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Northwest Regional Drum and Bugle Corps Competition

Saturday, January 16

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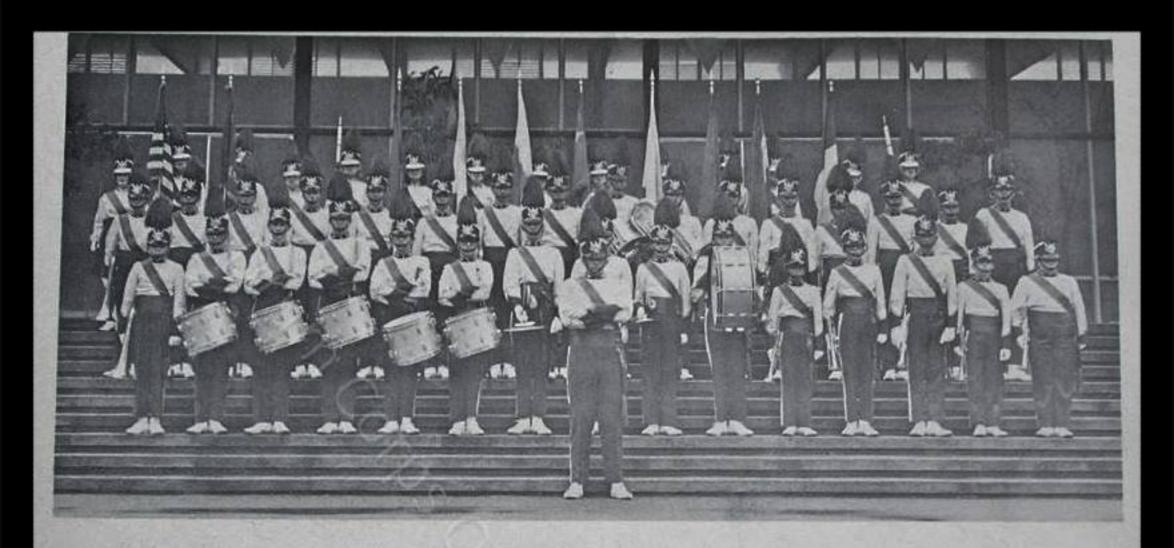
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Thunderbirds Drum and Bugle Corps

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The Thunderbirds Drum and Bugle Corps was organized with a nucleus of 36 boys with some beat-up horns and drums at the Greenwood Boys Club in the spring of 1958 with Jack Avery as Director, and has truly advanced far since its unpretentious beginning.

The corps has retained the original concept of being a family activity group and relys on the parents furnishing automobile transportation for the corps members to the numerous practices, turnouts and competitions during the year.

Our present Business Manager, George Laumin, was elected after he had shown his ability by taking over the Corps in June when the then Business Manager resigned . . . and carrying on the Corps activities to satisfactory culmination for the season under these trying conditions.

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Cadets Music Instructor — Jack Avery

The very active schedules of previous years were continued the past year. The highlight of the year was the trip to Cleveland VFW Nationals Competitions. This was accomplished while maintaining a full local appearance schedule and developing the Cadet Feeder Corps.

No statistical cataloging of appearances has been accomplished, however 5,000 miles per member would be a conservative estimate for travel involved in meeting requirements of practices, meetings, drives, competitions and appearances.

The function of the feeder corps will be coming into full realization this year.

The Corps demonstrated last year that despite adversity it has continuity and will be a Pace-Setter and First Rate contender in the years to come.