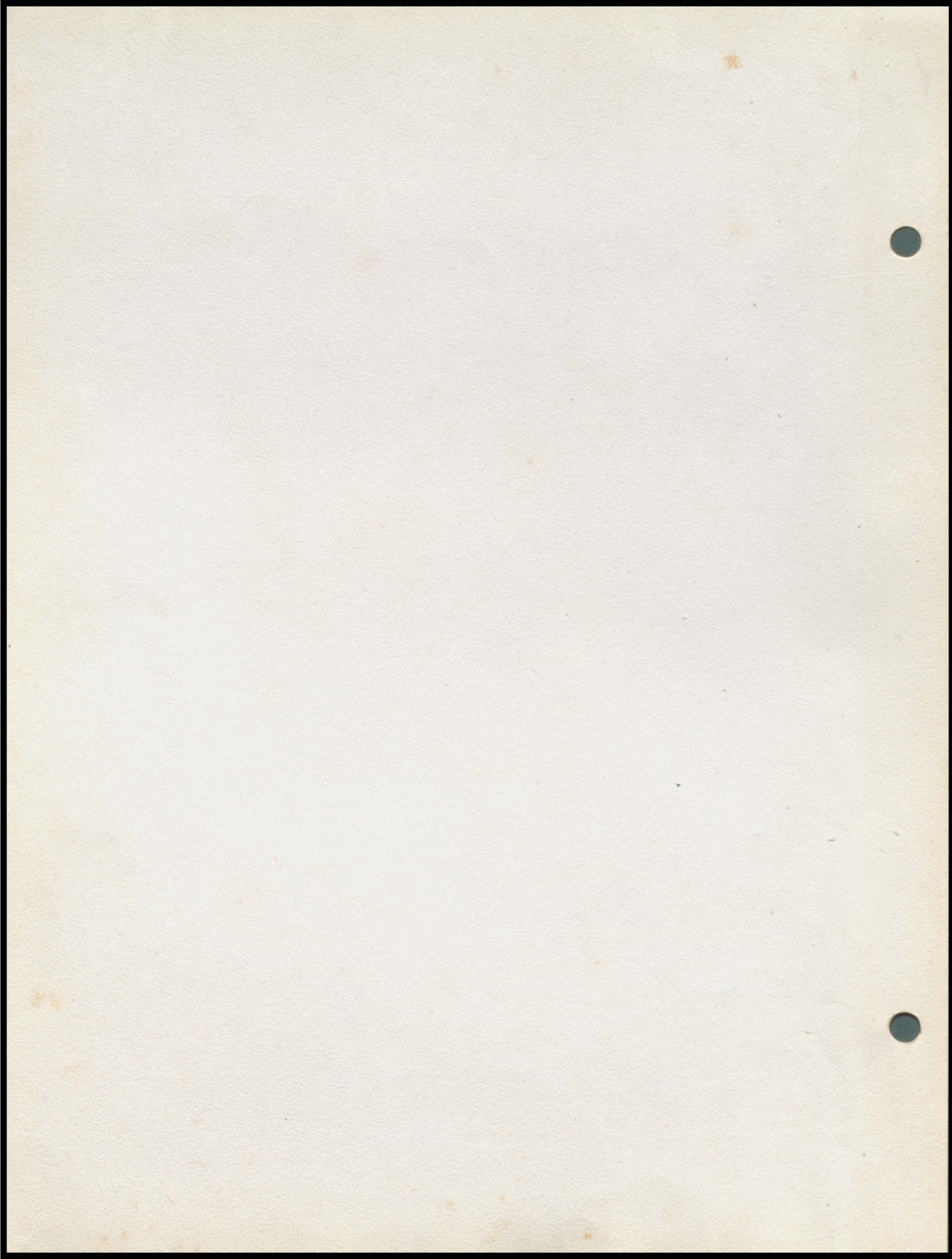
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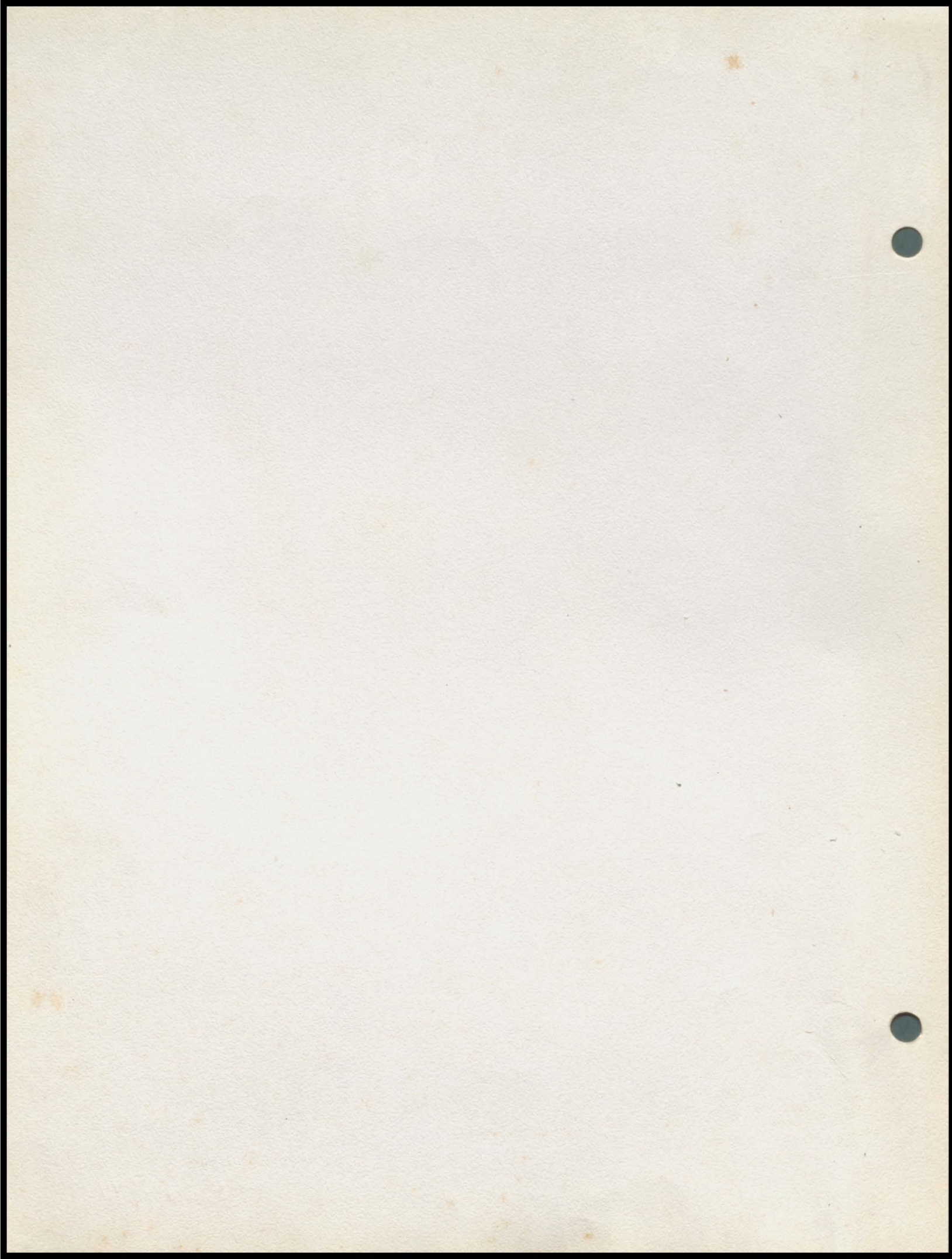
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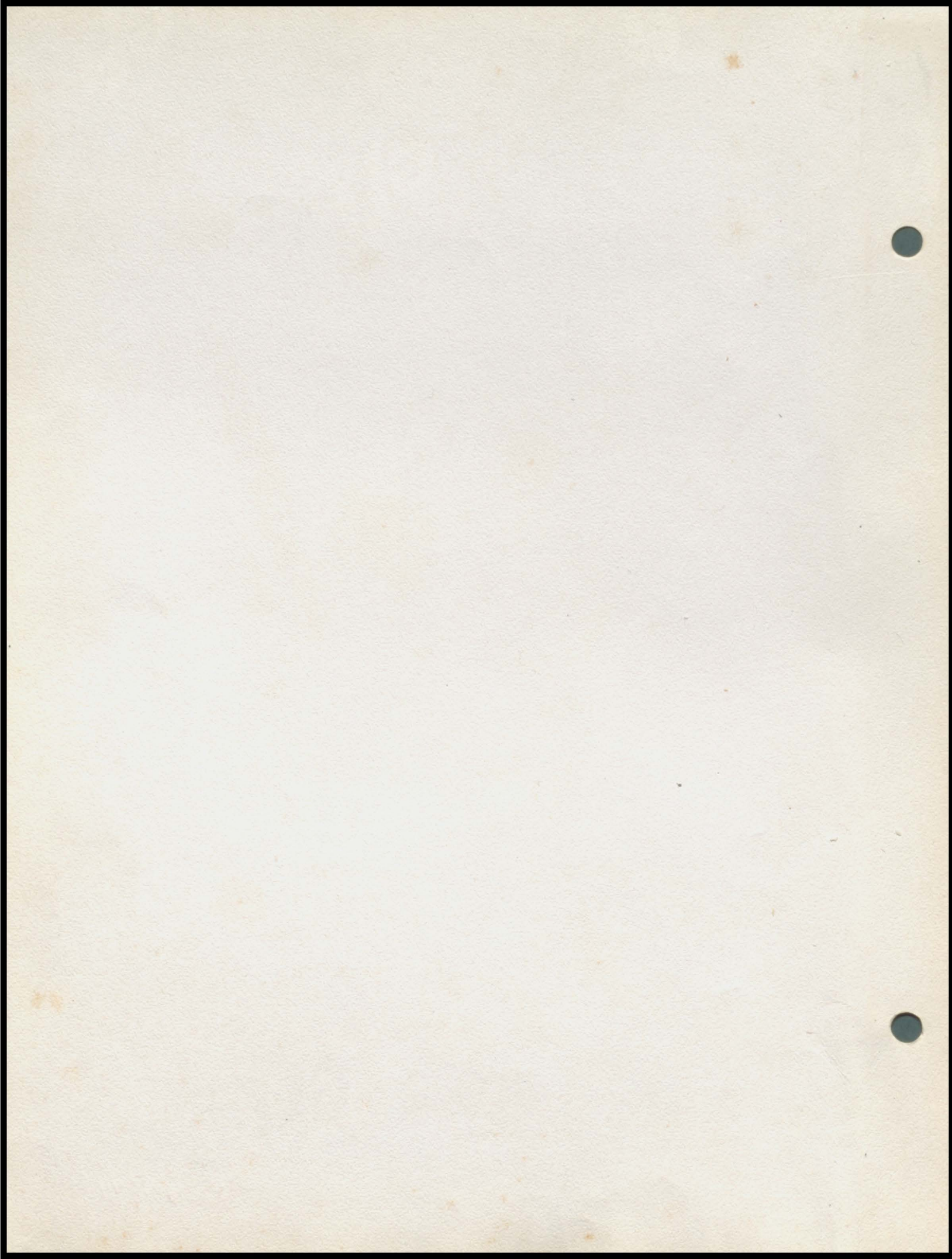
