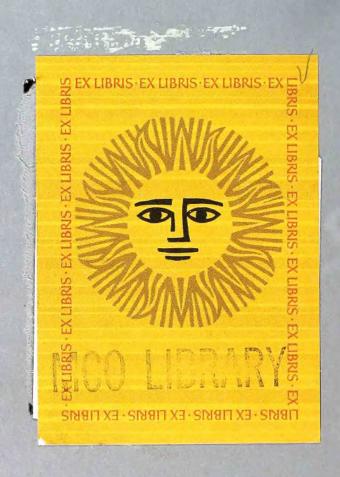
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# Dedication

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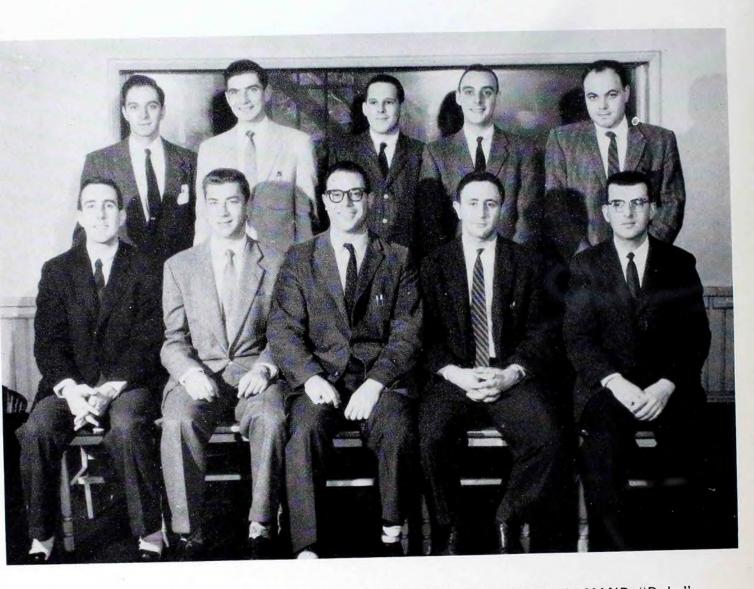
This yearbook is dedicated to honor those who are themselves dedicating themselves to a lifetime of professional eyecare. Actually the book seeks to honor a triumvirate, namely those who have gone before, the graduating seniors, and those to come. It was not dedicated primarily to the seniors because it needs to be emphasized that they are not an entity in themselves, but are in actuality a brief interlude in Optometry. They are joining the ranks of excellent men who have carved out of the granite of life a niche for this class to begin their ascent. It is to them that the seniors must give credit for paving the way, most of it obtained by hardship and struggle so that they, this new group of neophyte Optometrists, all fired with zeal may begin working also for that next niche. It is to the future that they must look, leaving behind school as such, their job as students well done. Now they must accept the role of Doctors, alumni, and teachers. They must as Doctors take each case, giving to it their utmost attention applying the best professional scientific training available in the world, which they have received at their college. They must in addition give solace and hope to those who demonstrate conditions which are beyond the scope of human help, to patients who are faced with adjusting to a visual loss or blindness. They must as alumni not lose sight of their alma mater staunchly supporting it not only monetarily, but with whatever assistance they can give. This is very important, for it is only by good standards and educational facilities at our college, will the future Optometrists be of the necessary fiber to continue Optometry's rise. They must be the teachers in their community, helping to see that adequate eyecare is available for all, especially so in the schools, industry, and drivers vision.

These are the things to which they dedicate their life's work, and all the faculty, staff, and students rally with them to wish them Good Luck in their journey.

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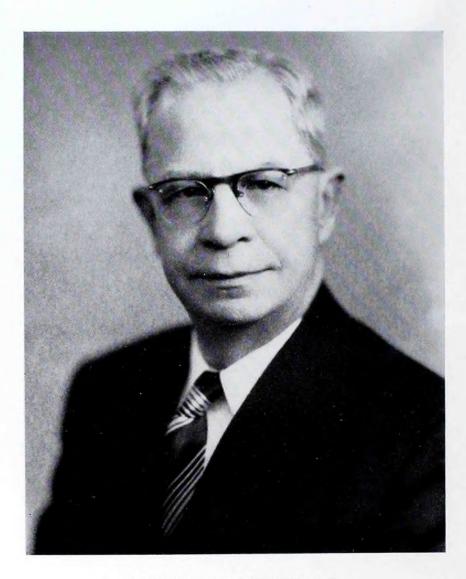
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# Farewell to the Class of 1958

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#### DR. JOSEPH F. MONTMINY



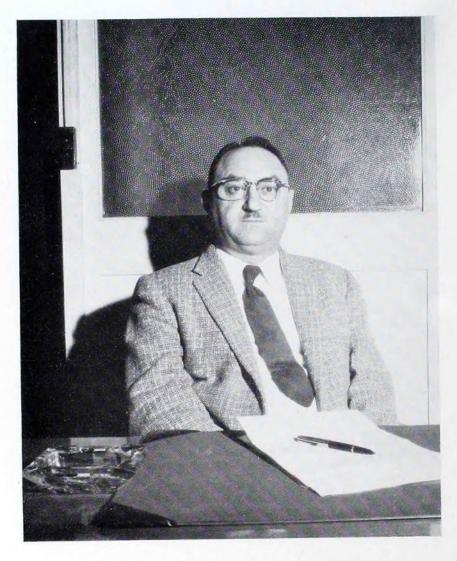
I want to take this opportunity to offer the Class of 1958 the congratulations and best wishes of the Board of Trustees of the College.

While the Trustees do not have the opportunity of meeting and knowing each member of the student body personally, they, never-the-less, have worked and will continue to work in the best interests of the students of the College.

