

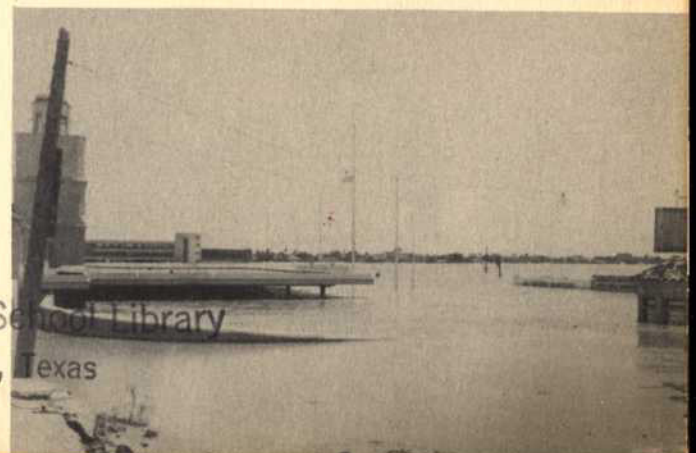
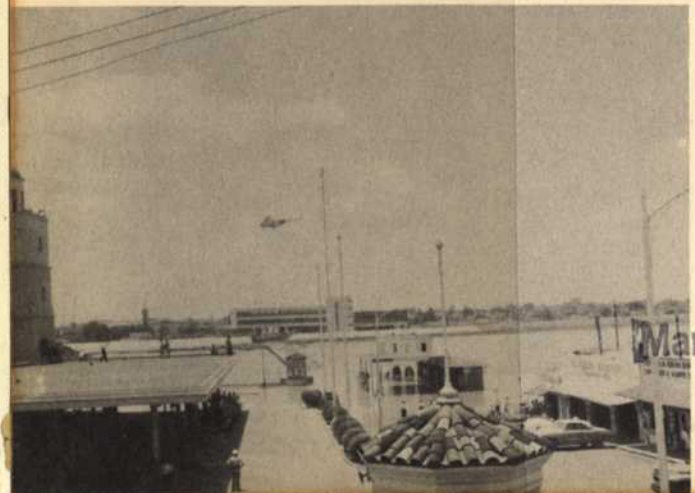
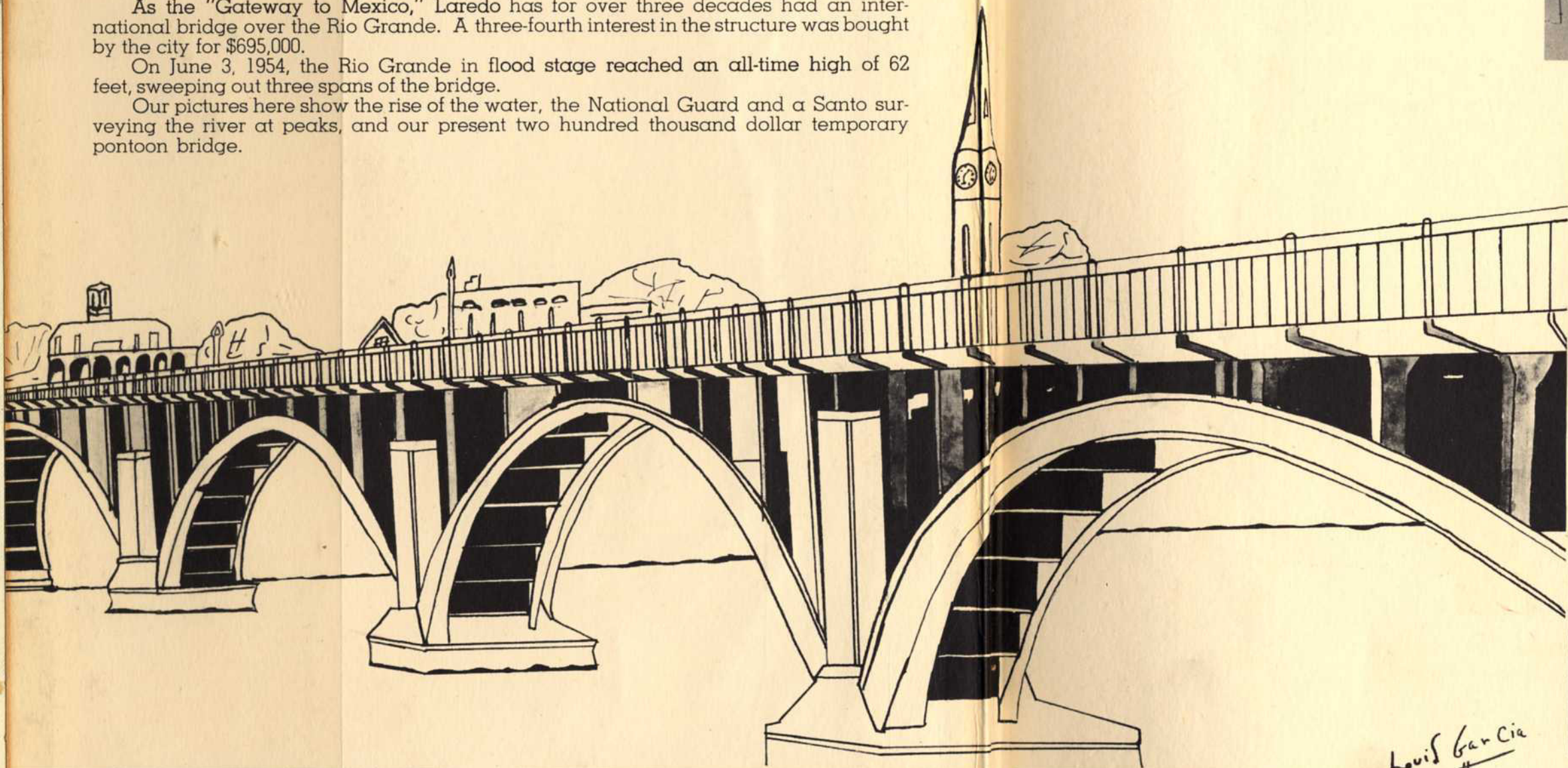
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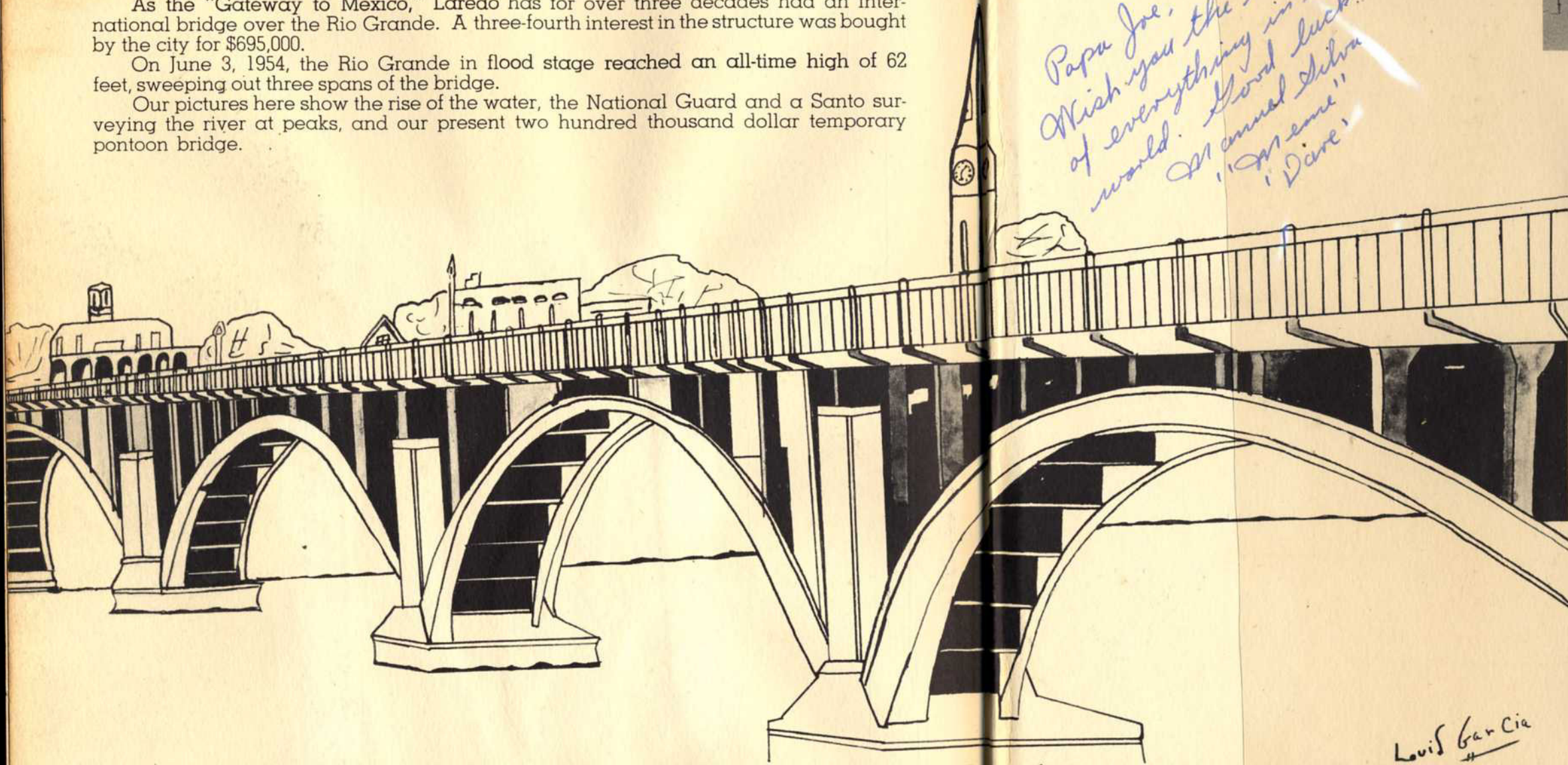


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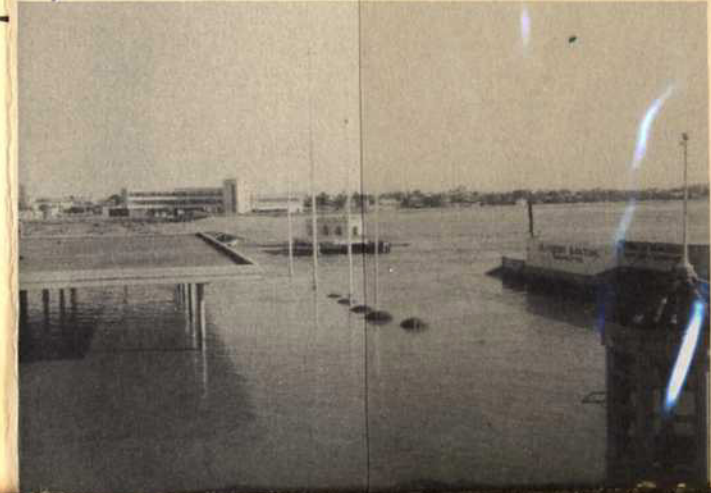
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*Papa Joe,
Wish you the best
of everything in the
world. Good luck.
An annual Silva
"Meme"
"Dave"*

Louis Garcia



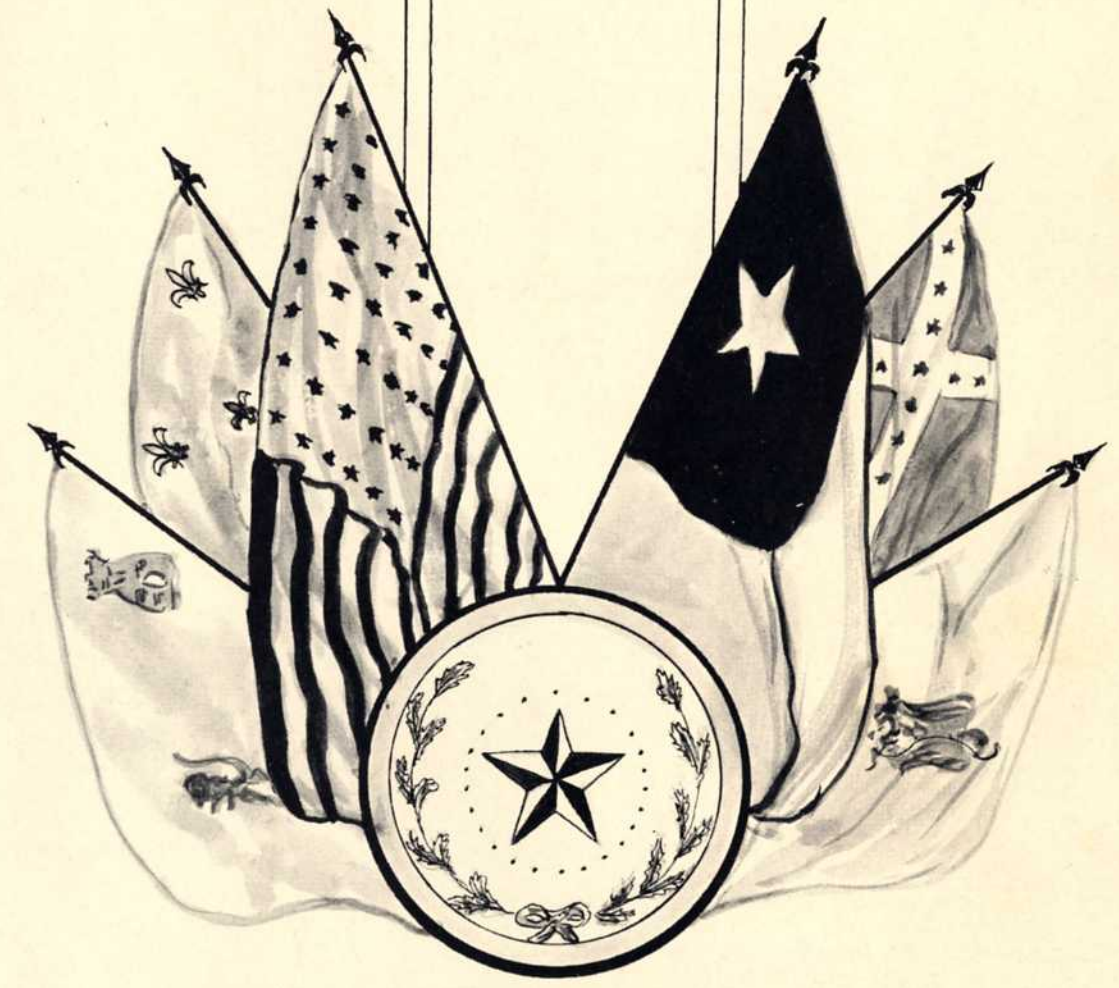


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Pappa Joe -
Believe me it's
really hard to say
good bye to such a sweet
person as you. May God
bless you for your sweetness
and kindness. I hope to see
you in the future ^{with}
from the ^{class of}
"55"
Betty Robinson

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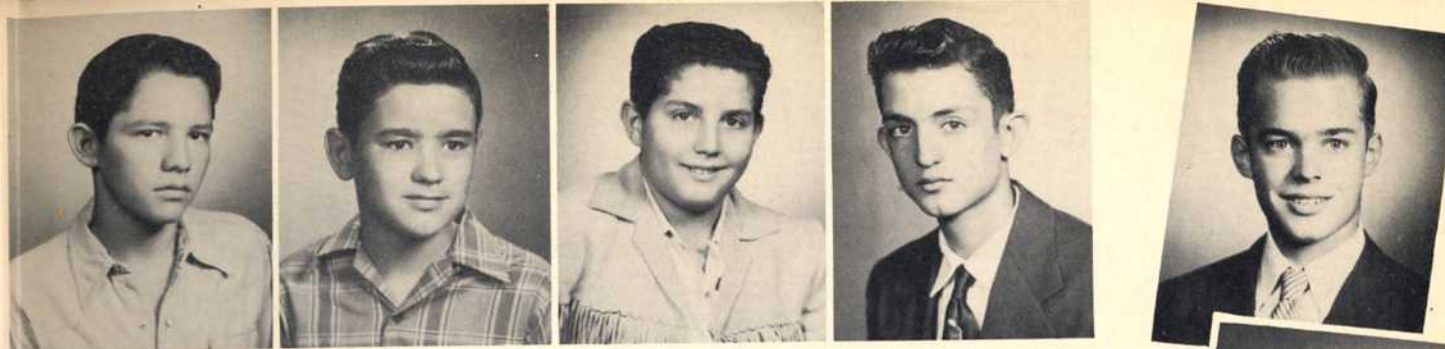
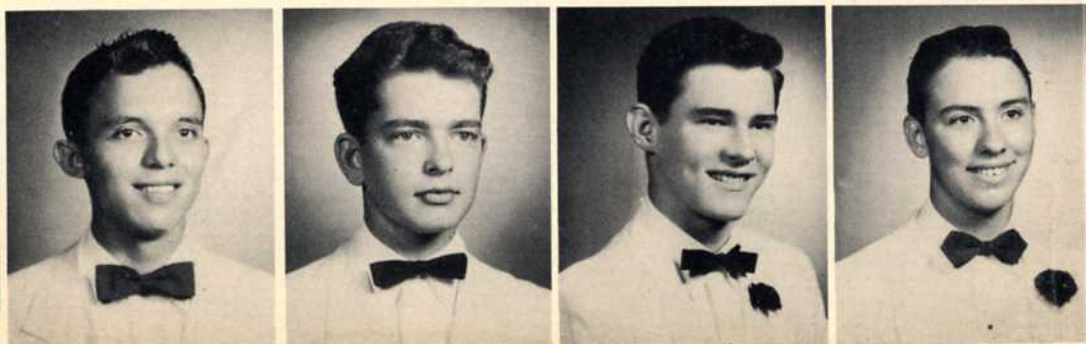
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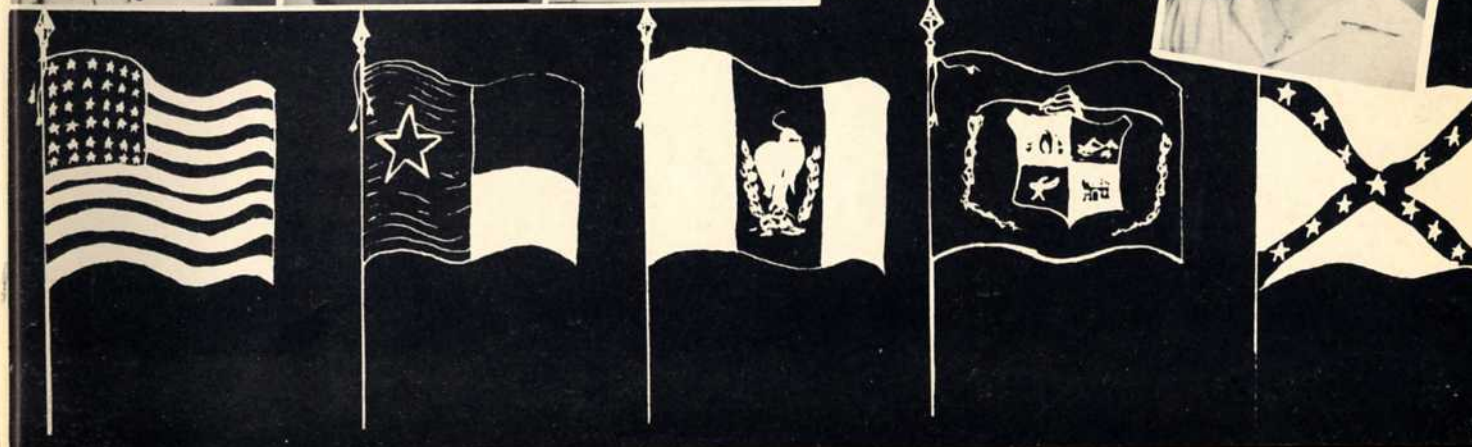
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Dedication



This anniversary issue of **La Pitahaya** commemorating Laredo's 200th birthday, we proudly dedicate to one who is not a native son—one who is a son by adoption. R. P. St. John is a Laredoan by choice. Since he has come to live among us and to be our high school principal, we find him kind of heart, just in judgment, intelligent of mind—above all a good man. He is never too busy to counsel with the newest freshman or the oldest teacher. May he remain at Martin High for many decades to come.

Sincerely,
The Staff

Mr. R. P. St. John
Principal

Foreword

As this memorable school year of 1954-55 draws to a close, the class of 1955 goes out into the world, many to scatter over the face of the earth. We know that some will experience nostalgia, the feeling of homesickness, and dream of Laredo.

We pause to analyze life here in Laredo. It is the sound of church bells early on a Sunday morning . . . the smell of **huisache** and orange blossoms on the warm spring air of February . . . palm fronds moving in the wind making one feel the sea is ever-present . . . the taste of **enchiladas** and hot buttered **tortillas** . . . the music of a voice saying, "**Adios**" . . . the loving care given to old people . . . and families having many children . . . the friendly hail of Pete, the blue-clad policeman on the corner of Matamoros and Salinas.

But life in Laredo is more than that; it is the friendship and the living together of two peoples whose ancestors came from far countries. In language, customs, art, ideas, we influence one another. We, Anglo-American or Latin-American, realize "Of one blood hath He made all nations." We are rich here on the banks of the Rio Grande, because we understand that one of God's great experiments is going on. The warm **abrazo** across the Rio Grande, so often demonstrated during our celebration of the birthday of George Washington, should spread to other cities and other peoples all over the earth; then there would never be the threat of war that hangs over our heads like the sword of Damocles.

Realizing that we like life in Laredo, we choose as the theme for our 1955 edition of **La Pitahaya**, the history of our town which celebrates on May 15, its two-hundredth birthday.



Our School, MARTIN HIGH



LAREDO SITE OF FIRST PUBLIC SCHOOL

From the **Laredo Times**, Sunday, January 17, 1954—By Jack Yeaman, **Times** Staff Writer

Laredo is the fountain head of public education in Texas.

The first public school was established here in 1783.

This startling and history-shaking revelation was dug up by Seb Wilcox and confirmed by early Spanish documents.

Now it has been publicly admitted by the authorities of the State.

Dr. Frederick Eby, noted Texas philosopher and educational-historian, basing his assertion on Wilcox's research, in an article in **Texas Outlook**, the magazine of 60,000 school teachers, states: "The first school on Texas soil, other than a mission or a parish school, was established in Laredo in 1783 for the purpose of educating the settlers' children and civilizing and Christianizing the American Indians."

On March 22, 1783, only 28 years after Don Tomas Sanchez led his little band of settlers into the wilderness to found Laredo, a school was ordered established for the education of the town, Seb Wilcox states in a brilliant review of education in Laredo, which he has just prepared.

On that day, he continues, Don Santiago de Jesus Sanchez, lieutenant chief justice of Laredo, acting with his witnesses, Joseph Francisco de la Garza and Jose Alejandro Vidaurre issued their order for the opening

of the school, based on a Royal Decree from the Governor of the Province, directing that within eight days all citizens having children of school age should place them in school to learn to read, and that those not old enough to read should be sent to learn the Christian doctrine.

The original order, which is in Wilcox's possession, further commanded that the owners of farms and ranches having children under their care or in their service up to the age of 12 years, who were not well instructed in the doctrine, should be sent to the new school for that purpose.

During the regime of Mirabeau B. Lamar, second president of the Republic of Texas, public lands were set aside for public school purpose.

In his first message to Congress Lamar declared: "A cultivated mind is the guardian genius of democracy, and while guided and controlled by virtue is the noblest attribute of man—The present is a propitious moment to lay the foundation of a great moral and intellectual edifice which will, in after ages, be hailed as the chief ornament and blessing of Texas."

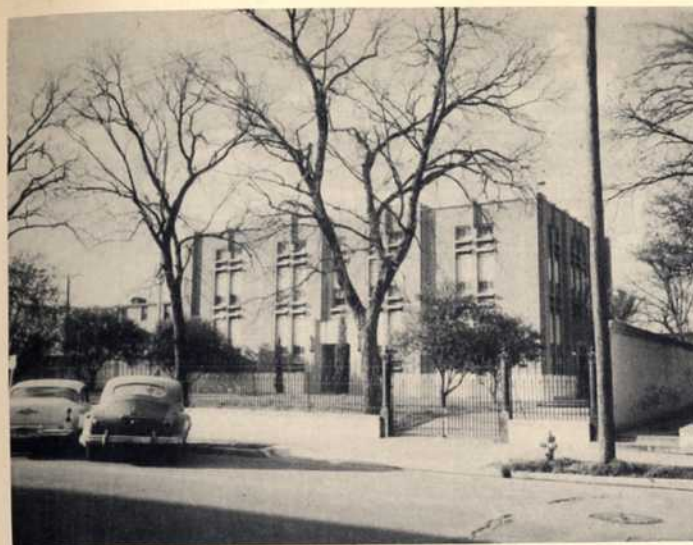




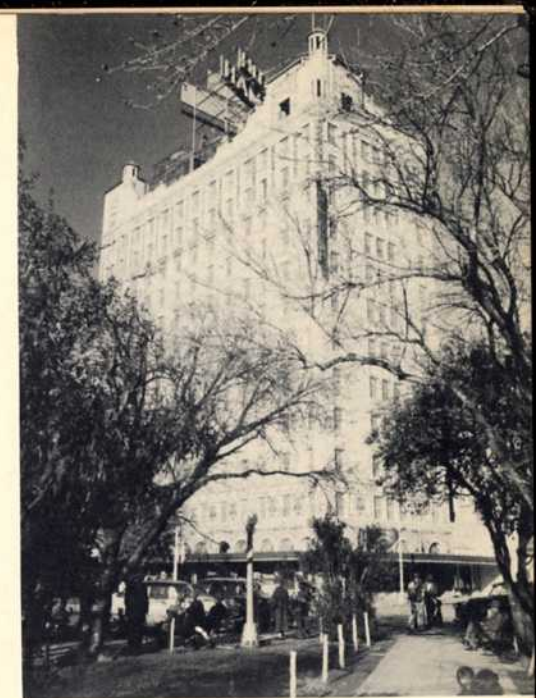
WEBB COUNTY COURT HOUSE



METHODIST CHURCH



WEBB COUNTY JAIL



HAMILTON HOTEL



THIS IS OUR TOWN, LAREDO



MONUMENT TO WORLD WAR I HEROES



LAREDO CITY HALL



LAREDO JUNIOR COLLEGE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING



ST. PETERS CHURCH



VIEW OF LAREDO FROM CUSTOMS HOUSE

THE RIO GRANDE FROM RAILROAD BRIDGE



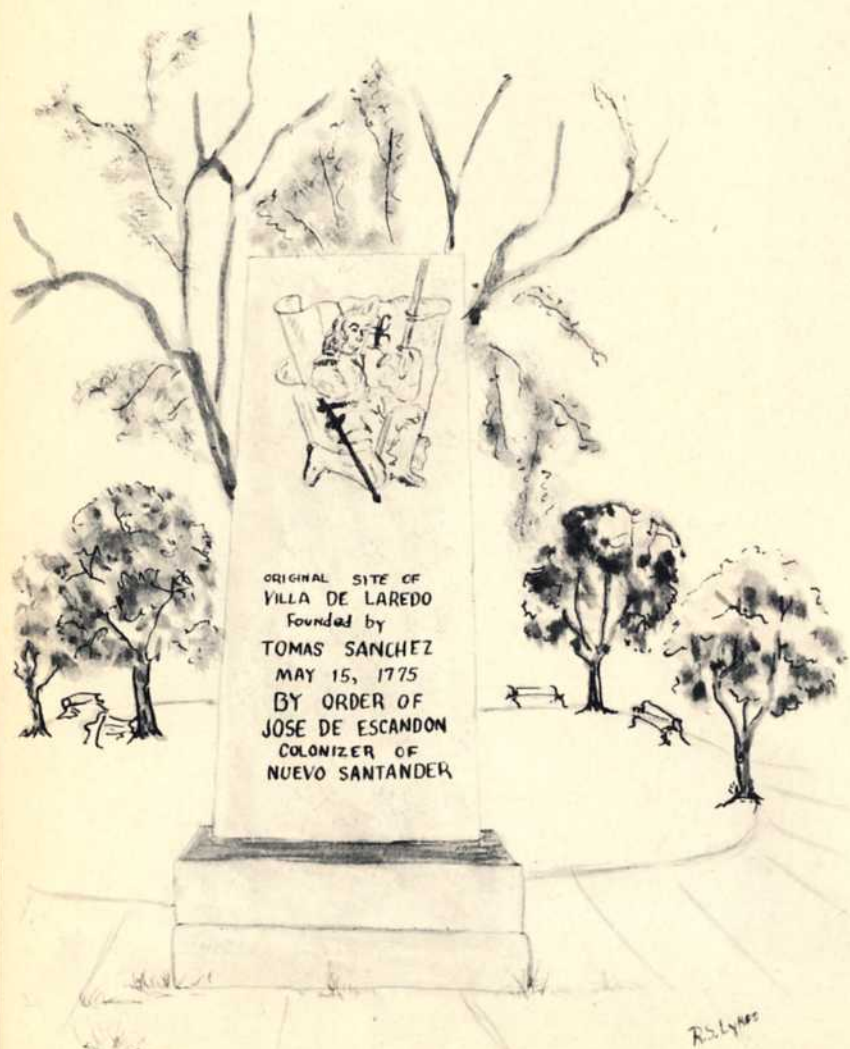
Administration

Across from San Augustine Church in the plaza stands a red marble monument erected by the State of Texas. The inscription reads as follows:

"Original Site of Villa de Laredo founded by Tomas Sanchez, May 15, 1735 by order of Jose De Escandon, colonizer of Nuevo Santander.

Chartered by the King of Spain and organized as villa de San Agustin de Laredo in 1767. . . incorporated in the state of Tamaulipas, Mexico in 1821 . . . Concentration point for the Mexican Army under General Santa Anna during the Texas revolution, capital of the republic of the Rio Grande in 1839 . . . temporarily occupied for Texas by General Alexander Somervell in December 1842, occupied November 8, 1846 for the United States by Captain Mirabeau B. Lamar under General Zachary Taylor . . . Incorporated as the city of Laredo by the Texas Legislature in 1848.

Headquarters of Colonel Santos Benavidez during the Confederacy.
Ever after loyal to Old Glory.
Erected by the State of Texas.
1936"



A MESSAGE TO MARTIN HIGH STUDENTS

"One of our greatest needs today is constructive, remedial ideas from youth interested in the welfare of their municipal government and its operations. We need helpful, co-operative action that will lead us to a solution of a dilemma that finds us operating on municipal standards outstripped by continued and steady population growth and accompanying increased municipal service demands."