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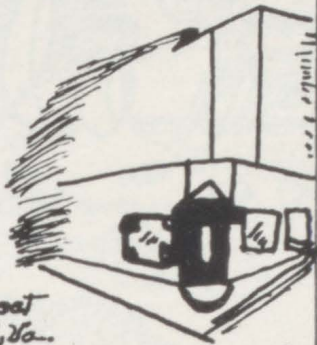
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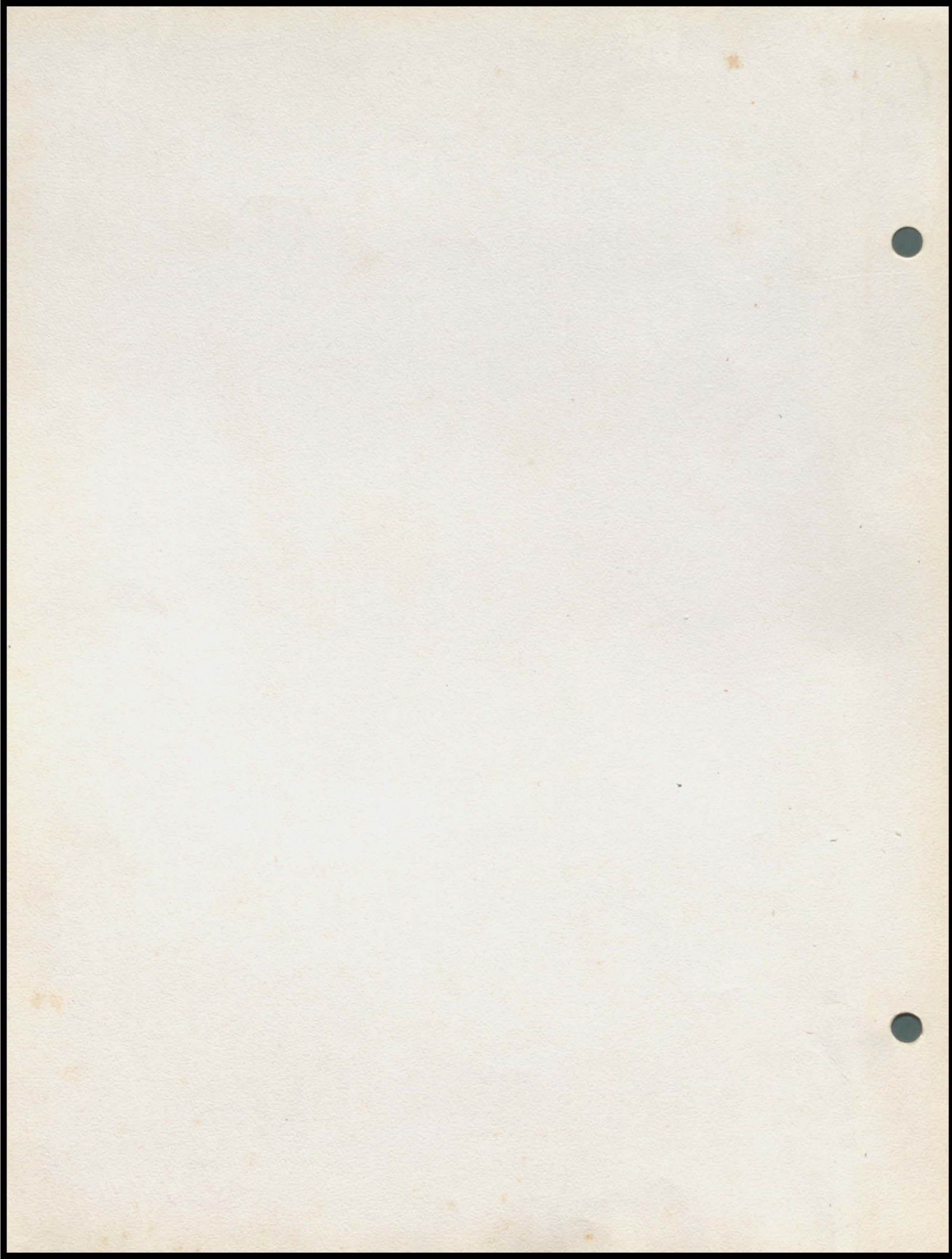