The Class of 1958 is a small class — in fact one of the smallest graduated from the College in many years. This fact must have resulted in the development of many strong bonds of friendship which I know will continue long after graduation. As alumni of the College, it is hoped that the Class of 1958 will meet for reunions to relive the past and to exchange best wishes for the future.

As President of the Board of Trustees, I want to express my personal best wishes to every member of the Class of 1958 and to assure you the support of the Trustees in any situation in which they can offer assistance.

God Bless you All.



RALPH H. GREEN, O.D., D.O.S., F.A.A.O.

Dean of the College

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### A FAREWELL MESSAGE

#### from the DEAN



From the outset let me say that it is a pleasure for me to express my best wishes to the members of the Class of 1958. A few weeks hence the members of the Class of 1958, along with the Faculty, will meet in formal academic attire to mark the ending of your classroom studies and the beginning of your professional careers. As professional men you must take your rightful place in your community as an integral part of its public health structure. Each of you will have been charged with the responsibility of making your services as an expert in the field of visual care available to the citizens of your State. I strongly urge you, as optometrists, not to take position that you are subservient to any other group. The services you are prepared and qualified to render are of the highest order and no other group within the over-all health field has had the training and background in the field of vision that you have had.

The College has equipped you with the tools with which to render your services. Here the common denominator ends so far as the class as a whole is concerned. For how well you have mastered the application of these tools will to no small extent determine your success. However, you will be judged by those with whom you come in contact not only by the mastery of your tools but by your interest in their problems and their solution; the care with which you manage their problems; your understanding of their emotions and fears; your willingness to offer counsel in trying situations; your interest in social, church, civic and educational affairs. By all these and more you will be judged by your patients. Your success to a great extent will depend upon your ability to meet the requirements of the public.

Render a total service. Take advantage of the many highly specialized areas in which you have received instructions, namely; subnormal vision; vision training and orthoptics; occupational vision; visual field study; and contact lens fitting. To do so will give you a broader outlook on the practice of optometry which is itself a specialty.

Since this is the last opportunity I will have as your Dean to express myself to you on a formal basis before the Commencement Exercises, I cannot close this message without expressing my most sincere appreciation to every members of the Class for making my duties both as a teacher and administrator stimulating and inspiring. I know that I speak for all members of the faculty and administration when I say "Good Luck" and "Best Wishes" to every member of the Class of 1958. The College will ever be interested in you and stands ready to offer its assistance at any time.

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#### THE TIME OF OUR LIVES

Hear ye! Hear ye! To all that care to be a witness thereto, be it known that the following was a typical day in the life of the senior class at MCO. Not a word of fictitious, only the characters make it seem so. Judge for yourself:

7:30 A.M. Phil Hughes (pronounced Hug-eze) arrived at school Just delivered his wife at work and doesn't want to be late for class. Announcement: "Who did the case analysis?" No answer. "What do you do for the illiterate farmer?" No answer. "Didn't anyone do it yet?" No answer. (Note: Mr. Stilley is the only one around at the time.)

7:45 A.M. Tony Rascati arrives. Fell out of bed ten minutes ago, rolled down Exeter Street, and here he is. The kid kept him up all night (or was it that cigar he forgot to put away before retiring?).

7:50 A.M. Gene Amaral and Jack McGauley both arrive in Gene's "family car". Both are swearing that they'll never wait to pick up Jack Panjian again. This is positively the last day.

7:55 A.M. Jack arrives — "But I thought I told you I was taking my car today?"

7:59 A.M. Most of the class has already arrived and quietly (?) assembled in Room 20 awaiting the beginning of the O.O. lecture.

8.03 A.M. Dr. Namias in just finishing the roll call.

"SCHWARTZ, TREVENS."

"Now for the first problem — "

"HERE!"

The voice is that of Bob Schwartz, who has just answered the roll call from the staircase. He heard his name on the first floor, but didn't think that was a close enough distance to respond.

8:06 A.M. The class is back to order again.

"First problem — Strauss!" (Timid laughter).

"Oh, yes — I mean Kagan."

8:15 A.M. Fred Ames arrives.

8:16 A.M. "Heh, heh, heh."

"Boop, boop."

"Heh, heh, heh."

"Boop, boop."

Jack Panjian and Fred Ames are having a duet in the corner of the room.

8:50 A.M. Class is over (for ten minutes only — got another dose coming up.)

8:51 A.M. Ossip leaves for Medical Mission. No wonder he didn't have that yellow shirt on today.

8:55 A.M. Syd Rudy caught pleading with Jack Fiorentino for class dues.

"Now if you pay a dollar now, you will be paid up completely for the sophomore year."

9:00 A.M. O. O. again (Oh, those bifocals!)

9:50 A.M. Class ends.

9:50:01 A.M. Paul Manning and Jack Fiorentino are volleying for serve in the new ping-pong salon.

9:55 A.M. Some juniors are trying to interest Angy Afentakis in seeing some Greek travelogues (?).

9:58 A.M. Angy is trying to remember whether a high True Adduction means accommodative difficulty or adductive difficulty.

"What do you say, Hal? (That's me.)

"Adductive difficulty."

"Sure?"

"Nope."

"I think it's accommodative difficulty."

"Sure?"

"Nope."

10:00 A.M. Orthoptics lecture begins.

10:05 A.M. Ed Dudrick arrives with a cup of coffee in hand.

"But it was too hot to finish downstairs."

Someone offers him a sugared doughnut, but he politely refuses.

10:50 A.M. The first hour of Orthoptics is over.

10:52 A.M. Seymour Ossip returns from Medical Mission. His wife just gave birth to, of all things — a "pupple hadgacallit." (Boy, 5½ lbs., mother and son doing well). Seymour passes around a pack of cigarettes. (Note: There are nineteen people in the class and twenty cigarettes in the pack — and people call him cheap!)