J. C. Martin Jr.
Mayor of Laredo
3/13/55

James Haynes, city secretary, and the Honorable J. C. Martin Jr.



Former Mayors
since 1848

- Hugh S. Cluck
- Albert Martin
- L. Villegas
- Robert McComb
- Amador Sanchez
- A. E. Vidaurri
- L. J. Christen
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- Florencio Villarreal



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OF THE BOARD**

Mr. Joe C. Martin, Sheriff of Webb County and President of the Board of Trustees of the Laredo Independent School District, is a native of Laredo. He was educated in Laredo Schools and at St. Edward's University in Austin. In addition to his life-long interest in politics in Laredo, he is owner of a large ranch.

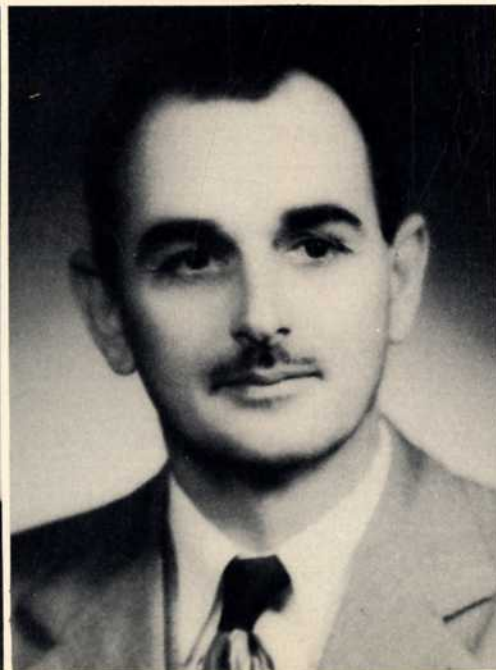
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS, J. W. NIXON

J. W. Nixon was born in St. Louis, Missouri. He moved to Texas at an early age, attending the rural schools of Menard County, Texas. He graduated from Allen Military Academy where he completed his secondary education. Mr. Nixon holds a Master of Education degree in Educational Administration from the University of Texas and is a Life Member of the Texas State Teachers Association and the National Education Association. Mr. Nixon also holds membership in the Texas Association of School Administrators and the American Association of School Administrators. He has served this community since 1930. He began as Director of Physical Education in the Elementary Schools, then served as Elementary, Junior High, and Senior High principal before being elected to his present position in 1946.



Mr. B. G. Salinas, School
Tax Assessor-Collector.

Mr. Ernest Leyendecker,
School Auditor.



Good schools are everybody's responsibility, students, teachers and the entire community. The best security that schools, students, and teachers can have is a thorough understanding of their daily activities by the entire community.

It is an ever existing challenge for the personnel of the Laredo Public Schools to meet the needs of the youth in our community. We appreciate and cherish this challenge in dedicating ourselves to this service.

Superintendent of School, J. W. Nixon

MEMBERS OF THE LAREDO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL BOARD

Top Row:

Mr. Abelardo Salinas Mr. Joe Brand

Mr. Francisco Farias

Bottom Row:

Mr. Joe Moser Mr. L. Milton

Mr. Francisco Flores



IN MEMORIAM
Mr. Leon Daiches (1878-1954)

Mr. Leon Daiches, member of the Board of the Laredo Independent School District, served on the board for thirty-six years.

He was born in Vilna, Russia, and came to the United States at the age of thirteen. His life is proof that under our democratic system a man has the opportunity to develop himself to the fullest extent, for he rose from a poor immigrant boy to a successful businessman and civic leader. He saw Laredo develop from a city of 10,000 in 1899 to its present size.

On commencement night, each successive class at Martin High School saw the short, grey-haired figure of Mr. Daiches, walking with the aid of his gold-headed cane, climb with some difficulty the steps to the platform. Then the graduating class and senior sponsors knew the ceremonies were about to begin. He was a beloved figure, always mindful of his duties as a member of the board.

The school, the faculty, and the gentlemen of the board deeply regret his passing.



MISS GUADALUPE CABRERA
B.A., M.A., . . . Texas University . . . Counsellor



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Martin High School, Laredo Junior College . . . attendance recorder.



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St. Augustine Parochial School . . . bookkeeper.



MISS MARTA TORRES
Martin High School . . . typist for the library.



In place of doing her work in the busy office, Miss Cabrera, M.H.S. counsellor, now has an office of her own. Here she confers with Dora Gomez and William Sizemore while Irma Solis files away a folder.



Mr. R. P. St. John
Principal

B.A., Rice Institute; M.A., Texas University . . . teacher of mathematics for twenty years . . . assistant principal 1953-1954.

*Best wishes
R.P. St. John*



A Message to Martin High Students

For each of the students of Martin High School I have but one hope—that the year 1954-1955 has been for each a succession of fruitful experiences to be remembered in the years ahead with that sense of satisfaction that comes when one has done all things reasonably well.

R.P. St. John





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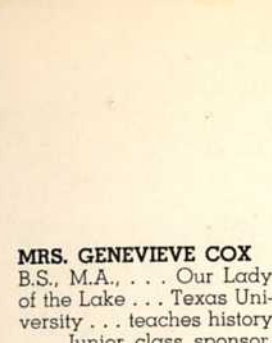
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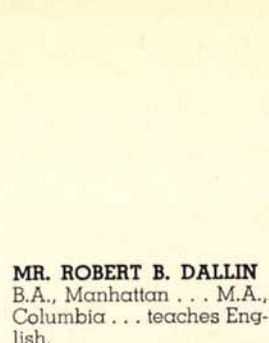
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Best wishes to Buck always P. Chamberlain



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all good wishes to a very good friend Floy Bennett

Best Wishes to Refugio Benavides



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In English 6.2 class Mrs. Hansen shows students, Benjamin Botello, Luis Ramirez, Sylvia Wise, Hernan Cortez, and Mary Peralez, how to make corrections on themes.



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*Best luck Papa
for hope to
see you next
year!
Coach Porter*

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To one of the finest gentlemen it has been my pleasure to know.

*Sincerely,
John Valls*



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MR. JOE P. LEYENDECKER
Laredo Public Schools . . . building custodian for eighteen years.



MR. SANTOS GARCIA
Laredo Public Schools . . . assistant to "Papa Joe" and right arm to the principal.

FACULTY CHILDREN



Philip De Tournillon III likes playing on the grass.



Debby and Hal Porter enjoy playing in their little red wagon.

Terrie and Gary Quinn live in a modern trailer.



Tommy and Bobby Ochoa play in their pretty yard.



More faculty children on page 225

Edward, Mrs. John Valls, and John Jr. watch a basketball game.



Caron, Bobby, Mrs. Batey, Cathie, and Bill watch papa's team, which must be winning, judging from the smiles.



FACULTY CLUB ENJOYS HALLOWEEN PARTY AND SUPPER AT L. J. C. CORRAL

Miss de la Garza, Mrs. Cox, Miss Benavides, and Mrs. Sorrell are behind those paper bag masks. The art classes under Mr. Lozano's direction painted these for the party.



Miss Priess smiles happily when serving coffee to Olga Rodriguez, while Miss Benavides and Delia Nela Pena wait for their turn. Foods classes cooked the supper.



Coach Porter, Mr. Winters, Mrs. Nixon, and Coach Batey played dominoes. Miss Young, Mr. St. John, and Mr. Nixon kibitzed.

Dressed in gay red aprons, Thelma Martinez, Miss Benavides, Elsa Awad, Rosario Martinez, and Delia Nela Pena enjoyed eating after the guests had been served.



Mr. Barrow, Mrs. Brennan, Miss McKinley, Mr. Winters, Mr. Garner, and Mr. Nixon enjoy an after-dinner chat.



Mrs. Barry and her husband make the acquaintance of Mr. Kirk and his attractive wife, who are newcomers to Laredo.



Mrs. Lemoine, Mrs. Leonard, Mr. Fielder, and Mr. Lemoine ate dinner together.



Seniors

HISTORY OF THE LAREDO POSTAL SERVICE

According to Mr. Joe P. Leyendecker, our own "Papa Joe," the first post office was his home. It stood south of San Augustine Plaza. His father, John Z. Leyendecker, was the first postmaster. The mail was brought on horseback from San Antonio two or three times a week. When the weather was bad or the rivers high, the mail often didn't come for weeks.

Later the post office was situated in a little low adobe building on the north side of the city hall.

Today the post office is housed in the Federal Building, which was constructed in 1906. The contractor bid so low on this white granite edifice that the company went broke, and the building was finished by the United States government. Louise Notzon, class of '55, says that her grandfather planted the two large royal palms on the post office lawn.

In 1936, the building was remodeled and doubled in size at a cost of \$285,000, according to Mrs. Jennie Goodman, postmistress for twenty years.



SENIOR CLASS OFFICERS VISIT THE FEDERAL BUILDING

After a band concert, the Senior officers got together at the Federal Building for their picture. They are Javier Zapata, president; Carlota Mejia, reporter; Lucy Lopez, parliamentarian; David Laurel, treasurer; Abe Wilson, vice-president; Dennis McBride, and Jose Quezada, sgt.-at-arms; Ana Campos, secretary, not pictured.



The Federal Building, more often referred to as the post office, is the center of life in down town Laredo.





ANITA ADDISON
"Niter" holds office in the C. S. C., Pep Squad, Journal, Student Council, and collects pictures. National Honor Society

MARGARITA EUFEMIA AGUILAR
"Maggie" belongs to the D.E. Club . . . hopes to own an hacienda in Mexico . . . collects snapshots.

ANITA AGUILAR
"Ana" enjoys dancing beaucoup . . . wants to be a secretary.

ANGELA ARELLANO
Dolly sings in the Chorus. "Green Eyes" when played by Cugat thrills her . . . expects to marry an Aggie.

MINERVA ARREDONDO
Future Homemakers member . . . likes the tune "Quiero Mas" and letters from a young man . . . hopes to be a housewife.

PORFIRIO ARREGUIN
Porfirio is an R.O.T.C. lieutenant . . . serves as Vocational Industrial Auto Mechanics Club, vice-president . . . hobby, eating.



MAC AKINS
Football, basketball, Student Council, Letterman's Club 53, School Paper 53, Thomas Edison Club, "German" a transfer, collects money and wants to join the Air Force.



MARIA ELENA ALDAMA
Maria Elena's ambition is to become a teacher . . . PASF historian and Girl's Athletic Club sgt.-at-arms . . . enjoys reading and dancing. National Honor Society.

Corner Picture:
JOSE LUIS ARCE
Becoming a Marine Sergeant is Jose's goal. He's an active F.H.A. member.

Corner Picture:
FRANCISCO R. BOTELLO
"Chato" plays football . . . plans to be an agricultural engineer . . . hobby, swimming.

MARIA TERESA BLANCO
Tere collects poems and hopes to be a nurse.



ELVIA BENAVIDEZ
Our Pep Squad member and future secretary collects millions of snapshots.

BALDEMAR BARKLEY
Baldemar's ambition is to be chief mechanic of a car concern . . . likes good food and friendly people.

Corner Picture:
ELSA AWAD
A popular music collector, Elsa is a French Club and F.H.A. member . . . Europe's enchantment beckons.

Corner Picture:
BEATRIZ ACEVEDO
C.S.C., T&S take care of Beatriz's activities. A collector of movie pictures. She wants to become a teacher.

ELVIRA ALARDIN
Student Council, PASF, Girl's Athletic Club, and Chorus keep "Tiny" mighty busy . . . she finds time to plan a secretary career.



FRANCISCO ALVARADO
Basketball and baseball take up "Frank's" time . . . he hopes to become a successful businessman.

BENJAMIN BOTELLO
Collects stamps and likes to sketch and draw . . . hopes to attend St. Edward's University in Austin.



BILL BOTTENFIELD
"L" Assn., FFA, Chorus highlight Bill's past activities . . . He hopes to own the biggest ranch in Texas.

MARCIA BUENO
"Marcy", future private secretary, belongs to Pep Squad, French Club, and Distributive Education Club.

EDGARDO BUENO
Plays sax in the M.H.S. Band . . . also belongs to P.A.S.F. and Library Service Club . . . likes dancing, hunting, fishing.



GUADALUPE IMELDA ALVARDO
To be a registered nurse, her main desire . . . collects pictures.

ANGELITA ALVAREZ
Angelita goes in for sports and dancing . . . Girl's Athletic Club member. Hopes to become a nurse or secretary.

ANA MARIA ALVAREZ del CASTILLO
Ana loves to dance . . . hopes to become a secretary . . . favorite tune, "Oh"





JUANITA BUSTOS
T&S historian . . . football and basketball fan . . . hopes to be a secretary.

ROSA ALICIA CABELLO
"Licha," a member of the T&S and F.H.A. hopes to be a bookkeeper . . . collects dolls.

CARLOS CABELLO JR.
A future Air Force man . . . now R.O.T.C. captain . . . enjoys accounting.

VELIA CASTILLO
"Pee Wee" is the secretary of the Typewriting and Stenography Club . . . ambition is to be a top-rate stenographer . . . collects arrowheads.

HILDA CAVAZOS
To be an interior decorator is Hilda's ambition.

HERMELINDA CEJA
"Chata" is a Future Homemaker of America, collects boys' pictures . . . becoming a telephone operator, her ambition.



ANA MARIA CAMPOS
Ana holds offices in C.S.C., T&S, and F.T.A. . . . Senior Class secretary and R.O.T.C. sponsor . . . wants to be a teacher . . . National Honor Society.

Corner Picture:
ALICIA BUSTAMANTE
"Licha", Pep Squad, C.S.C. and R.O.T.C. sponsor . . . hopes to visit Spain some day. National Honor Society.



VELIA CANALES
Velia's ambition is to be a secretary . . . T&S member . . . collects pictures.

JUANITA CANALES
Juanita, a collector of cooking recipes . . . wants to be a good wife . . . member of the Student Council, Girl's Athletic Club, and F.H.A.



Corner Picture:
MAME RUTH CASTANEDA
"Tootsie" is Mrs. Sorrell's right hand on "La Pitahaya" . . . future nurse . . . collects friends' pictures.

GRACIELA CANTU
Plays saxophone in the A Band . . . "Chela" also enjoys French Club membership . . . wants to be a teacher.



Corner Picture:
MARIA CISNEROS
Busy Bees, French Club, and Chorus comprise Chita's activities . . . collects snapshots and wants to be a teacher.

MARIA DE LA LUZ CISNEROS
Lucy, Junior Nurses Club, Future Homemakers of America Club member, hopes to become a registered nurse . . . baking cakes is her hobby.



HUMBERTO CHAVEZ
Humberto belongs to the Future Homemakers of America . . . expects to become a United States Marine.



ZOLA MARTA COBOS
Vice-president of Girls Athletic Club, Zola wishes to become a secretary . . . likes to play tennis and to read magazines.



FAUSTINO CHAPA JR.
Would like to become a bookkeeper . . . "Tino" also likes to dance the polka and to play records.

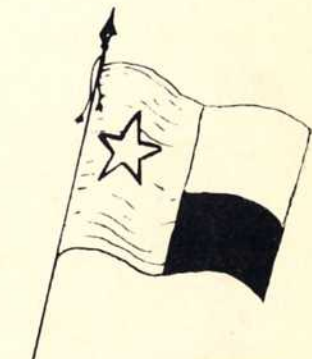
Corner Picture:
ADOLFO CHAPA
Likes sentimental music on the guitar and fishing in the Rio Grande . . . plans to join the army.

HIGINIO CHAPA JR.
"Hilo" plays on the B football team . . . likes hunting and cute girls.

RALPH COLE JR.
Ralph belongs to the football and track teams . . . he is in Chorus and plans to be an engineer . . . hobby is making new friends.



MARIA ANA CORONADO
Maria hopes to become a secretary . . . meanwhile, she likes to sing and sew.



MARGARITO CANTU
FTA, FFA, and Slide Rule are his clubs . . . plans to join the U.S. Marine Corps.



RAMONA CANTU
Pep Squad and T&S Club . . . "Mona" hopes to be a handsome man's secretary . . . collects records.



LUIS CARDENAS JR.
"Louie", Student Council, Slide Rule, and Thomas Edison Club . . . hopes to be a surgeon . . . National Honor Society.





JERRY CRAIG
Track "53"—Chorus "51"...
Annual Staff, Journal sports
reporter, ROTC lieutenant...
a collector of money, Jerry
hopes to become a big business
man.

RAMSEY CRONFEL
Ramsey's ambition is to
study engineering at M.I.T.
... belongs to Edison Club;
Thespians, sgt-at-arms; Slide
Rule Club; and National
Honor Society, president.

**SHIRLEY PRISSY
DaCAMARA**
"Prissy", head majorette of
Pep Squad, vice-president,
C.S.C., Thespians, PASF,
ROTC Sponsor, and Senior
star... Girls State... Na-
tional Honor Society.

LEOPOLDO ELIZONDO
"Polo," Band and P.A.S.F.
member, wants to be a loco-
motive engineer... enjoys
playing the piano.

GRACIELA ENCALADO
"Chela," chorus member...
hopes to graduate and be-
come a housewife.

ROSA MARIA ESCUTIA
Rosa belongs to the C.S.C.
... ambition is to attend Mon-
treat College or Agnes Scott
College... favorite study,
math.



HERNAN CORTEZ
R.O.T.C., P.A.S.F. sgt-at-arms
... hopes to go to Washing-
ton and work for Uncle Sam.



MELECIO DE LA GARZA
R.O.T.C. ... builds plastic
airplanes... hopes to join
the Air Corps.

Corner Picture:
ROBERTO DOVALINA
Roberto belongs to the band,
PASF, sgt-at-arms... annual
photographer... future
C.P.A.

Corner Picture:
KENNETH FERRIS
Baseball is "Hotrods" favor-
ite sport... He collects hot-
rod and airplane pictures...
plans to be an Air Cadet.

RAUL FERNANDEZ
"Bully" wants to major in
civil engineering at Texas
A&M... Thomas Edison Sci-
ence Club, Student Council,
and the baseball team are
his interests... Likes base-
ball and science.



MARIA EVA ESPINOZA
Belongs to the T&S Club...
hopes to be a secretary...
likes to play the radio.

Corner Picture:
FRANCISCO DE LA GARZA
Collects pictures which he
then copies because drawing
is his hobby... future Ma-
rine.

JOSE DE LA GARZA
Student Council, DE. Club,
and R.O.T.C. ... Jose collects
books on famous painters...
hopes to make the Navy a
career.



JOSEFINA DELEZA
"Fina" delights in dancing
... hopes to be a registered
nurse.

ROBERTO FERNANDEZ, JR.
Roberto collects Model A's
... F.F.A., P.A.S.F., R.O.T.C.
member... wants to be a
diesel engineer



ANA MARIA ESQUEDA
Ana belongs to the F.H.A.
... collects pictures of her
friends.

Corner Picture:
EVANGELINA ESPINOZA
"Nina" belongs to the Martin
High Band... expects to be-
come a laboratory techni-
cian.

SILVESTRE DIAZ
Collects rare coins... wants
to own a modern filling sta-
tion.

DAVID DILLEY
President of Library Service,
F.F.A. ... wants to be a big
time lawyer and own a
ranch.

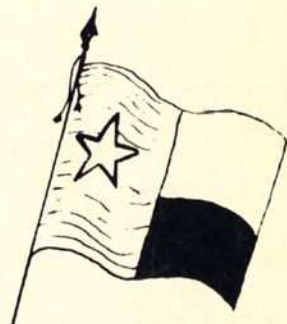
**ABELARDO DOMINGUEZ
JR.**
"Cura" plays baseball, also
a member of F.F.A. and
F.H.A. ... another one of our
Marine prospects.



DANIEL FLORES
Daniel wishes to study en-
gineering... T&S, sgt-at-
arms... likes hunting...
collects stamps.

EVA FLORES
Busy Bees, Girls' Athletic
Club, and Tennis Team mem-
ber... ambition, to be a
P.E. teacher.

GLORIA LUCIA FLORES
F.H.A. member... receiving
mail... that's for Gloria, who
wants to be a successful
secretary.





LUCIA DELIA FLORES
A future good secretary, Lucy is parliamentarian of the French Club . . . T&S Club . . . collects songs and dress designs.

MARIA FLORES
Following graduation, our Future Teacher of America member plans to attend T.S.C.W. . . . Pedro Infante's records make up her collection.

MARIA OLVIDO FLORE
"Shorty" is treasurer of the D.E. Club . . . ambition is to become a chief nurse of an operating room.

EVA GAMEZ
This D.E. Club member collects popular records and movie star pictures, especially of Tony Curtis and Janet Leigh . . . future nurse.

CRICELIA GARCIA
Cricelia plans to be a nurse . . . enjoys going to the movies.

EDUARDO GARCIA
P.A.S.F., R.O.T.C. Captain, and Student Council take up Ed's time . . . wants to be a pathologist.

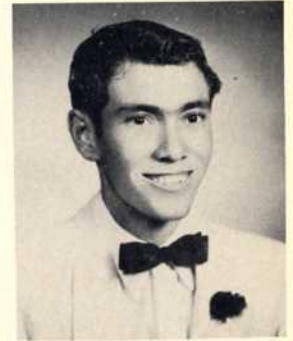


FELIX FRAUSTO
Belongs to the Student Council, Typing and Stenography Club, Chorus, Journal, Thomas Edison Club . . . collects Billy Mae's records . . . future naval officer.

Corner Picture:
BELIA GARCIA
Historian of G.A. Club, Student Council, French Club member . . . future math teacher.

Corner Picture:
SARA ALICIA GARCIA
Sara belongs to the Library Service Club and Future Homemaker . . . ambition is to be a flight nurse.

MARIA IRMA GARCIA
"Germi" belongs to French Club and G.A. Club . . . hopes to go to T.S.C.W.



SIMON EDMUNDO FLORES
"Zeke" belongs to the Pan America Student Forum, Journal, Thespians, Chorus, R.O.T.C. . . . ambition, lawyer . . . National Honor Society.

Corner Picture:
SONIA SALMON ESCAMILLA
P.A.S.F., Student Council, Future Teachers . . . plays the guitar . . . ambition, Mexican Foreign Service.

JOSE LUIS FLORES
"Frenchy" an R.O.T.C. captain . . . Chorus, Journal, Future Homemakers America and a football player . . . collects foreign souvenirs, wants to be a teacher.



ARMANDO FUENTES
Secretary of Metals Chapter No. 46, V.I.C. add to "Mando's" ambition to be a welder or mechanic . . . likes to dance, too.

OLIVIA IRIS GARCIA
This future English teacher is a member of the F.T.A., Student Council, and is an R.O.T.C. sponsor . . . F.T.A. reporter. National Honor Society.



LUIS GARCIA, JR.
F.F.A., P.A.S.F., F.H.A. member . . . wants to be a mechanical engineer . . . collects nuts, bolts, and old hinges.

JESUS A. GARCIA
"Chuy" plans to study chemical engineering and have a Naval Career . . . belongs to Band, P.A.S.F., and Library Service Club.

Corner Picture:
HORTENCIA GARCIA
"Tencha" wants to be a teacher . . . enjoys dancing and baseball . . . collects records and dolls.

MARIA LILIA FUENTES
D.E. Club and Pep Squad member, "Lily" delights in reading movie magazines . . . hopes to become an office worker.

TERESA GALLEGOS
A Chorus and PASF Club member . . . "Tere" enjoys swimming, movies, and listening to popular songs.

RODOLFO GALLEGOS
His stamp collection and his recordings are his main outside of school interests . . . wants to be a baker . . . yum!!!



RAFAELA GARCIA
"Fela's" Clubs are P.A.S.F., F.H.A., Thespians . . . future C.P.A. . . . collects letters.

BLAS GARZA
Blas is a member of the F.H.A. . . . plans to be a draftsman . . . hobby, fishing and hunting.

FAUSTINO GARZA
His main interest is agriculture . . . belongs both to Future Farmers and Future Homemakers . . . ambition, farmer.





HELEN ANA GARZA
A future nurse, "Frenchie", a Band and Thomas Edison member, collects horses, motorcycles, and convertibles.

JESUS GARZA
"Chuy" hopes to be a book-keeper . . . belongs to ROTC . . . likes to dance.

JOSEFINA C. GARZA
Becoming a pharmacist is Chelo's ambition . . . belongs to the FHA, Busy Bees, Annual Staff, Pep Squad, and Student Council.

BELIA GONZALEZ
A teacher with a T. S. C. W. degree is her ambition . . . belongs to Busy Bees and Journal.

CONCEPCION S. GONZALES
A Junior Nurses Club and Student Council member, "Connie's" ambition is to be a private secretary.

CRUZ GONZALEZ
"Magoo" played basketball, football, belonged to "L" Assn . . . would like to marry Marilyn Monroe.



ORE GARZA
Editor for the Annual, Girl's Athletic Club, Student Council, Thespians, C.S.C., and National Honor Society. Her interests . . . to teach high school English is Ore's ambition. National Honor Society.

Corner Picture:
ALICIA M. GONZALEZ
"Licha" belongs to the newly formed Art Club. Expects to be an efficient secretary.

Corner Picture
TOMASITA GONZALEZ
Basketball and dancing keep "Tita" busy . . . belongs to Girls Athletic Club and Student Council.

OLGA BEATRIZ GONZALEZ
Quite a swimmer and dancer . . . loves to skate . . . a Pep Squad and F. T. A. girl . . . future secretary.



LEOPOLDO GONZALEZ
Distributive Education Club member. "Polo" wants a marine career . . . present love, "Pinky," a hot rod.

Corner Picture:
FERNANDO GONZALEZ
"Gordis," vice president in the Chorus . . . also belongs to French Club, P. A. S. F. and F. H. A. . . . future rancher.

MARIA GLORIA GARZA
Gloria would like to be a secretary . . . belongs to the T&S Club . . . likes to dance and play records.

Corner Picture:
GUADALUPE GARZA
"La Prieta" takes part in PASF, French Club, and Chorus . . . collects comic books.

LYDIA GARZA
Pep Squad, FTA secretary, and T&S, keep Lydia busy . . . wishes to be an English teacher . . . likes to listen to popular music as "Que Mas Quiero."



SAUL GARZA
"El Leon" plays football . . . collects girl's pictures . . . wants to be a coach.

SAMUEL GONZALEZ
Sam belongs to P.A.S.F. and Student Council . . . plans to attend A. & M. . . also enjoys dancing.



MARIO GONZALEZ
"L" Association, track, and football keep Mario busy . . . collector of sports magazines, he wants to be successful in life . . . National Honor Society.



JOSIE GUERRA
Head Cheerleader . . . Thespian & P.A.S.F. historian . . . Josie wants to become a professional dancer.

HERMELINDA GOLDBERG
"Chata," ROTC sponsor, holds office in CSC, Student Council, Pep Squad, and FHA . . . collects letters. National Honor Society.

LAZARO G. GONGORA
FTA and FHA, "Pipa" hopes to be a lawyer . . . pictures comprise his collection.

ALICIA GONZALEZ
"Licha" belongs to Pep Squad, FHA, PASF, Student Council, and French Club . . . collects newspaper clippings.



ALICIA GUAJARDO
"Licha" wants to become a nurse . . . belongs to D.E. Club, Chorus . . . enjoys hill billy music.

JORGE GUERRA
Quiet and well-mannered . . . wears cowboy boots . . . belongs to F.F.A. . . . hopes to be a cattle rancher.





CARLOS A. GUTIERREZ
Once R.O.T.C. cadet, now Library Service Club member . . . wants to be a dentist . . . hunting and movies, his hobbies.

FLORENCIO GUTIERREZ, JR.
Florencio, Annual business manager, Slide Rule and Thomas Edison Club member, loves to hunt and fish . . . hopes to be a petroleum engineer.

GRACIELA GUTIERREZ
To be an airline hostess is Gracie's ambition . . . belongs to F.F.A., F.H.A., Busy Bees, and Band.

ESTELA HERNANDEZ
Radio fan and comic book reader . . . dreams of traveling around the world.

MARIA ELOISA HERNANDEZ
Maria's ambition is to finish school and work to help her mother . . . collects pictures of Mexican artists.

YOLANDA OFELIA HERNANDEZ
"To be a stenographer is my ambition," says Yolanda, whose hobby is collecting movie stars' pictures.



ROMAN GUTIERREZ
"Hueso" belongs to the Pan American, Future Homemakers, French Club . . . went out for track . . . plans to be a lawyer . . . collects snapshots.



ROBERT HALSELL
Annual Staff, F.F.A. '51-'52, Football '52. Bob enjoys dancing, eating, working on a "hot rod." Texas A. & M. bound, he will major in civil engineering.

Corner Picture:
ESTER HERNANDEZ
Ester enjoys dancing and having fun . . . she hopes to be an efficient secretary.

Corner Picture:
ISABEL JACKSON
"Jitter's" ambition is to marry a millionaire . . . serves in Thespian and Annual Staff . . . Pep Squad . . . National Honor Society.

JOSE RAMON IBARRA
Joe belongs to V.I.C. Metals, and "L" Association. Plays football . . . plans to join the Air Force soon . . . loves to loaf.



RENE HERRERA
Collects coins . . . Choral Club prexy, PASF, Casa Blanca Quartet . . . future custom broker.

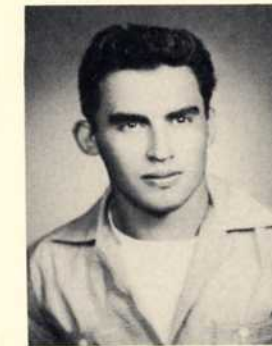
Corner picture
VICTORIA GUERRA
Chorus member, "Vickie" loves to listen to western songs . . . Future air force nurse.

FLO ANN HAAG
Lt. Colonel of the Pep Squad, Student Council officer, Thespian secretary, Chorus, R.O.T.C. sponsor describes Flo Ann . . . plans a modeling career . . . National Honor Society.



EVELYN FRIEDA HERBECK
Future beautician is Evelyn, a member of the F.H.S. and Pep Squad . . . collector of pictures.

MIKE JACAMAN
ROTC, '50-'51 . . . hunting and fishing, his hobbies . . . intends to own a big store and get rich.



FELIPA HILARIO
Junior Nurses and D. E. Club add to Felipa's ambition to be a Navy Nurse . . . swimming, dancing rate with her.

Corner Picture:
GRACIELA HERRERA
F.T.A., Pep Squad, P.A.S.F. . . . Gracie plans being a secretary.

ALICIA HERNANDEZ
"Lichita" plays the bass clarinet in the band . . . belongs to the French Club and F. T. A. . . . secretary, clothing class . . . a phone addict.

