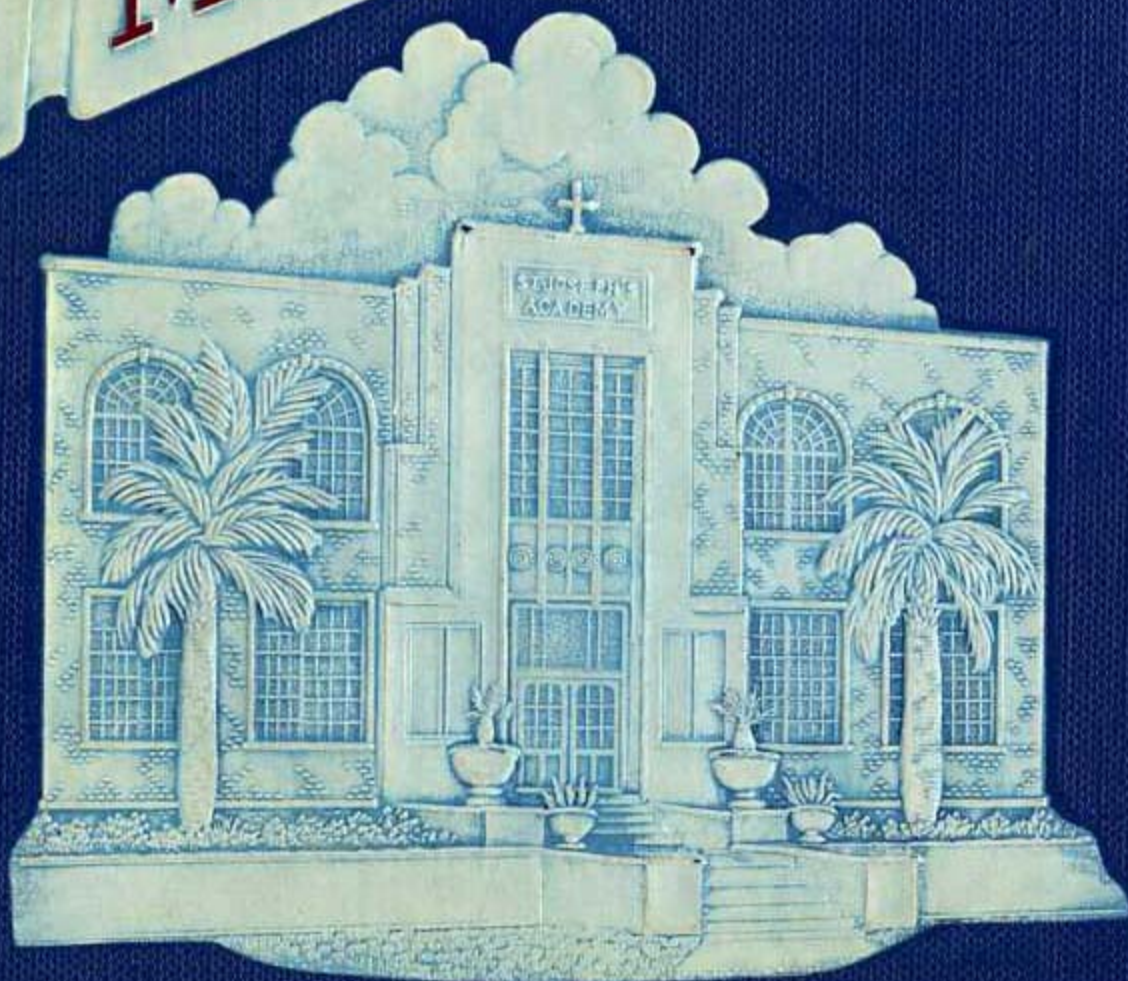




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1954





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ST. JOSEPH'S ACADEMY

1954

Foreword

THE CHEERS shook the ancient stones of the city of St. Peter. Pope Pius XII placed a bouquet of flowers at the column commemorating the Immaculate Conception in the Piazza di Spagna.

Thus our Holy Father inaugurated the Marian year, proclaimed by him to commemorate the one hundredth anniversary of the proclamation of the Dogma of the Immaculate Conception.

This year is dedicated to the Mother of God as once again the Catholic world turns to Mary in time of crisis. Millions of Catholics throughout the world will show their gratitude to Mary, in many ways, during this year dedicated to her.

Our Mother has been the guiding light during our high school days. We have drawn strength from her in times of discouragement. Her personal protection has led us through thick and thin. She has always been our inspiration and cause of joy.

So we, the Class of 1954, like so many other Catholics, express our immense gratitude to Our Mother, by publishing this edition of the Maroon and White as a tribute to her. We broke tradition and added another color to the usual maroon and white cover—blue, the color of Our Mother most pure.

Many are the fields which we hope to conquer. We cannot know what the future holds for us in this world of strife and turmoil. As we bid final farewell to our Alma Mater, we can only say:

"Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God."



The Immaculate Conception

Dedication

YOUR WISE GUIDANCE and leadership have led us safely through the transformation from unstable freshmen to the status of confident seniors. It is you who have made these past years memorable ones. As school principal you have been an inspiring and energetic leader, a true friend, a hard worker — in short a symbol of all that our school life stands for. Your task has not been an easy one; but your perseverance and courage have made this class one which will leave its mark in the history of St. Joseph's Academy. No "thank you" written in any language, expressed in any manner, nor said in many sincere words could truly reveal to you our gratitude. We sincerely wish you the blessing of God and the protection of the Blessed Virgin. To Brother James Carroll, we, the graduating class of 1954, lovingly dedicate this year's issue of the MAROON AND WHITE.



Rev. Bro. James Carroll, F.M.S.

Message

*Graduates and Student Body of St. Joseph's Academy
Laredo, Texas*

I EXTEND my congratulations to the Graduating Class of 1954. Yours is a rare privilege indeed to graduate in this Marian Year. May you be true clients of Our Blessed Mother and may you be real champions of St. Joseph's tradition in the world into which you go. The world today needs men of the type that St. Joseph's has turned out and we look to you, Marian Graduates, to hold high the standard of your Alma Mater.

To the Student Body, I send my greetings and best wishes for a well-earned vacation. May you rest satisfactorily during the Summer and come back in the Fall fully renewed in spirit and in body to carry on your work.

To the devoted Brothers, I send assurances of my gratitude for the splendid work that you are doing and I ask God's Holy Mother to inspire you in the future as she has in the past.

Sub Tutela Matris

MOST REV. M. S. GARRIGA, D.D., LL.D.
Bishop of Corpus Christi



Most Rev. M. S. Garriga, D.D., LL.D.

BISHOP OF CORPUS CHRISTI





Very Rev. Bro. Leoncio Lorenzo, F.M.S.

ASSISTANT GENERAL

ON JANUARY 2, 137th anniversary of the foundation of the Marist Brothers, St. Joseph's of Laredo welcomed Rev. Brother Leoncio Lorenzo, Assistant General, delegate of the Most Rev. Brother Superior General of the Institute of the Marist Brothers of the schools. The Reverend Brother Delegate was accompanied by Reverend Brother Leo, Provincial. On his inspection tour he had previously visited the Brothers' schools in Cuba, Colombia, El Salvador, and Guatemala. Bro. Delegate expressed his regret at not being able to meet the students, who were on their Christmas vacation.



Rev. Father Antonio G. Goicoechea

Chaplain

WE CANNOT THINK of our Alma Mater, without remembering our beloved Chaplain, Rev. Father Antonio G. Goicoechea. Week after week, he patiently heard our troubles and gave us kind advice in our need. His devoted zeal and genial words of encouragement made our stay at St. Joseph's Academy a fruitful period of spiritual development. Our heartfelt thanks with our promise to continue the work of our salvation which he fostered in our souls.

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High School

School



High School Faculty



BRO. HENRY
 n II
 Mod. History
 Study Hall



BRO. STEPHEN
 Religion IV
 Plane Geometry
 Solid Geometry
 General Science
 Chemistry



BRO. PAUL
 English V-VI
 English VII-VIII
 Spanish I



BRO. U. JOSEPH
 Intermediate
 English III-IV
 Spanish II
 Study Hall



BRO. J. MICHAEL
 Religion I
 English I
 Algebra I
 Typing
 Glee Club



Seniors



Senior Class Notes

We were Seniors now-forty-four strong, making the Class of 1954 the biggest in the history of the academy. We were eager, with traditional dignity and justified supremacy, to begin our last year at St. Joseph's Academy

<i>President</i>	FREDDY P. GONZALEZ
<i>Vice-President</i>	JOSE F. CAVAZOS
<i>Secretary</i>	ROLDAN CHAVEZ
<i>Treasurer</i>	ROBERTO NIX

As masters and intellectuals of high school life, we gathered all our wits about us and plunged into the activities which had to be kept going. As the annual Carnival rolled around we made history, breaking all ticket sales marks. Spirited Rene Trevino sold the most tickets in the whole school. With this triumph under our belts we applauded with satisfaction as Jimmy Kazen and Baltazar Castillo, stellar football players made All-Conference Team. With determination we turned out issue after issue of a six-page Antler, for the first time in the school's history. To show our appreciation to Mary, on this year dedicated to her, we placed fresh flowers in front of her picture in the Senior Class room throughout the year. The days flew by and soon we were making concrete preparations for our yearbook and posing for our pictures.

Basketball season rolled around and we shall never forget the fun we had on our famous "Hat Night." Spurred on by the team's fighting spirit, we won the attendance and percentage trophies many times. The team fared exceptionally well and we were proud of Poncho Cuellar, Polo Botello, Hector Car-

— ready to make history for the Maroon and White and bring honor to ourselves, our town, and our school. So pulled by these emotions we designated the following as class officers to guide our endeavors:

denas, Beto Jara, Carlos Gutierrez, Beto Vela, and Roldan Chavez, who gave us so many exciting moments at the gym. We gave generously to the Missions and other charitable drives. With so many things to do, so much to remember, the school year was fast coming to an end. We were looking forward to the prom, but before we knew it, it was all over and only pleasant memories remained with us. It was almost impossible to realize that our high school days were soon to be over, until we found ourselves actually signing "goodbyes" and "goodlucks" in our annual. Commencement was upon us, and filled with the enduring memories of St. Joseph's, we walked humbly, yet proudly, off the Commencement stage into that uncertain world of the future.

We are grateful indeed to the Seniors Mothers' Club for all they have done for us.

To all our teachers we express our thanks for their devoted attention and care. To Brother Stephen, our homeroom teacher, for his untiring leadership, continuous encouragement, and his invaluable guidance, we wish to express our everlasting gratitude.

Senior Class Officers



President

FEDERICO P. GONZALEZ, JR.



Vice-President

JOSE F. CAVAZOS



Secretary

ROLDAN CHAVEZ, JR.