11:00 A.M. Second hour of Orthoptics begins.

11:02 A.M. "Before you begin, Dr. Kuhn, I have a question."

Jack Panjian again.

"Are the sustentacular fibers of Mueller the same as the fiber baskets of Schultz?"

"I don't see where that affects the subject under — "

"It doesn't. I was just curious." (Laughter)

11:50 A.M. Orthoptics lecture over.

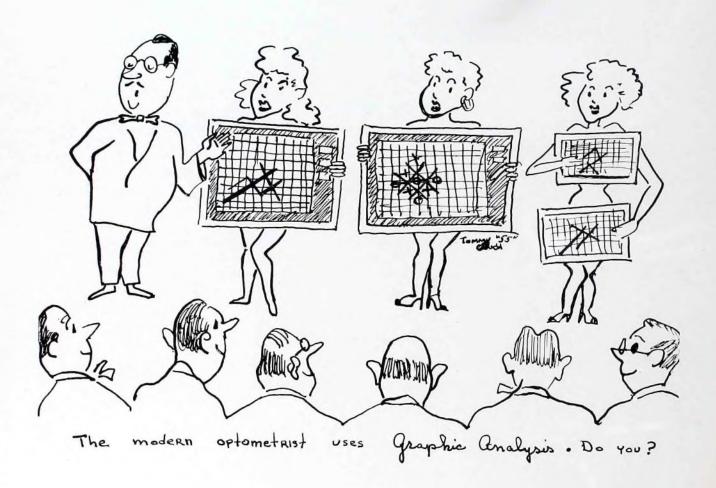
11:52 A.M. Al Glucksman, Bob Pannone, and Paul Manning head for their basement apartment on Beacon Street to have lunch before heading to the clinic and three hours of vinual training.

11:55 A.M. Pete Piscia is waiting for Fred Ames at the ping-pong table so that they can drive back to their apartment behind the clinic together.

11:56 A.M. Seymour Ossip collects Ed Dudrick and Bob Schwartz (Condensation Schwartz) to travel back to Allston in his car.

12:00 Noon: The entire class has left the building, each to return the next day for more ping-pong, more laughs, and perhaps a little knowledge too.

Seriously, though, the entire senior class wishes the best of luck and good fortune to the administration, the faculty, and to each members of the student body. We hope that in the years to come MCO and the entire profession of optometry can be as proud of us as we are of MCO today.



# Last Mill and Testament

That we, the class of 1958 of the Massachusetts College of Optometry, in the county of Suffolk, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, professing to be sound in mind and body, and having proved ourselves not to be lunatics or infants, or both, under the meaning of the Laws of the State of Hysteria, do hereby publish and declare this to be our last will and testament. We do hereby, after due deliberation and consideration, apportion our estate in Delirium, in the State of Prostration, upon the following, whether they prove to be willing or unwilling recipients:

To Dr. Namias ... Tomorrow's picture of the optical field.

To Dr. Cline . . A ream of large sheets of paper.

To Dr. Kuhn ... Birdseeds for his bird along with a new cage for it. Also an immovable podium.

To Dr. Kozol ... A bear hunting license.

To Dr. Svagdys . . . A Slenderella treatment.

To Dr. Green. A scholarship to the Spadea School for Investigators and some "hot prints"

To Dr. Wasserman . A bottle of No-Doz and a pair of ear plugs.

To Dr. Kamens ... A ptosis crutch and toupe.

To Dr. Bruce . . . Two in a lower berth and another trip with Dr. Heather.

To Dr. Farnum ... A class of perfectionists.

To Mr. West ... A 36 hour day.

To Dr. Berk ... A new set of curves.

To Dr. Sullivan. An earlier hour for his lectures.

To Miss Hastings . . . A Uni-vac.

To Miss Patten . . A change-maker.

To Dr. Cabitt. . . A moustache cup and a vial of androgen.

To Dr. Hochstadt. A package of Dr. Scholl's Corn Plasters for his budding young podiatrists.

To Dr. Wright ... A longer index finger.

To Mrs. Jackson A liquor license.

To Mr. Arnold . A Farmer's Almanac.

To Dr. Wekstein . . A new couch.

To Dr. March ... A radio program entitled "Case of the Week"

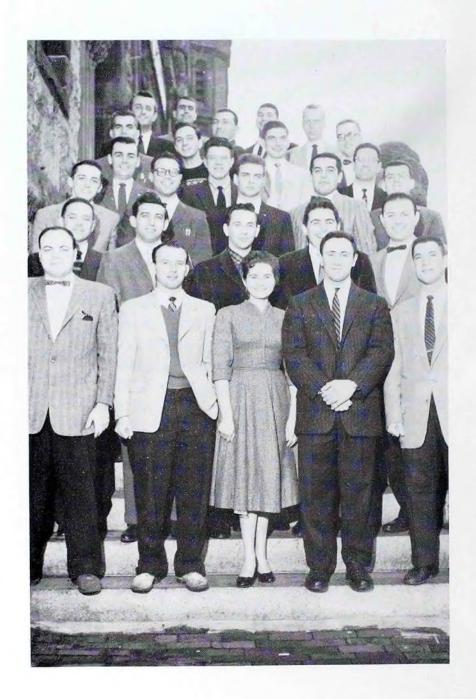
To Dr. McDermott. A fire-proof office.