DANIEL HERNANDEZ
"Penny" belongs to the "L" Association, baseball, and basketball team . . . wants a good job following graduation.

MARIA ANTONIA HERNANDEZ
"Tona," Busy Bee and F.H.A. member, likes to dance . . . future secretary .



LAURENTINA JIMENEZ
Laura a Pep Squad member, wants to become a registered nurse . . . collects pictures of friends.

ERNESTINA JUAREZ
"Tina" belongs to the chorus and F.H.A. . . . is the F.H.A. songleader . . . ambition is to be a home economics teacher.

YOLANDA JUAREZ
Member A Band, Student Council and Chorus she collects records. Ambition to major in business administration.





ESTELLA LANDIN
"Gene" belongs to the T&S Club . . . enjoys western music and tap dancing . . . hopes to be a nurse.

DAVID LAUREL
A&M bound, David is an ROTC captain, Senior Class treasurer, and is business manager on the Annual Staff . . . architectural construction will be David's major . . . National Honor Society.

TED LEONARD
Student Council, Thespians, Thomas Edison Club, ROTC Captain . . . Ted is in hopes of becoming a chemical engineer . . . National Honor Society.

GUADALUPE LOPEZ
"Lupita" wishes to become a secretary . . . enjoys dancing . . . reading, and sports . . . collects short stories.

HORTENCIA LOPEZ
After traveling around the world, Hortencia, a collector of antiques, hopes to settle in New York.

JORGE LOPEZ
Jorge, member of the football team and Chorus Club, hopes to join the Marines . . . he loves to date girls.



LEONARD LEIGHTON
"Lanny" hopes to be able to study law and eventually to become a lawyer.

Corner Picture:
GREGORIO LOPEZ, JR.
Journal, Annual, ROTC Band . . . "Mayate" wants to own a big newspaper.

Corner Picture:
MA. AURORA LUNA
Maria Aurora belongs to the D.E. Club . . . ambition is to be a bookkeeper . . . collects pictures.

APOLINAR LUERA
"L" Association, Foods 2.1 class president . . . loves to eat "frijoles refritos."



LUCY LOPEZ
An officer in the C.S.C., Student Council, Pep Squad, Thespians, R.O.T.C. sponsor, Sr. Class historian and senior star . . . National Honor Society.

FRANK LEVEN
PASF, French Club, Chorus, FHA . . . hopes to own a ranch in the near future.

Corner Picture:
MARY ANN KELLER
A future nurse, "Meddy," an FHA'er, collects stamps and glass animals.

PAT LEYENDECKER
Pat, reporter for FFA, Student Council member and a football player . . . wants to attend A&I and become a clean politician . . . National Honor Society.



JANE LITMAN
CSC, Library Service Club treasurer, Student Council, ROTC sponsor . . . Jamie collects shells . . . National Honor Society.

LILIA LUNA
Lilia belongs to the D.E. Club and the Martinaires (selected chorus) . . . Likes to dance . . . collects good pictures of movie stars.



ROBERTA LOVE
Member of Student Council and Pep Squad . . . president of C.S.C. . . mistress of wardrobe for the Thespians . . . wants to design clothes . . . National Honor Society.

Corner Picture:
LUIS LOPEZ
Vocational Industrial Club'er . . . Luis wants to be a general mechanic.

PETER LITMAN
R.O.T.C. officer . . . Peter's ambition is to be a jet mechanic in the Air Force.

ELVA LONGORIA
Annual Staff, PASF, French Club, and Chorus . . . Elva will turn beautician after her education.

CONSUELO LOPEZ
T&S Club, Journal typist . . . expects to be an elementary school teacher.



MINERVA LUNA
Stidious "Mine" wants to be a secretary . . . hobby, reading . . . also loves to listen to the radio.

DENNIS P. J. McBRIDE
"Mac" is keen on F.F.A., Thespians, L. Association and football . . . played fullback . . . brains and beauty . . . also went to Boys State.

EVELYN McCOY
Evelyn belongs to the F.H.A. and Student Council . . . ambition, secretary.





NOEMI MACIAS
 Busy Bees, Chorus, P.A.S.F.,
 make up Mimi's past high
 school life . . . becoming a
 housewife is this girl's ambi-
 tion.

AMADOR MARTINEZ
 Amador is in the R.O.T.C.
 . . . ambition, to join the
 Army . . . dotes on movies
 and hunting.

DOLORES MARTINEZ
 "Cotis" belonged to Pep
 Squad and Busy Bees . . .
 plans to marry a certain
 young man . . . collects snap-
 shots.

**MARIA BEATRIZ
 MARTINEZ**
 Annual editor, T&S reporter,
 Student Council, Choral Club
 . . . "Bea" wants to go to
 California and become an
 accountant . . . National
 Honor Society.

**MARIA GUADALUPE
 MARTINEZ**
 "Lupe" plans to be a dancing
 teacher . . . belongs to F.H.A.
 . . . loves to dance and listen
 to good music.

MINERVA MARTINEZ
 "Mine" sews and writes let-
 ters . . . Future Homemakers
 of America . . . wants to
 travel around the world.



DORA MARTINEZ
 "Dutchie," who collects ear-
 rings, will someday be a
 nurse.



ELIDA A. MARTINEZ
 "Lila's" ambition is to be a
 nurse . . . collects pictures
 of her friends.

Corner Picture:
LYDIA NORA MARTINEZ
 Future vocation, secretary . . .
 collects songs and letters . . .
 hopes to travel.

Corner Picture:
HOMERO MEDINA
 Homero's goal is to be an
 optometrist . . . F.H.A. and
 Chorus keep him busy . . .
 likes to dance.

JOHN MAYERS
 F. F. A. president, Library
 Service Club, Student Coun-
 cil, F.H.A., and R.O.T.C. . . .
 likes hunting . . . future
 rancher.



ROSARIO MARTINEZ
 "Chickie" wants to be a reg-
 istered nurse . . . F.H.A.,
 dancing, and housework
 keep her busy.

Corner Picture:
GEORGE McLEAN
 A football star and letterman
 . . . George's ambition is to
 be a friend to everyone . . .
 belongs to "L" Association.

ELIA MARTINEZ
 This D.E. Club member will
 someday be a fashion de-
 signer . . . now collects ear-
 rings and snapshots.



ELOISA MARTINEZ
 Eloisa plans to take up a sec-
 retarial career . . . belongs to
 T. and S. Club . . . enjoys
 dancing.

JESUS MARIO MEDINA
 V.I.C. Metals Club member
 . . . hopes to be a civil engi-
 neer . . . Jesus is a World
 Series baseball fan.



UVALDO MARTINEZ, JR.
 "Valito" wants to join the
 Marines . . . plays the guitar
 and swims in his leisure.

EMMA IRMA MARTINEZ
 T and S Club and Annual
 interest her . . . favorite song,
 "Answer Me My Love" . . .
 hopes to be a secretary.

ESTELA IRMA MARTINEZ
 T. and S. take up much of
 Estela's time . . . plans to
 be a teacher.

EVA MARTINEZ
 Eva is an F.H.A. and T. and
 S. Club member . . . hopes
 to become a bookkeeper or
 secretary . . . collects cake
 and pie recipes.



ANTONIO MEDRANO
 "Tono" belongs to Vocational
 Industrial Metals Club . . .
 wants to be commander of
 the United States Army.

CARLOTA ORALIA MEJIA
 "Charlie" collects foreign
 coins . . . Student Council
 President, Senior Class re-
 porter, Senior Star, F.H.A.,
 C.S.C. . . . will become a
 teacher . . . National Honor
 Society.

ISMAEL MENCHACA
 This first chair cornet player
 in the Band, PASF, Student
 Council, and French Club,
 member wants to teach mu-
 sic.





GLORIA MENDEZ
Gloria collects recordings of popular music . . . hopes to be an efficient housewife.

JUAN MENDEZ, JR.
Member of the FHA . . . likes to date girls and enjoys dancing . . . hopes to live in Chicago.

ELVIA MENDIOLA
Chorus and annual take care of Elvia's activities . . . wants to be an expert secretary . . . enjoys reading.

JOSE MORAN
A member of the L association . . . interested in all sports . . . goes for hunting . . . plans to join the Marines.

ROBERTO MORAN
Bobby has been an all around athlete, future football coach . . . riding in a jalopy full of girls is his favorite pastime.

GUADALUPE C. MORENO
"Emma" is a T&S, Annual, and Chorus member . . . will become a secretary . . . collects love letters.



ELISEO MEZA
"Cheo" likes deer hunting . . . future engineer . . . dreams of living in California.



LILIA MIRELES
Lilia collects pictures of an L.J.C. student . . . belongs to P.A.S.F. and F.H.A. . . . wants to be a good secretary and housewife.

Corner Picture:
MARIA TERESA MORALES
"Tere" wants to travel a lot in the future . . . enjoys good movies, listening to the radio, and reading.

Corner Picture:
MARIA LUISA OROZCO
"PeeWee" hopes to become an airline hostess . . . Pep Squad, Chorus, P.A.S.F. and D. E. keep her busy.

MARY OFFER
Pep Squad Majorette, Thespians, Chorus, PASF . . . collects dogs . . . hopes to study medicine.



GILBERTO NIETO
Studying to be a certified public accountant, is a long hard business, but Gilberto says it's his future.

Corner Picture:
RENE MENCHACA
Band, Student Council, French Club, P.A.S.F., R.O. T.C. Band . . . Rene collects pictures . . . hopes to join the Navy.

ERNESTINA MEZA
"Baby" belongs to the Library Service Club and Future Homemakers of America . . . ambition, secretary . . . collects popular records.



ARMANDINA MOLINA
"Mandy" wants to become a secretary . . . belongs to T&S Club . . . enjoys driving '55 Pontiacs.

JESUS OLIVO
Basketball, ROTC . . . football, baseball . . . all sports interest Jesus.



LOUISE NOTZON
Journal Reporter, CSC, Student Council, Pep Squad, Thespians, and ROTC sponsor . . . Louise's ambition is to see the world . . . National Honor Society.

Corner Picture:
JULIA BIRD MULLER
Pep Squad, treasurer, Cheerleader, Thespians, CSC, PASF, Student Council, Senior Star . . . V.I.C. Sweetheart . . . National Honor Society.

ALMA LYDIA MORA
Alma hopes to study interior decorating . . . belongs to P.A.S.F., French Club, and Chorus . . . enjoys swimming and dancing . . . National Honor Society.

BEATRIZ IRMA MORALES
Looking forward to archeology . . . L.S.C. member, Beatriz likes to dance and draw . . . collects records.



GLORIA MONTANO
Gloria is in F.H.A., likes to dance . . . wants to own a home in Monterrey



MIGUEL ORTIZ
Jet plane enthusiast . . . a band, ROTC, and PASF member . . . proud of his lieutenant's bars.

NORMA SUE PAGEL
A future teacher, "Pagel" collects movie star autographs, and long, dangling earrings.

GUADALUPE PALACIOS
"Lupe" belongs to the FTA, T&S . . . plans to be a commercial artist . . . National Honor Society.





CAROLINA PAREDES
T&S club . . . collects dolls . . . enjoys tennis and dancing . . . future world traveler.

HECTOR PEARSON
"Tito" belongs to the Future Homemakers of America, future, Air Force . . . hobby, to fix cars or wreck them.

ROBERT C. PEARSON
Bob, D.E. prexy, PASF vice-prexy, Thespians, wants to operate his own radio business.

SYLVIA DORA PEREZ
"Lulu's" ambition is to travel around the world . . . belongs to Band . . . enjoys dancing.

PEDRO PERRUSQUIA
Pedro collects educational books . . . wants to join the Coast Guard after graduation.

DAN PETRICH
Danny serves in Student Council . . . basketball and track kept him busy . . . enjoys being around friendly people.



IDA VIRGINIA POMROY
Ida spends her time listening to popular music . . . wants to be a nurse.



ROBERT PECK, JR.
"Butch," an active L.S.C. member, collects Hot Rods and hopes to become an automotive engineer.



DELIA NELLA PENA
Becoming a teacher, her dream . . . Student Council . . . FHA vice president . . . likes to travel.

Corner Picture:
ROGELIO PEREZ
Business manager of the band, Rogelio collects pictures of bands, and wants to live in Canada or in a cold country.

Corner Picture:
MARIA LUISA PULIDO
Maria Luisa acts a president of the Junior Nurses Club, member of PASF . . . and Chorus . . . her ambition, to be a nurse.

ROSA MARIA PUENTE
"Rosie" belongs to FHA, JNC, and Chorus . . . hopes to become a secretary . . . likes dancing.



SAN JUANA PONCE
French Club . . . collects movie stars' pictures . . . wants to travel around the world.

Corner Picture:
NORMA ELIDA PINA
FTA, vice-president; PASF, keeper of the flags; Student Council; Journal, Spanish columnist; ROTC Sponsor . . . National Honor Society.

Corner Picture:
ISABEL PALACIOS
Isabel likes to collect movie stars' pictures . . . nursing her future . . . FHA member.

ANITA PENA
Band pictures make up "Ana's" collection . . . Band, French Club, Student Council, and PASF take up her time.



NORMA PENA
Norma's ambition is to be a nurse . . . A Busy Bee, Thespian, Student Council and P.A.S.F. member . . . likes to sing and dance.

TERESA PUENTE
"Tere" has made a hit with her voice . . . music major . . . Pep Squad, T&S, Future Teachers of America, Chorus.



JOSE LUIS QUESADA
"Queso" is in P.A.S.F., Band, Capt. and drum major, Senior Class, sgt.-at-arms . . . hopes to be an M.D.

GILBERTO QUIJANO
Vocational Industrial Auto Mechanics Club member . . . enjoys hunting and fishing . . . expects to join the armed forces.



ALBERTO RAMIREZ
ROTC, PASF, Vocational Industrial Metals Club keep this boy busy . . . Alberto collects rare woods and hopes to be a woodcraftsman.

HERIBERTO PERALEZ
A collector of girls' pictures, Heriberto, a baseball player, wants to join the Marines.

MARY PERALEZ
"Bebe" likes swimming and having a crowd in to dance . . . PASF, Journal Staff and Student Council, French Club prexy . . . plans to major in journalism.

BERTA PEREZ
Berta's ambition is to be a nurse . . . belongs to Jr. Nurses Club and L.S.C. . . . enjoys dancing.





CAROLINA RAMIREZ
"Caro" belongs to T&S and Junior Nurses . . . looks forward to being a nurse . . . meanwhile likes to listen to popular music.

GALO RAMIREZ
"I collect pretty brunettes with blue eyes," says Joaquin and PASF member Galo . . . future math teacher.

JOAQUIN RAMIREZ
Future automobile manufacturer . . . Joaquin collects stamps and insects.

PEGGY JANE RILEY
C.S.C., Thespian, Pep Squad, Journal, R.O.T.C. Sponsor . . . "Mousey" likes driving jalopy, "Susie," and riding horseback . . . National Honor Society.

ALBERTO RIOJAS
Band member . . . wishes to study engineering . . . Alberto, meanwhile, enjoys playing various musical instruments.

GUADALUPE RIVERA
"Lupe" enjoys going to the movies and baseball games . . . Chorus member . . . future airline hostess.



JUAN RAMIREZ
FFA, track, his activities . . . hopes to be the first Latin-American governor of Texas.

Corner Picture:
ANGELITA RAMIREZ
"Angie," Junior Nurses Club and Chorus . . . likes dances . . . hopes to become a nurse.



JUAN MANUEL RAMIREZ
Juan belongs to T&S, Chorus, and ROTC . . . ambition is to direct a symphony orchestra . . . collects dollar bills.

VIRGINIA RAMIREZ
"Vickie" would like to be a math teacher . . . likes to dance, especially to Mexican music.



Corner Picture:
GUADALUPE RANGEL
Reporter of the Distributive Education Club . . . likes baseball, dancing, movies . . . hopes to be a housewife.

VIOLETA ELVA RAMIREZ
A collector of pictures, FHA and PASF'er . . . Violeta's ambition is to be a bookkeeper.

Corner Picture:
NICOLASA RODRIGUEZ
"Nickie" is a member of the Distributive Education Club . . . favorite song, "Dilema de los Dos" . . . collects pictures.

JOSE RODRIGUEZ
A future Army man, Jose belongs to F.H.A., French Club, and R.O.T.C. . . . wants to become an engineer.

IRMA RODRIGUEZ
"Kittie," Band Captain Majorette, also belongs to F.H.A., Thespian, P.A.S.F., and Student Council . . . likes to talk on the phone.



HOMERO JOEL RODRIGUEZ
This football player, F.F.A. and Chorus member collects girls' pictures . . . hopes to major in physical education at North Texas State College.



BELIA RODRIGUEZ
"Keka," P.A.S.F., Thespian, French Club, and Chorus member, collects souvenirs.

Corner Picture:
ROBERTO ROCHA
This band member wants to join the Air Force . . . belongs to baseball team.



CARLOS ROBERTO RODRIGUEZ
Chale is P.A.S.F. Sgt.-at-arms; F.T.A. historian; V.I.C. vice-president, Student Council, L.S.C. member.

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ADA REYNA
French Club corresponding secretary, PASF treasurer . . . Ada wants to visit Europe . . . collects letters.



CARLOS E. RENDON
Sells ads for "La Pitahaya" . . . hopes to be a famous architect . . . collects stamps.



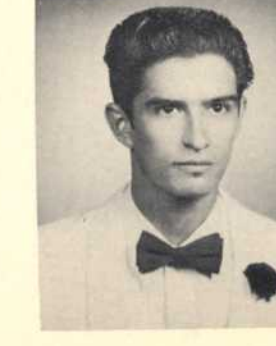
MARY JANE REUTHINGER
C.S.C., Thespian, Student Council, Band . . . Social work in children's hospital, her future . . . dotes on poetry.



MARIA DE LA LUZ RODRIGUEZ
Maria serves as treasurer of Junior Nurses Club and Pep Squad member . . . wishes to study professional nursing.



PEDRO RODRIGUEZ
"Pete" is baseball pitcher and football manager . . . likes to paint and draw . . . hopes to become a pitcher in the major leagues.





RUBEN RODRIGUEZ
Enjoys baseball . . . wonderful disposition . . . works in store and hopes to own one in the future.

YOLANDA RODRIGUEZ
Yolanda is a member of the L.S.C. Loves to date a certain boy with a crew haircut . . . ambition, to marry an Aggie . . . National Honor Society.

HENRY ROGERS
R.O.T.C. sergeant, Thespian and L.S.C. member . . . "Hank," loves to talk on the phone to ? . . . future draftsman.

ANDRES SALINAS, JR.
An engineering degree is what Andres is striving for. Rocks and shells make up his collection.

ARNOLDO SALINAS
Loves the out of doors, especially hunting and fishing . . . he will join the navy after graduation.

EMMA SALINAS
Secretary of Student Council, Pep Squad, P.A.S.F., president of F.T.A . . . C.S.C., writer of Oscillating and Senior Star—all keep "Shorty" busy.



MARIA ROQUE
Busy Bees, T & S Club . . . "Vickie," a collector of movie stars' pictures, wants to be a secretary.



ABELARDO RUBIO
Future Farmers of America his chief interest . . . expects to have a ranch of his own.

Corner Picture
PAULA RUIZ
"Bebe" loves to dance . . . hopes to be a good housewife . . . serves PASF, F.H.A., and Student Council.

Corner Picture:
SUSANA SANDOVAL
"Susie" belongs to T&S and D. E. Club . . . enjoys dancing, sports, and driving her car.

ANTONIO G. SANCHEZ
"Tono" enjoys sports. Expects to be Certified Public Accountant . . . has pleasant memories of his travels to western States.



ROGELIO SALINAS
Rogelio's ambition is to be a ranch owner . . . collects old coins . . . National Honor Society.

Corner Picture:
ROBERTO RODRIGUEZ
R.O.T.C. sergeant, Roberto wants to be an architect . . . "Sh Boom" holds Roberto's attention . . . likes to swim and play baseball . . . National Honor Society.

SOCORRO ROMANOS
"Soco" wants to be an architect . . . collects a variety of recorded music.



MIGUEL RUIZ
Miguel is a track squadman and R.O.T.C. sergeant . . . hopes to attend A&M and acquire a B.A. degree . . . collects stamps.

ESTELA SANCHEZ
"Tela" is a reporter for Girls Athletic Club . . . likes to dance . . . hopes to be a teacher.



ROSALIA SALINAS
"Rosa" is thrilled by reading mystery stories . . . will become a secretary.

Corner Picture:
EFRAIN SALINAS
F.T.A.'s member, Efrain, future businessman . . . enjoys hunting and fishing.

RITA IRENE SALAZAR
"Nena" serves the Busy Bees as treasurer, F.H.A. Clothing 1.2 as secretary, and Chorus . . . expects to be a secretary.

MARGARITA SALAS
"Mage" belongs to French Club . . . treasurer of T&S . . . hopes to become a bookkeeper . . . collects items concerned with Good Neighbor Policy.

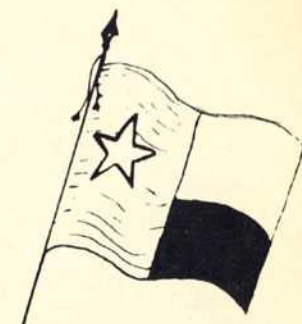
SOSTENES RUIZ
Sostenes' ambition is to become a doctor of medicine . . . serves on Student Council and as R.O.T.C. major . . . likes to dance . . . National Honor Society.



FRANCISCO SANTOS
Our future college basketball player, "Kenky" is the president of the Vocational Industrial club and plays basketball.

JUAN SILVA
"The Kid" belongs to the "L" Association, P.A.S.F., Chorus and R.O.T.C. . . . plays football . . . future Texas Ranger.

CARLOS SCHUNIOR
P.A.S.F., F.H.A., French Club claim Carlos' membership . . . expects to become a millionaire and own a huge ranch.





LAURA SYLVIA SOLIS
To be a math teacher is Laura's goal . . . F.T.A., Keeper of pledges; Student Council, and Thomas Edison Club member. National Honor Society.

MARIA IRMA SOLIS
To be a secretary is "Marie's" ambition . . . likes to collect snapshots.

WILLIAM SIZEMORE
William's ambition is to work as teller at Union National Bank . . . enjoys fishing . . . and hunting.

CARLOS VARA
Membership in Chorus . . . future business man . . . Carlos collects pictures of girls, —no, just his girl.

IRMA VALDEZ
Irma looks forward to being a short-story writer . . . enjoys movies and books . . . collects state map "hankies."

JESUS VARGAS
"Chuy" enjoys membership in P.A.S.F., G.A., F.F.A., and Chorus . . . hopes to be an engineer and own a ranch as big as the King Ranch.



VICTOR TORRES
Victor plans to take up a military career . . . goes in for sports . . . belongs to R.O.T.C. and F.H.A.



BEATRIZ SOSA
"Beache" likes dances . . . would like to be a nurse.

Corner Picture:
CONCEPCION VALDEZ
"Conchita" belongs to D. E. . . . her ambition is to get married . . . she enjoys dancing and baseball.

Corner Picture:
MARIA ELENA VELA
A Band member, Maria Elena hopes to become a secretary . . . meanwhile likes to listen to concerts and hillbilly music.

MARIA LUISA VASQUEZ
"Marilou's" ambition is to be a housewife . . . Busy Bee Club member . . . likes to listen to a special song.



EDWINA VELA
Member of Pep Squad and F.H.A. . . . Edwina collects books . . . dreams of being a teacher.

Corner Picture:
NORMAN SORRELL
When flash bulbs pop, look for Norman, annual photographer . . . Thespian and National Honor Society.

MANUELA E. TORRES
Band, Busy Bees, FHA claim Manuela . . . enjoys "cabrito" dinner . . . would like to be a teacher.



PILAR SOULAS
"Pila" wants to take up a nursing career . . . belongs to Band . . . collects post-cards.

CARMEN VASQUEZ
Carmen, Thomas Edison Science Club sgt.-at-arms, likes to write letters . . . hopes to become a biology instructor. National Honor Society.



ALEJANDRO VELA
"Pesetas and tiempo", these are Alejandro's two wishes . . . money and a long life, says this R. O. T. C. major.

Corner Picture:
DIONICIO VASQUEZ
Dionicio takes life as it comes . . . enjoys carving wood and modeling clay figurines.

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ALBERTO TREVINO
Beto belongs to the R.O.T.C. and is the reporter for the F.H.A. . . . plans to be an engineer . . . collects pin up girls.

EFRAIN TREVINO
Sergeant-at-arms of the Distributive Education Club, Band member . . . hopes to manage a store.

CATHERINE URBAN
"Richie" belongs to PASF and Student Council . . . ambition to see the world as a ballet dancer.



GUADALUPE VELA
An admirer of Florence Nightingale, Maria Guadalupe expects to become a nurse in a large hospital.

OLGA VELA
T and S Club, F.T.A., and Journal reporter, Olga loves to watch football and basketball games . . . ambition, teacher.

SYLVIA VELA
T and S, vice-president, French Club, Student Council, P.A.S.F., Junior Nurses Club have kept Sylvia very busy. National Honor Society.





DOMITILA VELASQUEZ
"Tila" belongs to the Girls Sports Club and the Tennis Club . . . ambition, nurse . . . collects movie magazines.

BALTAZAR H. VICHARELI
"Balta" is a member of FHA and ROTC . . . plans to join the Navy . . . likes to dance.

NINFA VIDAURRI
Head librarian of the Band . . . Ninfa's hope is to become a teacher.



RUBEN MARIO VILLARREAL
Ruben belongs to Chorus, Annual staff, and T&S . . . he will be joining the Marines soon . . . ardent football fan.



MARIA DEL CARMEN VILLARREAL
Carmen works in the Office and F.H.A. . . . plans to get married or be a secretary . . . likes dancing.

LUCY VILLARREAL
Artist and dancer . . . belongs to P.A.S.F., Thespians . . . ambition, dress designer.



Corner Picture:
BARBARA WHITE
"Babs", a transfer, belonged to Dance Club, Bible Club and Annual Staff in Rosenberg . . . here she fits into the Pep Squad.



JOSE ANGEL VILLAREAL
Expects to become a petroleum engineer . . . hopes to travel to South America . . . member of VIC, FHA, and FFA.

Corner Picture:
ZULEMA VELA
PASF, French Club, keeper of points; Student Council, Chorus . . . ambition, nursing . . . "Zu" collects dolls.

DONATO VIDAURRI
"Nato" is a future business man . . . P.A.S.F. and Distributive Education Club member . . . collects girls' pictures.

ROBERT WALDROP
Hunting and fishing, Bob's hobbies . . . Edison Club, Slide Rule Club . . . future engineer . . . posed for Saturday Evening Post cover.

TIMOTHY NOBLE WALLER
Tim is active in F.F.A. and football . . . collects electrical gadgets and hopes to be an electrical engineer.



Paper job throughout the years we shall always remember you.

ABE WILSON
President of Thespians, Student Council, vice-president; Thomas Edison Club . . . Abe collects photographs . . . aims at being an important man. National Honor Society.



JOAN D. WOLTER
Joanie's activities include Pep Squad and C. S. C. . . . wants to become a fashion designer . . . National Honor Society.



MANUEL MARTINEZ
Quiet and studious, he enjoys boxing as a hobby . . . **cabrito**, his favorite food . . . future scientist.



JAVIER ZAPATA
Javier is lieutenant in the Band, P.A.S.F. officer, Student Council treasurer, Annual business manager, senior class . . . served as class president in his junior and senior year . . . medicine, his future. National Honor Society.



JOSE L. SALINAS
Holding Institute transfer . . . collects coins . . . hopes to be a mechanical engineer.



ORALIA ZEPEDA
Lala's ambition is to become a nurse . . . dancing and reading good books rate high with her.

Top Picture:
JERRY WORSHAM
Jerry enjoys auto mechanics . . . hopes to own a business concern . . . belongs to Student Council.



Seniors really know they are graduating when the measurements for caps and gowns are taken. Sostenes Ruiz measures the height of Maria Elena Aldama. Joe Ibarra measures Ramsey Cronfel's head.



JUAN ANTONIO PENA
Collects records, especially those by Pedro Infante . . . expects to join the United States Marine Corps.





Dr. O. B. Douglas, Texas University professor, addresses 1954 graduates.

**MARTIN HIGH SCHOOL
STAGES 59th
COMMENCEMENT EXERCISE**



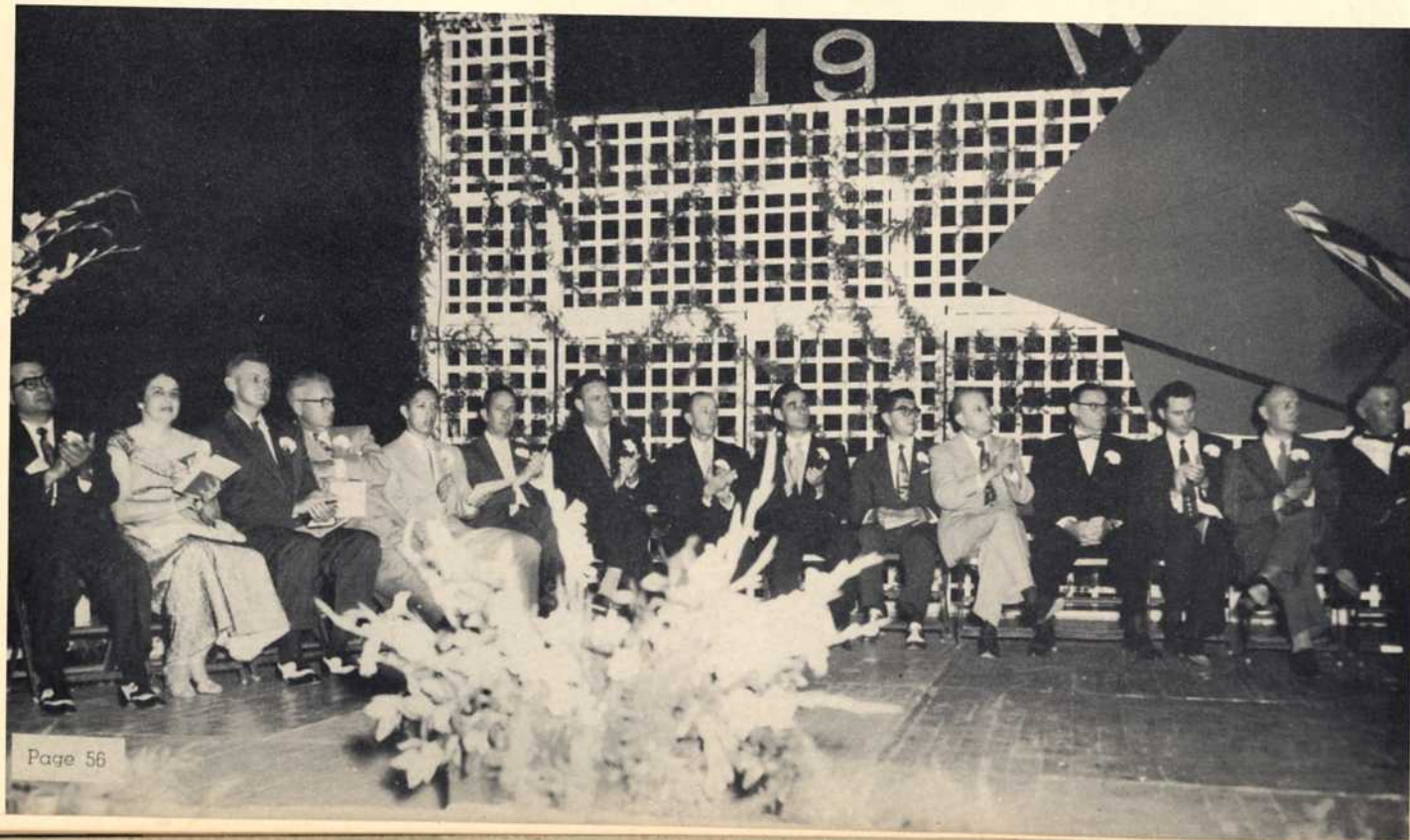
Billy Weeks receives his diploma from Mr. Francisco J. Flores, school board member.

