



**SEARCHERS FOR HIDDEN POWERS**—These members of the Dickinson High School Science Research Club are probing the powers of extra-sensory perception that they and their associates possess as a project for the year. Left to right are Dean Smith, Linda Burndrett, Robert Benson, Becky Friedrich, George Allspach and Belinda Watson. Not present for the picture was Molly McIntosh. Robert Benson usually gives the handkerchief test, Belinda Watson the bean and cup test, Becky Friedrich the color card test, Linda Burndrett the number test, and George Allspach the ESP Commercial Card Test. Beryl Ozenne, who died in a car wreck, last Thursday, was active in this project. David Jackson and Bill Richey sometimes help in the ESP work.

## Beyond The Senses

# ESP Study Reveals Students' Abilities

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DICKINSON—There was a row of five pictures, of three girls and two boys, and above it on the desk top, a row of five handkerchiefs.

One of the handkerchiefs bore an initial. Another was larger, coarser, and more stained than the other three, which were almost identical.

"You may handle the pictures and the handkerchiefs. Then place each picture on the hankerchief with which it seems to belong," were the instructions.

"Each handkerchief was carried for at least two weeks by one of the students whose pictures are below the handkerchiefs. The idea is to match the picture with the handkerchief carried by the person pictured."

I had no preconceived notions when I took the test, to the point that I didn't even identify one of the pictures as belonging to the youth giving the test, Robert Benson, co-chairman with Belinda Watson of the extra-sensory perception project of the Dickinson High School Science

Research Club.

I tried to concentrate, then began placing pictures on handkerchiefs. I noticed some conflicting impulses as I did so, but ascribed them to the fact that I was being watched by others as I took the test. Toward the last, there was a sensation of many "signals" in my consciousness, which was somewhat relieved when I placed the last picture, that of Benson.

Then I waited for the score. It was explained that I had scored average, with one right (Benson), which also was the one that nearly always was placed right by those taking the test. I had also transposed two of the girls' pictures, as well as the other pair. But the prime result of the test, to me, was the fact that I had experienced a feeling of signals trying to be registered in my consciousness, since I realized, afterward, that Benson had been concentrating on the proper placement of the pictures, which he alone knew.

It was then explained that this test had been devised by Benson, based on the fact that an ESP-sensitive in England