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Class of '59

#### CONCERNING JUNIORS .....



Perhaps the senior year will bring back the enthusiasm we knew as sophomores. This year, to most of us was sort of a let-down; no longer did every class unfold a new phase of Optometry as it did last year. Further, it seems that since last September we've been on the brink of suddenly seeing a light that would tie together all the tests and phenomena we've been studying for almost two years. Each member of the class so far has his own theory regarding phorias, their etiology, their correction, and their ramifications regarding accommodation. However, even the best thought theories are beaten

down by a sentence or two from one of the instructors. The originator generally looks quite dejected and beaten, but astoundingly enough the next day a new theory is developed with which Finkelstein immediately agrees.

Lest the reader receive the impression that all is darkness over the class of '59, a few enlightening facts will soon eliminate this. For the class, as any group, is made of individuals, and without conceit, some pretty remarkable one. Accomplishments? Well, perhaps we won't be remembered as the best class academically, but at least our members are creative. Last year, Ernie Rascati became a father, and at this writing, he now has "one on the runway and one in the hangar." Marv Finkelstein is now called papa by two little girls, one of them just a few weeks old. Of course, its well known that Howie Klapper is expecting. And then Roland Gaudette is a story in himself—so far, a three volume work, with the publisher alerted to go to press at any time. Sleeper of the year was Hal Epstein, whose wife Phyllis is now in a family way.

But then, we have other creative members. Tom Callahan's article on Professionalism was recently reprinted in the undergraduate magazine of one of the Canadian Optometric Schools, and while Dr. Copelond isn't exactly bringing suit against him, we must include a word about the "Sezzo-Scope", a streak-retinoscope designed and assembled by Macy Sezzin. Our most talented literary member, Duke Drucker, must be congratulated on the fine job he has done as Editor of the *Scope*. And, while we're talking about creativeness, we must recognize the pandomonuim Lou Bardfield creates every day with his Vespar.

Further, the unity of action of the class is something the school hasn't known for while. So far, we've all bought the same spot-retinoscopes from the same firm, gotten disgusted with them at about the same time, and then bought streak-scopes together. Our tool kits were purchased in a group order. However, this has now gone to somewhat of an extreme, for it was observed that some of us were married, while others were not. To rectify this situation, 5 members will hear wedding bells this summer, namely: Lou Petrosino, Joe Lombardo, Fran Genzerella, Bob Bibeau, and Irwin Suchoff.

An article on the Junior Class would be incomplete without a mention of our only female member, Gloria. In just two years, she has completed a metamorphosis comparable only to that experienced by the catapillar on becoming a butterfly. To Gloria, we wish a pleasant and safe journey home this summer, and a quick return to her adopted home town, Boston.

And of course, we send our congratulations to the Senior Class, and wish them luck on the State Boards, and in their future endeavors in Optometry.



Class of '60

#### CONCERNING SOPHOMORES .....



An abbreviated look at the past year shows it to have been an enjoyable one for this class, scholastically and socially it was good. This was the deciding year for us, last year having been but a preliminary taste of optometry, however this year we managed to get into the why's and how's of optometry.

The year began with a slow pace to gradually quicken to a climax with the mid-year exams, in which most of us did relatively well, losing only two members on the way. Our social life was in full bloom, many were at the Eyeball, most of it however transpired outside of Boston, apparently anyone who ever went home for a weekend had a great time, from what we gathered some perhaps too good.

The classroom itself was the scene around which our lives revolved in the daytime, little dramas occurred every day, exams were a personal challenge, witticism and remarks livened things up. The teachers who are individualists of a high order came face to face with an equally individualistic group, and a surprising good assimilation was had by all fortunately. During the past semester the group was at its outspoken best, not one to generally take things lying down many a teacher's ears were verbally pinned back and sad to relate, so were many of the student's.

Scholastically the married men seem to be in the prominence, this may just be a coincidence, however responsibility seems to be a good thing to have since it seems to produce the marks. It might be surprising to compare the averages of the students and their position in the class with their I.Q.'s, we'd be willing to bet our best shirt that they don't come near matching.

This year the class accomplished one very basic need, a need for a close unity, and this was achieved remarkably well. The class was lucky enough this year to have officers who were not slouches, they got things done and what they did they did well. However all is not rosy, we still have our quota of me-firsters but in general the class has mellowed and the year was very successful.

We end this short summary of the past year with the hope that we'll all be back, to again repeat under different guise just what we did these past few months, the only difference is that we'll be Juniors, with just two quick years short of graduation.

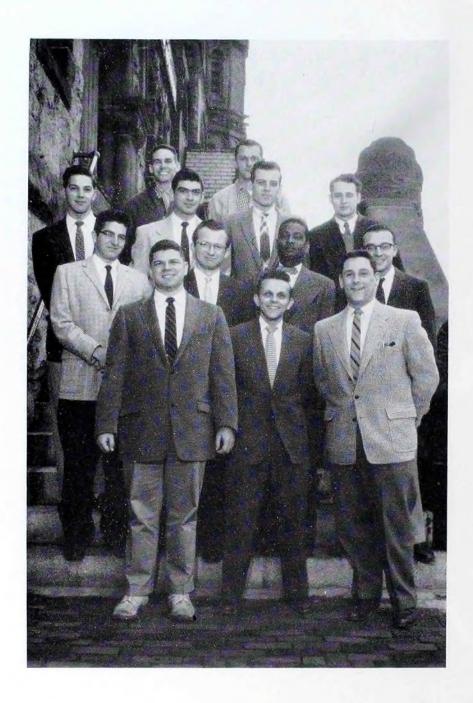
DAN MURRAY





Class of '61

#### CONCERNING FRESHMEN .....



The scholastic year 1957-1958 began for this year's Freshman Class when we were welcomed to the Massachusetts College of Optometry on registration day by members of the faculty and student body. After the usual period required for adjustment to new surroundings, the class settled down to the task of mastering the year's curriculum.