Mr. Elmo Lopez and his orchestra play at the graduation dance.

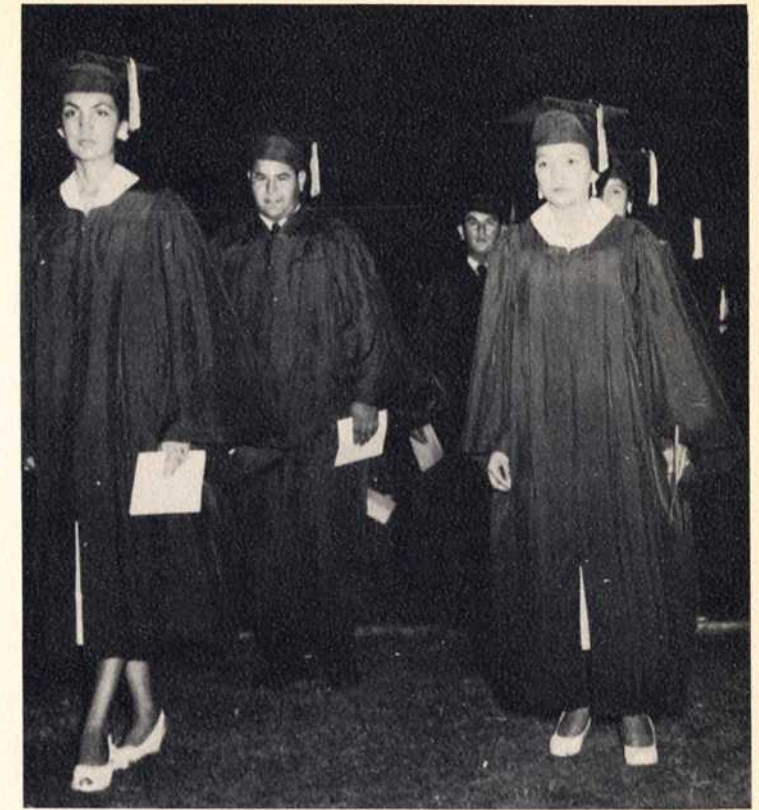


Platform guests were

Mr. D. D. Hachar, Miss Ruth Chamberlain, Mr. Harry Sames, Mr. W. J. Atkins, Mr. Fernando Meza, Mr. W. P. Ellis, Mr. Honoree Ligarde, Mr. Bud G'Sell, Mr. Horace Watson, Mr. Abelardo Salinas, Mr. Joe Moser, Mr. Joe Martin, Rev. James Stanley, Dr. O. B. Douglas, Superintendent of Schools J. W. Nixon.



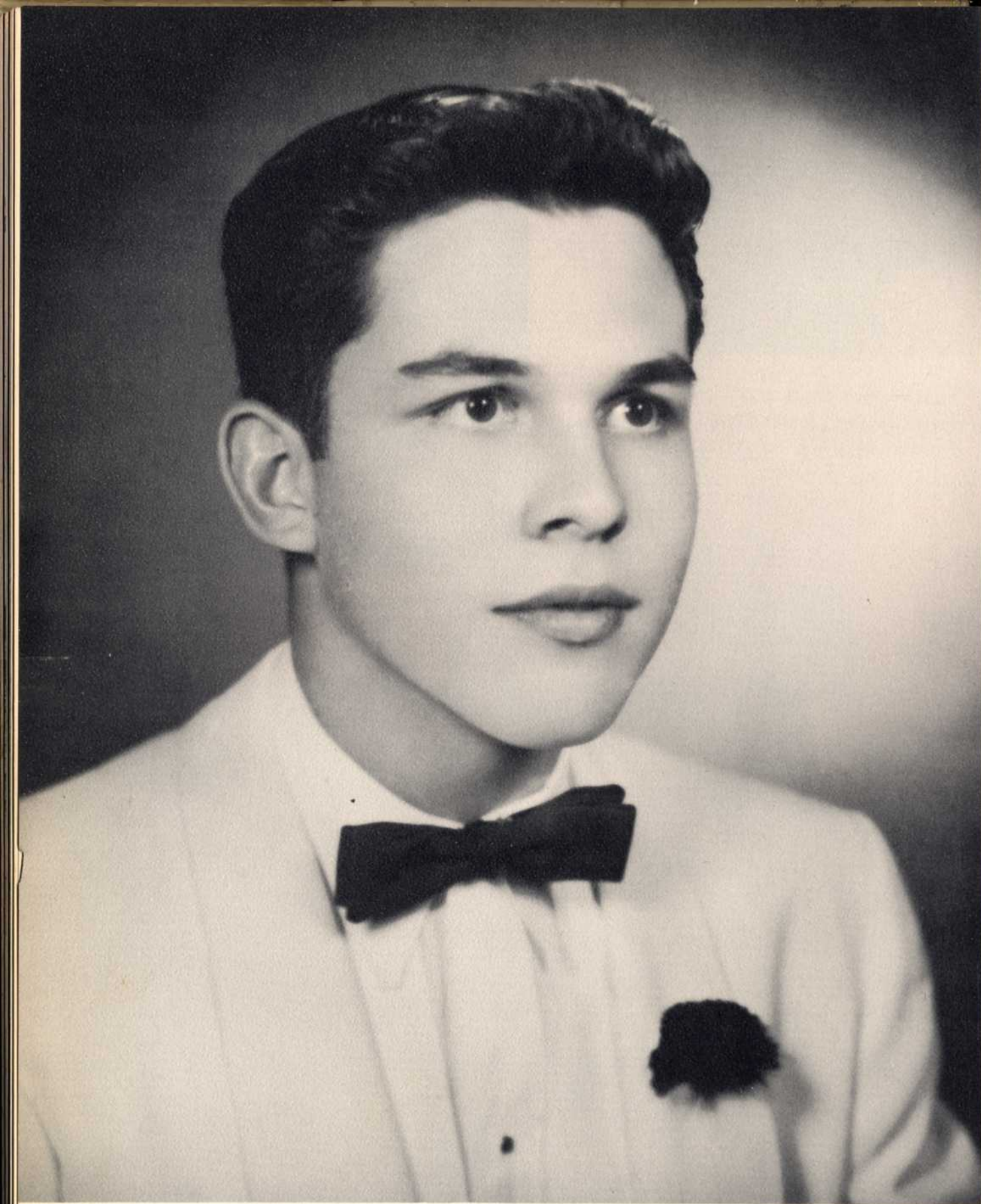
Elida Villarreal shows delight at getting her diploma from school board member Francisco Flores.



Ina Agraz, Adolfo Alvarado, and Felicitas Castillo, with solemn faces lead the graduate procession into the stadium.

School's out for Arturo Blomquist, Margarita Bazan, Manuel Bueno Hazel Ann Barnes, and Maria Luisa Campos, as they lead the graduates off Shirley Field. C. S. C. girls hold back the crowd.





Javier Zapata

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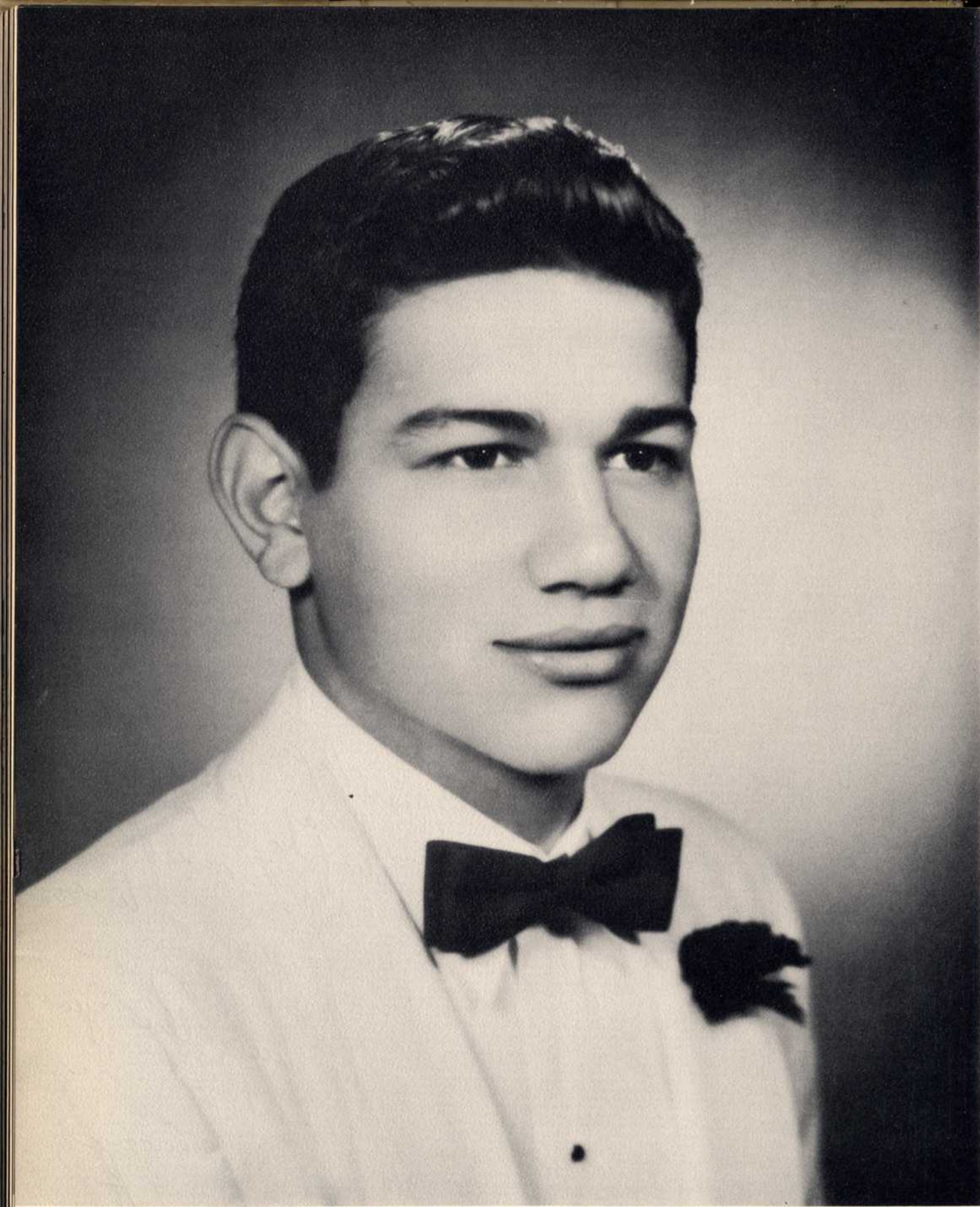


Dear Papa Joe,
It has been
wonderful to know you
and be your friend
May your future
be as happy as
I have been this year
Best to you
always

Carlota

Popular

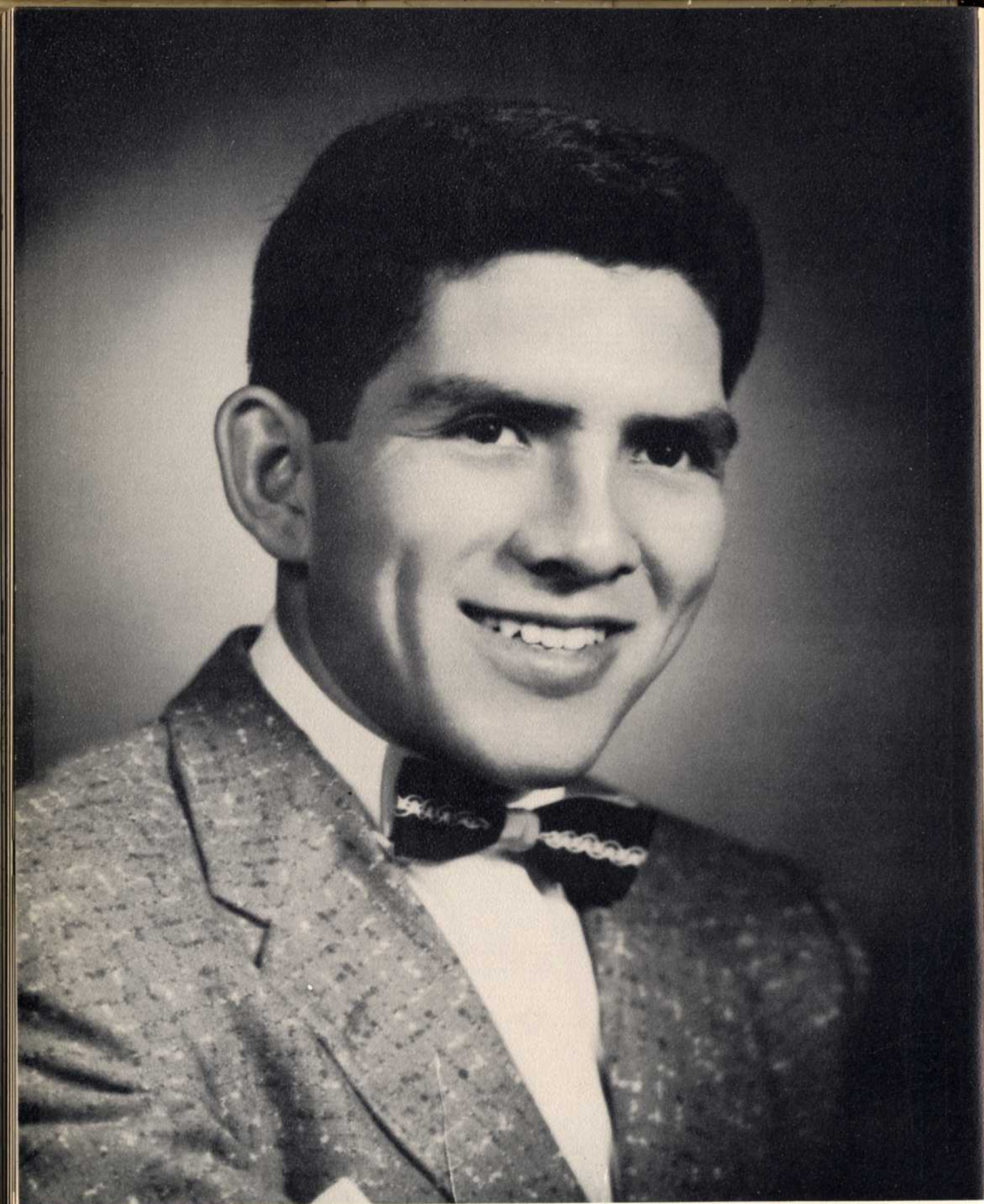
Carlota Mejia



Sostenes Ruiz Most Likely



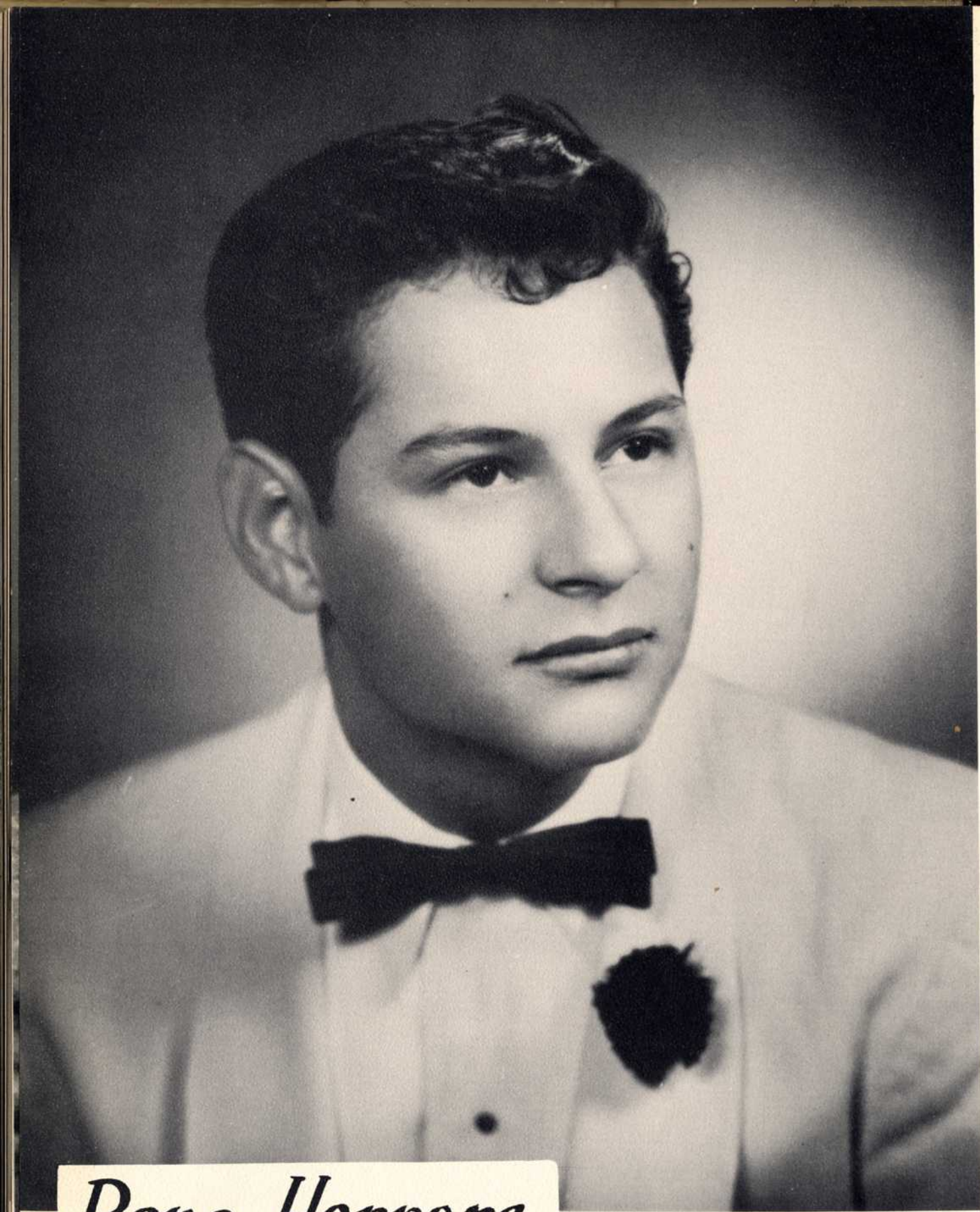
to Succeed Jane Litman



Frank Santos *Best All*



Around *Lucy Lopez*



Rene Herrera

Most Handsome



Josie Guerra

Most Beautiful

Hall of Fame



John Mayers
F.F.A.



Emma Salinas
F.T.A.



Norman Sorrell
Photography



Hermelinda Goldberg
Homemaking



Roberto Dovalina
Photography



Prissy Da Camara
Thespians



Mary Perales
French Club



Ana Maria Campos
T. & S. Club



Gilberto Guijano
Auto Mechanics



Lilia Garza
Spanish



Flo Ann Haag
Pep Squad



Roberta Love
C.S.C.



Dennis McBride
Football



Beatriz Morales
L. S. C.



Louise Notzon
Journal



Frank Santos
Basketball



Elsa Awad
F.H.A.



Maria Beatriz Martinez
Annual Staff Editor



Josie Guerra
P.A.S.F., Dancing



Jose Luis Cardenas
Thomas Edison Club



Ramsey Cronfel
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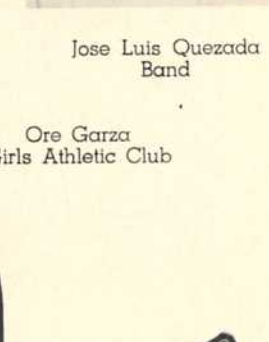
Javier Zapata
Science



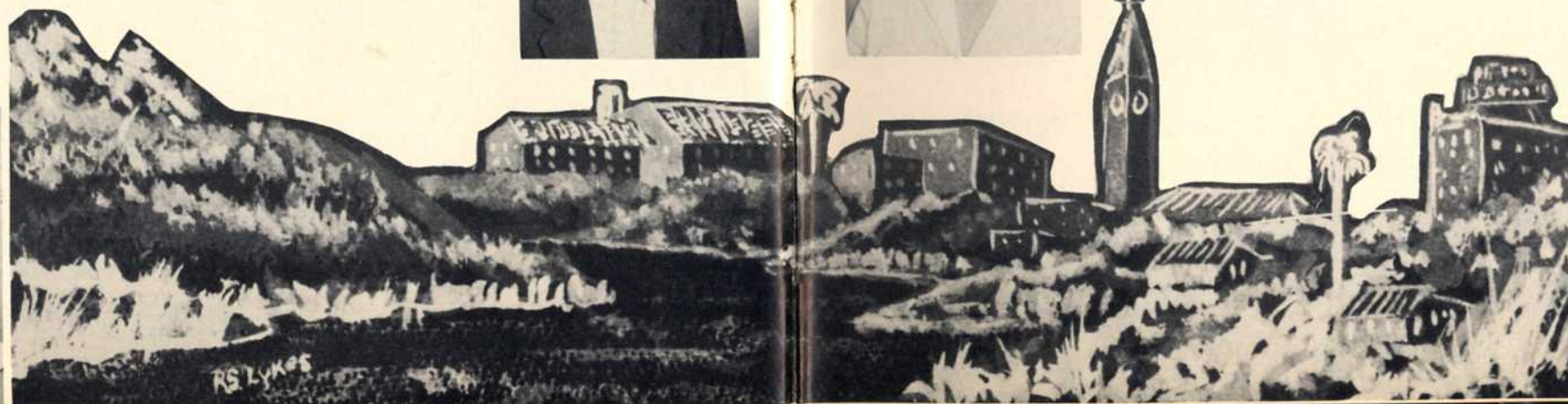
Ore Garza
Girls Athletic Club



Luz Cisneros
Jr. Nurses Club



Robert Pearson
D.E. Club



Juniors

HISTORY OF LAREDO'S WATER SUPPLY

Open the faucet and water spurts out. No miracle, students, but there was a time when the girls and boys of Laredo carried water from the Rio Grande, and housewives took clothes down to wash them on the stones along the river just as they do in some of the villages of Mexico today.

Papa Joe, remembering his childhood, said, "Yes, we boiled the river water and then we put a piece of **nopal** in the barrel to settle the mud to the bottom."

The water works was first located on the river to the right of Convent Avenue.

According to Miss Kathleen DaCamara's "**Laredo on the Rio Grande**," "Water from the river was delivered to one's door, but it was hauled by a **burro** attached with chains to iron pegs projecting from the heads of common whiskey barrels that were rolled in the streets. Each barrel of water was sold for one **real**, worth 12½ cents."

According to Mr. Chester Wine, of the Central Power and Light Company, the first water system was laid in 1883 by a company headed by A. L. McLane. This company had a capital stock of \$100,000.

The Central Power and Light Company purchased the water works in 1925, and in 1928 it built a water plant for processing and filtering the water from the Rio Grande at a cost of \$500,000. The City of Laredo bought this plant and now owns and operates this utility.



JUNIOR CLASS OFFICERS INSPECT THE WATER PLANT

One sunny afternoon the Junior Class Officers decided to visit the water plant. Willie Guerra, parliamentarian; Sylvia Pena, historian; Rosa María Pena, reporter; Lizzie Herrera, treasurer; Cookie Puig, secretary; Richard Lykes, vice-president; Adriana Lozano, president—all had fun.



LAREDO WATER PLANT





AMELIA ACOSTA



HUMBERTO ADAME



ANGELINA AQUERO



LUIS ALVARADO



MARIA LUISA BRUNO



VICTORIA BUENO



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PEGGY CALAHAN



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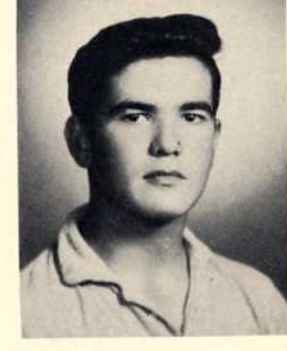
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MARY LOU
MALAKOFF

*With real sweet
lots of love to
Dad & Mom
Mary Lou*



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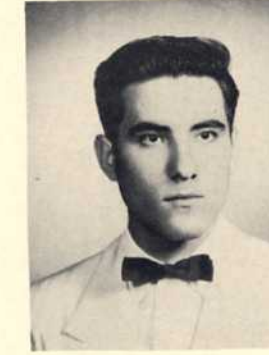


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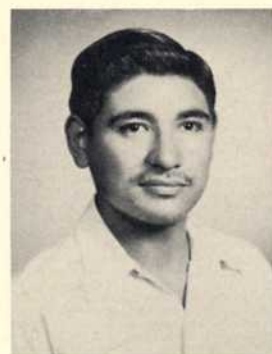
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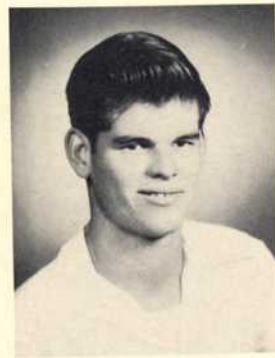
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JOSE E. ZAPATA



ROSA MARIA ESCOBEDO





Adriana Lozano

Junior Sweetheart

Mike Fernandez, Ines de Llano, and Manuel Saldana read the Constitution of the United States in Mr. Porter's class in world history.



Bob Hyatt, Rebecca Flores, Meme Cerda, and Joseph Gage learn to locate settlements on the map in Mrs. Andrews' History 5.4 class.



Mary Haag, Jack Wagner, Mrs. Evangelina Redin, and Jennie Leyendecker study the map of South America.



Mr. Kirk's music 11 class Bob Muller, Maria Dalrymple, Irma Hinojosa, and Bill Bates sing in a quartette.

JUNIORS IN CLASS



Miss Benavides sends Adriana Lozano, Ileana Pena, Carlos Cavazos, Sylvia Ramirez, Mary Lou Malakoff to the board in Algebra 4.4. They are studying logarithms.



Sophomores

RIVER COMMERCE IN THE EARLY DAYS

The Rio Grande has been a road to the sea for the past two centuries. The early settlers floated down river to Matamoros on flat bottom boats or "chalanos." In Matamoros hides were traded for provisions.

Later during the Civil War cotton was shipped down the river as Mexican cotton to escape Yankee blockade. Through the Mexican port of Matamoros the Confederacy imported northern goods. According to records, five thousand bales of cotton belonging to the Confederacy were stored in Laredo during the Civil War, Laredo profiting from this commerce.

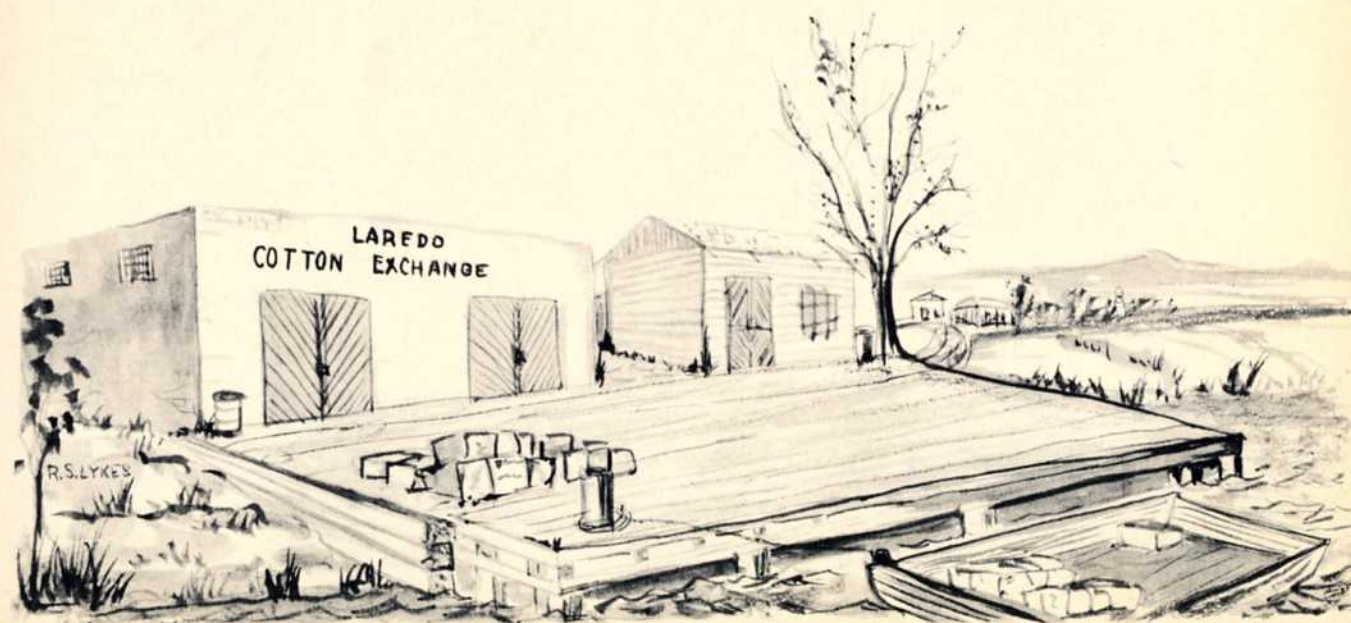
Through successive decades the river has had less water in it, and today it is not an avenue of commerce.