Treasurer

ROBERTO NIX



Alfonso C. del Barrio



"Ponchito"

"Primo" . . . aims to be a detective . . . one of "the gang" . . . cherished possession: that crop of hair . . . always making friends laugh . . . never seen without "Chapo."



Carlos Y. Benavides, Jr.



"Cay"

"CY" . . . ranching is his first love . . . future "Aggie" . . . owns sleek green Pontiac . . . likable and full of fun . . . oh, that blond hair!



Leopoldo P. Botello, Jr.



"Polito"

"Despiste" . . . knows all the answers . . . mischievous in class . . . plays a good game of basketball and baseball . . . future lawyer . . . brains plus, but hates to study.

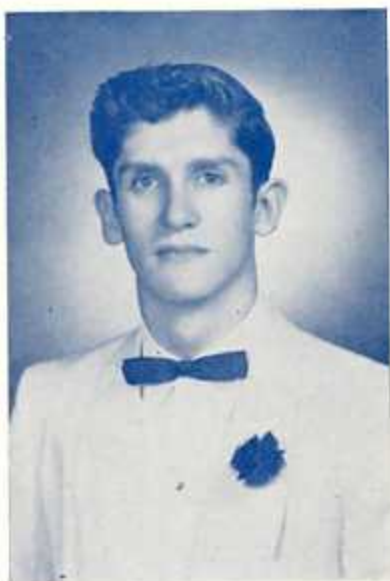


Elias J. Canavati



"Chacho"

"Camel" . . . reliable worker . . . shy at times . . . concealed humor behind serious countenance . . . very friendly . . . has trouble with Math.



Hector Homero Cardenas

"Cal" . . . favorite hangout: drugstore . . . never serious . . . Glee Club Officer . . . mischievous but sincere . . . ambition: to see the world.



"Tito"



Baltasar Castillo, Jr.

"Maicito" . . . all-conference back . . . very friendly . . . plays a good game of baseball as catcher . . . quiet at times . . . husky.



"Tito"



Jose Fco. Cavazos

"Foco" . . . future doctor . . . small, but mighty . . . vice-president . . . "A" student . . . fun-loving, but studious . . . likes to visit Saltillo.



"Pepe"



Roberto Cazares

"Cope" . . . plays an excellent game of baseball . . . everybody notices those dimples when he smiles . . . peppy . . . would rather dance than study . . . humorous.



"Beto"



Roldan Chavez, Jr.



"Rolito"

"Chato" . . . excellent secretary . . . excels in football and basketball . . . girls sigh over his curly hair . . . a whiz at Math . . . intelligent . . . good natured.



Alfonso Cuellar



"Ponchito"

"Poncho" . . . pride and joy of Coach Mora . . . has a way with everyone . . . never lets success go to his head . . . never seen alone . . . keen humor . . . innocent expression fools teachers.



Ruben Delgadillo



"Prieto"

"Bonzo" . . . always clowning around . . . loves to laugh every minute . . . partial to dancing . . . swell friend . . . good swimmer.



Isaac Echeverria, Jr.



"Nene"

"Nene" . . . known for his excellent "projects" . . . the most of his worries: chemistry . . . superb artistic ability . . . reserved manner.



Santiago Gallegos

"Chago" . . . quiet, until you get to know him . . . outstanding photographer . . . has big plans for future . . . sincere friend . . . well mannered and helpful.



"Tito"



Carlos Garcia

"Chale" . . . tall fellow . . . a bit serious . . . engaging smile . . . quiet and reserved . . . takes life in his stride . . . never seems to worry.



"Chale"



Ramiro Garcia

"Tongo" . . . rugged football lineman . . . prize possession: green Chevy . . . endlessly entertaining . . . humorous cartoonist . . . fun-loving.



"Patito"



Manuel Garza

"Meme" . . . tall, with blond hair . . . captivating crew cut . . . seriousness conceals his humor . . . drives that pick up.



"Meme"



Federico P. Gonzalez, Jr.

"Freddy" . . . president . . . honor student . . . ambition: straight A's in college . . . hard worker . . . lively humor . . . unassuming and understanding nature wins him friends . . . lover of good times.



"Fredito"



Lorenzo Gonzalez

"Lencho" . . . good mathematician . . . he looks quiet, but behind that mask . . . good-natured . . . shy smile . . . sincere friend . . . well-liked by all.



"Polon"



Mateo A. Gonzalez

"Matthew" . . . always seen at drugstore . . . full of fun . . . always kidding "Lencho" . . . liked for his sense of humor . . . has countless friends.



"Mateito"



Rene Gonzalez, Jr.

"Pappa" . . . tenor voice asset to Glee Club . . . bound for Texas Western . . . pleasant personality . . . lends helpful hand . . . jolly.



"Rene"



Jose Guerrero



"Pepito"

"Pepe" . . . new comer hails from Rio Grande . . . known as a swell guy . . . never worries . . . candidate for world's best saxophone player . . . cheery grin.



Carlos de Jesus Gutierrez



"Chuy"

"Goon" . . . known as good basketball player . . . allergic to studying . . . has many friends . . . clever and alert . . . fond of shot-putting.



Tomas Hinojosa



"Tomikin"

"Pajaro" . . . at home on the dance floor . . . small in stature, big in heart . . . great track man . . . we envy his sense of humor . . . he never stops having fun . . . popular.



Heriberto Jara Snyder



"Beto"

"Beto" . . . basketball star . . . can't see a thing without glasses . . . partial to brunettes . . . true friend . . . participant in good fun . . . mischievous.



James Douglas Kazen

"Jimmy" . . . all-conference lineman . . . he enjoys reading . . . great debater . . . takes interest in English . . . successful student . . . congenial lad.



"Junior"



John Larbour

"Spike" . . . his ambition: to pass chemistry tests . . . usual attire: boots and blue jeans . . . talkative . . . pleasing smile . . . always cheerful . . . well-groomed.



"Butch"



Juan Longoria, III

"Egg" . . . faithful friend . . . intelligent lad . . . always dependable . . . Brother Stephen's right-hand man . . . always a friendly wisecrack . . . future Einstein.



"Johnny"



Luis A. Lopez

"Pelitos" . . . football and basketball star . . . happy-go-lucky . . . always out for a good time . . . quick and amusing wit . . . amiable . . . grand guy.



"Wicho"



Adolfo R. Martinez



"DoFo"

"Ghost" . . . slim fellow . . . wonderful lad . . . hidden sense of humor . . . desirable friend . . . on the quiet side . . . well-mannered.



Manuel Medina, Jr.



"Nunito"

"Lefty" . . . superb pitcher . . . hails from Zapata . . . always needs a haircut . . . loves to dance . . . besetting desire: to blow up the chemistry lab.



Roberto Nix



"Robertito"

"Kimo" . . . football captain . . . bound for Loyola . . . honor student . . . outstanding characteristic: his smile . . . always sincere and honest . . . unassuming nature.



Mario Palmeros



"Mayete"

"Zorro" . . . great Antler lineman . . . main occupation: annoying his teachers . . . frowns when not wearing glasses . . . never completely quiet . . . enjoys life.



Alfonso Pedraza G.

"Poncho" . . . fools everyone with quiet manner . . . always in the library . . . well-groomed . . . that infectious grin . . . dependable . . . wonderful friend.



"Alfonso"



Jose F. de la Peña

"Chapo" . . . likes to read pocket books . . . never serious . . . chief desire: to have fun . . . collector of phone numbers . . . watch him grin.



"Josesito"



Francisco Peña, Jr.

"Pancho" . . . always ready for fun . . . liked for his sense of humor . . . unique personality . . . likes to draw cartoons . . . teacher's headache . . . good student.



"Panchito"



Felipe Perez, Jr.

"Pollo" . . . favorite subject: study hall . . . known by that laugh . . . always ready with cheerful word . . . "good things come in small packages."



"Pipe"



Eduardo Salido



"Wayito"

"Wayo" . . . neat dresser . . . proud of his yellow Chevy . . . has definite artistic abilities . . . pleasant disposition . . . quiet and reserved.



Clarence P. Scott, Jr.

"Cookie" . . . blond haired and blue-eyed . . . amiable . . . interesting to talk to . . . his smile attracts attention . . . quiet humor.



Rogelio S. Garcia

"Rogelio" . . . outfielder on Antler nine . . . class artist . . . a quiet fellow (?) . . . future aeronautic student . . . capable.



"Kelito"



Rene Treviño

"Pito" . . . super-salesman . . . big in heart . . . willing helper . . . unforgettable, quick, shy grin . . . gets along with everyone . . . courteous.



"Rene"



Alberto Valadez



"Beto"

"Beto" . . . everybody notices his ebony hair . . . winning smile . . . mischievous grin . . . friendly fellow . . . agreeable.



Alberto R. Vela, Jr.



"Bebito"

"Beaver" . . . feeling toward graduation: freedom at last . . . pet peeve: running out of gas . . . uninterested in girls (?) . . . great competitor in football and basketball . . . favorite pastime: being funny.



Gil M. Villagran



"Gilito"

"Tito" . . . excellent study hall student . . . always laughing and talking . . . his motto, "Why study?" . . . great loafing ability.



Roel Villarreal



"Guero"

"Torty" . . . "Zapata Keed" . . . fools people by his shy look . . . never too busy to help . . . known as the quiet type.

Senior Class Will

We, the exuberant Seniors of St. Joseph's Academy, in this turbulent year of Our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and fifty-four, being in the verge of insanity and in the full enjoyment of our knowledge, thus formally, and officially commit our most prized possessions so that they may be cautiously and conscientiously allotted.

I, ALFONSO DEL BARRIO, bequeath my abundant crop of hair to Elmore Borchers.

I, CARLOS BENAVIDES, bequeath my blonde hair to Blas Martinez.

I, LEOPOLDO BOTELLO, bequeath my combination cigarette-holder baseball 'cyclopedia to Jesus Chapa.

I, ELIAS CANAVATI, bequeath my clear English accent to Yves Aigret.

I, HECTOR CARDENAS, bequeath my well-rounded physique to Oscar Navarro.

I, BALTAZAR CASTILLO, bequeath my robust health to Roberto Acosta.

I, JOSE CAVAZOS, bequeath my smashed up car to anyone who is interested.

I, ROBERTO CAZARES, bequeath my collection of lyric poems to Frank Fierros.

I, ROLDAN CHAVEZ, bequeath my "chato" nose to Pancho Rodriguez.

I, ALFONSO CUELLAR, bequeath my large area of cerebelum to Sergio Uribe.

I, RUBEN DELGADILLO, bequeath my monkey-like personality to Ramiro Zapata.

I, ISAAC ECHAVARRIA, bequeath my binocular lenses to Humberto Villarreal.

I, SANTIAGO GALLEGOS, bequeath my camera to Humberto Segovia (It's of no use to me anymore, I have a contract with Warner Bros.)

I, CARLOS GARCIA, bequeath my bracero row boat to Ernesto Rivera.