Shortly after the start of school each of the school's fraternities, Pi Omicron Sigma and Omega Epsilon Phi, sponsored smokers for the purpose of acquainting the freshmen with the upperclassmen of the respictive fraternity. After the pledge period to the fraternity of the student's choice was over, each of the fraternities held their initiation ceremonies tending toward the occult. Class elections were held and the following students were elected: Paul White, president; Bob Nochimson, vice president; Bob Kenney, secretary; Don Saferstein, student council; Larry Ferguson, student council.

This brought the class up to their first series of finals at the Massachusetts College of Optometry with the usual trepidation and lamentation encountered at final time. This hair pulling proved needless as the class in general did well as was exemplified by their prominence on the first semester's Dean's List.

Upon returning for the second semester, the class was pleased to find that a ping pon table had been installed in order to complement their whist games. Marvin Greenberger soon proved that his octopus-like reach made him almost invincible except by Dick Carp with his gorilla-like reach. In February the student council sponsored a school dance which was attended and enjoyed by many of the class.

Now for a candid picture of the contributions made to the class by some members of the faculty and class as seen through the myopic eyes of the writer.

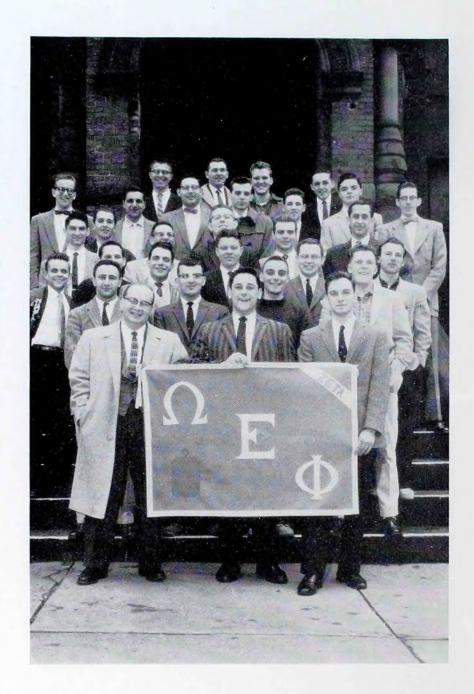
Mr. Arnold contributed good teaching and the realization that not everyone can be a mathematics major. Dr. March gave us *food* for thought (or
lack of food as the case may be). Mr. West helped us realize that there is
something worse than halitosis — "Eau de Pussycat". Dr. Wright gave us
the chance to appreciate that the acceleration due to gravity off of tall buildings such as the John Hancock is considerable. Dr. Wekstein instilled in us
the desire to spend more time watching television.

Bruce Brodsky proved that a person can make a five bird whist without having a picture in his hand. Steve Chasing showed us the value of long, rambling walks. George Coffin illustrated the way to save money — don't eat lunch. Sanford Fray gave us his consultation services in zoology laboratory gratis. Dick Glenn gave us the Mutt to Bob Kennedy's Jeff. Bob Kenney added confusion to the readers of our class lists who were sure he was really Bob Kennedy, which he is. Bill Leporati was a walking reminder to shave. Rueben Marguelis made us want to visit Alburquerque — or at least learn to spell it. Arthur Peretzian brought us a bag of woofers and tweaters. Harven Snetsky showed the boys from other states what a Boston accent is like. Paul Walcott gave us the body beautiful. Vic Wolmer's contribution was an utter disdain for ping pong. Barry Gorski gave us echoing footsteps as he tardily made his way to class.



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### OMEGA EPSILON PHI



The Omega Epsilon Phi fraternity was formed in answer to a need for a non-sectarian fraternity at the school of Optometry at Columbia University. It was founded in the Executive Room in Earl Hall, October 12, 1919, by Brothers Alexander J. Broder, Abraham L. Graubart, and Daniel D. Weiss. These men realized the need for an organization which would transcend the bound of race, color, and creed, to promote the cause of Optometry by encouraging the study of its principles and problems and by striving for higher ethical and educational standards within the profression.

With these aims in mind, a constitution was drawn up and adopted May 6th, 1920. The establishment of chapters are limited by the constitution to

those institutions which have been granted an "A" rating by the International State Boards of Examiners. Membership in the chapters is open to optometric students of sound moral charecter, high scholastic standing and promising ability. Candidates for admission to Omega Epsilon Phi may be members of general collegiate social fraternities, but not of any other active optometric fraternity.

In the process of expansion the fraternity formed the following chapters:

Alpha Chapter of Columbia University

Beta Chapter at the University of Rochester

Gamma Chapter at the Northern Illinois College of Optometry

Delta Chapter at the Southern College of Optometry

Epsilon Chapter at the Los Angeles College of Optometry

Zeta Chapter at the Massachusetts College of Optometry

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Eta Chapter at Ohio State University
Theta Chapter at Pacific University
Iota Chapter at the Chicago College of Optometry
Kappa Chapter at the University of California
Lambda Chapter at the Pennsylvania State College of
Optometry

Mu Chapter at Centro Escolar—The Phillipines Gamma Iota Chapter at the Illinois College of Optometry Nu Chapter at Indiana University

Alpha and Beta Chapters have since become inactive due to the closing of the schools of Optometry at Columbia and Rochester Universities.

To maintain contacts after graduating, Omega Epsilon Pho has urged and encouraged the establishment of graduate clubs in other sections of the country. In line with this policy, the ZETA graduate Club was formed in January 1948. It is hoped clubs will be formed in Los Angeles and Chicago in the not too distant future.

To encourage the members of the profession to strive for higher attainment Omega Epsilon Phi has established several awards to be given to men outstanding in the field of Optometry. The individual chapters have also established awards for outstanding undergraduates; our chapter having the JOSEPH J. SCANLON AWARD.