SUNSET OVER LAKE CASA BLANCA

SOPHOMORE OFFICERS GO BOATING IN THE LAKE

"Let's go to the Lake," said the officers of the Sophomore Class when looking for an attractive background for this picture. Sophomores in the motor boat are Nora Gonzalez, historian; Mike Ramirez, president; Dora Gonzalez, parliamentarian; Enrique Mejia, treasurer; Max Zapata, sgt.-at-arms. Linda Brand, reporter; and Sylvia Garcia, secretary, stand on the boat docks.





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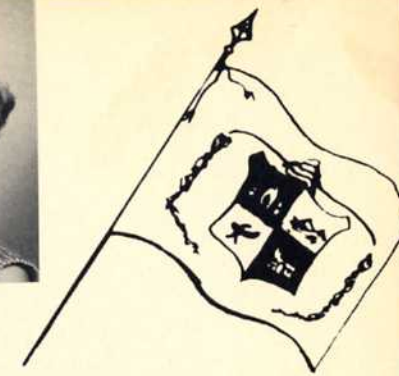
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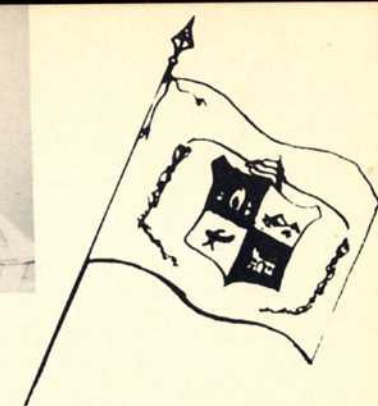
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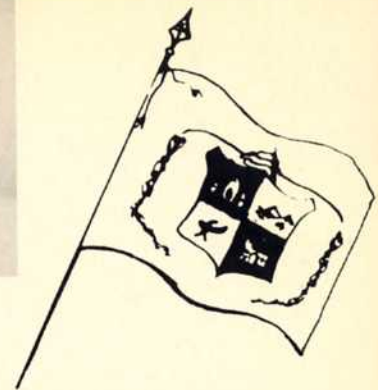
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MARIA OLIVIA GUTIERREZ



PEDRO GUTIERREZ



MARY HAAG



NORA GONZALES



DORA GONZALES

*To the sweetest
the man I
love
Nora*



FRANCISCO GONZALES



TOMAS GONZALES



MIRELLA HERNANDEZ



ESTHER HERNANDEZ



AURORA HERBECK



LANE LEE HALEY



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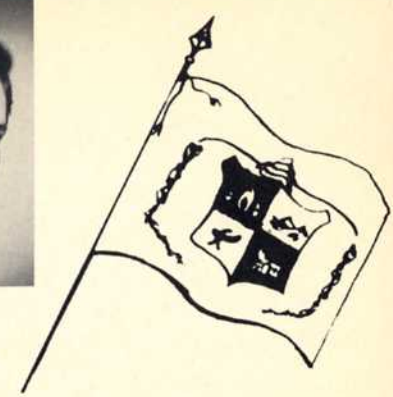
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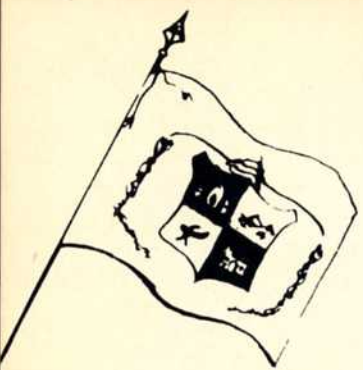
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WANDA YATES
PILAR ZAMORA

Francisco Gonzalez, Irma Keene, Elsie Dalrymple, Blanca de los Santos, and Victor Gonzalez, demonstrate a problem in Mrs. Watkins' Math 2 class.



DOUGLAS HINDS



ADOLFO RODRIGUEZ

Joaquin Arreguin, Jose Castillo, Matias Gomez, Elsie Dalrymple, Jose Moreno, Cristobal Rodriguez, and Inocencio Bueno are some of the Sophomores who are in Mrs. Watkins' Math 2 class.



Sophomore Favorites



Dora



Oyaya Joe, I want to tell you how much I love you. I think you are the most wonderful man I ever loved. May God bless you and keep you. Dora

Mike Ramirez and Dora Gonzalez

Activities



Who doesn't love a Parade? Laredoans look forward every year to the parade on Washington's Birthday. This celebration has been observed each year since the nineteenth century.



The Webb County School float carried a number of high school students, Jenny Lind Leyendecker and Linda Brand, Sharon Snow and Peggy Calohan.

M. H. S. BAND MARCHES IN ANNUAL PARADE HONORING GEORGE WASHINGTON



The four sophomores who are on the Annual Staff and work every day after school are Luis Garcia, Jesus Rocha, Derly Dilley, and Renato Ramirez.

ANNUAL STAFF MEMBERS GIVE HOUR OR MORE A DAY TO YEARBOOK

Seated: Javier Zapata, Elva Longoria, Ore Garza, Bill Bates, Isabel Jackson, Richard Lykes. 1st Row: Julia Muller, Carmen Villareal, Lilia Guerra, Beatriz Martinez, Mamie Castaneda, Roberto Dovalina. 2nd Row: Norman Sorrell, Raul Rodriguez, Jesus Rocha, Renato Ramirez.

Four business managers go out during their study hall period to sell advertisements for the annual. Fourteen hundred dollars worth of ads have been sold this year. Managers are Javier Zapata, David Laurel, Florencio Gutierrez, and Bob Halsell.



Ma. Beatriz Martinez, Ore Garza, Mercedes M. Martinez, and Mrs. Sorrell help themselves to the Xmas food served buffet style at the home of Mrs. Sorrell.



Ore Garza, Dickey Lykes, and Mrs. Sorrell work intently after school. Howard Orebaugh came visiting and was also given work.



Dickey Lykes points out an interesting spot to Javier Zapata, Ma. Beatriz Martinez, and Ore Garza, Norman Sorrell, and Roberto Dovalina divert their attention to a bathing beauty at Barton Springs in Austin, where the Staff members attended the Steck Company Yearbook Clinic.



Ore Garza, Lilia Guerra, Mamie Ruth Castaneda, Antonio Elizondo, Ruben Villarreal, Elvia Mendiola, Elva Longoria, Ma. Beatriz Martinez, and Roberto Dovalina go out to collect for annuals at conference.



Norman Sorrell and Roberto Dovalina look through a photography magazine and compare pictures of their own. Roberto, no doubt, has just seen a "pin-up" girl.

Journal and Annual staff members took a holiday at the lake. Manuel Bueno, Manuel Munoz, Louise Notzon, Adan Garza, and Joe Zhitomirski, Elena Meza, Ore Garza, Gracie Lopez, Diane Hickey, Delia San Miguel, and Elvira Mendoza patiently wait their turn.





LAREDO ENTERTAINS STUDENT COUNCILS OF TEXAS

Coming from 213 Texas Schools, 2,000 students invaded Laredo for the 18th annual State Student Council Conference, March 25-28, 1954.

The theme of the Convention was "Student Council—the Practice Ground for Responsible Citizenship."



Ana Maria Ochoa and Josie Guerra made a big hit at the Noche Mexicana.

Norma Pina shows T. A. S. C. president, Jimmy Mashburn, how to hit the pinata.



Highlights of the program here were as follows:

The **Noche Mexicana**, where the delegates enjoyed the dancing of Ana Maria Ochoa and Josie Guerra.

A **ranch party** at the water plant, where delegates dined on barbecue and beans.

"**So What,**" an address by Dr. Gerald Van Pool, National Executive Secretary of the Student Councils.



Delegates from North Texas were delighted with the dancing numbers on the program at the Noche Mexicana.

Discussion groups in which 90 subjects dealing with Student Council problems were discussed.

A **sponsor's breakfast** at the Hamilton Hotel, where Dr. J. W. Edgar, State Commissioner of Education, spoke.

Founder of the Student Council, Dr. Willis A. Sutton's address.

Address by Dr. Willis A. Sutton, founder of the Student Council.

Martin High School claims some prominent members of the State groups. Miss Ruth Young, Laredo sponsor, is a member of the executive committee. Jean Claire Garner served as secretary treasurer and Mary Paul Wright as secretary.

Miss Ruth Young, Laredo sponsor and member of TASC Executive Council, to whom much credit is due for a successful convention.





Peggy Cullinan, Lynn Taylor, Mary Jo Watt, and Ana Maria Ochoa register delegates to TASC.



Norma Dovalina, Norma Pina, and Emma Salinas, with Judy Nitishin on the ladder, decorate the gym for the Noche Mexicana.



One of the sponsors congratulates Dr. Willis A. Sutton and Dr. G. M. Van Pool on their fine addresses.



Delegates from one of our coastal cities complete registration.



Mary Jo Watt answers questions of TASC members at the registration table.



Dr. Sutton, center of attraction, autographs his picture after his speech.



Eight hundred students enjoyed the barbecue and beans served at the water plant. Favors of red cellophane wrapped oranges were furnished by the Weslaco Student Council.



Barbara Parker, Carolyn Stanley, and Roberta Love accompany one of the guests as they come down to the water park.



For entertainment Lamar Student Council furnished a dance number on an improvised platform.

Laredo students seated on the cool grass as they eat their picnic supper. Laredoans are Charles Hathaway, Anita Addison, Louise Notzon, Gary Thomas, Jimmy Durda, and Mary Offer.





The Executive Committee of Student Council, Javier Zapata, treasurer; Carlota Mejia, president; Adriana Lozano, reporter; Bobby Jo Parker, recording secretary; Emma Salinas, corresponding secretary; Roberta Love, historian; Mary Lou Malakoff, summarizer; Lucy Lopez, 2nd vice-president; Benito Esparza, sgt.-at-arms; Abe Wilson, 1st vice-president; Meme Escamilla, sgt.-at-arms.

"STUDENT COUNCIL TRIES TO MAKE THE SCHOOL A HAPPY PLACE"

"The Student Council is a self-governed organization. The experiences gained in these group activities familiarize young people with democratic principles like majority rule, fair compromise, respect for minority opinions, and the significance of exercising the voting privilege. Traits of character and leadership are developed through practice.

This year's activities included sponsoring the Jamboree, welcoming faculty and students back to school, American Education Week, Christmas Assembly, football Pep Rallies and parades, supervising programs at basketball games, Public School Week and Student Council Week.

The student body and faculty express their ideas through conference and club representatives in the Student Council. The work is carried on by nine committees. This organization is the means of achieving cooperation, between faculty and students for a better and happier school"—Miss Ruth Young, sponsor.



On April 14, the Student Council sponsored a Valentine Post Office. Here, Amelia Garcia and Carlota Mejia are sending messages of love from classmates to classmates.

Repeating the pledge to the Flag at the Public Education Week Assembly are the guards, Brigido Mireles, Carlota Mejia, Bobby Jo Parker, Mr. Adkins, main speaker, and principal, Mr. R. P. St. John.



In the receiving line of the "Back to School" night on March 9, are Luis Cardenas, Carolyn Stanley, Javier Zapata (S. C. treasurer) Carlota Mejia (S. C. President), Mary Ruth Mathews, Cookie Puig, and Judy Miller.



Student Council committee chairmen are front row: Julia Bird Muller, Norma Pina, Armandina de los Santos, back row: Olivia I. Garcia, Hermelinda Goldberg, Eduardo Garcia, and Anita Addison



1st Row: Louise Notzon, Rose Mary Dulaney, Maria Elena Ramirez, Minerva Cantu, Irma Rodriguez, Adriana Lozano, Inez De Llano, Pat Thompson, Elizabeth Herrera, Carlota Mejia, Emma Salinas, Alma Perez, Carol Burr, Velma Vela, Amelia Garcia; 2nd Row: Flo Ann Haag, Javier Gonzalez, Anthony Cowl, Jesus Garcia, Victor Carrillo, Anita Addison, Peggy Riley, Sylvia Perez, Sharon Snow, Marta Guerrero, Connie Gonzalez, Cecilia Cantu, Linda Brand, Irene Garza; 3rd Row: Luis Cardenas, Roy Lykes, Romeo Ramirez, Derly Dilley, John Mayers, Richie Urban, Julia Muller, Roberta Love, Bobby Jo Parker, Mary Haag, Javier Zapata, Rene Menchaca; 4th Row: Abe Wilson, Dan Petrich, Charles Young, Ted Leonard, Enrique Mejia, David Lopez, Harry Castellano, Eduardo Garcia, Benito Esparza, Sostenes Ruiz, Raul Fernandez, Mike Fernandez, Ismael Menchaca, Max Zapata.

First row: G. Palacios, A. Cabello, H. Goldberg, H. Aguilar, E. Aldama, M. B. Martinez, N. Pina, N. David, B. Garcia, D. Sanchez, Y. Jara, G. Lopez, S. Salmon; Second row: B. Acevedo, D. N. Pena, N. Macias, A. Gonzalez, A. Mora, R. Flores, V. Wise, Y. Juarez, O. Garza, A. Anderson; Third row: Humberto Villarreal, C. N. Rogers, J. Irwin, C. Puig, A. de los Santos, L. S. Solis, O. I. Garcia, A. Guerra, A. Pena, J. C. Garza, G. Benavides; Fourth row: B. B. Bates, F. Gonzalez, H. Jimenez, C. H. McCoy, J. Ortiz, M. Ortega, M. Ramirez, E. Meza, M. Guerra, R. Dalrymple; Fifth row: B. Garza, R. Gutierrez, G. Quijano, A. Fuentes, J. L. Flores, M. Ramirez, R. Herrera, A. Vela, F. Mireles, Jr., T. Ramirez, J. Covell, R. Lykes, C. Sanchez, E. Diaz.





"All hail to Martin High" sing the students loud and lustily at the first Pep Rally held on September 17th in the gym. New faces are everywhere—one new instructor, Elmo Lopez, conducts the band. Pep Squad and seniors stand on the floor.

An ovation greeted Martin High's new principal R. P. St. John in his first appearance before the student body. With an elfin grin on his face, he adjusts his coat while being photographed.



Prissy Da Camara, Lucy Lopez, and Julia Muller hand out registration blanks to Delia Sanchez.



Mrs. De Tournillon, Mr. Fielder, Miss Garcia, and Mr. Dallin check registration blanks for Jesus Rocha, Luis Martinez, and Jesus Rodriguez.

Mrs. Barry and Miss Uribe help the Juniors fill out their registration cards. Some Juniors present are Billy Lemoine, Lewis Calk, Stephanie Ledsinger, and Edna Martinez.



The kissing booth attracted a large crowd. Cute Julia Muller convinced some boys that the girls were selling real kisses. Two of the boys she is trying to convince are Arthur Leyendecker and Herberto Martinez. The C. S. C. made forty dollars from their booth.

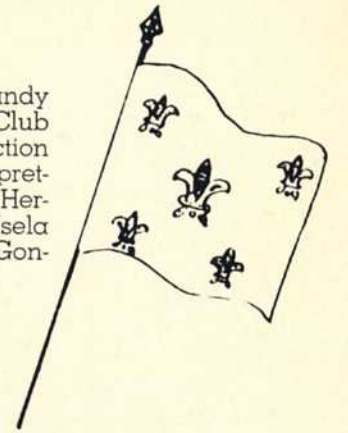


Patsy Martin and Mary Moore dance at the talent show put on by the Student Council at the Jamboree.

In Mexican costume Isabel Amaya sells a gardenia corsage to Roberto Fernandez while Mrs. Wise, Pan American sponsor, looks on. These gardenias came from Mexico.



Pretty girls and candy make the French Club booth a popular attraction at the Jamboree. The pretty girls are Elizabeth Herrera, Ruby Martin, Ysela Jara, Nora and Dora Gonzalez.



The Freshmen gave away toys for their prizes. Trying to convince the kids to come and try their luck is Federico Alardin.

JOLLY JAMBOREE PROVES HUGE SUCCESS

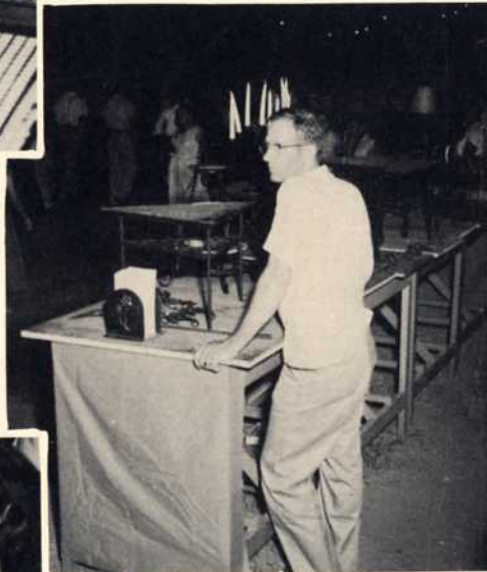
The Future Farmers and D. E. Club share profits of their booth, the country store. Mr. De Tournillon attracts the customers while Mr. McAllister spins the wheel.





The Sophomore Class sponsored a Washer toss game. Mrs. Baird, Sophomore sponsor, ran the show with Jose Diaz and Mike Wright helping.

Mr. Mathews exhibits the articles of wrought iron which his metals classes made.



For the gambling in one's blood, the Journal sponsored a horse racing booth. Lucy Villarreal, Elena Meza, and Dolores Garza helped with the project which made \$14.23 for the Journal fund.

Gracie Lopez, Diana Hickey, Delia Sanchez, Roberto Dovalina, Delia San Miguel, Elvira Mendoza, and Mamie Ruth Castaneda enjoy the Annual-Journal picnic at Lake Casa Blanca.



At Awards Day Assembly Olivia Y. Garcia receives an award from Mrs. Hansen, regent of the D.A.R. The award was for excellence in American history.



SPRING IS THE TIME FOR PICNICS AND AWARDS

Class of '54 eagerly wait for buses to leave on the Senior Picnic.



Journalists relax in the shade of the Lake Side Stand while they listen to the juke box play the **Bunny Hop**. Girls in jeans are Ore Garza, Gracie Lopez, Diane Hickey, Delia Sanchez, Beatriz Martinez, and Mamie Ruth Castaneda.



Carlota Mejia is sworn into the office of president of the Student Council by Ana Maria Ochoa. Willie Houser, the retiring president of the Student Council, observes. Other officers are Benito Esparza, Roberta Love, Flo Ann Haag, Emma Salinas, Abe Wilson, Bobby Jo Parker, Mary Lou Malakoff, Adriana Lozano, and Manuel Escamilla.





Miss Cabrera, Mr. St. John, and Mr. De Tournillon have a little chat before registration.



Senior C. S. C. girls begin registration first, since they assist the faculty in registration duties.



The C. S. C. girls are shown here assembling cards. Anita Addison, Peggy Riley, Alicia Gonzalez, Rose Marie Escutia, and Cookie Puig are those helping here.

Checking to see if all the cards are filled in right are Mr. Dallin, Mr. Fielder, Miss Garcia, Mrs. De Tournillon. C. S. C. girls keep seniors in line.



WE SALUTE THE THESPIAN CLUB'S EXTRAORDINARY PRODUCTION OF THE LOST KISS

We of the **La Pitahaya** staff feel that the 1954 presentation of **The Lost Kiss** deserves special mention because it was an outstanding production and reflected great effort on the part of the cast, the stage crew, and its director, Mrs. Crawford Babb.

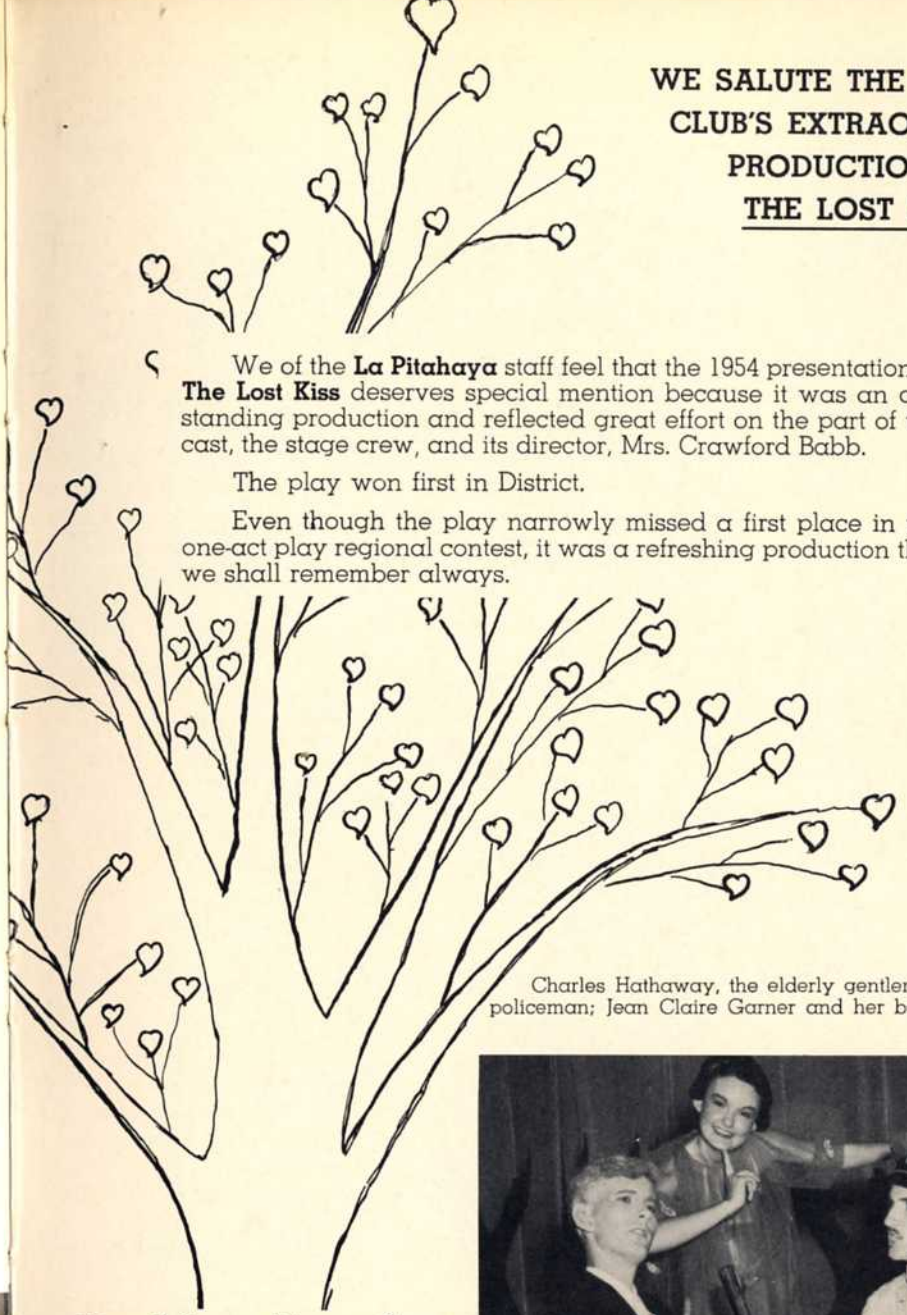
The play won first in District.

Even though the play narrowly missed a first place in the one-act play regional contest, it was a refreshing production that we shall remember always.



Carolyn Stanley and Chris Saul charm the "Lost Kiss" in this scene.

Charles Hathaway, the elderly gentleman; Prissy DaCamara, "the Lost Kiss"; Chris Saul, the policeman; Jean Claire Garner and her boy friend, Abe Wilson, portray an amusing situation.



Prissy DaCamara listens as Peggy O'Bryant and Lloyd Little converse.





Officers of the Thespians Club are as follows: Ramsey Cronfel, sergeant-at-arms; Lucy Lopez, sergeant-at-arms; Flo Ann Haag, secretary; Sharon Snow, assistant historian; Mary Lou Malakoff, treasurer; Abe Wilson, president; Priscilla DaCamara, vice-president; Cookie Puig, historian.

THESPIANS ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT SPEECH AND DRAMA

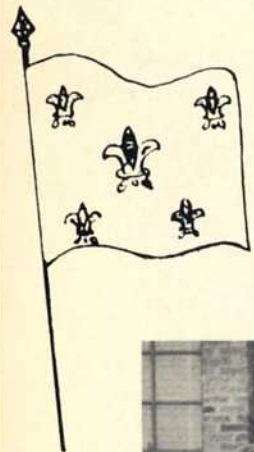
The Thespians Dramatic Club began its year with an initiation party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Snow. Initiates participated in dramatic, comic, and musical skits and wore assigned costumes.

A Christmas party was held at Mr. and Mrs. Joe Puig's home. Abe Wilson, representing the club, presented Mrs. C. D. Babb, sponsor, with an orchid corsage.

Speech events for the Interscholastic League contests were sponsored by the Thespians Club. Debaters made a good showing at a speech clinic in Alice. A speech festival at Trinity University was also attended by the speech group.

Thespians presented a one-act play in the spring. Because Mrs. Babb suffered an arm injury, the club did not put on any plays during the fall semester.

Club members presented various programs during the club's meetings.



Front row: Louise Notzon, Mary Ruth Mathews, Carolyn Stanley, Rose Marie Dulaney, Lamar Sanchez, Inez de Lland, Irma Rodriguez, Josie Guerra, Lucy Lopez, Julia Muller, Isabel Jackson, Mary Offer, Pat Berry, Bobby Jo Parker, Sharon Snow.

Middle row: Peggy Simpson, Tommie Barnes, Valerie Eveltts, Carol Burr, Barbara Parker, Belia Rodriguez, Mary Lou Malakoff, Leonor Rodriguez, Prissy DaCamara, Cookie Puig, Nelia Todd, Flo Ann Haag.

Third row: Abe Wilson, Jimmy Springer, Manuel Escamilla, Sandra Wright, Joy Wright, Judy Miller, Mary Haag, Jennie Lynd Leyendecker, Aurora Herbeck, Javier Santos, Jack Mahan, Ted Leonard, Lewis Calk, Ramsey Cronfel, Simon Flores.



Flo Ann Haag makes up Louise Notzon as a clown while Belia Rodriguez waits to be made up. Ted Leonard takes off his make up.



Mrs. Crawford Babb, sponsor of the Thespians, enjoys time off in the teacher's lounge reading a magazine.

Abe Wilson and Ramsey Cronfel debate with Prissy Da Camara and Cookie Puig the question, "Resolved: That the Federal Government Should Initiate a Policy of Free Trade among Nations Friendly to the United States."



Meme Escamilla, Ramsey Cronfel, Neila Todd, Benito Esparza, Mary Haag, Bob Hyatt, Cookie Puig, Ben Wright, and in the background, James Cazamias, Chris Archibald, Charles Rogers, Jim Springer, and Frank Million gather around the punch bowl at the Thespians Christmas Party.

Marion Stuckey and Josie Guerra, Abe Wilson, and Barbara Parker, Ramsey Cronfel and Mary Haag, Jim Springer and Sharon Snow enjoyed dancing after the refreshments were served.





Officers of the Library Service Club gather around a table to look over new library materials. They are Gracie Lopez, Student Council representative; Armandina de los Santos, treasurer; Adriana Lozano, vice-president; David Dilley, president; Rosa Maria Guerra, secretary; Diane Hickey, historian; and Lloyd Little, reporter.

LIBRARY SERVICE CLUB LEADS an ACTIVE LIFE

High School librarian, Miss Delia Westbrook, plays hostess to the visiting librarians, Mrs. E. B. Baker of Lamar and Mrs. Ruby Hood of Christen.



1st row: Adriana Lozano, Elizabeth Herrera, Irma Hinojosa, Ernestina Meza, Alma Perez, Lloyd Little.
 2nd row: Gloria Martinez, Rosa Maria Guerra, Marie Dalrymple, Armandina de los Santos, Diane Hickey.
 3rd row: Jane Litman, Edna Martinez, Celia Juarez, Yolanda Rodriguez, Federico Alardin.
 4th row: Berta Perez, Hilda de Arkos, Sara Garcia, Mildred Looney, Beverly Young.
 5th row: Irma Garcia, Gracie Lopez, Beatriz Morales, Alfred Looney.
 6th row: David Dilley, Jesus Garcia, Brigido Mireles, Jack Mahan, David Lopez.



Upper picture: Yolanda Rodriguez pours punch for Ernestina Meza at the Library Service Open House. Refreshments were served in the cafeteria. Members present were Yolanda Rodriguez, Dora Gomez, Ernestina Meza, Anthony Cowl, Beatriz Morales, and Marie Dalrymple.

Lower picture: Having the time of their life the "Old Hands" watch the "Martyr" eat the delicious oatmeal. From left to right we have Rosa Guerra, Lizzie Herrera, David Dilley, Carlos Rodriguez, the victim, Alma Diana Perez, and Delia Sanchez.



Upper picture: Members of the Library Service Clubs of L. J. Christen Junior High and M. B. Lamar Junior High enjoy the Annual Open House held at Martin High School.

Lower picture: What's going on we know not, but the L. S. C. members got a huge bang out of it. Rosa Guerra, Lizzie Herrera, Gracie Lopez, Celia Juarez, David Lopez, David Dilley, Alma D. Perez, the poor unlucky gal, and Delia Sanchez.

Going down stairs blind-folded and bare-footed isn't exactly fun for initiate, Marjorie Cruz, who is being assisted by Rosa Guerra, Lizzie Herrera, Alfred Looney, David Lopez, Delia Sanchez, and David Dilley.

Service to the library and the school is the purpose of the Library Service Club.

Sponsored by Miss Delia Westbrook, a number of delegates went to Fort Worth to attend the Teen-Age Library Association State Convention during February. National Book Week was observed by displays and an open house for the L. J. Christen and Lamar Junior High School Library Service Club. Book marks were given to all Martin High School students during the week.

The Library Service Club is a member of the Teen-Age Library Association of Texas. In the state there are around 300 of these organizations giving service to their schools.



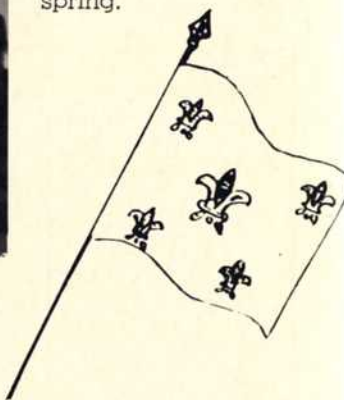


Dora and Nora Gonzalez entertain the members by doing an apache dance. Interested onlookers are Elsa Awad, Sylvia Pena, Gonzalo Gamboa, Gloria Martinez, Minerva Gallegos, and others.