I, RAMIRO GARCIA, bequeath my extra poundage to Juan Aguayo.

I, MANUEL GARZA, bequeath my rank (buck private) in the Mexican army to Herbert Green.

I, FRED GONZALEZ, bequeath my sophisticated glances to Frank Fierros.

I, LORENZO GONZALEZ, bequeath my women-hating ideas to Arturo Serrano.

I, MATEO GONZALEZ, bequeath my hair-growing treatment and Toni Shampoo to Roberto Acosta.

I, RENE GONZALEZ, bequeath my Hollywood figure to Enrique Blasco.

I, JOSE GUERRERO, bequeath my saxophone to Oscar Navarro.

I, CARLOS GUTIERREZ, bequeath my combination bus-station-wagon to Charles Dickinson.

I, TOMAS HINOJOSA, bequeath my elevator shoes to Elmore Borchers.

I, HERIBERTO JARA, bequeath my wet-back racket to George Kazen.

I, JAMES KAZEN, bequeath my landing barges to Arturo Perez (They need some new laces.)

I, JOHNNY LARBOUR, bequeath my accordion file (accordion tablet) to Luis Uribe.

I, JUAN LONGORIA, bequeath my high-school complexion to Charles Dickinson.

I, LUIS LOPEZ, bequeath my dancing abilities to Ezequiel Salinas.

I, ADOLFO MARTINEZ, bequeath my ghostly figure to Juan Aguayo.

I, MANUEL MEDINA, bequeath my primitive hairdo to Enrique Blasco.

I, ROBERTO NIX, bequeath my nickname "snow white" to Herbert Green.

I, MARIO PALMEROS, bequeath my tardiness record to Jesus Chapa.

I, ALFONSO PEDRAZA, bequeath my position in the library to anyone with enough loafing ability to take the job.

The above mentioned is our last will, made with the sole purpose of giving our inheritors greater reknown through our generous bestowals.

I, FRANCISCO PENA, bequeath my nickname "McGoo" to any junior that has poor sight.

I, JOSE DE LA PENA, bequeath my old pair of blue jeans to Blas Martinez.

I, FELIPE PEREZ, bequeath my microscopic height to Humberto Segovia.

I, EDUARDO SALIDO, bequeath my airplane engine to Ernesto Rivera to be used in his jalopy.

I, CLARENCE SCOTT, bequeath my fascist books to Yves Aigret.

I, ROGELIO SOSA, bequeath my lost chemistry notebook to Arturo Perez.

I, RENE TREVINO, bequeath my Greek profile to Ricardo Flores.

I, ALBERTO VALADEZ, bequeath my "high brow" mustache to Pancho Rodriguez.

I, ALBERTO VELA, bequeath the goodies I received from the Salvation Army during Xmas to anybody interested.

I, GIL VILLAGRAN, bequeath my position in the Hot Roll to George Kazen.

I, ROEL VILLARREAL, bequeath my Tortilla Factory to Ramiro Zapata.



Football queen



Thank you coach!



Sweating it out



Before exams



Don't believe it!



Come and get it



Hard at work



Wotta night



Free eats



Last drill



Already?



Basketball?



Hard workers



Showing off...



Hat night



K.P. duty

Class Prophecy

Today, May 27, 1971, I awoke without hesitation for it is just seventeen years ago to date that I, along with forty-three other boys, graduated from old St. Joseph's Academy. We are all coming together today for the dedication of the combination gym and swimming pool designed by the world's leading architect, Tomas Hinojosa.

I dressed quickly and decided to open my day with a relaxing tour about town. Leaving my house, I hailed a cab. The cab was going so slow that I asked the driver if he couldn't go any faster, and he answered,

"Sure, but I'm not allowed to leave the cab."

I recognized the voice as belonging to Roberto Cazares, who said he drove cabs as a hobby. We turned on the radio and heard, "This is HOYA the Puritan voice of the world." It was Rene Gonzalez's powerful radio station.

The taxi left me in front of the boarding house, where Juan Longoria lived. As I hadn't heard from him since he had become a chemist, I decided on a visit. The landlady took me to his room. She told me he had invented a powerful explosive. I looked up at the ceiling and noticed two blotches. "I guess that's the explosive up there," I said to the landlady. "No," she replied, "that's Longoria."

I saw no point in staying, so I continued my walk.

Soon I came to Francisco Peña's optometrist shop, where I saw a sign, which read:

EYES EXAMINED WHILE YOU WAIT

Peña was out to lunch at the time so I continued my walk.

My next stop was the de la Peña Garage and Service Station. There was a heated argument going on, so I decided to investigate. I found the debaters to be Jose de la Peña and Polo Botello. It seems that the fight was about whether Polo should smoke in front of Jose's gasoline. The argument was settled when Jose put up a sign which read:

NO SMOKING, IF YOUR LIFE IS WORTH NOTHING, MY GAS IS.

I happened to be passing the hospital when I saw a handsomely dressed man sitting on the steps. I recognized him as Carlos Y. Benavides, millionaire. He seemed to be in a very

joyful mood. It seems that he had felt sick and decided to see his doctor Jose Cavazos. "You know," he told me, "Joe has one piece of equipment that the minute I saw it I felt better." "What's that?" I asked. "It's called a Nurse," answered C.Y. I should have known his thoughts would be running in the same old channels.

I went on into the hospital. The nurse on duty told me that Doctor Cavazos was in surgery at the time. I heard voices coming from a door at one end of the hall, so I walked to the window and looked through. I saw Clarence Scott at one end of the operating table trying vainly to put the patient, Johnny Larbour, to sleep. Bending over the table was Jose Cavazos. Waiting just in case the operation was a failure, was Louie Lopez, local undertaker. I could hear Cavazos telling Larbour, "I'm going to be frank with you. Only one out of ten persons recover from my operations. Before I proceed, is there something you'd like me to do?"

"Yes," replied Johnny, "help me on with my clothes and shoes." I decided to go on home and get ready for the dedication ceremonies.

When I arrived at school almost everyone was there. Alberto Vela had fulfilled his high school prediction about becoming an engineer. I didn't see much of him though because his train was pulling out at 7:40 and he had to check the oil in the packing of the wheels.

I wanted to find out more about some of the boys in that memorable class of '54, so I elected to ask Fred Gonzalez, my former editor.

"Remember Felipe Perez?" Fred asked.

"Sure," I answered, "what ever happened to him."

"Well, after leaving school he formed a band and began touring the country. Guerrero played the sax, Jara the trumpet, Delgadillo played the monkey sticks and Valadez was the soloist. I only heard them once; it was in a night club in San Antonio. The music was so terrible that when a waiter dropped a tray full of dishes, everyone got up and danced."

"What happened to the rest of the boys? I heard a rumor that Rene Trevino became a rich man."

"Yes," said Fred, "he went into partnership with Salido, Villagran and Echevarria. It seems that they all struck oil. I visited their place the other day and I haven't seen so much oil since I borrowed Medina's comb, back in high school."

"Have you ever heard from Medina?"

"Yes, but that's a long story. You see a few years ago Lorenzo Gonzalez disappeared. Alfonso del Barrio, the greatest detective of them all, was put on the case. He brought Medina in as a suspect; the judge asked Medina if he was guilty or not; Medina answered, "Judge I need time to think this over" — so the judge gave him five years.

"That's too bad," I said, "but let's go investigate the pool."

When we came to the pool I saw more of my old classmates. There were Sosa, Carlos Garcia, Manuel Garza and Alfonso Pedraza jumping off the twenty-foot diving board into the pool.

I turned to Fred and remarked, "They seem to be enjoying themselves."

"Yes," agreed Fred, "and they'll probably have even more fun when we put in the water tomorrow."

Our attention was drawn by a large crowd which had gathered at the far end of the pool. "Let's investigate, Jim," said Fred. So we started toward the crowd which had gathered ten or twenty yards from where Villarreal had set up his tortilla stand. As we drew nearer we heard gasps of amazement coming from the crowds.

"How can it survive in that condition?" I heard one ask.

"Impossible," said another.

We finally saw the cause of the commotion. It was only Hector Cardenas in a bathing suit. He had the same fine physique he had in high school.

I recognized Roldan Chavez coming towards me. "How have you been, Roldie?" I inquired. "Oh," said Chavez, "I'm an author now. I have been selected as a book of the month author."

"Wonderful," I exclaimed. "No, terrible," said Roldan, "who can make money selling one book a month?"

The gathering was breaking up now so I decided to go on over the Nix's dugstore and buy a paper. I thought I saw a Buick parked in front of the drugstore but it turned out to be Carlos Gutierrez wearing a new pair of glasses. I went on inside and bought a paper. On the front page were big headlines, which read: MATEO GONZALEZ APPOINTED COMMANDER OF ATLANTIC AND PACIFIC FLEETS. Just under this was an article on Elias Canavati. It read: "Elias Canavati is just finishing a picture in Hollywood. One more box of crayons and he'll be through."

Turning to the sports page, I found that six professional basketball teams were begging for Alfonso Cuellar to join them.

I spotted Adolfo Martinez eating one of Nix's chocolate desserts, so I went over and started talking to him. He told me he was quite satisfied with life. "In fact," he said, "I married an angel." "Is she really that good to you," I asked. "No," replied Martinez, "she's dead."

I happened to glance toward the corner of the room and there I spied a big man rolling over the floor laughing hysterically. I advanced toward him and to my amazement found him to be none other than Ramiro Garcia. I asked the cause for such exuberance and he told me. "You see," said Ramiro, "Palmeros and Santiago went into photography together and they told everyone that they would make life-size enlargements of anything. So I went into their studio today. Will you make a life-size enlargement of anything, I asked Santiago. 'I sure will,' he said. 'Then see what you can do with this picture of the Empire State Building.'" Upon completing this statement he relapsed into uncontrollable laughter.

It was getting pretty late so I decided to go on home and get to bed because my milkman, Baltazar Castillo always wakes me up early banging the bottles together.

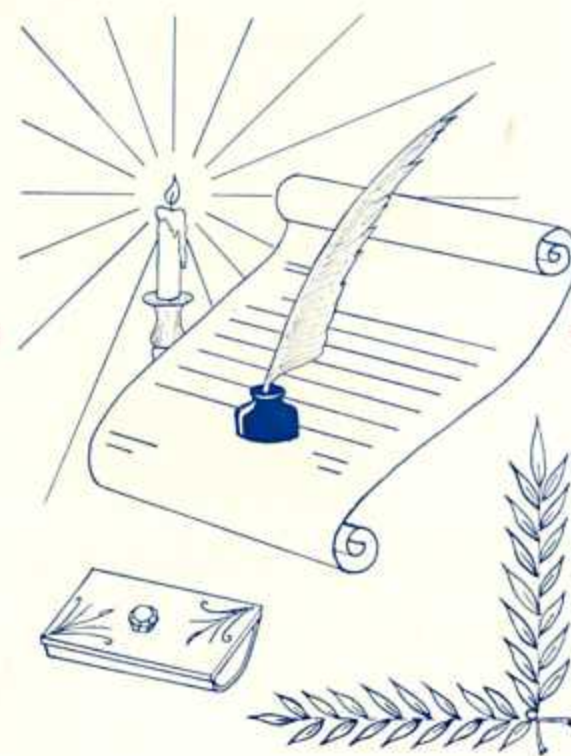


These boys have attended St. Joseph's Academy for more than ten years. Some of them have been here for twelve years.