Amidst a turbulent world where friendships, ethics, and tolerance are rapidly vanishing, the fraternity as a stable unit can and must be a force in counteracting the disappearance of these qualities. Omega Epsilon Phi, in its growth from a small group of fifteen to an International organization with 14 chapters containing a membership of three thousand, has endeavoured to promote better understanding of the problems which face us daily, a spirit of comradeship in the search for higher attainments, and the complete respect for each others beliefs. In this we hope our fraternity will never fail.

The activities of the year began traditionally with the Annual Smoker which was held at the Inman Club, Cambridge, Massachusetts. The aims,

ambitions, and traditions of our fraternity were explained to the prospective pledge guests by our President for the year, John Fiorentino. Dr. Arthur March, President of Massachusetts Society of Optometrists, was the main speaker of the evening. He outlined the heights which Optometry as a profession can attain. Dr. Frederick Farnum, in his brief but well taken talk praised Dr. March for his youthful fervor and leadership that he is given to Optometry in Massachusetts and made the point that in the fraternity we are beginning to learn the way of organized activity which will be to our advantage as graduates.

Initiation soon followed and nine pledges were accepted as Brothers. They were: Bruce Brodsky, Richard Glenn, Barry Gorski, Robert Kennedy, Robert Nochimson, Louis Petrosino, Arthur Pretzian, Robert Sachs, Donald Saferstein.

The fraternity held its annual election of new officers and elected were:

Thomas A. Callahan	President
William Gibbons First Vice	President
Alan I. Foye Second Vice	President
Emery Hould	Treasurer
Sheldon Strauss Corresponding	Secretary
Robert Kennedy Recording	Secretary
Phillip Steinberg Student Council Repre	esentative
Paul Kelly Sgt.	At Arms
Bruce Brodski Sgt.	At Arms
Andrew Portoghese	Librarian

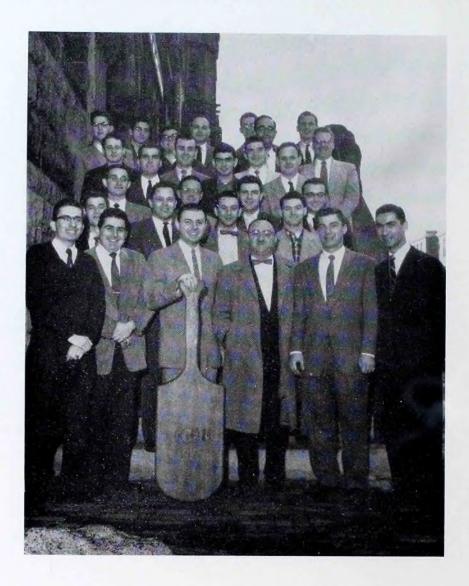
### replacing those of last year:

John Fiorentino President	
Thomas A. Callahan First Vice President	
Paul Manning Second Vice President	
Joseph Lombardo Treasurer	
Maurice Edwards Corresponding Secretary	
Dewey Clason	
Phillip Steinberg Student Council Representative	
Paul Kelly Sgt. At Arms	
Richard Kavner Sgt. At Arms	
Shelly Strauss Librarian	

The fraternity extended an invitation to the International Executive Committee to act as host chapter for the International Convention next December. It was accepted and the convention will take place at the Hotel Statler on the 13th and 14th of December.

It is with that in mind that everyone is working to promote another successful fraternal year as this one ends.





Pi Omicron Sigma is the oldest professional optometric fraternity, founded in 1913 by such men as Dr. Benjamin G. Rosenkranz, secretary of the New York State Board of Examiners and the New York State Society of Optometrists, and Dr. Vincent Reardon, head of the instrument division of the American Optical Company. Since that time P. O. S. has been in continuous existence except during World War II when every last man joined the service — an enviable record in itself.

Pi Omicron Sigma, as its initials indicate is dedicated to Progress of Optometric Science and we as students are doing all that we can to raise the level of the profession. For this purpose the fraternity became one of the first members of the American Optometric Foundation and has contributed over \$500.00 to further research in Optometric Fields.

There are over 1500 alumni brothers throughout the country, including such prominent ones as Dr. Walter I. Brown, president of Massachusetts State Board of Examiners, vice-president of the American Optometric Foundation, past president of A. O. A. Dr. Ralph H. Green, Dean of the Massachusetts College of Optometry is also o member of Pi Omicron Sigma. Members of

the faculty who are P. O. S. alumni include Dr. Foster Namias, Dr. Leslie G. Wright, Dr. Frederick F. Farnum, Dr. Frank Kozol, and Dr. Arthur F. March.

The officers of P. O. S. for the 1957-1958 year were:

Grand Chancellor Emeritus	Ralph H. Green, O.D., D.O.S.
Grand Chancellor	
Faculty Advisor	Foster Namias, O.D., D.O. S.
Chancellor	Ernest Rascati "59"
Vice-Chancellor	Sumner Kagan "58"
Scribe	Haskell Gottesman "58"
Guardian of the Excheques	Marvin Finkelstein "59"
Sargeant-at-Arms	
Corresponding Secretary	Ken Varnum "60"
Librarian	George W. Dyer "59"

Our social calendar consists of many events open and closed, carefully planned by our social committee.

The fraternity held its annual Freshmen Smoker on Tuesday, October 29, 1957 at the Hotel Vendome. It was a great success with the freshmen class giving their full support. The guest speaker was an alumnus of P.O.S., Dr. Albert Roy of Lowell who graduated in the class of "56". I'm sure he enlightened us all with his talk on "The Problems, Met, When Starting a Practice." There was also entertainment and refreshments.

In December P. O. S. held its annual Poverty Party at the Aragona Club, in Waltham. A good time was had by all and we are looking forward to next's years Poverty Party.