Marie Dalrymple does a ballet dance at the spring party.

Peggy Calohan, Rafael Juarez, Teresa Puente, Miguel Ortiz, Hermila Aguilar, Juan Garza Gongora, and Ana Ma. Flores sang at the formal dance held in the Pan American Room of the Plaza Hotel last spring.



Aurora Ramirez won the honor of being selected French Club sweetheart.

FRENCH CLUB OFFICERS are Nora Gonzalez, reporter; Elihu Diaz, sgt.-at-arms; Yolanda Rodriguez, historian; Federico Garcia, assistant treasurer; Mary Peralez, president; Ada Reyna, corresponding secretary; Willie Guerra, sgt.-at-arms; seated, Elizabeth Herrera, recording secretary.



Imelda Laurel and Alma Mora receive a gift from Mary Peralez, who acted as Santa Claus.

Marie Dalrymple dances at the French Club initiation party held at Elizabeth Herrera's home.



Cokes and hot dogs were served after the program. Some of the members enjoying the cokes are Hector Gonzalez, Ismael Menchaca, Frank Leven, Zulema Vela, Belia Rodriguez, Ada Reyna, Alma Mora, Mr. and Mrs. Barreda, who were guests.



Elizabeth Herrera, James Hickey, and Mary Peralez sing and dance **Candy Lips**.

FRENCH CLUB HAS FORMAL and INFORMAL ENTERTAINMENTS

First row: Javier Santos, Nora Gonzalez, Elizabeth Herrera, Dora Gonzalez, Belia Rodriguez, Alma Mora, Zulema Vela, Alicia Gonzalez, Evangelina Garza, Marie Dalrymple, Mary Peralez, Alice Mann, Elva Longoria, Maria de Jesus Mendoza.
 Second row: Jesus Garcia, Federico Garcia, Raul Rodriguez, Javier Gonzalez, Ricardo Pena, George Magnon, Frank Leven, Roman Gutierrez, Guadalupe Garza, Maria Cisneros, Ruby Martin, Ardith Anderson, Anita Pena, Graciela Cantu, Sylvia Vela, Irma Garcia, Belia Garcia.
 Third row: Carlos Schunior, Elvira Mendoza, Olivia Vara, Rosa Maria Pena, Rosario Santos, Magdalena Guerra, Sara Ochoa, Margarita Salas, Lucia Flores, Ada Reyna.
 Fourth row: Willie Guerra, Arturo Yruegas, Derly Dilley, Gonzalo Gamboa, Renato Ramirez, Elihu Diaz, Howard Orebaugh, Ismael Menchaca, Hector Gonzalez, Jose Rodriguez, Jose Luis Flores, Arturo Garcia, Rene Menchaca, Hector Sepulveda.





Welcoming the guests are Sylvia Vela and Ana Maria Campos. Some of the guests are Alicia Cabello, Felix Fraustro, Juan Manuel Ramirez, Velma Vela, Gonzalo Gamboa, Olga Rodriguez, Carolina Paredes, Lydia Garza, and Ramona Cantu.



Juan Silva and Dora Herrera, Ana Maria Campos, and Joe Moran attend the T & S Club formal at the L. J. C. Corral.



Ana Maria Campos takes a fall after turning around with a broom. Delia Sanchez helps her up.

TYPEWRITING and STENOGRAPHY CLUB MAKES MERRY

First row: Alicia Cabello, Margarita Ruiz, Olga Rodriguez, Gregoria Flores, Ramona Cantu, Vela Castillo, Victor M. Carrillo. Second row: Estela Landin, Eve Martinez, Teresa Puente, Lydia Garza, Gloria Garza, Guadalupe Moreno, Maria Beatriz Martinez, Edna Martinez, Emma Martinez, Sylvia Vela, Delia Sanchez, Daniel Flores. Third row: Evelyn McCoy, Carolina Paredes, Emma Rubio, Belia Canales, Juanita Bustos, Estela Martinez, Celia Rodriguez, Eloisa Martinez, Guadalupe Palacios, Armandina Molina, Carolina Ramirez. Fourth row: Maria Luisa Degollado, Juan M. Ramirez, Delia Flores, Olga Vela, Gonzalo Gamboa, Felix Fraustro, Margarita Salas, Lucia Flores, Maria Roque, Ana Maria Campos, Beatriz Acevedo.



THEY HAD A BALL! The T & S Club did—at the Laredo Junior College Corral. Girls wore their best formals and everyone agreed it was a wonderful party.

Corner: T & S OFFICERS AND SPONSOR gathered around the flag pole after the club picture. They are front row: Teresa Puente, S.C. representative; Maria Beatriz Martinez, reporter; Daniel Flores, sgt.-at-arms; Alicia Cabello, secretary; Juanita Bustos, historian; Top row: Ana Maria Campos, president; Belia Castillo, secretary; Sylvia Vela, vice-president; and Mrs. Brennan, sponsor.



Delia Sanchez, with eyes closed, turns around and around with a broom. Result: a very dizzy girl.

The same game but with a different victim, Jose de la Garza. Onlookers are Pedro Rodriguez, Juan M. Ramirez, Felix Fraustro, Sylvia Vela, Velma Vela, Victor Carrillo, and Ramona Cantu.

Corner Picture: Lydia Garza and president Ana Maria Campos say goodnight to guests Felix Fraustro and Ramona Cantu at the entrance to the garden.

Some of the T & S Club members who attended the party held at the home of Daniel Flores on October 21 are Ismael Menchaca, Gregoria Flores, Emma Martinez, Teresa Puente, Margarita Salas, Lucia Delia Flores.



Carlota Mejia welcomes Mrs. R. P. St. John to open house.

Benny Esparza, Meme Escamilla, Abe Wilson, Ted Leonard, Student Council officers welcome guests.



Mrs. Zapata, Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. Leonard and Mr. and Mrs. Lozano, the parents who served as inspectors in the contest for most improved room—Room 250, Mrs. Sorrell's room won first prize.

"Jitter" Jackson, Mrs. Lopez and son Javier, Miss Pierce, and Lucy Lopez.



Carlota Mejia, Javier Zapata, and Norma Pina write letters to their parents inviting them to the open house during National Education Week.

Mike Jacaman, Eva Flores, Melecio de la Garza, Dan Petrich, Roman Gutierrez, Miguel Ortiz, Evelyn McCoy, and Velia Castillo make room 250 shine for the room contest. Results . . . room 250 won.



MARTIN HIGH OPENS DOORS TO PARENTS, NATIONAL EDUCATION WEEK, NOVEMBER 12, 1954

Meme Escamilla, Mrs. Mejia, Carlota Mejia, Emma Salinas visit the homemaking living room.



Louise Notzon, Peggy Riley, Cookie Puig, Mrs. Wilson, Anita Addison, Judy Miller serve punch to two guests.



Julia Muller, Sharon Snow, Diana Hickey, Jane Litman, and Tommie Barnes serve punch to a group of parents while Hermelinda Goldberg, Prissy DaCamara stand in the background.



Lucy Lopez shows the school to two airmen from Laredo Air Force Base.



Mr. and Mrs. Snow talk over their daughter's English grades with Miss Chamberlain.



Mrs. Redin, Carlota Mejia, and Mrs. Mejia pose for the photographer at the open house.

Mrs. Lindheim helps Jitters Jackson, Henry Rogers, and Alberto Riojas, select a subject for a research paper.



Miss Alma Pierce is the center of attraction for her Spanish class, especially Inez de Llano, Jack Wagner, Lewis Calk, and Mike Idrogo.



Well, it looks interesting! Mrs. Cox's history students are Sostenes Ruiz, Jerry Craig, and Bobby Haisell.

Mrs. Redin answers Spanish questions for Juana Rendon, Mike Ramirez, and Barbara Parker. Jesus Rocha hands in test paper.



MARTIN HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS AT WORK



Mrs. Barry explains the reasons why teen-agers should not use alcohol to Frank Leven, Carlota Mejia, Dan Petrich, Ramsey Cronfel.

HISTORY, SPANISH, MATH, MECHANICAL DRAWING, and ENGLISH ART TAUGHT at MARTIN HIGH



Mr. Poling explains math problems to George Magnon, Charles Mitchell, Dionisio Saldana, and Carmela Alba.



Lamar Sanchez, Billy LeMoine, Delia San Miguel, Ileana Pena, Isabel Dalrymple, Heberto Martinez gather around Mrs. Wise's desk in History 5.10 class.

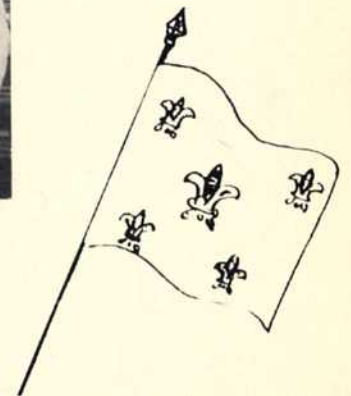
Mr. Schoenberg checks drawings of Lamar Villarreal, Celia Reyes, and Luis Cardenas in mechanical drawing class.



Mrs. Quinn, typing teacher, shows grades to Alma Perez, Jorge Escudero, Leonor Rodriguez, and Miquel Ramirez.



"What did I get?" is the question Charles Henry, John Bradley, Bob Hyatt, Graciela Alanis, and Antonio Santos ask Mr. Dallin, who corrects English quizzes.





The crowd that went up to the Del Rio game was large. Here are some of the Laredo rooters: Louis Calk, David Dilley, Roberto Fernandez, Luis Cardenas, Sostenes Ruiz, Ernesto Uribe, Apolinar Luera, Rene Herrera, Homar Solis, Daniel Idrogo, Roberto Botello, Florencio Gutierrez, Mr. and Mrs. P. De Tournillion.



Corner picture: All the gang say goodbye to our heroes as they take off for Del Rio. Among the group are Jerry Worsham, Lawrence Mann, Pat Berry, Dennis McBride, Richie Urban, Tim Waller, Jimmy Springer, George McLean, and Pat Leyendecker.

Left picture: The Pep Squad is mighty hungry after yelling their lungs out at the Del Rio game. Here eating are Tommy Barnes, Peggy Simpson, Prissy DaCamara, Jennie Leyendecker, Barbara Parker, Carolyn Stanley, Mary Lou Malakoff, Mary Ruth Matthews, and Cookie Puig.



Portrait of a worried coach. Albert Ochoa, at the Del Rio tilt, prepares to send in center Juan Ramirez. The game was a heart breaker, ending in a 27-0 score.

BAND AND PEP SQUAD INVADE DEL RIO AT GAME TIME.



Prissy DaCamara, Alicia Gonzalez, and Mary Offer do the bunny hop at the Del Rio-Laredo game. Pep Squad in the background.



Fresh young faces show the excitement the band members feel when waiting for the bus to leave for Del Rio. Among them are Jose Gonzalez, Anita Pena, Harry Castellano, Rosalinda Gutierrez, Ninfa Vidaurri, Alberto Riojas, and Blas Cantu.



In their red jumpers with huge red and white pompoms, the cheerleaders Nora Gonzalez, Bobby Jo Parker, Julia Muller, Josie Guerra, Charlene Clendennen, and Dora Gonzalez did their best, leading cheer after cheer at the Del Rio game.



First row: Ma. Elena Ramirez, Norma Pina
 Second row: Lydia Garza, Laura Soliz, Minerva Valenzuela, Olga Gonzalez, Sonia Salmon, Emma Salinas
 Third row: Irma Yguerabide, Olivia Garcia, Emma Saucedo, Vilma Sandoval
 Fourth row: Irma Garcia, Olga Vela, Teresa Puente, Guadalupe Palacios, Carlos Rodriguez, Ana Ma. Campos, Beatriz Acevedo

FRANKLIN DELANO ROOSEVELT CHAPTER OF THE FUTURE TEACHERS OF AMERICA ASSISTS FACULTY

Sponsored by the Texas State Teachers Association and the National Education Association, the Franklin Delano Roosevelt Chapter of the Future Teachers of America is one of a national group of high school clubs. Miss Ruth Chamberlain is the new sponsor of the group.

The purpose of this organization is similar to that of the national, to encourage students to become teachers. Last year at graduation, Margarita Villalobos and Lucy Ann Hale, F.T.A. members, were given twenty-five dollar awards to assist them in going to college. This year one award will be made. At the District III meeting held in Alice November 18, Norma Pina and Carlos Rodriguez were Laredo's entrants in the "Mr. and Miss Future Teachers Contest." Carlos placed third. In the spring a dinner was held to honor the graduating seniors.

Members are kept busy throughout the year substituting for teachers and assisting teachers.

1st row—Lydia Garza, secretary; Emma Salinas, president; Norma Pina, vice-president; Vilma Sandoval, treasurer; 2nd row—Emma Saucedo, keeper of charts; Carlos Rodriguez, reporter; Minerva Valenzuela, keeper of charts; Teresa Puente, bulletin board; Sylvia Solis, keeper of pledges; Ana Maria Campos, librarian; Irma Garcia, chairman of courtesy committee; Olivia Garcia, reporter (Journal)



NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY MAKES IT'S BOW ON M. H. S. CAMPUS

Officers are Miss Lela McKinley, sponsor; Louise Notzon, reporter; Hermelinda Goldberg, parliamentarian; Julia Muller, secretary; Ramsey Cronfel, president; Javier Zapata, treasurer; Luis Cardenas, vice-president; Flo Ann Haag, historian; Elihu Diaz, student council representative.

Robert E. Lee Chapter of the National Honor Society was organized in the fall of 1954. The object of this chapter is to create an enthusiasm for scholarship, to stimulate a desire to render service, to promote worthy leadership, and to encourage the development of character in pupils. Full membership is limited to fifteen percent of the senior class enrollment. Twenty percent of the members are juniors and the rest are seniors. The National Honor Society Council includes the sponsor, Miss Lela McKinley; the principal, Mr. R. P. St John and three senior class sponsors; Mrs. M. M. Lindheim, Mrs. Floy Bennett, and Mrs. Clyde Brennan. Projects for this year are a twenty-five dollar scholarship to the Laredo Junior College, some form of entertainment for students making the Martin High School honor roll four out of six times, and participation in student faculty planning for curriculum improvement.



First row: Hermelinda Goldberg, Adriana Lozano, Prissy DaCamara, Carlota Mejia, Norma Pina, Lucy Lopez, Maria Beatriz Martinez, Maria Elena Aldama, Alma Mora, Jane Litman, Carmen Vasquez, Diane Hickey, Alicia Bustamante.

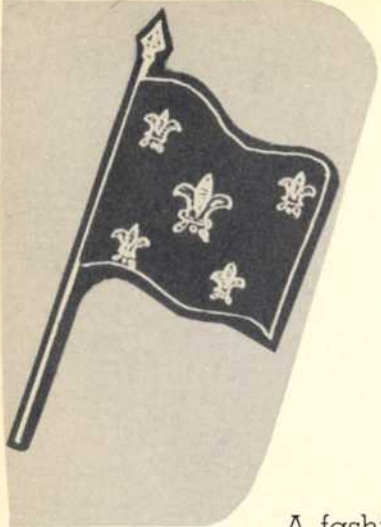
Second row: Isabel Jackson, Miss McKinley, sponsor, Joan Wolter, Sharon Snow, Josefina C. Garza, Laura Solis, Olivia Garcia, Guadalupe Palacios, Louise Notzon, Sylvia Vela, Ore Garza.

Third row: Norman Sorrell, Pat Leyendecker, Flo Ann Haag, Julia Muller, Roberta Love, Ana Maria Campos, Sostenes Ruiz, Ramsey Cronfel, Simon Flores, Anita Addison, Javier Zapata, Peggy Riley, Luis Cardenas, Elihu Diaz, Roberto Rodriguez.

Fourth row: Charles Young, Ted Leonard, Richard Lykes, Roy Lykes, David Lopez, Abe Wilson, Amber Yeary, Rogelio Salinas, Mario Gonzalez, David Laurel, Yolanda Rodriguez.



**EVENING IN PARIS,
THEME OF
1954 JUNIOR SENIOR PROM**



A fashion show was staged by Rose Ann Zamora, Judy Miller, Raquel Cantu, Josie Guerra, Emma Salinas, and Mary Peralez with the Martinaires making music in the background.

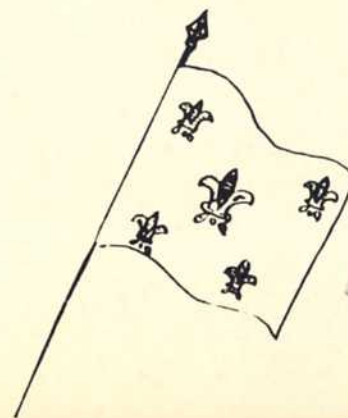


Queen of the Junior Senior Prom, Ana Maria Ochoa, entered flanked by the R.O.T.C. honor guard, Raul Ortiz, David Jacobs, Jose Pena, Amadeo Juarez, and Sostenes Ruiz. Richard Campbell, Bill Johnson, Jimmy Mayo, and Frank Mims carried her train.

"Evening in Paris" was the theme for our 1954 Junior Senior Prom. Against a backdrop depicting the skyline of Paris at night, the court stood watching the program. The court consisted of Hector Chacon, Conchita Ancira, Abe Palacios, Jean Claire Garner, Bill Houser, Carol Jean Gonzalez, Dennis McBride, Yolanda Laurel, Richard Guerra, Peggy O'Bryant, Norman Sorrell, Mary Paul Wright, Charles Deliganis, Ana Maria Ochoa, Odilon Arambula, flower girls—Nelda Pena, Wanda Garner, Esther Farias, Dona Sherri Rose, Pauline Ligarde, Juan Garza Gongora, Hilda Galindo, Aletta De More, Ina Agraz, Frank Gonzalez, Miguel Guevara, Sidney Coleman, Ellen Taylor, Jimmy Hickey, and Lynn Taylor.

The prom is staged by the junior sponsors with Miss Ruth Young as chairman.

Josie Guerra was the prima ballerina for the prom. Against a gorgeous curtain of blue satin, she performed in a pink ballet costume.



Galo Ramirez and Vilma Sandoval sit before the Parisian sky line; the Eiffel tower to the left.



Juan Mendez and Maria Antonia Hernandez were among those fortunate people to be photographed. (The photographer ran out of flash bulbs before long.)



Mr. Holt, Mr. Hayes, and Mr. Lopez confer before the opening overture played by the Martin High Band.



Jose Nieto and Yolanda Hernandez enjoyed the prom together.



Norman Sorrell escorted Peggy O'Bryant, who was Grand Duchess of the Court of Gaiety.

PROM SCENES



*Anna Maria Ochoa
Queen of the Junior Senior Prom 1954*



Seated: Guillermo Alcala, Jesus Flores, Roberto Garcia, Gilberto Quijano, Bernardino Hernandez, and Mr. Arthur Fielder, sponsor. Standing: Ramiro Esquivel, Charles Deliganis, Roberto Liendo, Arturo Gallardo, Thomas Guzinski.

V. I. C. Officers are Porfirio Arreguin, Roy Koenig, Jose Villarreal, Adalberto Guimbarda, Guadalupe Acosta.

VOCATIONAL INDUSTRIAL CLUB AUTO MECHANICS



Seated: Lupe Acosta, Reynoldo Herrera, Esteban Lozano, Oliveros Mireles, and Mr. Arthur Fielder, instructor. Standing from left to right: Porfirio Arreguin, Rolando Barilla, Adalberto Guimbarda, Juan Salazar, Carlos Rodriguez, Ricardo Garcia, Ray Koenig, Jose Villarreal, Carlos Reyes, Roberto Sanchez, Raul Morales, Gregorio Luis, and Carlos Padilla.



Bottom row: Belia Garcia, historian; Julia Serrano, sgt.-at-arms; Estela Sanchez, reporter; Elena Aldama, sgt.-at-arms; Julia Ortiz, Student Council representative; Top row: Zoila Cobos, vice-president; Idalia Gonzalez, treasurer; Ore Garza, secretary; Eva Flores, president.

MISS DORIS DUKE SPONSORS GIRLS' ATHLETIC CLUB

Playing basketball, softball, and volleyball, the members experience the fun of group activity and acquire adequate physical development. This group meets twice a week.



Miss Duke gives pep-talk to some of the girls on the basketball teams. They are Ofelia Flores, Dora Cantu, Imelda Rodriguez, Magdalena Benavides, Manuela Ramirez, Lydia Sanchez, Zoila Cobos, Aurora Flores, Julia Serrano, and Emilia Vasquez.

Bottom row: Belia Garcia, Julia Serrano, Dora Cantu, Marie Dalrymple, Elvira Alardin, Antonia Mendiola, Elena Balashova, Dora Cantu, Ore Garza, Emilia Vasquez. Middle row: Irma Garcia, Eva Flores, Julia Ortiz, Magdalena Benavidez, Aurora Flores, Maria Elena Aldama, Olga Garcia, Estela Sanchez, Rosa Maria Escobedo, Manuela Ramirez, Rosa Avila, Emma Vela, Herminia Jimenez. Top row: Idalia Gonzalez, Edna Martinez, Zoila Cobos, Ofelia Flores, Imelda Rodriguez, Norma Chavez, Dorotea Flores, Sylvia Garza.





B PEP SQUAD

1st Row: Dora Gonzalez, Adela Lleverino, Aurora Sanchez, Sylvia Garcia, Beatriz Gonzalez, Neila Todd, Nora Gonzalez. 2nd Row: Yolanda Botello, Carol Buttr, Armandina Paez, Nelia Diaz, Lamar Guerra, Armandina Castillo. 3rd Row: Rosa Maria Chavez, Leonor Rodriguez, Carmela Alba, Ofelia Ibarra, Mickey Garza, Petra Calvillo, Sandra Wright. 4th Row: Joy Wright, Mary Haag, Wanda Yates, Barbara Wharton, Jenny Leyendecker, Barbara Parker.

A PEP SQUAD

Flo Ann Haag, Alicia Gonzalez, Prissy DaCamara, Mary Offer, 1st Row: Josie Guerra, Olga Gonzalez, Lydia Garza, Emma Salinas, Lucy Lopez, Julia Vidaurri, Angelina Rodriguez, Julia Muller. 2nd Row: Bobby Jo Parker, Adriana Lozano, Minerva Alvarado, Evangelina Garza, Eva Garza, Elena Meza, Joan Wolter, Charlene Clendennen, 3rd Row: Barbara White, Armandina de los Santos, Laurentina Jimenez, Diana Hickey, Gloria Pina, Edwina Vela, Jo Ann Norris, Elvira Mendoza, 4th Row: Evelyn Herbeck, Cecilia Zapata, Roberta Love, Alicia Bustamante, Maria de la Luz Rodriguez, Ramona Cantu, Beverly Young, Cookie Puig, 5th Row: Julieta Guerra, Anita Addison, Peggy Riley, Tommy Barnes, Peggy Simpson, Stephanie Ledsinger, Graciela Alaniz, Delia Pena. 6th Row: Mary Ruth Matthews, Ruth Peterson, Carolyn Stanley, Maria Nella Saenz, Rose Ann Zamora, Delia Flores, Teresa Vela, Josefina Garza, Hermelinda Goldberg.



Twirlers of the Pep Squad are Mary Offer, Alicia Gonzalez, and Prissy Da Camara.



Officers are: Lucy Lopez, president; Adriana Lozano, vice-president; Emma Salinas, corresponding secretary; Julia Muller, treasurer; Louise Notzon, historian; Josephina Garza, Student Council representative; Alicia Gonzalez, recording secretary; Hermelinda Goldberg, parliamentarian; Delia Nella Pena, Student Council representative; Anita Addison, reporter.

Lt. Col. for 1954, Flo Ann Haag



Miss Ruth Young is outgoing sponsor of the Pep Squad. Outgoing Lt. Col. Flo Ann Haag presents baton to Rose Ann Zamora, who will serve as Lt. Col. for 1955.





The officers of the Pan American Student Forum are, Roberto Dovalina, sergeant-at-arms; Virginia Puig, reporter; Zulema Vela, keeper of the flags; Josie Guerra, parliamentarian; Ada Reyna, treasurer; Emma Salinas, corresponding secretary; Prissy DaCamara, second vice-president; Yolanda Laurel, past president; Lucy Lopez, president; Richard Lykes, second vice-president; Adriana Lozano, recording secretary; Sharon Snow, assistant treasurer; Maria Elena Aldama, historian; Norma Pina, keeper of the flags; Javier Zapata, Student Council representative; Carlos Rodriguez, sergeant-at-arms; Bobby Pearson, special reporter (not pictured).

Sponsors: Mrs. Blevins, Miss Cabrera, Mrs. Redin, Miss Pierce, Miss De La Garza, and Mrs. Wise.

**OF ONE
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HAS HE
MADE ALL
NATIONS- PAN
AMERICAN'S
MOTTO.**

PASF NEW MEMBERS

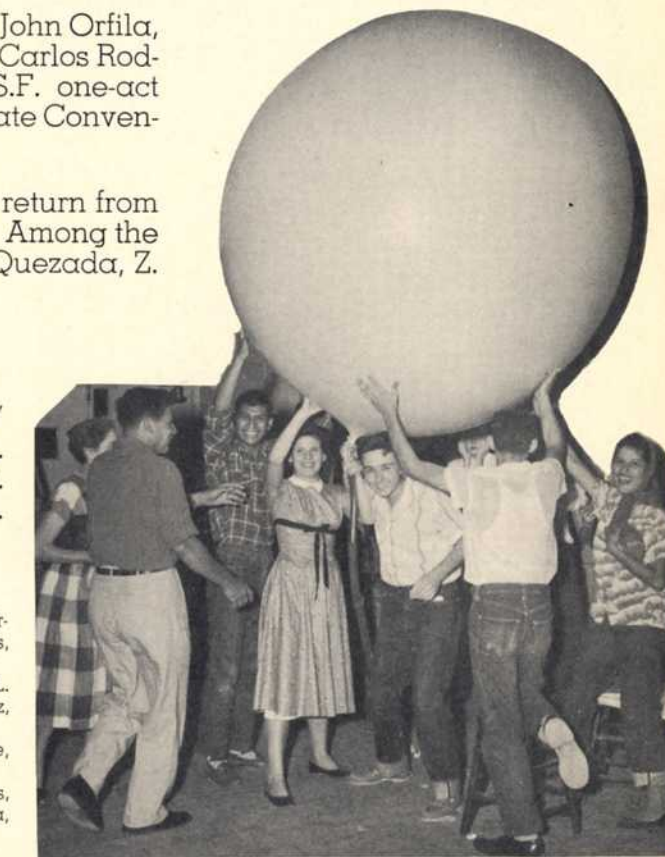
Bottom Row: R. Chavez, C. Cantu, C. Cavazos, G. Garza, C. Burr, R. Martin, L. Chafflin, V. Vela, A. Perez, I. Alardin, L. Villarreal, V. Sandoval, and D. Gonzalez.
 Second Row: F. Leven, F. Gonzalez, J. Rocha, R. Rodriguez, J. Gonzalez, R. Pena, N. Gonzalez, M. Aguilar, M. Gallegos, R. M. Martinez, E. Wise, E. Dalrymple, I. Diaz, M. Ramirez.
 Third Row: C. Schunior, G. Magnon, M. Cantu, R. Delgado, J. L. Novoa, T. Johnson, I. Jari, J. Vela, S. Ochoa, J. Puig, J. Rendon, R. Menchaca, A. Vega, P. Calohan.
 Fourth Row: A. Garcia, L. Brand, H. Orebaugh, M. Escamilla, R. Leyendecker, R. Martinez, I. Menchaca, R. Gutierrez, G. Loera, F. Cruz, R. Garcia, A. de los Santos, Graciela Garza, A. Mann.



Galo Ramirez, A. Reyna, A. Lozano, John Orfila, Rene Ornelas, Lamar Sanchez, and Carlos Rodriguez, who took part in the P.A.S.F. one-act play, won first place honors at the State Convention.

Tired and happy, P.A.S.F. members return from the trip to Austin with many honors. Among the group are E. Garcia, R. Ornelas, J. Quezada, Z. Vela, I. Rodriguez, and Mr. Lozano.

Really having a "Big Time" decorating the Gym for the P.A.S.F. Halloween Dance are G. Ramirez, V. Puig, R. Lykes, A. Lozano and G. Ramirez.



P.A.S.F. OLD MEMBERS

Bottom Row: J. Vargas, D. Gomez, I. Laurel, B. Pena, S. Snow, R. Urban, J. Muller, L. Lopez, E. Salinas, A. Lozano, N. Pina, M. Perales, C. Mejia, J. Pena.
 Second Row: A. Reyna, Ma. E. Aldama, G. Alaniz, S. Ledsinger, L. Sanches, S. Salmon, G. Gallegos, V. Ramirez, E. Meza, I. Rodriguez, A. Mora.
 Third Row: E. Bueno, H. Castellano, C. Puig, R. Guerra, T. Dalrymple, R. Cantu, S. Pena, Z. Vela, E. Meza, J. Guerra, P. DaCamara.
 Fourth Row: J. Garcia, M. Silva, C. Rodriguez, E. Garcia, R. Lykes, D. Lapez, R. Pena, R. Fernandez, A. Gonzalez, B. Mireles, L. Garcia, G. Ramirez.





Lucy Lopez and Lupe Loera are the center of attraction as they dance the "chotis."



Corner picture: Officers of P.A.S.F. await their turn for the candle ceremony at which they will take the oath of office. Shown in the picture also is last year's president, Yolanda Laurel.

Carefully selecting records are Sostenes Ruiz, Robert Pearson, Miguel Ruiz, and others.

The court bows with the sweetheart, Josie Guerra, who was escorted by Javier Santos, before she was crowned at the coronation ball.