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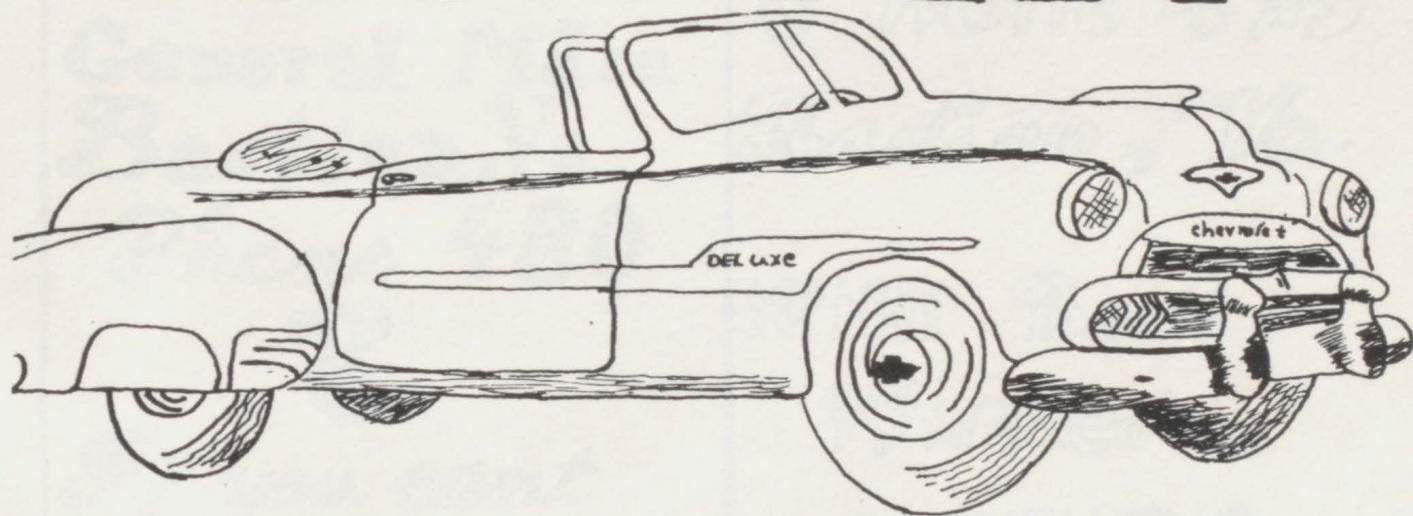
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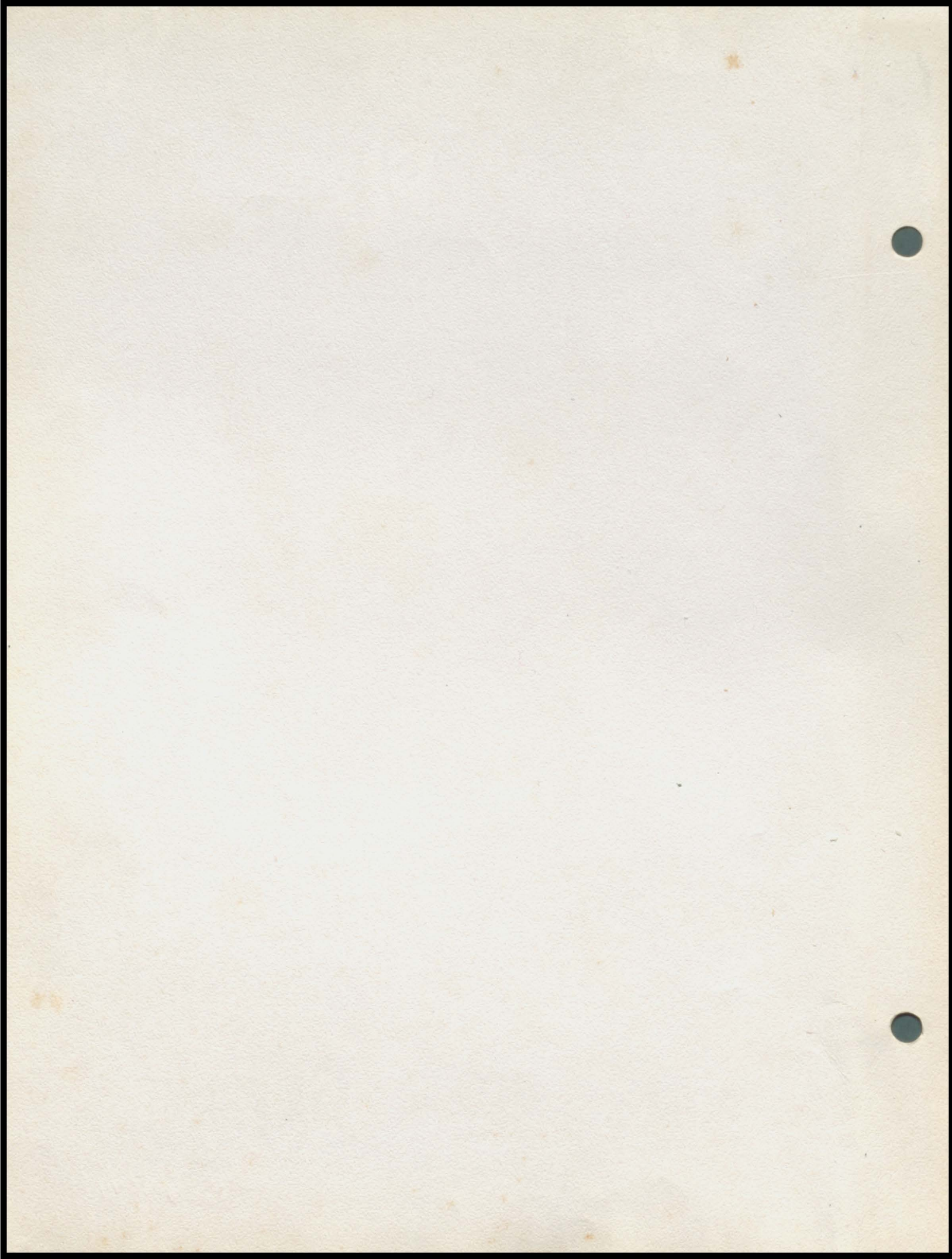