Next came the long waited vacation and semester exams. The fraternity as a whole did very well. We are proud to have in our fraternity such a large number of Brothers on the Dean's List.

The "Eye-Ball" which is a function of the Student Council was held on Washington's Birthday at the Hotel Sheraton Plaza. The music was supplied by Brother Jack Panjian's orchestra.

Other events were bowling, basketball, and softball in the spring.

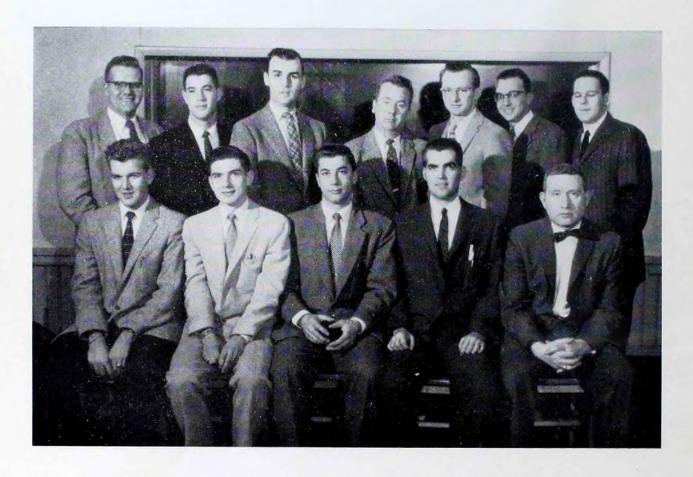
The Annual Installation Banquet was held on April 22, 1958 at Pieroni's Restaurant. The food was delicious. The illustrious faculty supplied the entertainment. The guest speaker was Dr. Marshall Mark.

The officers for next year were installed. They are:

Grand Chancellor Samuel Wasserman, O.D., B.S., M. Ed.
Faculty Advisor
Faculty Advisor Arthur O. Bruce, M.D.
Chancellor Sanford Miller "50"
Vice-Chancellor George W. Dyer "59"
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This year the fraternity installed Dr. Foster Namias and Dr. Frederick Farnum as Grand Chancellors Emeriti. The fraternity felt, that due to their continued membership, faithful and loyal support through thick and thin, that they have bestowed upon them, the highest and most honored office of Pi Omicron Sigma. They now join Dr. Ralph H. Green in this honored position. All three were awarded mementos of P. O. S.

Good luck to all the members of the graduating class and don't forget to drop by and visit the brothers in the frat room. See you all back in the fall.



Front Row (Left to Right): PAUL KELLY, GEORGE DYER, SUMNER KAGAN, FORREST SEAVEY, DR. WASSERMAN

Second Row (Left to Right): TED THAMIEL, HOWARD KLAPPER, ROWLAND GAUDETTE, JOHN McCAULEY, LARRY FERGUSON, PAUL WHITE, DON SAFERSTEIN

"In order that there may be a representative body of men and women who shall be able to express the opinion and wishes of the students. "Thus starts the constitution of the Student Council of the Massachusetts College of Optometry, and thus is stated in a few simple words the essence of the Student Council. The last two words — "the students" are perhaps the most important words of the whole statement. It is not the opinion and wishes of the majority of the students but simply of the students. To have an effective student council even the opinion and wishes of one lowly freshman must be considered. It is the individual rights and the individual welfare that the Student Council has strived to promote throughout the school year.

"To encourage and promote student activities and to provide for management and conduct of same." This is the first and primary object of the Student Council. In this field the Council has set a precedent. The Eyeball was bigger and better than ever before. In addition it was a financial success in that it paid for itself. As in the past the Council has supplied funds for the *Scope* and the basketball team. It gave the Camera Club new equipment for the dark room. A game room was set up through the efforts of the Student Council. The room now boast of a ping pong table, with plans underway for more recreational facilities. The Council also has plans well underway for a Freshmen Orientation in the fall, to be terminated by a social affair.

"To provide a suitable medium through which student opinion may be presented to the School Authorities." In this field the Student Council has received the full cooperation of the Administration. The Student Council brought to the attention of the school the condition of the Mimeograph and received a replacement. Much needed shelves and lining cabinets were obtained in the Mimeograph room. The game room was repaired. Through the combined efforts of the Junior Class and the Student Council, the lighting facilities in the classrooms were improved. In addition to these obvious accomplishments, the Student Council revived the system of having a faculty adviser present at the meetings.

Thus throughout this year the Student Council has endeavored "... to express the opinion and wishes of The Students..."

The members of the Council for 1957-58:

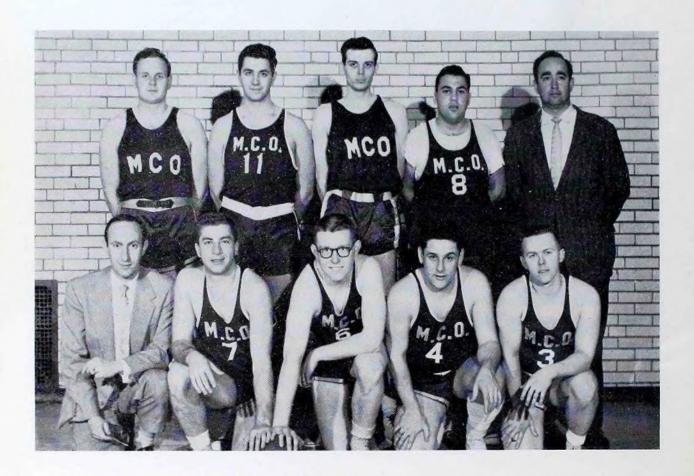
President	Forrest Seavey '59
Vice President	
Secretary	
Treasurer	
Faculty Advisor Dr.	