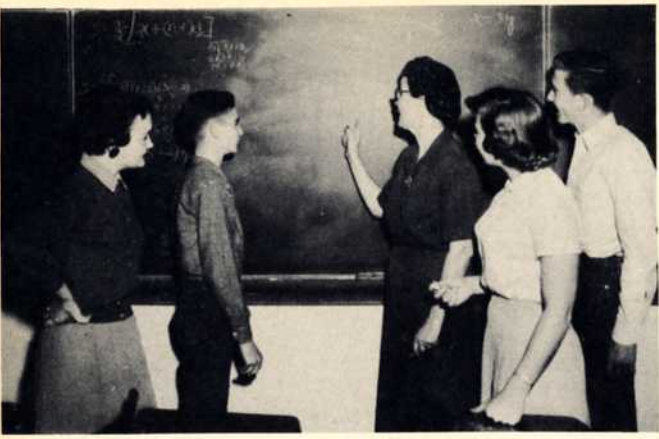


PAN AMERICAN STUDENT FORUM COURT

Norma Pina, Ramiro Vargas
 Carlota Mejia, Javier Zapata
 Prissy DaCamara, Norman Sorrell
 Maria Elena Aldama, Edward Garcia
 Mary Offer, Marion Stucky
 Mary Perales, Hector Mendez
 Emma Salinas, Arturo Ramirez
 Josie Guerra (Sweetheart) Javier Santos
 Richie Urban, Bobby Muller
 Lucy Lopez, Mike Ramirez
 Alma Mora, Chito Perales
 Belia Rodriguez, Jose Maria Benavides
 Ada Reyna, Armando Milo
 Teresa Gallegos, Eliseo Meza
 Julia Muller, Dennis McBride



*Josie Guerra
 Sweetheart of the Pan American Student Forum*



Prissy DaCamara, Bob Peck, Mary Jane Reuthinger, and Johnny Mayers listen intently as Miss McKinley explains a math problem.



Amelia Garcia, Carol Burr, Jorge Escudero, David Degollado, Larry Hinds, Vicente Castaneda listen as Mrs. Blevins explains the subjunctive in Spanish.

DAY CLASSES AT M. H. S.



Roberta Love and Flo Ann Haag portray ladies of Queen Victoria's time while George McLean and Richie Urban go back to the days of cavemen. Dennis McBride and Lawrence Mann are knights of King Arthur's Round Table. Sharon Snow and Cookie Puig are the 1920 flappers, but Abe Wilson is a cool cat of today. They all played cheerleaders of by-gone days.

NIGHT BASKETBALL HALF TIME PROGRAMS



Superintendent of schools and Mrs. J. W. Nixon stand for the school song at a basketball game. They attend every athletic event.

Lucy Lopez and Emma Salinas do "How Could You Believe Me When I Said I Love You When You Know I've Been A Liar All My Life" during a basketball half-time performance put on by the seniors.



Playing cards at Pat Berry's gang are Johnny Biggo, Bobby Spear, Jere Leyendecker, Pat Berry, and Ellen Taylor. Barbara White, Philip Welsh, Tim Waller, George McLean, Bob Halsell, and Pat Leyendecker watch the game.

Cute Josie Guerra and big Abe Wilson were Senior Stars.



Early in the fall at an after-the-game party, Dennis McBride, Julia Muller, Flo Ann Haag, Amber Yeary, Lawrence Mann, George McLean, and Richie Urban gather in Pat Berry's garden.



Popular Seniors Javier Zapata and Lucy Lopez are caught by the photographer in front of M.H.S.



Abe Wilson, better known as "Mr. Golf" around MHS, is the proud winner of the President's Trophy.

Basketball player Kanky Santos and Prissy DaCamara, famous for her role in "The Lost Kiss," enjoy the sunshine on the front portico.





The Pep Squad, Chorus, and the Band staged the annual Christmas Assembly. "Why the Chimes Rang" was directed by Miss Ruth Young. The narrator was Mary Lou Malakoff. Those in the pageant were Peggy Simpson, Virgin Mary; Tommy Barnes, angel; James Cazamias, Joseph; Roberta Love, angel; Bobby Jo Parker, angel; Elsa Lorraine Claflin, shepherd; Jennie Lyrd Leyendecker, king; Mary Haag, king; Ramona Cantu, shepherd; Julia Bird Muller, king. The chorus in the background, directed by Mr. Theron Kirk, sang carols. The Martin High Band, directed by Mr. Elmo Lopez, played a medley of Christmas music before the program.

DECEMBER BRINGS GIFTS, CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS, THE SINGING OF CAROLS, AND THE CHRISTMAS ASSEMBLY

Mr. Barreda's class enjoyed decorating the room as a class project. Those who worked were, standing, Fernando Cruz, Sylvia Garcia, Dora Gonzalez, Antonio Arce; kneeling, Miguel Perales and Webb Dickey.

Santos really played Santa Claus to everyone in the school by giving a pencil to each student. Those receiving pencils in the picture are Josie Guerra, Anna Maria Ochoa, Prissy DaCamara, and Elsa Lorraine Claflin.



Mrs. Andrews and her class, Roberto Rodriguez, Irma Rodriguez, Julia Muller, and Raul Fernandez, have happy smiles because of the approaching Christmas vacation.



Every year in the front entrance to the school a huge Christmas tree is decorated by the Courtesy Service Club members. C.S.C. members are Prissy DaCamara, Julia Muller, Alicia Gonzalez, Carlota Mejia, Beatriz Acevedo, and Jane Litman. This year they are assisted by Robert Halsell, Roberto Dovalina, and Norman Sorrell.



Set as a Cathedral, the stage was centered by a stained glass picture of the Madonna. Various people came to the church with their gifts to the Christ Child at Christmas. Students representing the congregation were Lewis Calk, Carolyn Stanley, Sandra Wright, Joy Wright, Cookie Puig, Carol Burr, Barbara Wharton, Adriana Lozano, and Barbara Parker. Jerry Worsham, standing, took the part of a bishop.





Mrs. Josephine Baird, acting sponsor of the Junior Nurses Club, inspects her aquarium.

Ofelia Flores roars with laughter as she imitates Jerry Lewis, her initiation stunt.



All eyes are on Carolina Ramirez as she dances "Ana" to entertain the group.

JUNIOR NURSES GIVE INITIATION PARTY



Awaiting their turn to be served are Martin Chacon, Sonny Cruz, Rosa Puente, Norma Chavez, Rosa Chavez, Sylvia Ena Garza, Emma Vela, Rosa Avila.



As her initiation stunt Yolanda Ruiz had to propose to Francisco Gonzalez.



Luz Cisneros and Enedina Serna are handing out plates of delicious food to Carlos Rodriguez, Roberto Botello, Manuel Zapata, Berta Perez, and Luz Rodriguez.



Dickey and Roy Lykes, Pat and Mike Wright, Rolando and Ricardo Tijerina, and Nora and Dora Gonzalez, M. H. S. twins, form a pyramid in front of the flagpole.

Miss Doss looks over Barbara Wharton as she types a Journal report.



Miss McKinley presents Mr. St. John, principal, with a Xmas present on behalf of the Faculty Club.



David Laurel, Robert Halsell, and Florencio Gutierrez leave the school to sell Laredo businessmen advertising space in the annual.



Mrs. Morales sorts out graduation ring receipts. This year the school handled all ring orders.

Miss McKinley, Faculty Club president, presents Mrs. Nixon with a Xmas present. The Xmas party was held in the cafeteria.



Carlota Mejia congratulates Abe Wilson, Senior Class vice-president, after the Mighty Class of '55 won the attendance cup.



FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA LEARN TO WORK TOGETHER



Vocational agriculture members clearing the city stock pens are Jesus Vargas, Mr. McAllister, Abelardo Dominguez, Roberto Botello, Aguinaldo Rubio, John Bradley, and Reynaldo Castro. The Ford tractor was furnished by Ross Swisher and Sons.

Cutting some mesquites down are Ben Wright and Tim Waller. George McLean observes.



Front Row: Aguinaldo Rubio, Jorge Guerra, John Mayers, Chapter Sweetheart Hermelinda Goldberg, Luis Garcia, Alfredo Gutierrez.
Middle Row: Adan Garza, Tomas Garcia, Roberto Fernandez, Ben Wright, Abelardo Dominguez, Roberto Botello.
Back Row: Juan Ramirez, David Dilley, John Bradley, George McLean, Tim Waller, Jesus Angel Vargas, Margarito Cantu, Abelardo Rubio.



Front Row (left to right) Arturo Garza E., Patrick Bradley, Charles Martin, Chapter Sweetheart Hermelinda Goldberg, Juan Rodriguez, Mario Gloria, Oscar Rogerio, Mr. G. L. McAllister F.F.A. Advisor.
Back Row: Homero Jimenez, George Magnon, Charles Clifton, Faustino Garza, Daniel Idrogo, Carlos Cavazos, Juan Romas.
Not Pictured: Bob Hyatt III, Charles Mitchell, and Alfonso Aguilar.

F.F.A. SWEETHEART, HERMELINDA GOLDBERG



Vocational Agricultural members, Homero Jimenez, Faustino Garza, Oscar Rogerio, John Mayers, Carlos Cavazos, Mario Gloria, and George Magnon, clear the brush from city stock pens.





Future Homemakers' and Future Farmers' joint Presentation Dance, a successful event every year, was held on February 11, 1955. Presented were the officers from both clubs, class favorites from both clubs, and the visiting royalty from towns all over the district.

The FFA Sweetheart, Hermelinda Goldberg, led the grand march with FHA Beau, Johnny Mayers.

Sponsors: Miss Ella Priess, Miss Irma Garcia, Mrs. Norma Bauman, Mrs. Willie Barry.



Bottom picture: seated, Cecelia Zapata, Ma. Luisa Bruno, Julieta Guerra, Hilda de Arkos, Sara Alicia Garcia, Alicia Gonzalez, Minerva Gallegos, Gloria Martinez, Thelma Martinez, Olga Nella Rodriguez, Delia N. Pena, Hermelinda Goldberg; 2nd Row: Guadalupe Cuellar, Eva Martinez, Carlos Schunior, Fernando Gonzalez, Alfredo Gutierrez, David Dilley, Renato Ramirez, Rosa Maria Puente, Angelina Aguero, Elsa Awad, Josie Garza, Oralia Ramos; 3rd Row: Hector Pearson, Frank Martinez, Velma Vela, Rafaela Garcia, Elaine Pena, Juan Mendez, Gloria Montano, Baltazar Vicharelli, Lilia Guerra, Rebecca Garcia, Edwina Vela.



F.H.A. Officers: Ernestina Juarez, song leader; Gloria Martinez, sgt-at-arms; Thelma Martinez, historian; Olga Nella Rodriguez, treasurer; Delia Nella Pena, vice president; Minerva Gallegos, president; Ileana Pena; Alicia Gonzalez, parliamentarian; Sara Alicia Garcia, reporter; Delia Sanchez, Student Council representative.



F.H.A. and F.F.A. XMAS PARTY

This is a skit showing how kind Santa has been to Texas. It was presented by Delia Nella Pena, Carlota Mejia, Gracie Lopez, Delia Sanchez, Josefina Garza, Alicia Gonzalez, and Hermelinda Goldberg (on wagon).

Homemaking Class learns to make Christmas candles and decorations. Delia Nella Pena, Maria Rodriguez, Hortencia Garcia, Imelda Rodriguez, Rosa Maria Lozano, Ninfa Vidaurri, Delia San Miguel, Rosario Martinez are in the class.



Front row: Miss Irma O. Garcia, Ernestina Meza, Oralia Cedillo, Gracie Lopez, Delia Sanchez, Raquel Cantu, Evelyn McCoy, Cynthia McCoy, Tomasita Ceron, Prudenciana Flores. Second row: Mrs. W. B. Barry, Minerva Cantu, Antonia Hernandez, Julia Serrano, Estefana Salinas, Emma Rodriguez, Lydia Vargas, Rosalina Gutierrez, Rita Irene Salazar, Manuela Torres. Third row: Miss Ella Priess, George Magnon, Abelardo Dominguez, Ma. Teresa Rocha, Frank Leven, Pilar Zamora, Antonia Sandoval, Ana Maria Esqueda, Minerva Valenzuela, Maria del Carmen Villarreal, Belia Perez. Fourth row: Mrs. Norma Bauman, Roman Gutierrez, Lazaro Garza Gongora, Faustino Garza, John Mayers, Sylvia Solis, Ofelia Ibarra, Ernestina Juarez.





Managers Anita Addison and Pat Thompson giving assignments to business staff: Sandra Wright, Valerie Evetts, Anita Addison, Diane Hickey, Gracie Lopez, Pat Thompson, Delia Sanchez, Elvia Mendoza, Delia San Miguel, Norma Ramirez, Sylvia Ramirez, Lamar Sanchez, and Alma Gutierrez.

Among the honors won by the Journal and Journal Staff members are the following: First Class Honor Rating in N.S.P.A. for each spring and fall before 1953-1954; First in Regional in Newswriting, won by Sidney Coleman at T.L.P.C.; Award of Distinguished Merit from T.L.P.C.; Second Place in State in feature writing contest (individual award contest) won by Louise Notzon.

Reporters get assignments from the four page editors: Simon Flores, David Lopez, Felix Fraustro, Louise Notzon, Jose Luis Flores, Jennie Leyendecker, Galo Ramirez, Olga Vela, Norma Pina, Victor Carrillo, Sandra Wright, Valerie Evetts, Peggy Riley, Howard Orebaugh, and Joy Wright.

Every Wednesday when the **Journal** comes out, staff members sell the papers in the rooms and at Christen Junior High School. Papers are also sent to Lamar Junior High School. Pictured below are Felix Fraustro, Olga Vela, Alma Gutierrez, Jose Luis Flores, Howard Orebaugh, Victor Carrillo, Louise Notzon, Peggy Riley, Pat Thompson, Diane Hickey, Ysela Jara, Delia Sanchez, Sandra Wright, Joy Wright, Norma Pina, Anita Addison, and Jennie Leyendecker.



The Journal Staff really gets to work before an issue comes out. They are David Lopez, editor-in-chief; Louise Notzon, literary editor; Mary Lou Malakoff, assistant editor; Stella Ragsdale, assistant editor; Olga Vela, club editor.

MARTIN HIGH SCHOOL PUBLISHES "THE LAREDO JOURNAL"

Journal staff members number forty this year, according to veteran sponsor, Miss Mary Frances Doss.

The Journal is issued twelve times yearly at a cost of \$1,150. It is entirely self-supporting.

Miss Doss, Sponsor



First row: Lamar Sanchez, Lucy Villarreal, Elena Meza, Diane Hickey, Norma Pina, Mary Peralez, Alice Mann, Norma Contreras
Second row: Sandra Wright, Delia San Miguel, Barbara Wharton, Gracie Lopez, Delia Sanchez, Martha Solano, Olga Vela, Alma Gutierrez
Third row: Valerie Evetts, Wanda Yates, Jennie Leyendecker, Louise Notzon, Anita Addison, Peggy Riley, Pat Thompson, Mary Lou Malakoff, Joy Wright, Homero Rodriguez, Imelda Laurel
Back row: Simon Flores, Jose Luis Flores, Jerry Craig, Rosendo Mendiola, Galo Ramirez, David Lopez, Miss Mary Frances Doss, sponsor, Felix Fraustro, Victor M. Carrillo





DISTRIBUTIVE EDUCATION CLUB MEMBERS PLAN BUSINESS CAREERS

The Distributive Education Club is composed of students taking Distributive Education. Its objectives are to bridge the gap between school and employment for high school and college students; and to develop leadership which is competent, aggressive, self-reliant, cooperative and patriotic in the field of distribution.

Philip de Tournillon, sponsor of the Distributive Education Club.

Officers are Maria Olvido Flores, treasurer; Guadalupe Rangel, reporter; Marcia Bueno, secretary; Concepcion Valdez, vice-president; bottom row: Efrain Trevino, sgt-at-arms; Felipa Hilario, sweetheart; Bennie Castillo, president.
 FIRST ROW: Marcia Bueno, Felipa Hilario, Maria Olvido Flores, Lilia Luna.
 SECOND ROW: Rosario Martinez, Lilia Fuentes, Eva Gamez, Aurora Luna, Maria Castelar, Efrain Trevino.
 THIRD ROW: Elia Martinez, Guadalupe Rangel, Susana Sandoval, Dolores Elizondo, Bennie Castillo.
 FOURTH ROW: Mr. de Tournillon, sponsor; Carmen Llanes, Robert Pearson, Donato Vidaurri, Antonio Elizondo, Adolfo Rodriguez.



S. & H. Green Stamp store keeps "Polo" Gonzalez busy. He works as a stock man.

Carmen Llanes works at Hachar's office, while Emma Pena plays the role of a "customer."



Doing their share, Elia Martinez and Rosario Martinez arranged a Red Cross display at McClellan's.



Besides going to school, Concepcion Valdez enjoys arranging the toys in the department at Woolworth.



During the basketball games, we find Marcia Bueno and Felipa Hilario selling popcorn.



Marcia Bueno always receives her customers with a smile. She works as a salesgirl at Woolworth's.





Officers of the Busy Bees do useful work. Standing: Emma Rubio, reporter; Adelina Guerra, secretary; Rita Salazar, treasurer; Mrs. Winters, sponsor; Norma Contreras, historian. Seated: Noemi Macias, president; Rebecca Flores, vice-president.

M.H.S. BUSY BEES KEEP THE OFFICE GOING

Thirty-one girls assist Mrs. Winters in answering the phone, filing grades, running errands, checking absences. "Without them, I don't know how we'd manage," said their sponsor, Mrs. Antonia Winters.



Mrs. Winters, registrar, sponsor of the Busy Bees with the officers: Noemi Macias, Rebecca Flores, Adelina Guerra, Rita Salazar, Norma Contreras, and Emma Rubio.

1st row: Ofelia Flores, Maria L. Vasquez, Maria Roque, Hilda Juarez, Rita Salazar, Maria L. Orozco, Graciela Alaniz, Antonia Mendiola, Manuela Torres, Yolanda Cruz.
 2nd row: Lilla Guerra, Noemi Macias, Antonia Hernandez, Irma Yguerabide, Adelina Guerra, Isabel Amaya, Noemi Palacios, Norma Contreras.
 3rd row: Mrs. Morales, Miss Campos, Josefina Garza, Hermelinda Goldberg, Rosario Martinez, Rosalinda Gutierrez, Lucy Martinez, Carmen Villarreal, Emma Gonzalez, Emma Rubio, Ester Hernandez, Graciela Gutierrez, Estefana Salinas, Guadalupe Cuellar, Alma Tijerina, Mrs. Winters, sponsor, Mrs. Alfredo Garza.



Cheerleaders and Pep Squad Members have a busy life. Here Pep Squad members enjoyed a moment of fun before the Del Rio-Laredo game. In the foreground are Carolyn Stanley, Diamantina de los Santos, and Nelia Diaz.

Students led by cheerleaders gave the Tigers a send-off. Charlene Clendennen, Josie Guerra, Bobby Jo Parker, Nora Gonzalez, Julia Muller, and Dora Gonzalez were the center of attraction.

Band and Pep Squad stopped at the corner of Matamoros and Juarez for a cheer session.



PEP SQUAD AND CHEERLEADERS AT WORK





C. S. C. girls decorate the Christmas tree at the main entrance.

OFFICERS OF THE C. S. C.

Prissy Da Camera, 1st vice-president; Roberta Love, president; Lucy Lopez, 2nd vice-president; Louise Notzon, recording secretary; Anita Addison, corresponding secretary; Hermelinda Goldberg, secretary of service hours; Jane Litman, treasurer; Beatriz Acevedo, parliamentarian; Ana Maria Campos, historian; Bobby Jo Parker, sgt.-at-arms; Julia Muller, reporter; Joan Wolter, director of calendar events.



**COURTESY SERVICE CLUB
GIRLS PROVE ALWAYS
READY TO HELP**

1st Row: Sharon Snow, Emma Salinas, Elizabeth Herrera, Lucy Lopez, Adriana Lozano, Jane Litman.
2nd Row: Julia Muller, Roberta Love, Bobby Jo Parker, Rose Marie Escutia, Alicia Gonzales, Charlene Clendennen.
3rd Row: Diane Hickey, Peggy Riley, Judy Miller, Alicia Bustamente, Virginia Puig, Joan D. Wolter.
4th Row: Priscilla Da Camara, Carlota Mejia, Hermelinda Goldberg, Mary Lou Malakoff, Mary Jane Reuthinger, Tommy Barnes.
5th Row: Anita Addison, Beatriz Acevedo, Ana M. Campos, Louise Notzon, Carolyn Stanley, Ore Garza. (Not pictured Mary Ruth Mathews)



In the entrance to the auditorium C. S. C. girls, Joan Wolter, Mary Jane Reuthinger, and Anita Addison look over the Civic Music Program with Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Jacobs.



Anita Addison, Mrs. Ricardo Reyna, Julia Muller, Bobbie Jo Parker, Mrs. Blanche Wright, C. S. C. sponsor.



Roberta Love, president, and Mary Jane Reuthinger and Peggy Riley attended the C. S. C. banquet.



Lucy Lopez and Prissy Da Camara welcome two music patrons Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Marks at the Weede concert.

**C.S.C. MEMBERS GIVE
BANQUET AT THE PLAZA
HOTEL, AT WHICH NEW
MEMBERS ARE INITIATED**





JULIA MULLER SWEETHEART OF THE VIC CLUB

OPPOSITE TOP PICTURE

Vocational Industrial Club enjoys hot dog supper: Leo Flores, Luis Lopez, Rodolfo Amesquita, Matias Gomez, Arnulfo Gomez, Rodolfo Sanchez, Juan Martinez, Juan Jose Salazar, Mrs. Laurence Matthews.

OPPOSITE MIDDLE PICTURE

Left to Right: David Martinez, Armando Fuentes, Jesus Medina, Luis Rangel, Matias Gomez, Arnulfo Gomez, Marcos Lozano, Pedro Gutierrez, Donaciano Reyna, Rodolfo Amesquita, Sponsor, Mr. L. Matthews.

OPPOSITE BOTTOM PICTURE

Kneeling: Juan Pena, Arturo Martinez, Arnoldo Perez, Juan Martinez, Rodolfo Sanchez, Francisco Mendiola.
Standing: Jose Ibarra, Luis Lopez, Raul Valdez, Antonio Garribay, Leo Flores, Alberto Garcia, Sponsor, Mr. L. Matthews.

BELOW

Vocational Industrial Club officers: president, Frank Santos; treasurer, Francisco Mancha; vice-president, Alberto Ramirez; sweetheart, Julia Muller; reporter, Arnoldo Perez; secretary, Armando Fuentes; Sgt-at-Arms, Raul Valdez.



VOCATIONAL INDUSTRIAL CLUB MEMBERS EXCEL IN METAL WORK





Bobbie Joe Parker and Charlene Clendennen, Junior Cheerleaders

Senior Cheerleaders, Julia Muller and Josie Guerra

Josie Guerra, Head Cheerleader, takes a high jump.



Twins, Dora and Nora Gonzalez, represent the Sophomore class.



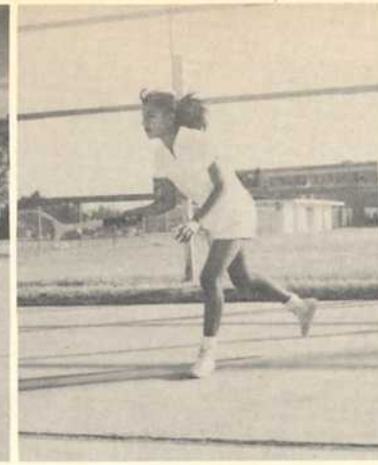
M.H.S.
CHEER-
LEADERS
GIVE
SCHOOL
SPIRIT



Sylvia E. Garza



Zoila Cobos



Rosa Avila



Corner picture—Emma Vela



Domitila Valasquez

GIRLS SHOW ENTHUSIASM FOR TENNIS

The girls' tennis club is coached by Miss Doris Duke. The tennis doubles consisting of Sylvia Garza and Rosa Avila, Emma Vela and Sylvia Ramirez, accompanied by Miss Duke, attended the Hearts Delight Tournament in Falfurrias. Singles who entered the tournament were Zoila Cobos and Norma Chavez.

The girls who entered the tournaments in Edinburg were senior division: singles, Tila Velasquez and Zoila Cobos; doubles, Elvira Alardin and Eva Flores; junior division, Norma Chavez.

The tennis team also entered the tennis tournament at Alamo Heights this spring.

Top row: Zoila Cobos, Emma Sandoval, Eva Flores, Pat Berry, Margarita Ruiz, Elvira Alardin, Sylvia Wise, Cristina Villarreal, Domitila Velasquez.

Bottom row: Sylvia E. Garza, Herminia Jimenez, Rosa Avila, Emma Vela, Irma Garcia, Norma Chavez, Stella Ragsdale, Sylvia Ramirez.



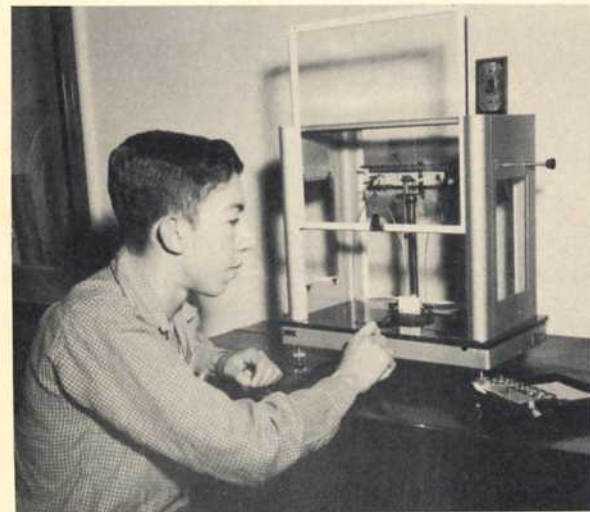


Felix Frausto demonstrates the radio he made.

Dr. James Reitman, guest lecturer, talks on military medics.



Those attending the Texas Academy of Science in San Antonio are Mrs. De Tournillon, Helen Garza, Billy Lemoine, Luis Cardenas, Florencio Gutierrez, Ramsey Cronfel, Abe Wilson, Mary Lou Malakoff, Lewis Calk, Charles Young.



David Lopez tests the new analytical balance used in chemistry.

Luis Cardenas and Florencio Gutierrez adjust a vibrograph.

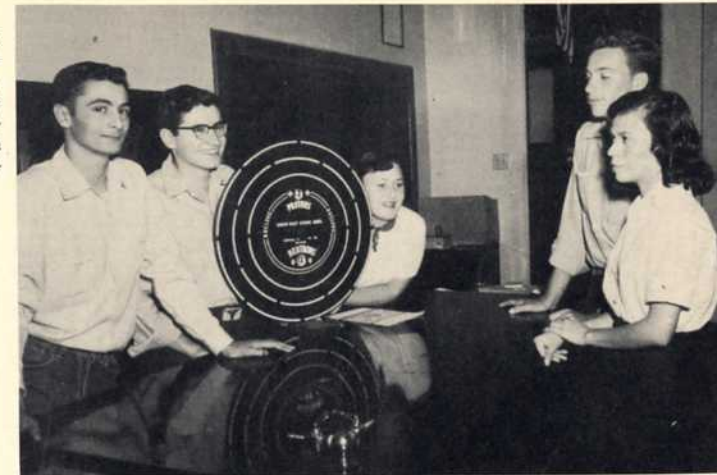


Carmen Vasquez displays clay models of mitosis.

Billy Lemoine studies his tropical fish.



Officers of the Science Club: Ramsey Cronfel, secretary-treasurer; Luis Cardenas, president; Mary Lou Malakoff, vice president; Abe Wilson, club speaker; Carmen Vasquez, sgt.-at-arms — observing an atomic model.



Mrs. Ellen De Tournillon, sponsor

The Thomas Edison Science Club, the oldest in Martin High, is composed of a group of students interested in science. Each member constructs one project during the year and presents it at a club meeting. The club is affiliated with the Texas Junior Academy of Science and The Science Club of America. It participates in both regional and state contests. The purpose of the club is to interest students in the many fields of science.

THOMAS EDISON CLUB INTERESTS STUDENTS IN SCIENCE

Front: Mrs. De Tournillon, Mary Lou Malakoff, Sylvia L. Solis, Carmen Vasquez, Elena Balashova; 2nd, Pat Wright, John Covell, Florencio Gutierrez Jr., Luis Cardenas, Ted Leonard, Charles Young, Bob Waldrop; 3rd, Lewis Calk, Mike Wright, Ernesto Gonzalez, Abe Wilson, Ramsey Cronfel, Felix Frausto, Bill Lemoine.





IRMA RODRIGUEZ
HEAD MAJORETTE



JOSE LUIS QUEZADA
DRUM MAJOR



EDNA BAILEY
FEATURE TWIRLER



BAND OFFICERS

Top row:
Jose Luis Quezada, Drum Major
Hector Gonzalez, Band Captain
Rene Menchaca, Lieutenant
Javier Zapata, Lieutenant
Front row:
Roy Lykes, Secretary
Rogelio Perez, Business Manager
Roberto Dovalina, Chief Quartermaster
Gregorio Lopez, Reporter
Ninfa Vidaurri, Head Librarian
Irma Rodriguez, Head Majorette

MAJORETTES

Amelia Negrete, Mirella Hernandez, Juanita Rendon



SALLY RODRIGUEZ
BAND MASCOT



CLARINETS

*†Rene Menchaca
*§Rogelio Perez
*§Anita Pena
Hilda Juarez
*Ninfa Vidaurri
Jose Campos
*Yolanda Juarez
*Sylvia Perez
Viola Wise
Lydia Vargas
Alma Tijerina
Nancy Rivera
Rosario Menchaca
Mirella Hernandez
Amelia Negrete
Edna Bailey
*Manuela Torres
Adelina Guerra

SAXES

*§†Jesus Garcia
*§Edgardo Bueno
*Irma Yguerabide
Jorge Gonzalez
Rogelio Maldonado
Alejandro Gay Vega

TENOR-SAX

§Harry Castellano
Alfonso Garcia
*§Graciela Cantu

TROMBONES

§Blas Cantu
Jose Gonzalez
Joe Botello
Leo Flores
Webb Dickey
Otto Looney
Jose Diaz
Lupe Loera
Raul Rodriguez

CORNETS

*§Ismael Menchaca
*§Roberto Dovalina
Eduardo Morales
*Maria Vela
Gilberto Gamboa
Jesse Litman
Lane Haley
Bennie Castillo
*Miguel Ortiz
*Efrain Trevino

BARITONES

*§Alberto Riojas
Vernon Covell
Dionisio Saldana
Armando Laurel

OBOE

§†Roy Lykes, Jr.
Ruby Martin

BASS CLARINET

*§Roberto Rocha
*Alicia Hernandez
Alma Gutierrez
Rebecca Flores

DRUMS

§Ramon Villafranca
Charles Young
Pilar Soulas
Eduardo Garza
*§Gregorio Lopez
Rosario Mendiola
*Helen Garza

***SENIORS**

§FIRST CHAIR STUDENTS
†STATE BAND

FRENCH HORN

§Hector Gonzalez
Rene Garcia
Cecilio Gonzalez
Juanita Rendon
Jorge Garcia
*Leopoldo Elizondo

FLUTES

*§Javier Zapata
*Irma Rodriguez
Ofilia Vidaurri
Maria Rivera
Rosalina Gutierrez
Josefina Vargas

BASSES

*§Jose Quezada
Roberto Romo
Federico Alardin
§Raul Gutierrez



Mr. Elmo Lopez
Band Director

**MARTIN HIGH SCHOOL
BOASTS CLASS 4A BAND**





BASSES

Jose Quezada, Federica Alardin, Roberto Romo, Raul Gutierrez

BARITONES

Alberto Riojas, Vernon Covell, Nicho Saldana, Armando Laurel



Band members celebrated first division with a party. Mrs. Ludwig and Miss Consuelo Flores serve punch and cake to Leopoldo Elizondo.