Many are the cherished memories these boys carry with them. The friendly classmates and the devoted brothers will never be forgotten. The years at St. Joseph's were filled with both work and play. The buildings, their color, and intimacy and the many familiar scenes of daily occurrence remain with them long after they graduate. The beauty and the traditions of the campus have brought them much of the wisdom and strength that are symbolic of St. Joseph's Academy.



Undergraduates



Sophomores



CLASS OFFICERS

ALOYS NOTZON

JOSE MORENO

JUAN ORTIZ

PHILLIP LEYENDECKER

As the end of the summer of '53 drew to a close, we, the Sophomore Class, started afresh after the long period of fun and doing nothing for three long months.

When we came into the class, we saw Brother Frank, who had been absent for

some time from the Academy. Later this year he departed from the school once more.

At the beginning of the school year we chose officers for our class. The following were elected:

ALOYS NOTZON	<i>President</i>
JOSE MORENO	<i>Vice-President</i>
JUAN ORTIZ	<i>Secretary</i>
PHILIP LEYENDECKER	<i>Treasurer</i>

Our class had a large choice of sports this year and many participated. Some entered the St. Joe's Day Track Meet, and several were on the football team. Also, for the others, there was basketball and baseball.

Our favorite class this year was typing. The teacher, Bro. Joseph Michael, taught us the course easily and skillfully. Also, let us not

forget Bro. Henry who took over the home-room place of Bro. Frank. And we still can't forget the projects we had to make for Bro. Stephen and Bro. Joseph.

As the year of our Sophomore class comes to an end, we the Sophomores will look forward to the remaining two years in our beloved St. Joseph's Academy.

Sophomores



Ramon Barrios

Arturo N. Benavides

Raymond Botello

Salvador Calderon

Peter Canavati



Alfonso Casas

Tristan Castaneda

Fernando Collozo

Hector Cuellar

Joe Deutch



Mario Delgado

Lee E. Ewing

Hector Farias

Reynaldo Fierros

Nick Gaitanos



Carlos Gonzalez

Jaime Gracia

Robert E. Crubbs

Augusto Guajardo

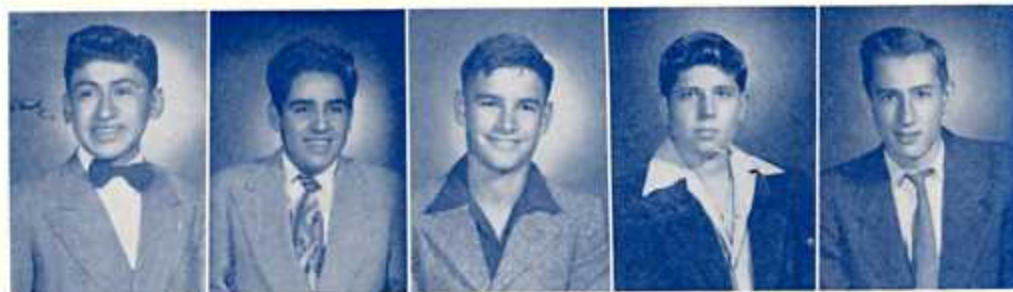
Sophomores



Tom J. Guajardo John F. Jordan William McKendrick Rosendo R. Martinez
 Ramiro Martinez



Frank Million Charles Moser Rafael Pena Gabriel Perales Roberto Quiroz



Ignacio Ramirez Jose Ruelas Dan M. Sanchez John L. Sutton Shelby Theriot



Alonso Trevino Mario Trevino Ricardo Uribe Alberto Zuniga

Freshmen



CLASS OFFICERS

RODOLFO ZAFFIRINI MIGUEL CAVAZOS
 MARIO GONZALEZ ALFREDO CERVERA

When we first stepped in the freshman room in September, we were nervous and frightened. Although we saw many familiar faces around us, we felt much worried about our new life in high school. Under the guidance of our teachers we soon became adjusted to our new routine; shifts of classrooms and teachers, projects, themes, talks, outside readings, notebooks, etc.

Following our adjustment period, we became very active in school activities, such as carnival ticket sales, mission fund contributions, march of dimes and tuberculosis drives. We held the best record in number of students attending our basketball games. We were awarded a trophy for thus supporting our basketball team. In the city-wide scrap-book contest on the "Good Will Between U.S.

and Mexico" we won seven \$10 awards. Every scrap book we submitted was on the winners' list.

The boys elected to lead us through the first term were: Rodolfo Zaffirini, president; Mario Gonzalez, vice-president; Miguel Cavazos, secretary and Alfredo Cervera, treasurer. Our officers for the second term were: Tom Ramirez, president; Rodolfo Zaffirini, vice-president; Miguel Cavazos, secretary; and Mario Gonzalez, treasurer.

We wish to express our gratitude to all the Brothers, especially to Brother Joseph Michael, our homeroom teacher, for everything they have done to make us feel at home at St. Joseph's and for leading us to success through our first year of high school.

Freshmen



Francis Almond Jose Alvarado Javier Arce Jose Barrera Homero Canales



Jose Carabaza Cesar Casillas Jesus Cavazos Angel Chazco Fernando Cruz



Heriberto Deandar Richard Foster Flavio Fuente Martin Gallegos Javier Gaona



Rolando Gaona Ignacio Garcia Joe B. Garcia Arturo Garza Gabino Hernandez

Freshmen



Thomas Johnson Bob Kuykendall Eddie Ledsinger Louis Link Peter Lizcano



Dennis Longoria Ramon Martinez Florencio Mireles Rodolfo Nava Robert Olson



Javier de la Pena Virgilio Puente Raul Ramirez Tomas Ramirez Oscar Rodriguez



Salvador Saavedra Humberto Varela Manuel Vela Manuel Villarreal James Wanless

High School Curriculum



RELIGION I



RELIGION II

Religion

Religion is the most important learning that a man can have. As we go on living in this atheistic world, we shall find difficult problems that only a man with a good Catholic education can solve. A knowledge of Religion will make our road to heaven smoother.

English

A thorough knowledge of English will be invaluable to us in any career we choose. The mastery of it will gain respect for us and will make success easier in our future life.

Social Sciences

The science of society is included in the subjects of Civics, Economics, History, and Book-keeping. It is everyday life. The advancement of humanity greatly depends on the development of social sciences.

Mathematics

Mathematics is the foundation of all sciences. In this atomic era the mastery of Mathematics will make possible the solutions of many complicated and perplexing problems.

Natural Sciences

Chemistry and General Science are two important subjects taught at St. Joseph's. It is because of Natural Sciences that the world prospers and develops itself into a modern civilization.

Business—Languages

Mastery in typing will be a great asset both in college and in our profession. A knowledge of Spanish will widen our business horizons later in life.



RELIGION IV



ENGLISH I-II



PLANE GEOMETRY



AMERICAN HISTORY



ENGLISH V-VI



ALGEBRA I



ENGLISH III-IV



TRIGONOMETRY



ENGLISH VII-VIII



GENERAL SCIENCE



SPANISH II



CIVICS



SPANISH I



TYPING



CHEMISTRY "A"



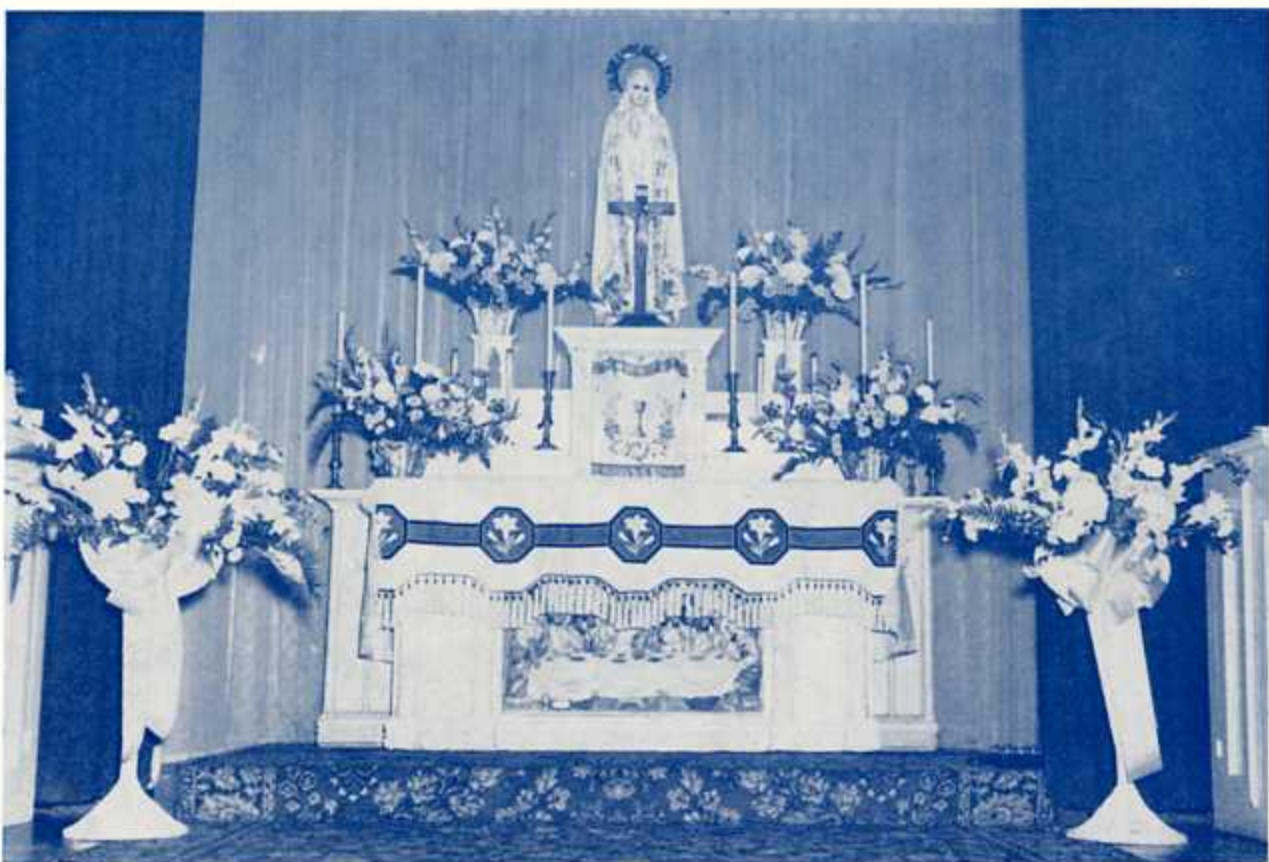
CHEMISTRY "B"



BOOKKEEPING



MODERN HISTORY



*All to Jesus Through Mary
All to Mary for Jesus.*

RESPLENDENT with the floral offerings of the students, Our Lady's altar is the symbol of our Mother's beauty and chastity. Situated in the school's chapel-gymnasium, the beautiful altar serves as an inspiration to all during the weekly Mass.