### Representatives:

Seniors	John McCauley, Phil Hughes
Juniors	Howard Klapper
Sophomores	William Gibbons, Ted Thamiel
Freshmen	Paul White
	Don Saferstein, Larry Ferguson
O. E. P	Phil Steinberg
P. O. S	Roland Gaudette

FORREST SEAVEY





Front Row (Left to Right): DR. MITCH KUHN, SUMNER KAGAN, PHIL HUGHES, BRUCE BRODSKY, PAUL MANNING

Second Row (Left to Right): KEN VARNUM, MARSHAL FELDMAN, DICK GLENN, ARTHUR PERETZIAN, CAROL MARTUS

The Massachusetts College of Optometry basketball team recently completed its ninth season as a member of the "Greater Boston Small College Basketball Conference".

Other league members presently consist of Emerson College, Chamberlayne Junior College, Burdett College, Newton Junior College, and New England School of Theology. Babson Institute and Boston State Teachers College have also been recent Conference members.

In the past, M.C.O. has also played against such formidable opposition as Harvard Medical School, Curry College, Suffolk University, Gordon College and M.I.T. Freshmen.

Though the 1957-58 season was one of M.C.O.'s more disappointing ones, with a league record of 3 wins and 7 losses, the team proved a very worthy representative of the College. Almost every loss was by a very narrow margin.

At no time was the team completely outplayed. With a little more reserve strength, the M.C.O. quintet would have been a strong contender for the league championship.

Fourteen candidates, including six freshmen, reported to Dr. Kuhn for the first practice session. Things looked very encouraging, indeed, as the season began to unfold. Senior veterans and co-captains Phil Hughes and Sumner Kagan were back for their fourth year of varsity competition. Other able veterans included Ken Varnum, Marshall Feldman, and Paul Manning. This group was measurably strengthened by such new candidates as Richard Glenn, Robert Sachs, Bruce Brodsky, and Joseph Comalli.

On Dec. M.C.O. played Gordon College at the wonderful Beverly Junior High War Memorial gymnasium, before a capacity crowd.

High light of the M.C.O. season was its opening league game vs. Emerson College at the Boston Garden on Saturday, Dec. 14. This game was played as the preliminary to the Boston Celtics professional game. It was the fourth time M.C.O. has played such a preliminary game to the Celtics at the Garden. The game was broadcast over the loud-speaker system, and the roster appeared on the Celtics' programs. Trailing at half-time, M.C.O. was victorious in a closely contested game by a score of 58-55. Star of the game was Phil Hughes, who scored 24 points. The team was also sparked by Joe Comalli. Able support was offered by Sumner Kagan, Bob Sachs, Ken Varnum, Dick Glenn, Marshall Feldman, and Bruce Brodsky.

After such a fine start, the squad was immeasurably weakened by the transfer of Bob Sachs to Syracuse University and the retirement of Joe Comalli. Though M.C.O. offered strong competition for the rest of the season, lack of reserves and inadequate physical conditioning proved too much of a handicap to overcome.

When it is realized that M.C.O. has a much smaller enrollment than most of the colleges it competes against, and does not have a gym of its own for practice purposes, its performance becomes all the more noteworthy. Team effort and determination have pulled M.C.O. through many a game.

In 1953, M.C.O. won the league championship, with a very fine team.

In recent years, the College received much publicity in the Boston papers as a result of the prolific scoring of Bob Brouillette, '56. He scored 73 points in a game against a strong Suffolk University team, and averaged 44 points a game for his four years at M.C.O.

Though the basketball team has received financial support from the student council, it is regrettable that the student body has not attended the games in larger numbers. It is hoped that in the future, the student council and the two fraternities will help to support the team in the way of better attendance. The players are really deserving of it. One cannot help but be impressed by the strong support given to the other league teams by their student bodies.

A number of new candidates will be needed next year to replace those to be lost through graduation.

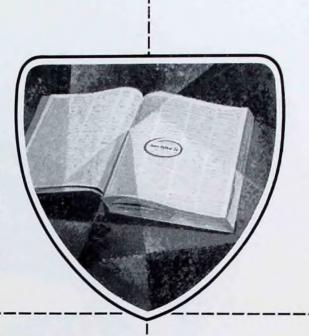
The team has been coached since its inception by Dr. Kuhn. He was ably assisted this year by managers Carol Martus and Robert McNulty.

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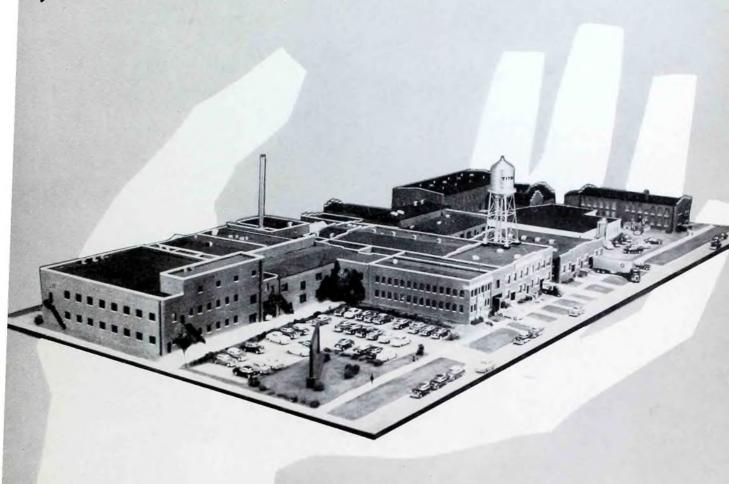
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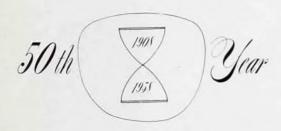
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