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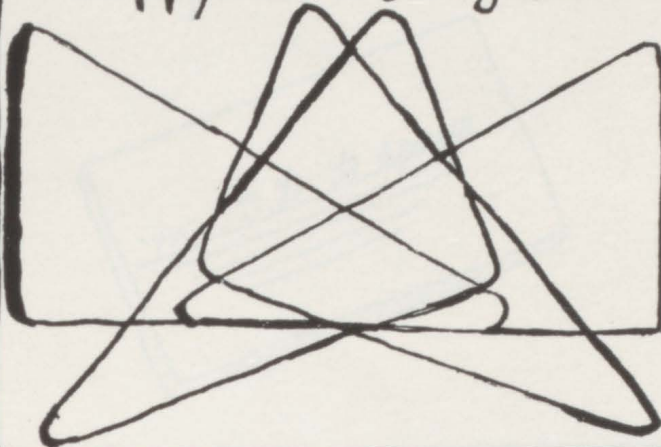
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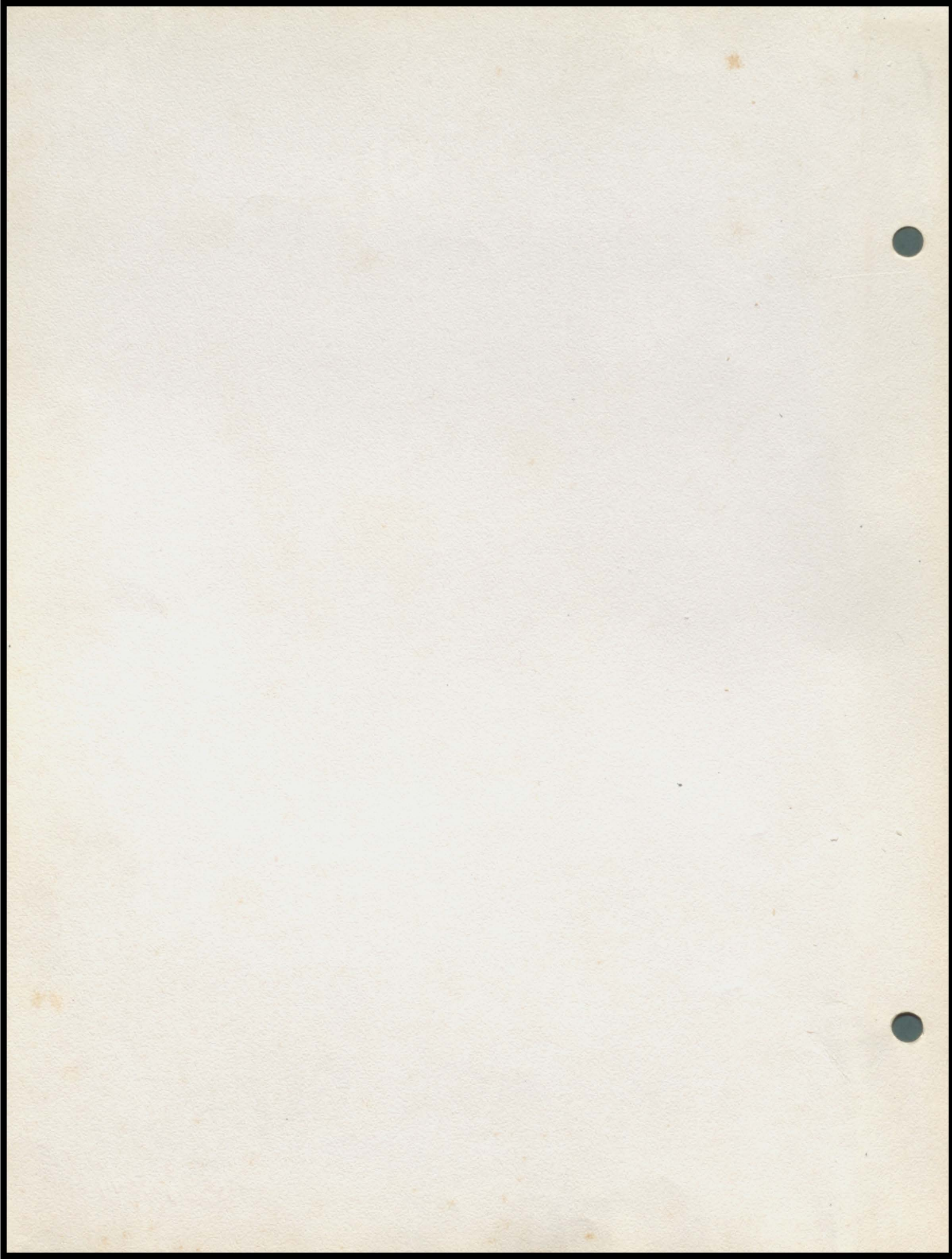


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