

## IN NEW BERN TODAY

All of us at New Bern High us would have accomplished any school have a right to be proud of more, or as much as our parents its many activities, compared with did, had we been crowded into the the limited activities that the same Moses Griffin building, and been school had when our mothers and deprived of a chance to have a fathers were teen-agers.

However, before we brag too much about our music, our expanded athletics, and various other ball games in a tobacco warehouse, things, we should remember that where lighting was very poor, and these have been made possible by our modern high school facilities. one or two small stoves? It is very doubtful that any of

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gymnasium and a wonderful auditorium. Can you picture playing basket-

it was impossible to heat it with And how would you have liked to perform in, or attend assembly in a tiny, so-called auditorium that had nothing but a poor excuse for

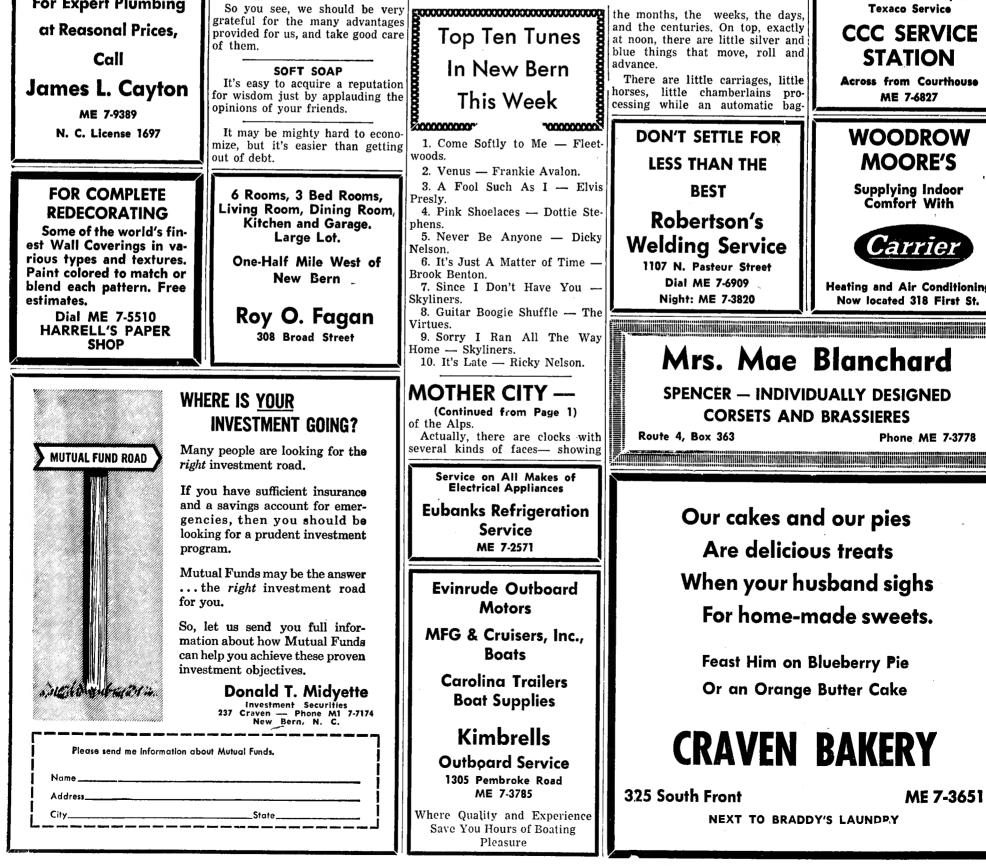
The seats in that auditorium were all on the same level, and had no cushions. Quite a few of them were in a bad state of repair. For years the only way to get backstage was to walk through the audience.

There was no money available for a band. The best our parents had was a three-piece "orchestra" As for our football teams, even the midgets have far better equipment than the stars of the fine teams that New Bern High school produced years ago.

In those days, there weren't even enough good uniforms to supply the eleven players on the starting team. And, of course, there was no such thing as a bus for teams to travel in.



NEW BERN'S OWN-If you were lucky enough to see the Benny Goodman spectacular—"Swing to Spring"—on CBS last Friday, you were one of the countless millions who enjoyed the swing ballet routines. The loveliest dancer of the lot was our own Mickey Gunnersen, who has climbed the ladder of fame from the Yuletide Revue to repeated performances in Broadway musicals. There'll never be a nicer Mirror Maid than Mickey.



pipe plays **a** tune. No wonder so many visitors to Berne stand with their noses in the air, waiting for its colorful mechanism and the little painted figures to be set in motion.

Originally, back in the 12th century, the Clock-Tower was intended to mark the limit of the town, and formed part of the main gate. Now, as the city grew, it is right in the heart of things.

There is little prospect that New Bern will ever have a clock half so complicated. As a matter of fact, we seem to have considerable trouble keeping our much simpler one in working order. In this respect, and others, we can learn **a** lot from Berne our mother city.

