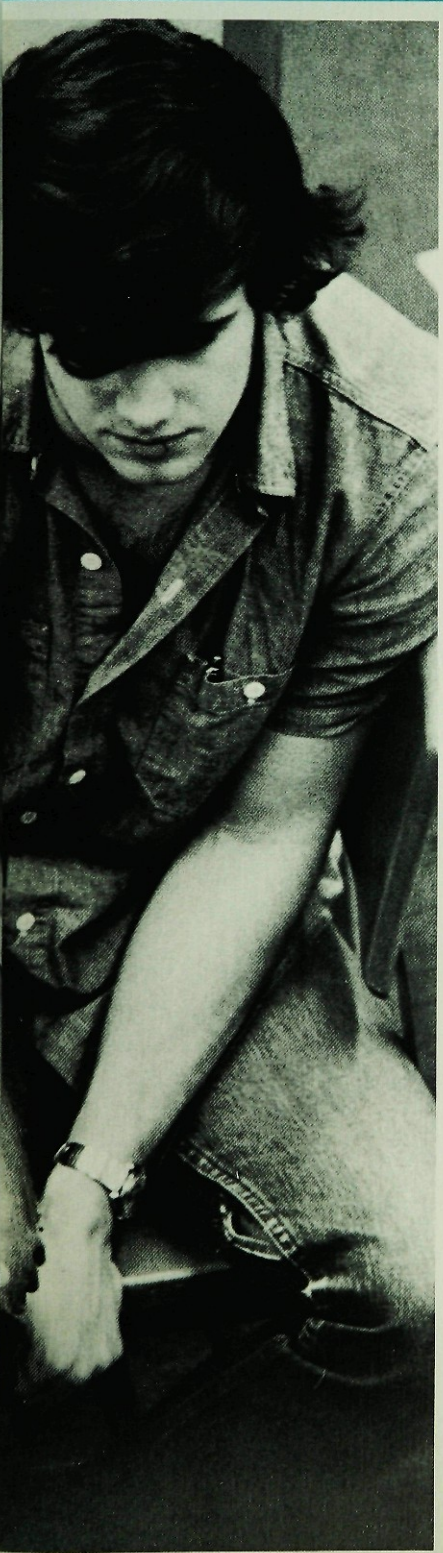


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*childhood seeming too brief . . .*



*yet able to fall back on the security of our friends . . .*