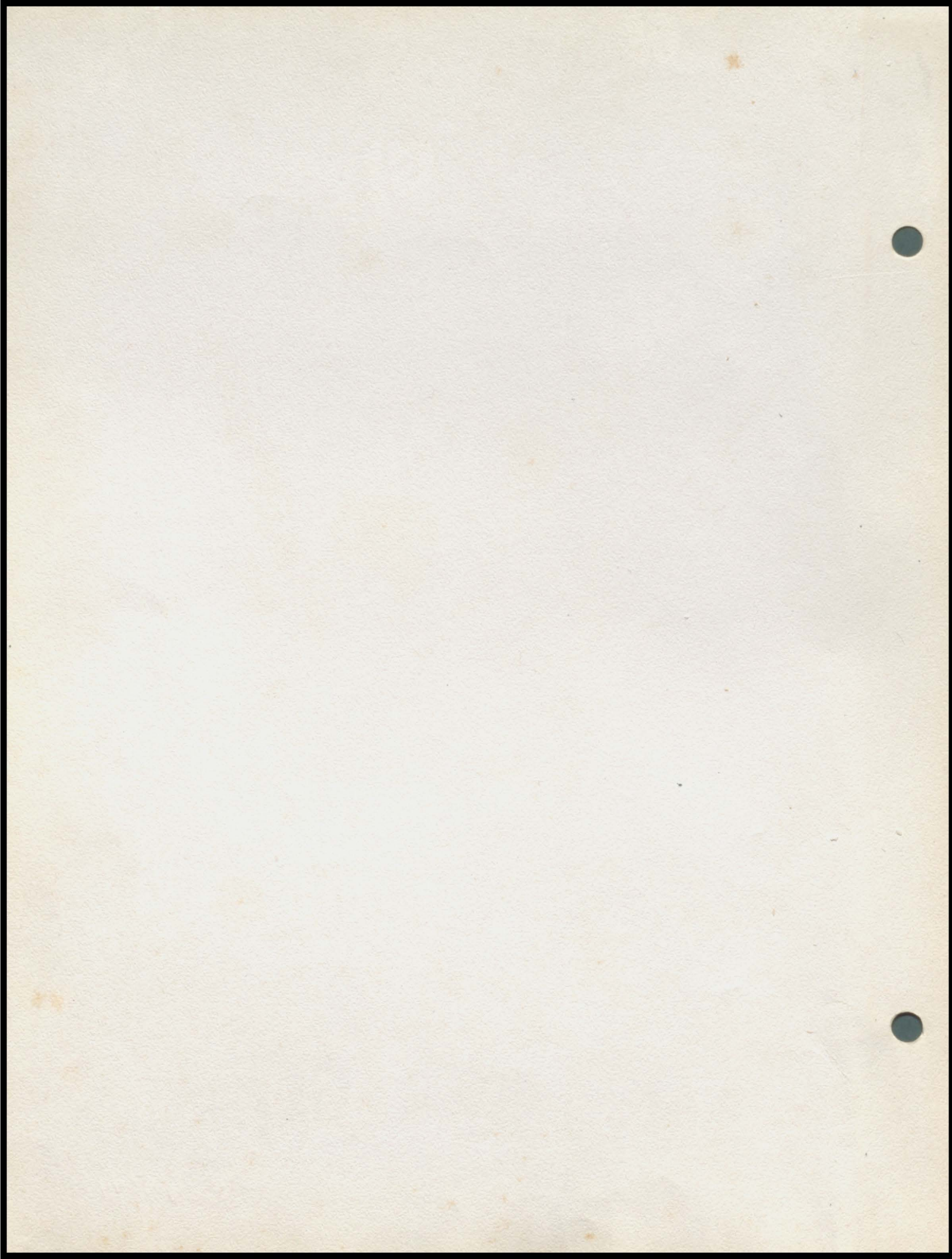
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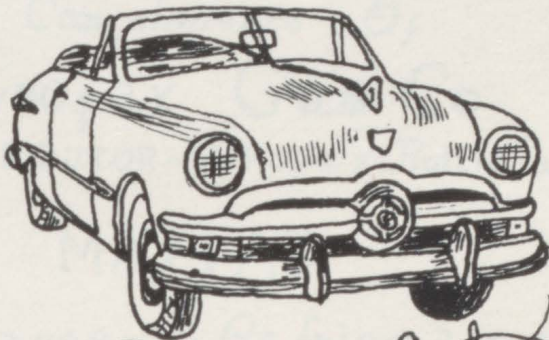
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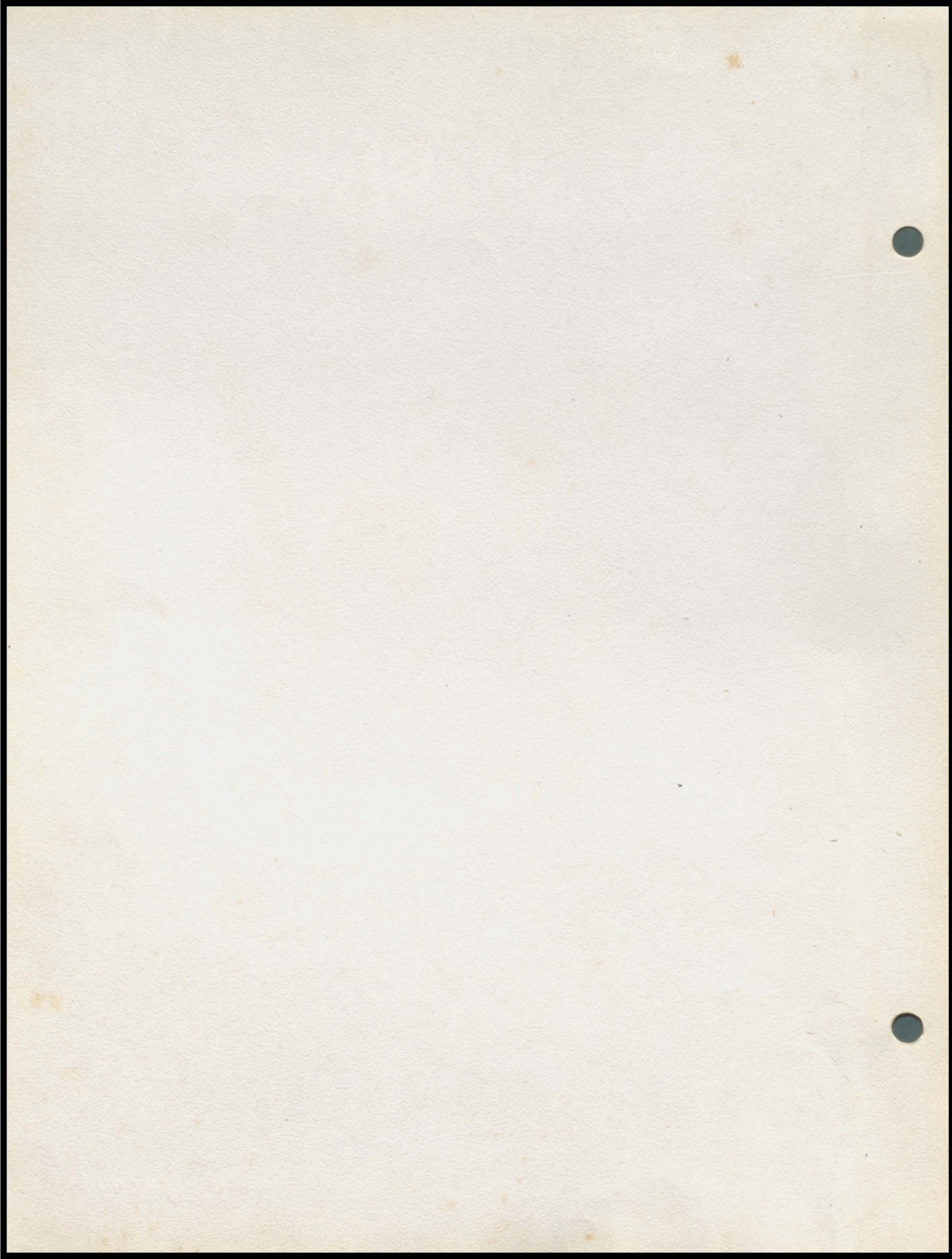