Special devotion to Mary has always been a dear tradition at St. Joseph's, and during this Marian Year, it has been demonstrated by the floral offerings, prayers, and special organizations dedicated to Mary.



Grammar School



Faculty



BRO. BENJAMIN
5TH GRADE



BRO. CHARLES
7TH GRADE



BRO. MICHAEL
6TH GRADE



BRO. DOMINIC
5TH GRADE

Faculty



BRO. FRANCIS
4TH GRADE



BRO. LOUIS
3RD GRADE



MR. WAYDELL HUNTER
INTERMEDIATE

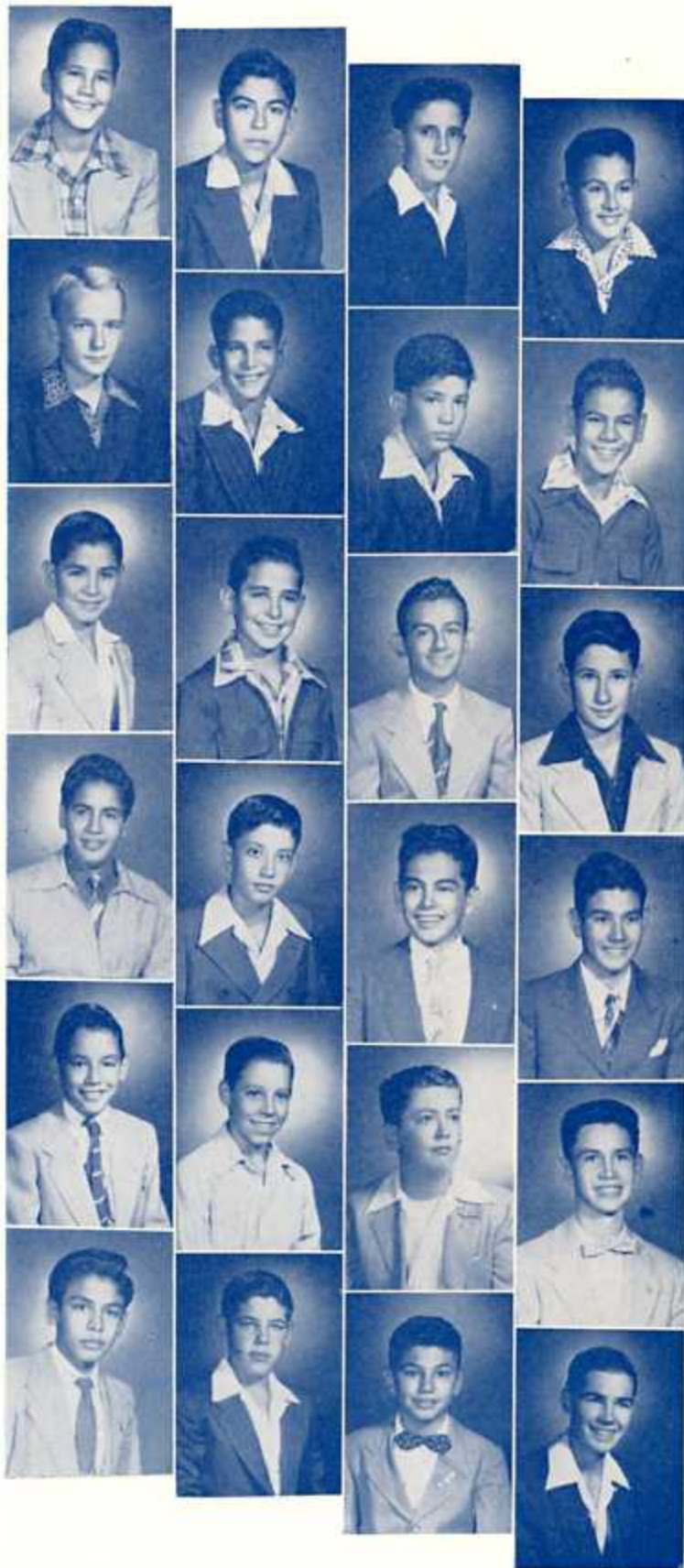


BRO. EMMANUEL
COLEGIO AMERICA



BRO. ALPHONSE
COLEGIO AMERICA

Eighth Grade



Patrick Henry Alexander
Francisco Canedo, Jr.
Carlos G. Cardenas
John Y. Dickinson, Jr.

H. H. Earnest
Carlos Luis Farias
Luis Felipe Farias
Manuel B. Flores

Jose de las Fuentes
Carlos Garza Gongora, Jr.
Genaro A. Garza
Jaime Gonzalez

Jose Gonzalez B.
Germain Guajardo
Sabas Guajardo Menchaca
Juan P. Gutierrez, Jr.

Teodosio Gutierrez, IV
James E. Halliwell
Donald Wayne Hendon
Alfonso A. Leyendecker

Fidel Limon, Jr.
Delfino Lozano, III
Juan M. Martinez, Jr.
Carlos Luis Nava Hinojosa

Eighth Grade



Gil Ortiz
Cipriano Pedraza Guevara
Felipe de Jesus Perez Garcia
Jose Ma. Ramirez, Jr.

Santiago Ramirez, Jr.
Enrique H. Ramon
James R. Ringold, Jr.
John M. Ringwood

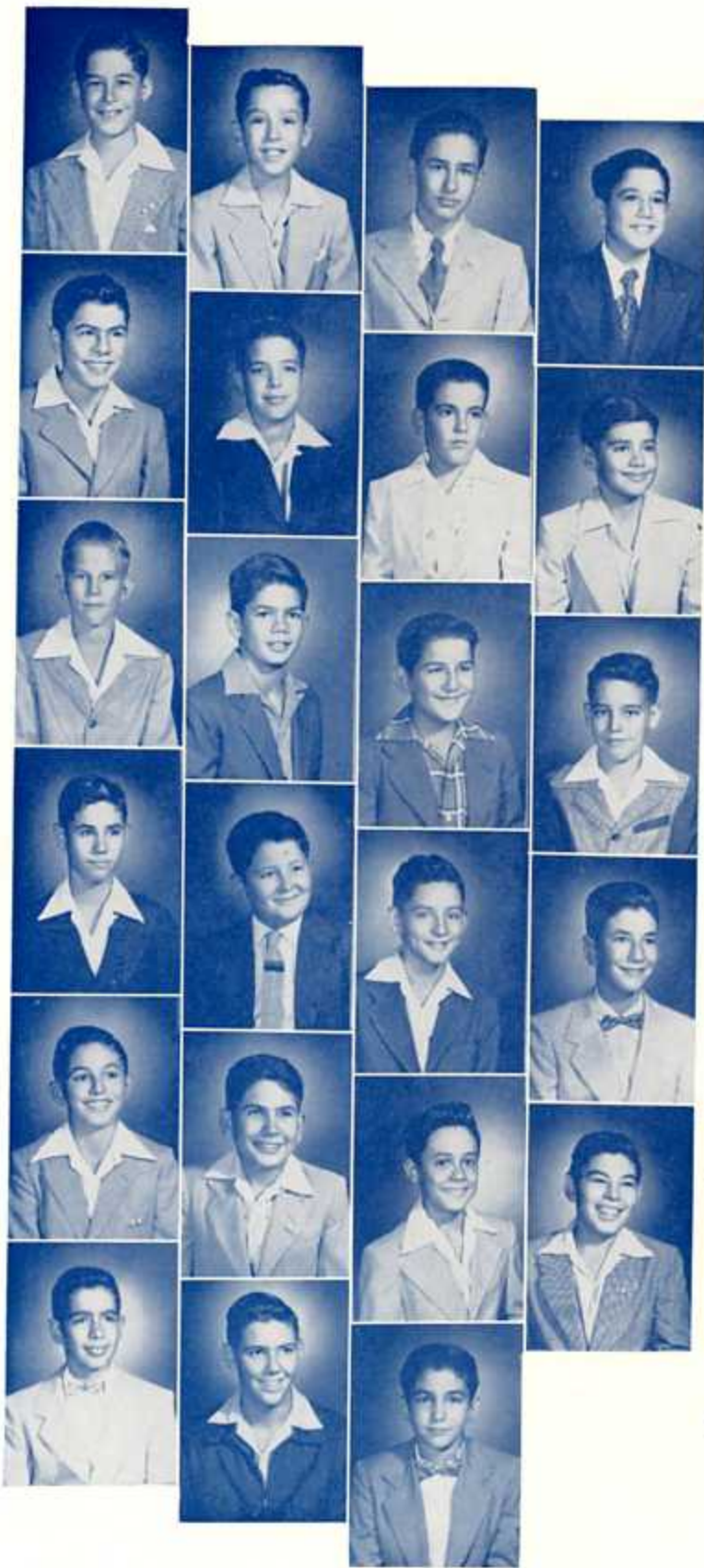
Aurelio Ramon Rodriguez
Jesus L. Rodriguez, Jr.
Ramiro F. Rodriguez, Jr.
Roque Carlos Rodriguez, Jr.

Ignacio Jesus Sanchez
Jose M. Solis
John E. Svab, Jr.
Jesse Joseph Turgeon

Lawrence L. Turgeon
Heberto Amador Uribe
Higinio Valdez, Jr.
Carlos R. Vela

Luis Vela, Jr.
Arthur Volz, Jr.
Raul Zapata, Jr.

Seventh Grade



Henry Azios
Fred M. Bruni
Rodrigo Caballero
Jose Luis Cavazos

Armando Cruz
Fernando Cuellar
William J. Dickinson
Teofilo Esquivel

Graham R. Ewing
Michael Galo
Arturo Garcia
Galo Garcia

Julio Garcia
Fernando Garza
Robert E. Garza
Edmundo R. Gonzalez

Mario J. Gonzalez
Ruben S. Gonzalez
Victor M. Gonzalez
Jose M. Guajardo

Modesto A. Guerra
William N. Hall
Ramon Heredia

Seventh Grade



Cecilio J. Herrera
Jerry Hinojosa
Fernando Laurel
A. Francis Malakoff

Joseph C. Martin, III
Eduardo Martinez
Homero Martinez
Oscar O. Martinez

Roberto Martinez
Javier Menchaca
Jose Moreno
Raul Pena

Blas Ramirez
Hector R. Rodriguez
Oscar O. Salinas
John Seawell

Ernesto Tamez
Xavier Valdez
Carlos Vela
Jorge Verduzco

Oswaldo Vidauri
Antonio Villarreal
Fred Winch



Sixth Grade

Heriberto Avalos
Benjamin A. Barrera
Jeff Barrow
Charles R. Borchers

Victor Joe Botello
William Cortez
George Esparza, Jr.
Oscar Garza

Rosalio Garza, III
George H. Gonzalez
Nieves Gonzalez, III
Sergio Gonzalez

Aurelio Guerra, Jr.
Daniel Guerra
David Guerrero
Ernest A. Gutierrez

A. Walter Kuykendall
Francisco Lopez
Ramiro Martinez
Raul G. Mendez, Jr.



Sixth Grade

Rene J. Mendez
Aurelio M. Montemayor
William S. Moreno
Juan S. Navarro, Jr.