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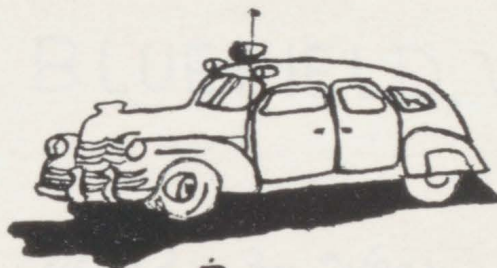
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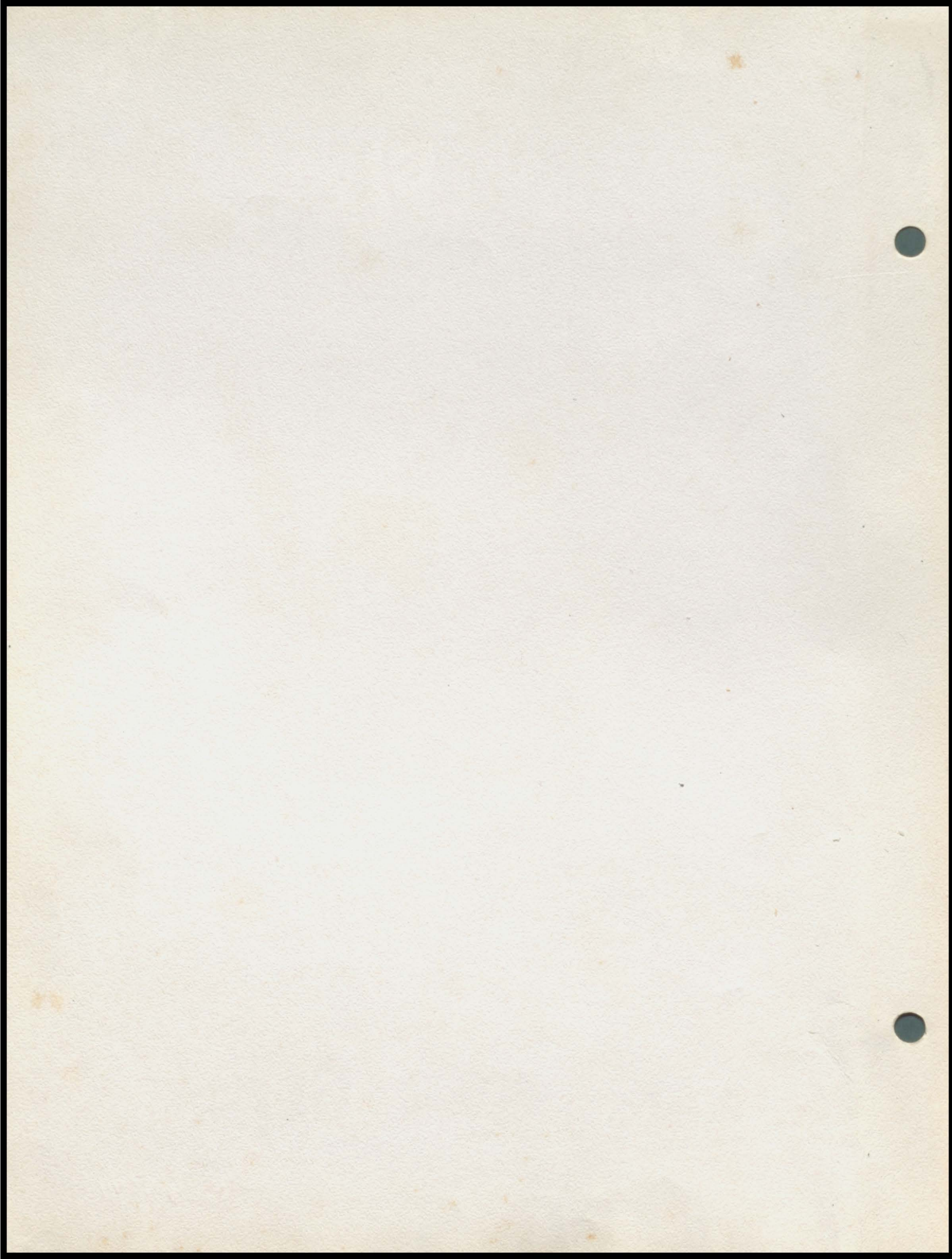
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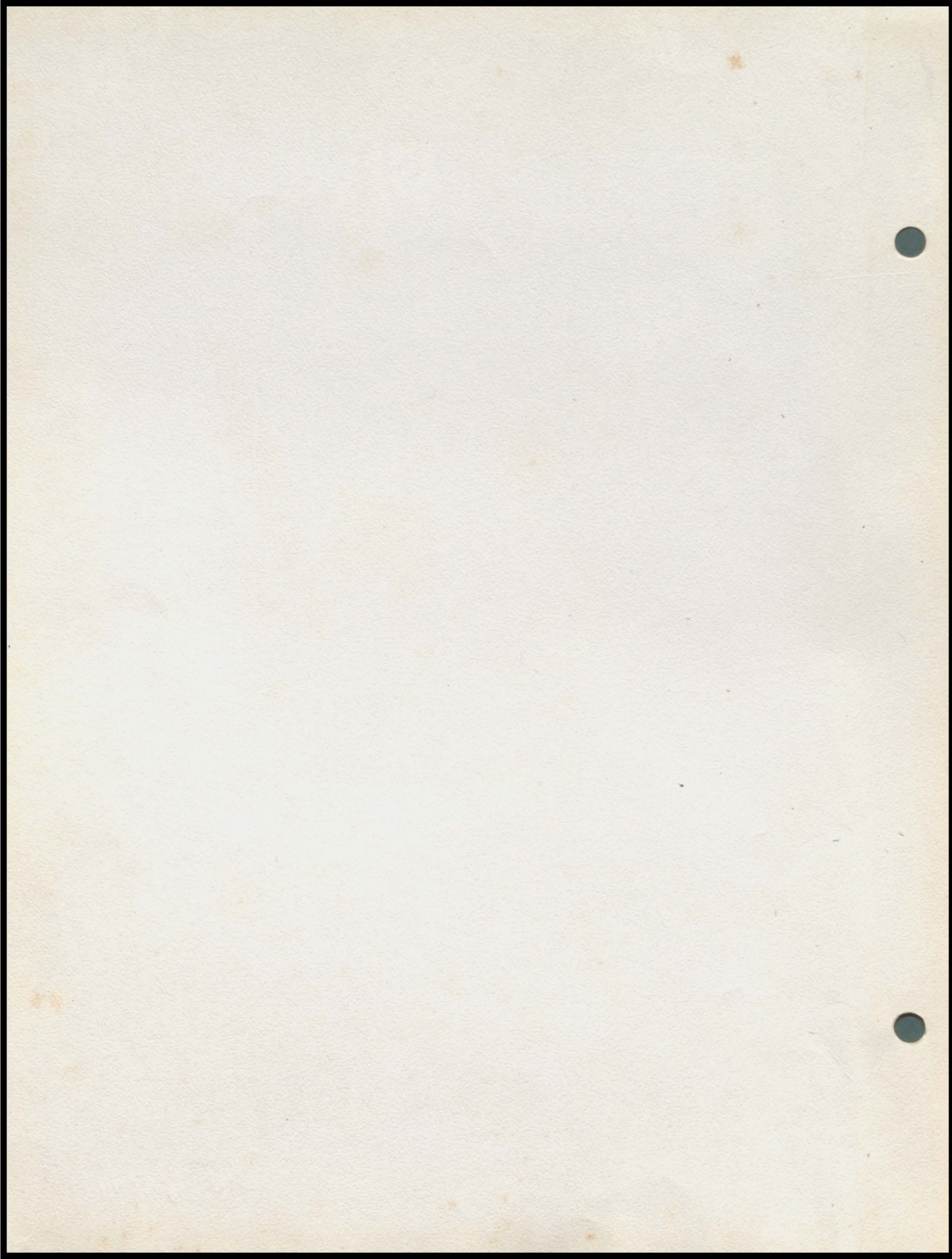
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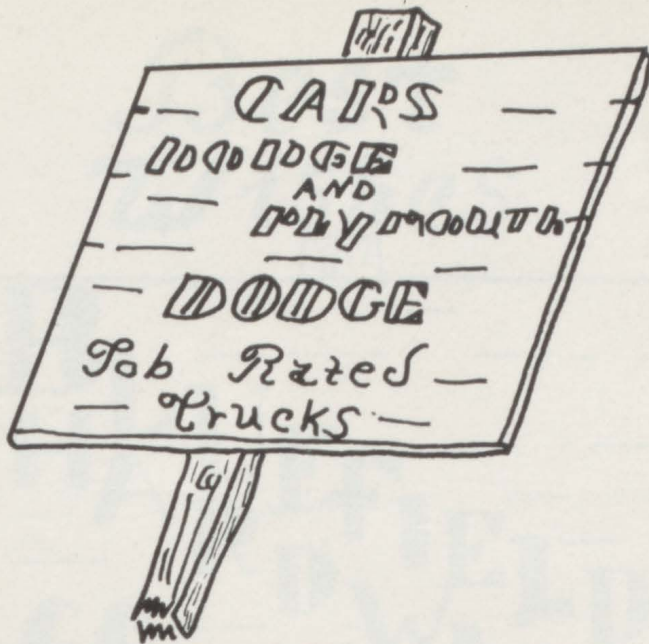