Merlin Jerry O'Bryant
Mario O. de la Pena, III
Raul Perales
Baldomero A. Puig, III

Francisco S. Ramirez
Javier Ramirez
Ramon Ramirez, Jr.
Russell J. Rodrigue, Jr.

Thomas M. Rodriguez, Jr.
Charles R. Rush
Abelardo A. Salinas
Thomas P. Samuels, Jr.

Thomas R. Sanchez
Robert Louis Slaughter
Guillermo Vela
Joe A. Villarreal, Jr.

Fifth Grade



John Aleayde
John Arechiga
Richard Braddock
Liborio Canales

Guillermo Cavazos
Michael Collins
Maximo Cruz
Alfonso Esquivel

Richard Ewing
Angelo Ferrazzano
Francisco Flores
Oscar Flores

Max Flusche
Bogelio Garcia
Robert Garza
Ernesto Garza

Edmundo Gonzalez, L.
Juvenal Gonzalez
Richard Hansen
Jose Hernandez

Jerome Jordan
Joseph Jordan
Hector Laurel
Federico Longoria

Fifth Grade



Marcos Longoria
Luis Lozano
Raul Lugo
Pedro Luna

Victor Martin
David Martinez
Gerald Murillo
Michael Notzon

Ricardo Palacios
Jesus Pedroza
Andres Ramos
Thomas Ringwood

Candelario Rodriguez
Jose Romero
Jose Ruiz
Guillermo Salinas

Manuel Trevino
Julian Trevino
Arthur Trust
Arturo Volpe

Carlos Zaffirini
Arnulfo Zapata
Raymond Schultz
Luis S. Garcia

Fourth Grade

James Battaglia
Victor Coleman
Emile Dally
Regis de Arza

Ernest Dill
Arturo Dominguez
Edward Dryden
Antonio Enriquez

Ricardo Flores
Fausto Garcia
Joe E. Garcia
Rodolfo Garcia

Victor Garcia
Felix Garza G.
Ruben Gonzalez
Mike D. Goodermote

Carlos Guerra
Daniel Guevara
Armando Hinojosa
Charles Holliwel

David Longoria



Fourth Grade

Jesus Macias
Adrian Martinez
George Martinez
Gilbert Menchaca

Gilbert Mora
Joseph Moore
Adolfo Munoz
Alfonso Ochoa

Jose Padron
Ricardo Perales
Arturo Perez
Carlos Ramirez

Daniel Rodriguez
Joe Rodriguez
Fernando de los Santos
Billy Seawell

Armando Suarez
Mike Trust
Jerry Valdez
Gilbert Vergara

Ernest Zuniga



Third Grade



Rodolfo Aldape
 Jose Argais
 Julian Avalos
 Eduardo Barrera

Alfonso Cervera
 Thomas Conkey
 Juan G. Cruz
 Manuel Davila

Luis A. Flores
 Bradford Galo
 Salvador Garcia
 Sergio R. Garcia

Hector Garza G.
 Joe Garza
 Roberto Gonzalez
 Luis G. Guerra

David Guevara
 Fidel Hale
 Xavier Hernandez
 David Irvin

James R. Jordan
 Ruben Juarez
 Dickie Longoria

Third Grade



Wayo Longoria
 Juan J. Macias
 John S. McKendrick
 Juan J. Martinez

Edward L. Mason
 Ricardo Mendez
 Raymond Padron
 Manuel Ramirez

Enrique Ramon
 Jose M. Reed
 Alberto Rivera
 David Rodriguez

Marcos Rodriguez
 Salvador Rodriguez
 Arnold Salinas
 Eduardo R. Salinas

Juan R. Silva
 Edward Hurley
 Roger J. Uribe
 Juan J. Velazquez

Carlos J. Vergara
 Rodolfo Villarreal
 Luis A. Zaffirini

Intermediate



Mario Calderon
Victor M. Delgadillo
Julio Delgado
Arturo Garcia

Genaro A. Garza
Luis Gonzalez
German Galindo
Carlos Martinez

Cesar Pena
Mario Pena
Jose Perez
Jose Nicasio Perez

Enrique Resendez
Romeo Romero
Antonio Salazar
Hector Saldana

Roberto Sanchez
Jose D. Valadez
Santos Vazquez
Cipriano Villanueva

Ricardo Villarreal
Eduardo Zamora



Activities





SENIORS

Cooperation

JUNIORS



SOPHOMORES

Cooperation

FRESHMEN





EIGHTH GRADE

Cooperation

SEVENTH GRADE



SIXTH GRADE

Cooperation

FIFTH GRADE





FOURTH GRADE

Cooperation

THIRD GRADE



INTERMEDIATE

Cooperation

THESE STUDENTS have maintained a perfect record in co-operation throughout the school year. In recognition of this achievement, the Academy awards them special merit award at commencement exercises each year.

Scholarship

THE ANNUAL scholarship award is given to students who have achieved in their studies an average of 90%, or over, throughout the school year.

This fine record reflects the hard work put into it by these boys, who are the best students in their respective classes.

Scholarship

Carlos Y. Benavides, Jr.
Leopoldo P. Botello, Jr.
Jose F. Cavazos
Roldan Chavez, Jr.

Alfonso Cuellar, Jr.
Federico P. Gonzalez, Jr.
James D. Kazen
Juan Longoria, III

Roberto Nix
Francisco Pena, Jr.
Herbert L. Green
George P. Kazen

Ezequiel Salinas, Jr.
Arturo Serrano
Ramon Barrios
Tristan Castaneda

Phillip Leyendecker
Joe Carabaza
Miguel Cavazos, Jr.
Alfredo Cervera

Ignacio Garcia
Mario Gonzalez
Dennis Longoria
Raul Ramirez



Scholarship

Thomas Ramirez
Rodolfo Zaffirini
Carlos Cardenas
John Y. Dickinson

H. H. Earnest
Jose de las Fuentes
Donald W. Hendon
John Martinez

Roque Rodriguez
Jose M. Solis
Fred M. Bruni, Jr.
Joe Cavazos

Fernando Cuellar
Michael V. Galo
Julio Garcia
Edmundo Gonzalez

Mario J. Gonzalez
Jerry Hinojosa
Fernando Laurel
A. Francis Malakoff

Joe C. Martin, III
Carlos Vela, Jr.
Antonio Villarreal
Charles Borchers



Scholarship

William Cortez
 Aurelio Guerra
 Rene Mendez
 Aurelio M. Montemayor

Thomas M. Rodriguez
 Thomas R. Sanchez
 John Arechiga
 William Cavazos

Francisco Flores
 Rogelio Garcia
 Richard Hansen
 Federico Longoria

Marcos Longoria
 Gerald Murillo
 Guillermo Salinas
 Arturo Volpe

Carlos Zaffirini
 Raymond Schultz
 James Battaglia
 Antonio Enriquez

Ricardo Flores
 Joe E. Garcia
 Victor Garcia
 Ruben Gonzalez



Scholarship

Mike D. Goodermote
 Carlos Guerra
 Daniel Guevara
 Armando Hinojosa

David Longoria
 George Martinez
 Gilbert Menchaca
 Arturo Perez

Fernando de los Santos
 Billy Seawell
 Armando Suarez
 Joe Garza

Roberto Gonzalez
 Luis Guerra
 David Irvin
 Ruben Juarez

Wayo Longoria
 Marcos Rodriguez
 Eduardo Salinas
 Rodolfo Villarreal

Luis A. Zaffirini
 Genaro A. Garza
 Jose Nicasio Perez
 Antonio Salazar





"Go ye into the whole world and preach the gospel to every creature" (Mark 16:15) were the words of Christ spoken to his Apostles. Following this divine command, Bishop M. S. Garriga has requested Bro. James, director of the school, to establish a C.C.D. unit at St. Joseph's Academy. This organization teaches boys who have been deprived of the rudiments of religion and the fundamental truths of the Catholic faith and prepares them to receive Holy Communion. Those doing this act of charity receive special merits and indulgences.

Brother Joseph Michael was appointed director of the unit and Father George Gloeckner was named spiritual director.

There are one hundred and eleven mem-

bers in the unit. The unit is divided into two general divisions: active and associate members. Associate members contribute a definite amount of money for the maintenance and expenses of the organization. Teachers and Helpers comprise the active member group.

The teachers number thirty two. These boy-teachers are instructed every Wednesday by Bro. Joseph Michael.

There are sixty three Helpers and sixteen Associate Members. Officers of the C.C.D. unit are the following:

- President.....TOM HINOJOSA
- Vice-President.....JOSE F. CAVAZOS
- Secretary.....ROLDAN CHAVEZ, JR.
- Treasurer.....ROBERTO ACOSTA



The devoted ladies of the Seniors' Mothers Club worked tirelessly throughout the year and their efforts reaped rich harvests.

The club was organized by the Seniors' mothers for the purpose of helping the Senior Class. The club sponsored the football dance

and Senior prom. They gave generously of their time and abilities in order to raise funds for the Senior Class annual gift to the school.

The ladies were guided in their efforts by the following officers:

- MRS. E. JAMES KAZEN.....*President*
- MRS. CARLOS Y. BENAVIDES.....*Vice-President*
- MRS. TOMAS HINOJOSA.....*Secretary*
- MRS. A. J. GUAJARDO.....*Treasurer*

Seated (left to right): Mrs. Elvira V. Gonzalez, Mrs. Roldan G. Chavez, Mrs. Maria de Jesus G. Echeverria, Mrs. Carlos Y. Benavides, Mrs. E. James Kazen, Mrs. Javier Guajardo, Mrs. Alfonso Cuellar, Mrs. Jesus Canavati, Mrs. Felix del Barrio,

Middle row (left to right): Mrs. L. P. Botello, Mrs. Manuel Medina, Mrs. Ramiro Nix, Mrs. Juan Longoria, Mrs. Alberto R. Vela, Mrs. Luz G. de Pedraza, Mrs. Ruben Garcia, Mrs. Felipe Perez, Mrs. Jose E. Delgadillo, Mrs. Hector Jara, Mrs. Nicolas Trevino, Mrs. Francisca Pena.