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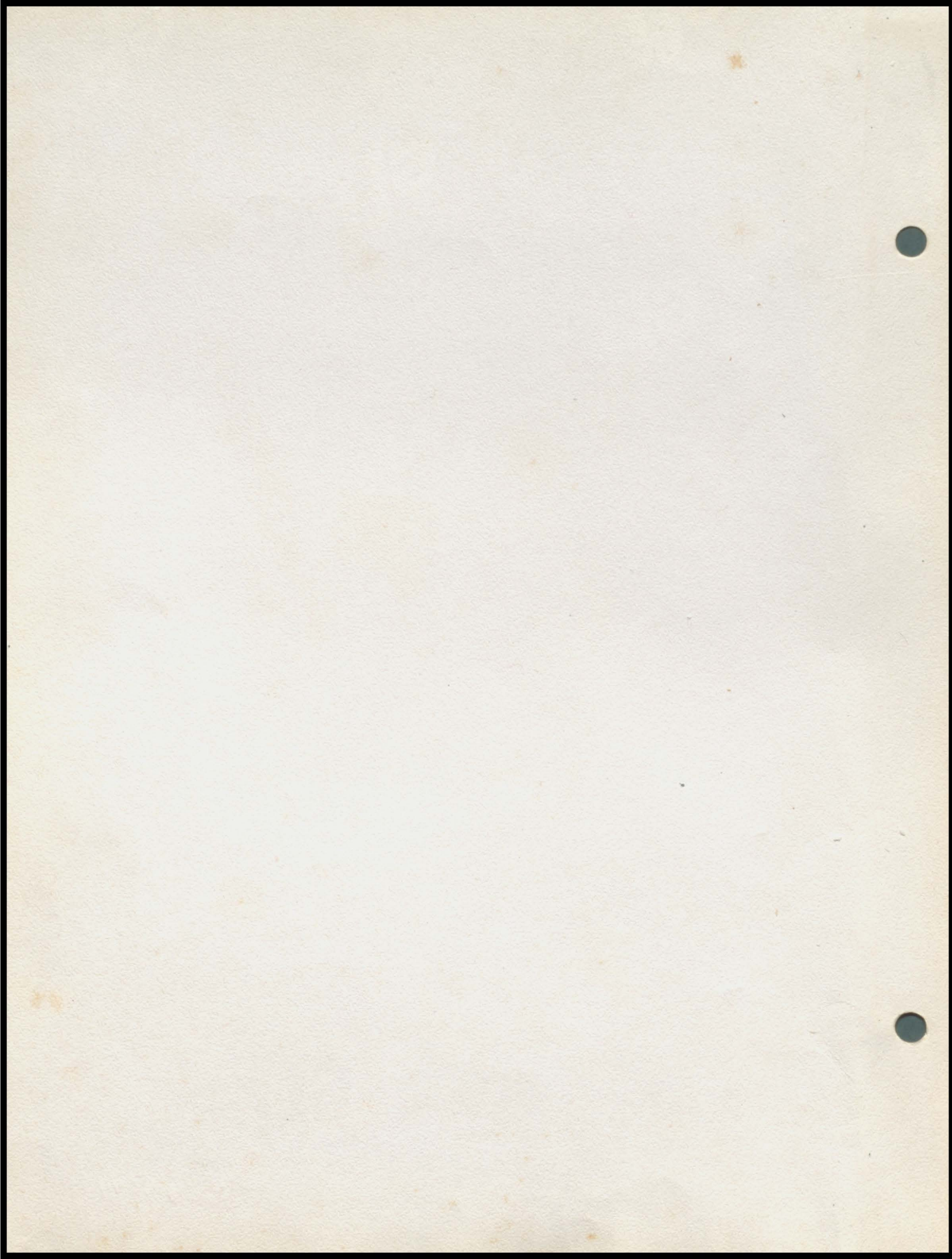
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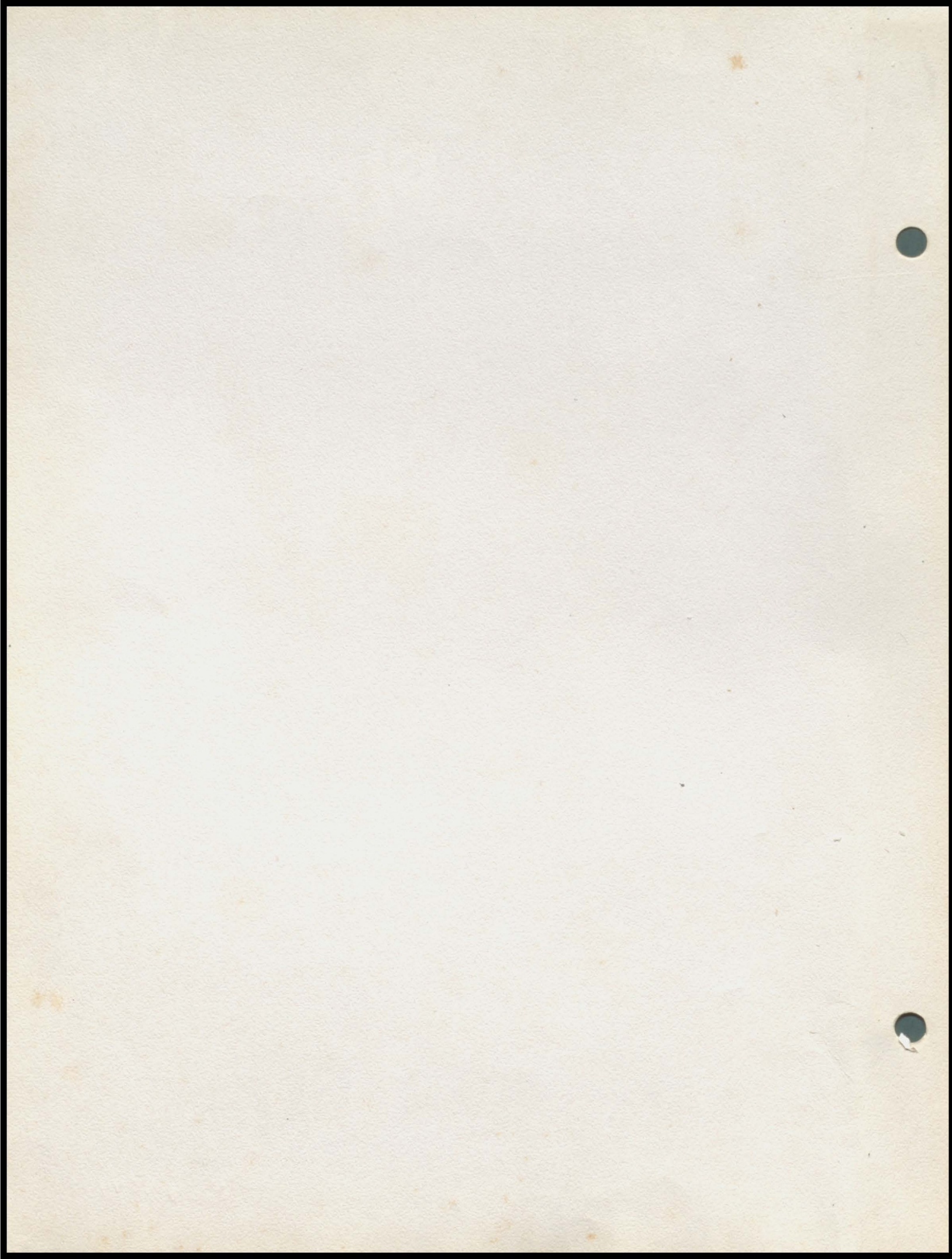
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