Back row (left to right): Mrs. Isauro Gutierrez, Mrs. Alfredo R. Lopez, Mrs. Francisca Palmeros, Mrs. Jose de la Pena, Mrs. Rene Gonzalez, Mrs. Victoria R. Garcia, Mrs. Amparo C. de Villagran, Mrs. Ma. Teresa P. de Cazarez, Mrs. Carlos Garcia, Mrs. Lorenzo Gonzalez Saldana, Mrs. Manuel Garza Gonzalez.



Propagation of the Faith

Alfonso del Barrio
 Carlos Y. Benavides, Jr.
 Leopoldo P. Botello, Jr.
 Elias Canavati

Baltasar Castillo, Jr.
 Jose F. Cavazos
 Roldan Chavez, Jr.
 Santiago A. Gallegos

Ramiro Garcia
 Rene Gonzalez, Jr.
 Carlos J. Gutierrez
 Tomas R. Hinojosa, Jr.

James D. Kazen
 Manuel Medina, Jr.
 Mario Palmeros A.
 Roberto Acosta

Elmore Borchers
 Charles B. Dickinson, Jr.
 Herbert L. Green
 George Kazen

Blas Martinez
 Francisco Rodriguez, III
 Humberto Segovia
 Arturo Benavides



Propagation of the Faith

John Jordan
 Phillip Leyendecker
 William McKendrick
 Aloys Notzon

Jose Carabaza
 Joe E. Garcia
 Virgilio Puente
 Rodolfo Zaffirini

Patrick Henry Alexander
 Manuel R. Flores
 Carlos Garza Gongora, Jr.
 Sabas Guajardo Menchaca

Juan P. Gutierrez, Jr.
 Alfonso A. Leyendecker
 Delfino Lozano, III
 Felipe de Jesus Perez Garcia

Jose Ma. Ramirez, Jr.
 John M. Ringwood
 Heberto Amador Uribe
 Fred M. Bruni

Edmundo R. Gonzalez
 Ruben S. Gonzalez
 Cecilio J. Herrera
 Joseph C. Martin, III



Propagation of the Faith

Homero Martinez
Charles R. Borchers
William Cortez
George H. Gonzalez

Ernest A. Gutierrez
Aurelio M. Montemayor
Baldomero A. Puig, III
Thomas P. Samuels, Jr.

Thomas R. Sanchez
John Arechiga
Edmundo Gonzalez L.
Richard Hansen

Joseph Jordan
Federico Longoria
David Martinez
Andres Ramos

Raymond Schultz
Julian Trevino
Carlos Zaffirini
George Martinez

Bradford Galo
Roberto Gonzalez
James R. Jordan
Marcos Rodriguez

Fatima Club



The Fatima Club was organized in St. Joseph's, in October, 1953. This Club has many members who have made the following promises:

Receive Holy Communion at least once a month.

Make a daily visit to the Blessed Sacrament.

Recite the Rosary daily.

A daily sacrifice.

High personal purity.

We hope that in years to come, the boys of St. Joseph's will always have a deep devotion to our Blessed Lady and Our Lord, and will continue to lead lives that will be a spiritual inspiration and a help to all those they come in contact with.

Knights of the Blessed Sacrament



The Knights of the Blessed Sacrament is an important organization in our school, because this organization reflects the love and devotion of the Juniors and Seniors to the Blessed Sacrament.

The Knights of the Blessed Sacrament have solemnly promised to receive the Holy Eucharist at least once a week and also must give good example. Besides these two very important promises the Knights must follow this code of Knighthood:

To honor God.

To follow the King – the knightly Christ.

To respect women – from Mary to the smallest child.

To love justice in all things.

To battle the dragon – the powers of darkness in hell and on earth.

To keep high His personal honor.

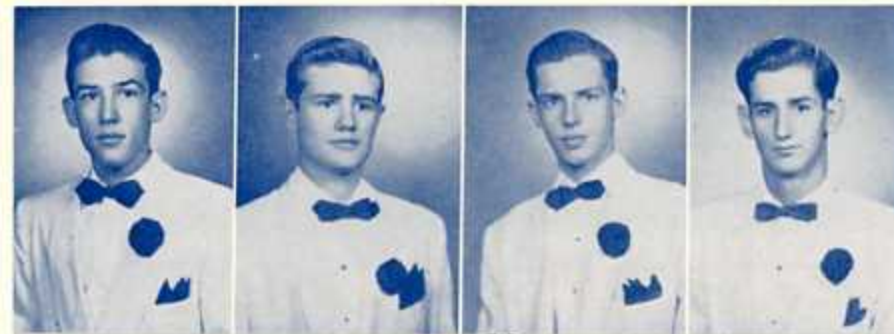
To love those whom Christ honored in His beautitudes.

The Knights must also try to propagate the devotion to the Holy Eucharist, which is an important means to salvation.

Maroon and White



(Left to right) Federico P. Gonzalez, Editor-in-Chief; Juan Longoria III, Assistant Editor-in-Chief, Jose F. Cavazos, Make-up Editor; Rogelio S. Garcia, Art Editor.



(Left to right) Felipe Perez, Carlos Y. Benavides, James D. Kazen and Rene Trevino, Advertising and Business Managers.



(Left to right) Eduardo Salido and Isaac Echeverria, Art Editors; Elias Canavati and Alfonso Pedraza, Assistant Make-Up Editors.



(Left to right) Rene Gonzalez, Circulation Manager; Santiago Gallegos, Photographer; Roldan Chavez, Jr., and Roberto Nix, Typists.



ALTOS

SOPRANOS

Glee Club

BASSES

TENORS



Glee Club

The Glee Club is one of the largest and most active school organizations. There are ninety members in the club. Both high school and grammar grades students belong to the organization.

The talents of the members are developed by Brother Joseph Michael. Under his direction they learn to appreciate and enjoy music. At the same time the club furnishes musical entertainment for the student body and the public.

The members are classified as: tenors, basses, sopranos, and altos. The tenor and bass voices are supplied by high-school students while grammar grade pupils make up the alto and soprano parts. The Glee Club

has a large and varied repertoire of songs ranging from sacred hymns to novelty tunes.

The officers of the club are: Federico P. Gonzalez, Jr., president; Juan Longoria III, vice-president; James Kazen, secretary, and Hector Cardenas, treasurer. Raul Ramirez, Jr., is the club's talented pianist.

This year, the Glee Club sang Christmas carols at the Blessed Sacrament Church, at the Mercy Hospital and at the Plaza Hotel. Several concerts were given at the Academy for the public. The organization sang on important feasts during religious ceremonies at the Academy, at the six weeks assemblies, and at the commencement exercises.

Safety Patrol





Antler Staff

This year, for the first time, the staff published a bigger and better six page "Antler." The school paper plays an important part in

the life of the students. These boys saw to it that the "Antler" was ready for its eager readers.

- Editor-in-Chief FRED P. GONZALEZ
- Assistant Editor-in-Chief ROLDAN CHAVEZ
- News Editor JOSE CAVAZOS
- Assistant News Editor JAMES KAZEN
- Sports Editors T. HINOJOSA, L. BOTELLO, A. CUELLAR
- Makeup Editor JUAN LONGORIA
- Assistant Makeup Editors R. GONZALEZ, H. JARA
- Business Manager LUIS LOPEZ
- Assistant Business Managers C. BENAVIDES, E. CANAVATI
- Typists R. NIX, A. VELA, J. CANAVATI
- Reporter CHARLES B. DICKINSON





"He who eats this bread shall live forever."
(John VI:59)

Every Friday morning an average of two hundred students received Our Lord in Holy Communion during the weekly Mass in the school's chapel-gymnasium.

The Mass, celebrated by the school Chaplain, Rev. Father Antonio G. Goicoechea, gives every boy an opportunity to adore, thank and petition God in the Holy Sacrifice. Week-

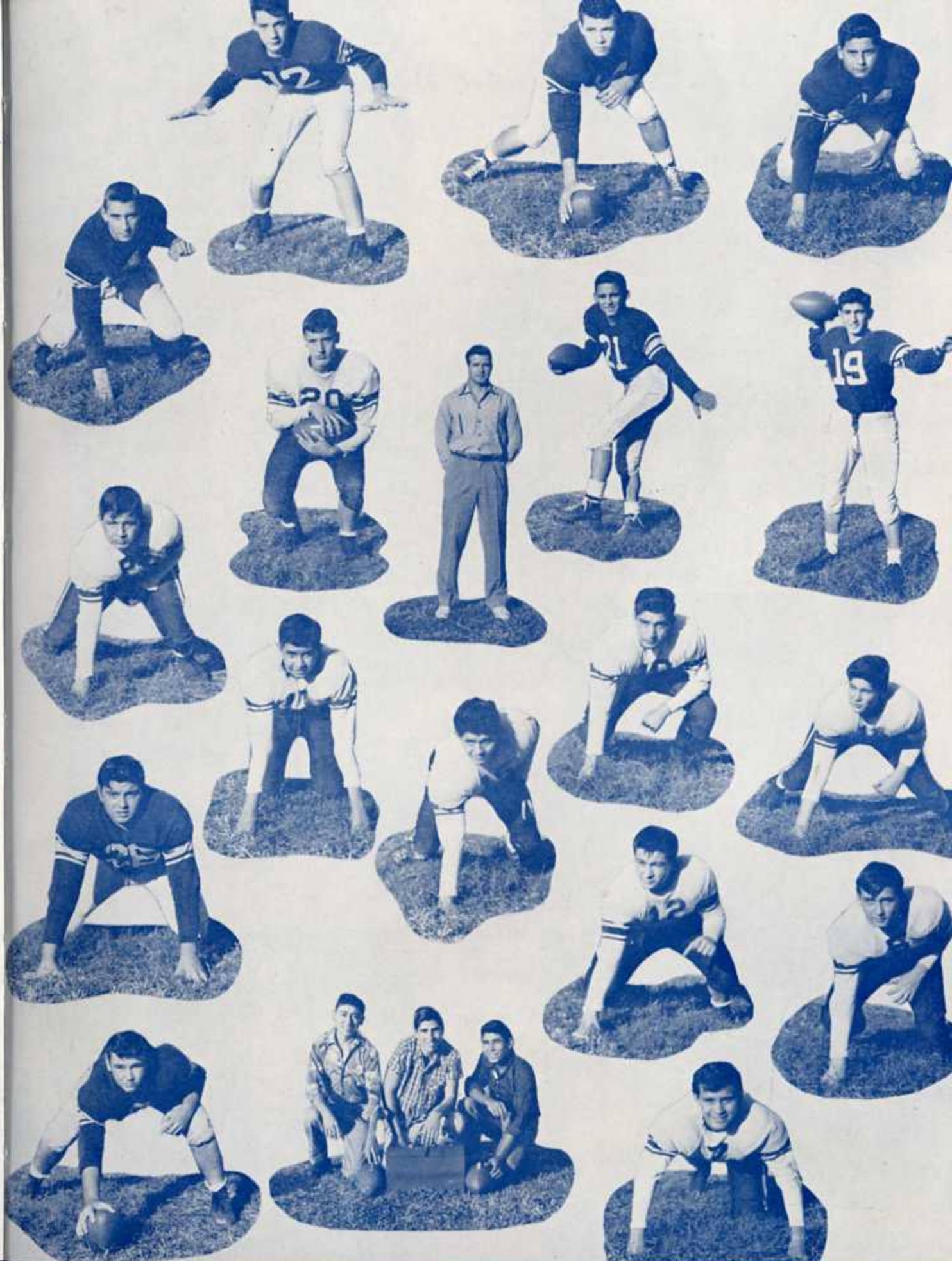
ly Mass and Communion guards purity and fortifies the soul with grace, to enable it to withstand temptation.

The faculty and students sincerely appreciate the untiring and unselfish efforts of Father Antonio Goicoechea, Father Bauer, Father Gruber, and Father George, who every Thursday come to hear the confessions of the students.



Sports





Football Notes

SPIRIT AND DETERMINATION characterized the 1953 edition of the Antler football squad. Their anemic 3-7 record does not tell the whole story, as the light football team was plagued by hard luck throughout the season. The Antlers defeated Mirando, Bruni and San Isidro for their three lone victories.

Reece Hunter joined the Antler coaching staff as line coach. He did a creditable job in aiding Coach Waydell Hunter handle the coaching chores.

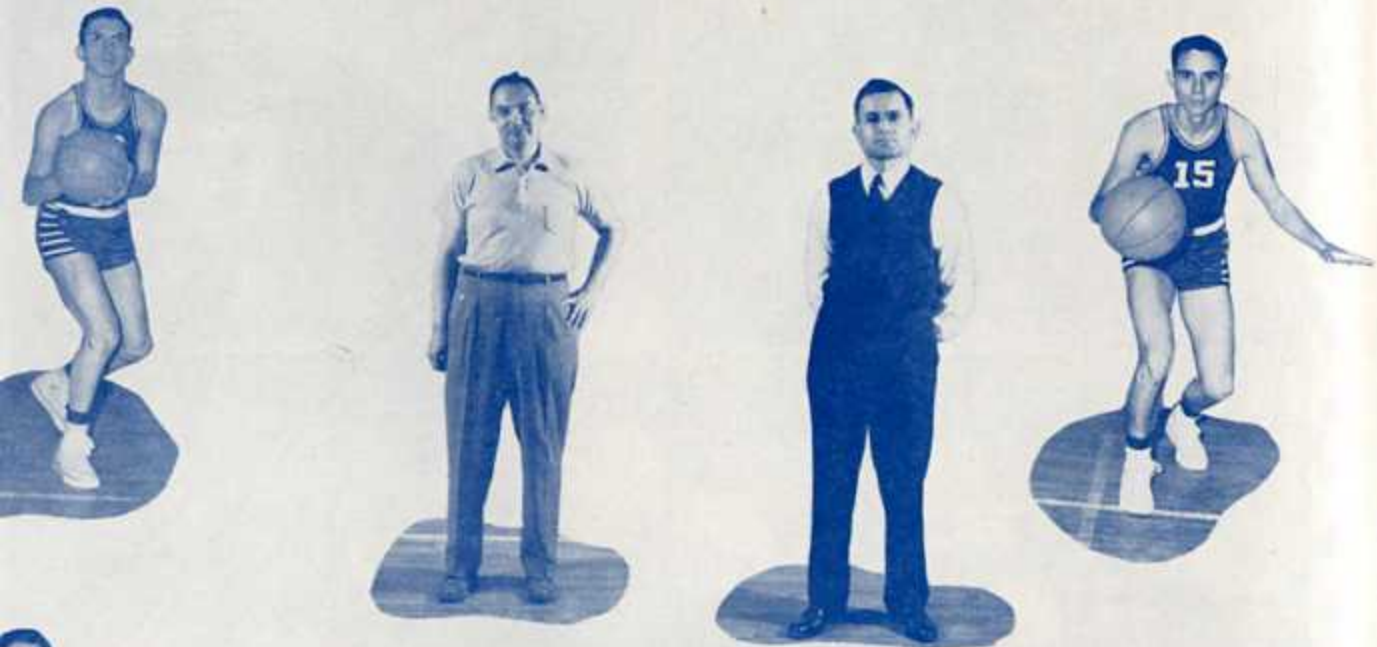
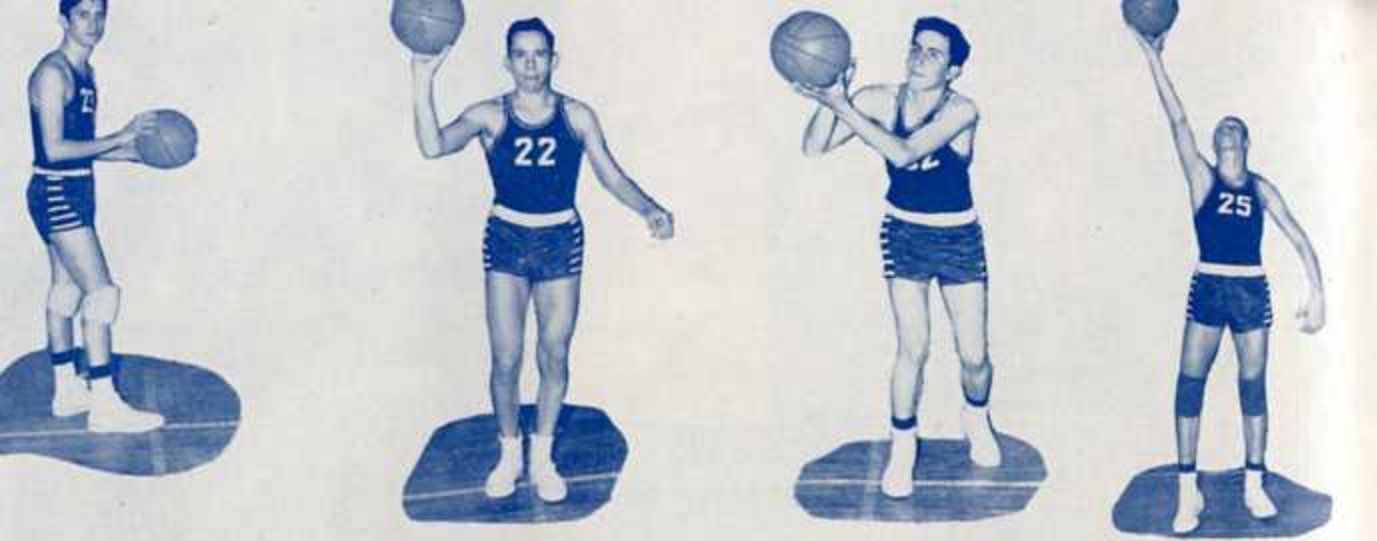
For the first time the Antlers lost to the Brownsville Bloodhounds 6-7 breaking a seven-year jinx for the Hounds.

Jimmy Kazen, stout defensive end and Baltazar Castillo, hard-charging full-back, made the All-Conference team. This honor was the bright spot in a rather dismal season for the Antlers.

SEASON'S RECORD

We		They
33	..... Mirando	6
27	..... Bruni	14
13	..... St. Louis, Castroville	40
48	..... San Isidro	0
12	..... San Diego	20
12	..... Hebbronville	34
7	..... St. Joseph's, Victoria	13
14	..... Rio Grande	27
6	..... Corpus Christi College Academy	40
6	..... St. Joseph's Brownsville	7





"B" TEAM

Basketball

"C" TEAM



Basketball Notes

THE 1954 ANTLER BASKETBALL TEAM enjoyed one of the most successful seasons any Antler squad has had in years.

The Antlers were coached by Dr. Salvador Mora and Brother Joseph Michael. Dr. Mora was former cage mentor at Cathedral High School in El Paso, and led his teams to two state championships.

Under Mora and Brother Michael the Antlers completed the season with a 21-14 record, playing 35 games — a very hard schedule for any high school team.

Playing in four tournaments, the Antlers won trophies in three of them. They got the Consolation trophy at the St. Joseph's Invitational Tournament, second place in the conference tournament at Victoria, and second place in the Gold Medal tournament held at the Laredo Boys' Club.

Alfonso Cuellar was high-point man during the season, sinking 712 points for a 20.3 point per game average — an enviable record in high school competition.

The following boys made up the Antler varsity team: Alfonso Cuellar, Heriberto Jara, Carlos Gutierrez, Leopoldo Botello, Elmore Borchers, Hector Cardenas, Albert Vela, Roldan Chavez, Jr., Luis Lopez, and Tristan Castaneda.

SEASON'S RECORD

We	They	We	They
54	Mirando City	28	69
85	Bruni	32	60
49	Eagles Pass	62	75
56	Dilley	48	57
40	Cotulla	41	50
49	Bruni	46	50
56	St. Augustine	57	52
38	Ex-Students	48	45
37	Benavides	32	66
47	Rio Grande	38	45
41	Cotulla	47	63
68	Holding	38	57
47	Benavides	58	45
40	Martin High	77	43
45	Martin High	53	61
73	Holding	56	80
64	Dilley	52	49
49	St. Augustine	47	49
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Track

The Whites, captained by Thomas Hinojosa, won over Baltazar Castillo's Maroons, 114-100 in the annual St. Joseph's Day Track Meet.

The highlight of the meet was Midget Manuel Flores who broke four records—a feat unsurpassed in the 13-year history of the meet. He broke the record for the 50 yard dash, the 220 yard run, the 440 yard run and helped his relay team win the 440 yard relay.

In the Senior Division Hinojosa and E. H. Borchers tied as high point men.

The Juniors broke 2 outstanding records: 100 yard dash and the 440 yard relay. Aloys Notzon and Rafael Pena, Whites, set a new record in the 100 yard dash. The crack relay team of Pena, Notzon, Tomas Ramirez and Alfonso Leyendecker set a new record in the 440 yard relay.

Baseball

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Leopoldo Botello

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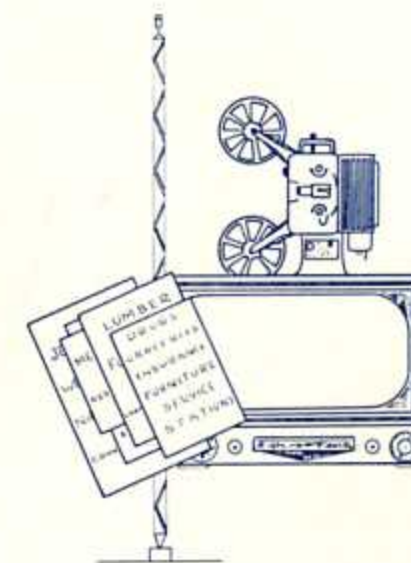
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