SAXES, 1st Row: Graciela Cantu, Jesus Garcia, Edgardo Bueno, Gregorio Lopez. 2nd Row: Rogelio Maldonado, Irma Yguerabide, Jorge Gonzalez, 3rd Row: Alejandro Vega, Harry Castellano.



DRUMS, Front: Eduardo Garza, Rosario Mendiola, Graciela Gutierrez, Pilar Soulas, Roman Villafranca, Back: Helen Garza, Charles Young.



TROMBONES

Top row: Jose Gonzalez, Blas Cantu
Middle row: Lupe Loera, Leo Flores, Otto Looney
Front row: Joe Botello, Jose Diaz, Raul Rodriguez, Webb Dickey

CORNETS

Back row: Ismael Menchaca, Eduardo Morales, Lane Lee Haley, Miguel Ortiz, Bennie Castillo
Front row: Jesse Litman, Gilberto Gamboa, Maria Elena Vela, Efrain Trevino
(Not in picture, Roberto Dovalina who was taking it.)



FRENCH HORN

Back row: Hector Gonzalez, Leopoldo Elizondo, Rene Garcia
Front row: Cecilio Gonzalez, Juanita Rendon, Jorge Garcia



FLUTES, Front: Rosalina Gutierrez, Ofilia Vidaurri, Back: Maria Rivera, Irma Rodriguez, Josefina Vargas, Not pictured is Javier Zapata.



CLARINETS, 1st Row: Amelia Negrete, Nancy Rivera, Viola Wise, Alma Tijerina, Mirella Hernandez. 2nd Row: Manuela Torres, Lydia Vargas, Rosario Menchaca, Edna Bailey, 3rd row: Ninfa Vidaurri, Yolanda Juarez, Hilda Juarez, Adelina Guerra, Sylvia Perez, 4th row: Rogelio Perez, Anita Pena, Jose Campos, Rene Menchaca.



OBOE, Front: Roy Lykes, Jr., Ruby Martin.

BASS CLARINET, Front: Alma Gutierrez, Back: Roberto Rocha, Alicia Hernandez, Rebecca Flores.





Top row: Juan Ramirez, Felix Frausto, Juan M. Ramirez, Carlos Vara, Roberto Moran, Reynaldo Sandoval, Jorge Lopez, Roy Lykes, Frank Leven, Ralph Cole, Jose Luis Flores, Elihu Diaz, Simon E. Flores, Manuel Escamilla, Juan Silva, Rene Herrera, Apolinar Loera. Middle row: Rose Mary Dulaney, Rebecca Garcia, Hilda de Arkos, Angelita Ramirez, Angela Arellano, Joan Wolter, Emma Saucedo, Homero Rodriguez, Bill Bates, Bill Bottonfield, Amber Yeary, Norma Sue Pagel, Mary Offer, Richie Urban, Flo Ann Haag. Front row: Estela Sanchez, Teresa Puente, Julia Ortiz, Alma Mora, Maria de la Luz Cisneros, Aurora Herbeck, Maria Beatriz Martinez, Alicia Guajardo, Rita Salazar, Victoria Guerra, Guadalupe Rivera, Melida Salinas, Evelyn Herbeck, Lilia Mireles, Elva Longoria, Ernestina Juarez, (Belia Rodriguez not in picture).



Mr. Theron Kirk, Chorus director, serves his first year in Martin High School. He is especially gifted as an arranger of choral music.

Especially popular at Christmas, the chorus was invited to sing at the Lions Club and at the Kiwanis Club luncheons before Christmas. The program at the Christmas Assembly was also put on by the Chorus, which sang many appropriate carols. They also sang at the Laredo T. B. Hospital. In conjunction with the Laredo Junior College Chorus, the high school group gave a concert and pageant at the Lamar Junior High School Auditorium, December 13, 1954.

Officers of the Chorus are as follows: Elihu Diaz, sgt-at-arms; Rene Herrera, president; Flo Ann Haag, secretary-treasurer; Fernando Gonzalez, vice-president; Homero Medina, sgt-at-arms.



THE MARTIN HIGH CHORUS APPEARS ON MANY PROGRAMS

ART SOCIETY SKETCHES AND DECORATORS FOR THE SCHOOL



Art Club officers are Robert Peck, parliamentarian; Richard Lykes, president; Rodolfo Gallegos, reporter; Raul Gutierrez, student council representative; Lilia Guerra, reporter; Delia Montemayor, corresponding secretary; Simon Flores, vice-president (absent).

Martin High's newly formed Art Society was organized this year by Mr. Jose Lozano, art instructor. Students with an interest in and talent for art form the personnel. The group has made posters for the Mercy Hospital Auxiliary, M. H. S. Choir, Pan American Student Forum, Education Week. The Society has decorated the walls in the gymnasium with large murals both for the P.A.S.F. Sweetheart Dance and the Junior and Senior Prom.

Mr. Jose Maria Lozano, art teacher, is sponsor of the club.



Front Row: Abran Martinez, Luis G. Garcia, Tomas Gonzalez, Humberto Villarreal, Federico Alardin, Vicente Trevino, Humberto Jimenez, Jesus Mata. Second Row: Maria del Carmen Villarreal, Viola Wise, Elvira Wise, Ma. Luisa Orozco, Raul Gutierrez, Delia Montemayor, Lilis Guerra, Richard Lykes, Rodolfo Gallegos, Robert Peck, Emma Villarreal, Margarita Sala, Dolores Leal, Delfina Vela. Third Row: Ma. Luisa Degollado, Noemi Palacios, Ninfa Castano, Ofelia Ramirez, Alicia M. Gonzalez, Socorro Romanos, Ma. Teresa Morales, Margie Cruz, Angelita Alvarez, Angela Arellano, Carmen Briseno, Rosa Ma. Morales, Ma. de la Luz Martinez, Ma. Luisa Garcia, Maria Paredes, Heriberto Rodriguez, Mr. Jose Lozano. Fourth Row: Manuel Balladares, Rene Guerra, Benito Esparza, Tommy Johnson, Blas Cantu, Eduardo Ruiz, Blas Garza, Benjamin Botello, Efrain Salinas, Miquel Ruiz, Roman Perez, and Jose Flores.





THE STAFF VISITS L.A.F.B

The Staff of Martin High School Cadet Corps visited the Laredo Air Force Base, where they were impressed by the planes, as the T33 in the background.

Kneeling: cadet colonel Jose Ma. Pena, cadet major Sostenes Ruiz and Alejandro Vela. Standing: cadet captains David Lopez, Ted Leonard, Victor Carrillo, and Richard Lykes.

Martin High School is doing its share to prepare youth for military service by offering R.O.T.C. in the curriculum. Those availing themselves of this excellent training under Major August O. Hein number one hundred and sixty-eight.

ROTC

MILITARY HISTORY OF LAREDO

Perhaps we can divide Laredo's military history into three periods: the early period when Laredo was occupied by various troops, the Ft. McIntosh era, and the air base era.

According to the 1927 edition of *La Pithaya*, "There was no military garrison at the time of the inspection (by Capt. Trendera de Cuervo in 1757); the Apaches had not approached the settlement with hostile intent."

In 1789 the first military post was established manned by Spanish troops, which remained until 1821. In the Mexican Revolution when Mexico threw off the yoke of Spain, Laredo then a part of Tamaulipas, remained loyal to Spain.

"Deaf" Smith, famous in Texas history, tried to capture Laredo for Texas in 1837, when his men fought a battle near the Chacon Creek. A monument at the Country Club commemorates this battle.

General Alexander Somervell, commanding Texas troops, took Laredo in 1842; Captain Gillespie, commanding U. S. troops, took Laredo in 1846; General Mirabeau B. Lamar, commanding U. S. troops, occupied Laredo in 1847, establishing the first U. S. military post here.

Then the United States government leased from the city 2500 acres of land for a post which was built in 1849 outside the city limits and named Camp Crawford. It was named for George W. Crawford, Secretary of War under President Taylor. According to the Texas Almanac, "The name was changed shortly afterward to Fort McIntosh in honor of Col. J. S. McIntosh, who died in Mexico City, Sept. 26, 1847, from wounds received at the Battle of Resaca de la Palma and at Moline del Rey.

According to *La Pithaya*, 1927, "Ft. McIntosh was a star-shaped earth work occupying one acre of land. Within was a fine large magazine of stone with arched roof overlaid with earth." In 1859 two companies of the First Infantry took possession, but the U. S. troops repaired to Ft. Davis when on April 11, 1861, three companies of Confederates under General Santos Benavides took possession of the post. Later two Confederate companies under Captain Refugio Benavides and Julian Garcia were organized. In 1865 Federal troops reoccupied Ft. McIntosh. Abandoned and reoccupied, Ft. McIntosh was finally given back to the city of Laredo. It is now the setting for Laredo Junior College and the International Boundary and Water Commission.

Taking the place of the old Ft. McIntosh and the Cavalry is the air base and its hundreds of jet planes in east Laredo. This was established during World War II, closed, then reactivated as the Laredo Air Force Base, which at the present time will probably be designated as a permanent installation.





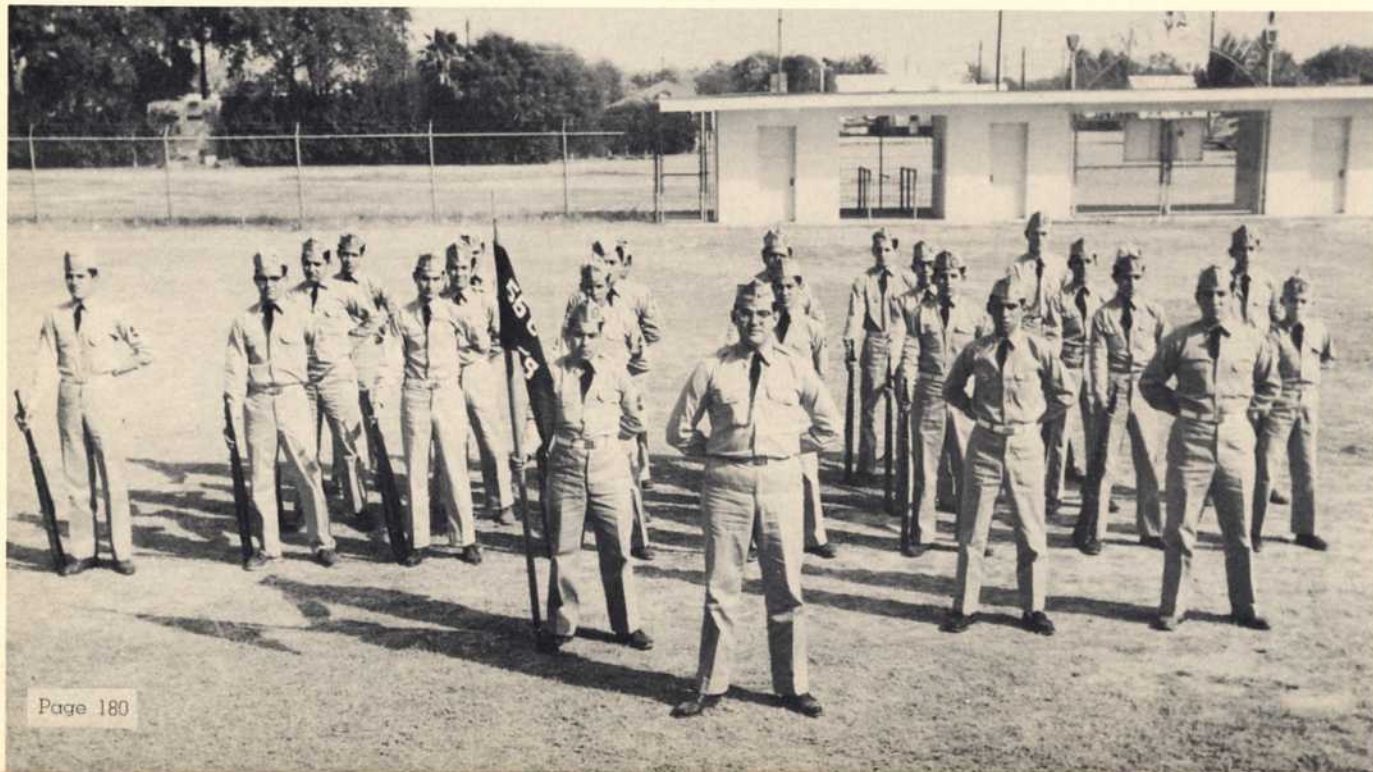
COMPANY A

Company A whose officers are Cadet Capt. Carlos Cabello and Cadet Lieutenant Porfirio Arreguin and Miguel Ortiz. Guidon bearer is Charles Rogers.



COMPANY D

Company D under Cadet Capt. Edward Garcia assisted by Cadet Lieutenant Ramiro Hernandez and Roberto Rodriguez. Acting guidon bearer is Rolando Palacios.



ROTC SPONSORS

ROTC Sponsors seated are Louise Notzon, Shirley DaCamara, Norma Pina, Lucy Lopez, Olivia I. Garcia, Peggy Riley.

Standing are Flo Ann Haag, Hermelinda Goldberg, Jane Litman, Alicia Bustamante, Ana Maria Campos.

COMPANY B

Company B under the leadership of Cadet Capt. Jose Luis Flores and Cadet Lieutenant Antonio Santos and Cadet 1st Sgt. Charles Henry (absent). The guidon bearer is Arnoldo Reyes.



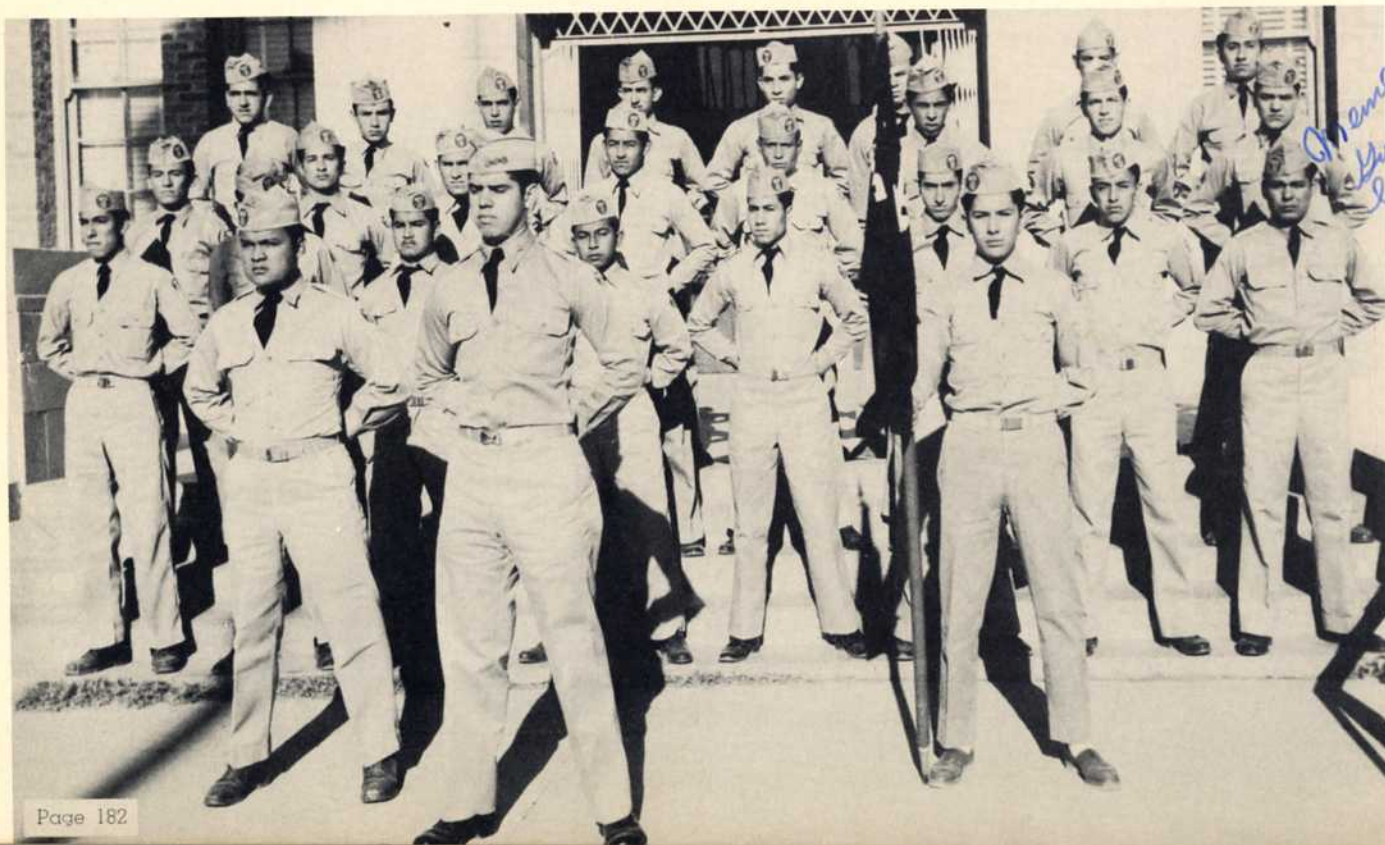


THE STAFF AND THEIR SPONSORS

Foreground: Norma Pina, sponsor to Cadet Colonel Jose Ma. Pena; Second row: Lucy Lopez, sponsor to Major Sostenes Ruiz; Shirley DaCamara, sponsor to Major Alejandro Vela; Third row: Peggy Riley, sponsor to Major Ted Leonard; Louise Notzon, sponsor to Captain David Lopez; Fourth row: Olivia I. Garcia, sponsor to Captain Victor M. Carrillo; Captain Richard Lykes.

COMPANY C

Company C is under the leadership of Cadet Captain David Laurel and Cadet First Sergeant Roque Bernal. This company is made up of juniors. They study combat formations and tactics.



Jesus Flores has just demonstrated the head bandage on Andres Garza, Jose Zapata inspects it.



Frank Million, Javier Gonzalez, Oscar Rodriguez and Antonio Santos demonstrate the upper front trunk bandage.

Julio Ruiz and Fernando Cruz demonstrate artificial respiration by applying pressure.



R.O.T.C. CADETS HAVE VARIED PROGRAM



Major August O. Hein, P.M.S. & T., grades papers at his desk. Major Hein, who has served Martin High School for eight years, is deeply interested in the boys under his command.

Richard Lykes and Gonzalo Gamboa supervise the firing range.



Hermerejildo de Leon and Jorge Tijerina demonstrate artificial respiration in releasing pressure.





Col. Charles W. Allen, Major August O. Hein, Capt. David E. Phillips, Capt. LeRoy Thomas and Lieut. Alfonzo Valls stand before the review at Federal Inspection.

Capt. Phillips questions Cadet Roberto Rodriguez about the mechanism and serial number of his rifle. David Jacobs and Humberto Juarez follow the inspecting officer.



Captain Phillips inspects Tomas Garza's rifle. Pedro Gutierrez and Rolando Palacios are two members of the squad.



Cadet Captain Manuel Bueno, Major Hein, Colonel Allen, Jean Claire Garner, Ellen Taylor, and Mary Jo Watt seem to be having a goodtime.

The color guard carried by Heriberto Martinez and Herminio Martinez, escorted by guards Julian Negrete and Roberto Medrano in the Federal Inspection Review.



Col. Allen inspecting Cadet Carlos Cabello. Cadet Capt. Alejandro Vela looking on.

Capt. Thomas asks Lawrence Mann about his duties as a first sergeant.



MARTIN HIGH SCHOOL CADETS RECEIVE FORMAL ANNUAL FEDERAL INSPECTION



Charles Henry, and Jack Wagner stand at attention to be inspected by Captain Thomas. Sydney Coleman, Raul Ortiz, and David Laurel look on.

Cadet Capt. Joe Hernandez, Manuel Bueno, and Cadet, Col. Odilon Arambula wait for the battalion to get ready. Col. Allen and the Cadet sponsors are chatting before the review.



Captain Thomas inspects Arturo Perrusquia of Amadeo Juarez's company.





Company E, Cadet Capt. Alejandro Vela's Company, stands at attention as the flag is being raised.



At the Military Review, Cadet Capt. Manuel Bueno escorts Margarita Villalobos, his sponsor.



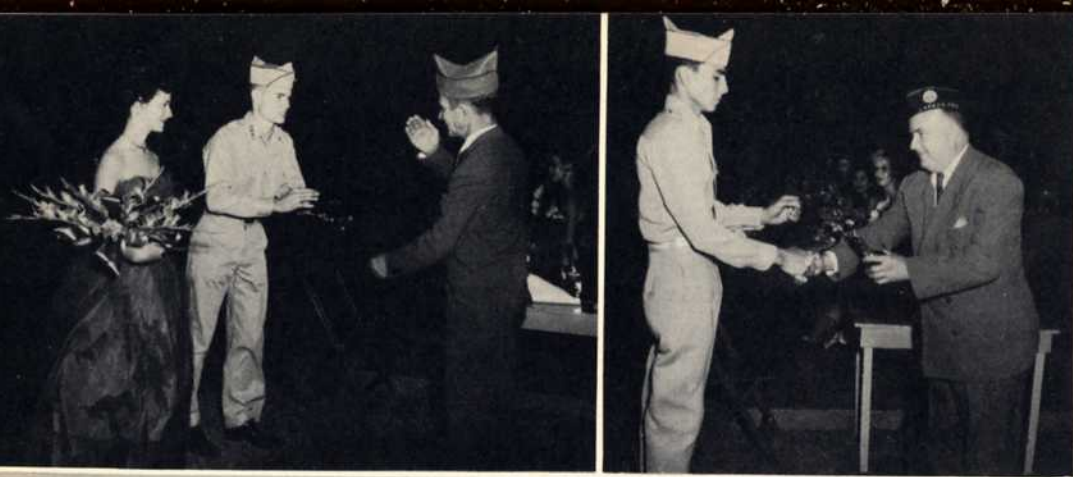
Mr. Marcus Semmelmann presents the Marcus Semmelmann Trophy to Cadet Capt. Jose Maria Pena, commander of Company C, the winning company of the 1954 R.O.T.C. Review. Hilda Galindo, the company sponsor, enjoys the moment.



Cadet Colonel Odilon Arambula crowns Lynn Taylor as ROTC Sweetheart. Daniel Flores and Lloyd Little act as Royal guards.

The Sweetheart and her court are as follows: Manuel Bueno, Margarita Villalobos, David Jacobs, Mary Paul Wright, Raul Ortiz, Ellen Taylor, Lynn Taylor, Peggy O'Bryant, Sostenes Ruiz, Daniel Garcia, Hilda Galindo, Ina Agraz, Joe Hernandez, Sydney Coleman, and Annette McCauley. The flower girls are Candy Bunn and Cathy Ringwood.





Left, Cadet Captain Sydney Coleman and his sponsor Annette McCauly receive the American Legion Cadet Officer of the Year trophy from Mr. Haynes, American Legion Commander Post 669.

Right, Ben Sanchez is awarded with The Cadet of the Year trophy by Mr. Dan Withoff for being chosen as cadet of the year. The trophy was awarded by the American Legion Post 59.



The members of the staff march toward the reviewing field. The line of trophies in the background of this double exposure symbolizes the achievement of a military unit molded into top shape. They also symbolize the interest of our citizens and civic organizations in the R.O.T.C. program.

A group of girls from the P.E. classes entertain the public before the Senior Pageant and Military Review.



Sponsors and staff members salute during the raising of the flag.



Company Commander Captain Sostenes Ruiz salutes before the staff.

Ben Sanchez, Simon Flores, Gilberto Martinez, and Leandro Lopez carry the colors during the Senior Review.



Roberto Dovalina, Mickey Garza, Manuel Bueno, and Maria Irene Garza pose during the Cadet Ball.

Corner picture: Norman Sorrell, Rose Mary Dulaney, Charles Hathaway, Mary Jo Watt, Sidney Coleman, Annette McCauley, Martha Alice Clifton, George McLean, Prissy Da Camara, and Chris Saul have a grand time at the Cadet Ball.



Company A under Capt. Juarez salutes the staff.

Company D performs for the public by forming a circle.





Seated: Leonard Anderson; Second Row: Philip Trammell, Andy Santos, Willie Dickenson, Ramiro Hernandez, Agustin Molina; Standing: Frank Santos, Hector Chacon, Coach John Valls. Missing from the group is Coach Bill Batey.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE DISTRICT CHAMPS

This year **La Pitahaya** honors the Tiger basketball team because they won the district championship by beating Brackenridge two out of three games. Then they played Waco, winning one game and losing two. Playing for the State Championship, Waco later played Crozier Tech of Dallas losing 57 to 59.

SPORTS REPLACE BULL FIGHTING

The athletic program at Martin High School emphasizes football, basketball, baseball and track in competitive contests. These games form the chief source of entertainment for spectators, many of whom are townspeople and patrons of the school.

Our present day athletic contest is not so bloody as the cock and bull fights, popular in Laredo in the past. About the popularity of these sports of Spanish origin a letter dated December 12, 1881, reads as follows:

"Our people are daily growing more enthusiastic over the coming fiestas, and very extensive preparations are in progress, which insures a grand success. Cock and cock fighters, and bull and bullfighters have been engaged both from Texas and the interior of Mexico for this grand occasion. The bulls will be trimmed and slicked, and the cocks pricked, and the hair and feathers will fly on December 24.

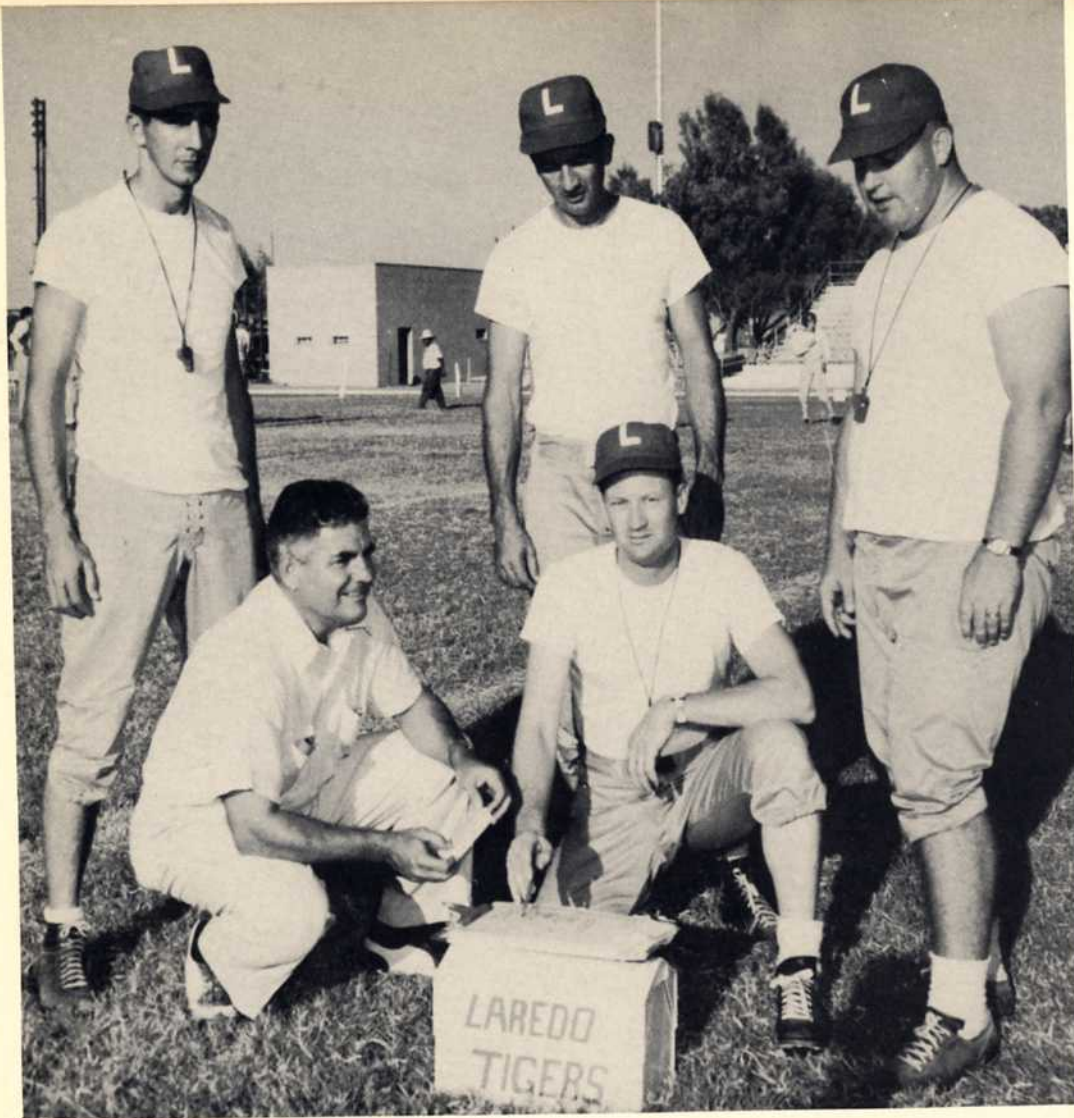
In Mexico, this sport is encouraged but in Texas, article 4665, and 672 of the revised statutes of 1879, which reads as follows, may operate as an impediment to this sport: 'For every fight between men and bulls or between dogs and bulls, and between bulls and any other animal, \$500 for each performance, if exhibited for profit, or upon which any money or thing of value is bet.' Even with this statute, we have got a considerable margin left to operate on.

We need churches and school houses. Besides this there is a large family of orphans in town that would like to come in for their share of the proceeds.

We will have cock and bull fighting even if we have to suspend the statutes for a while."

Athletics





THE MARTIN HIGH SCHOOL COACHES HAVE SINCERE INTEREST IN THEIR BOYS

The Martin High Tiger football coaches gather on the field to discuss tactics their boys will use in daily practice during football season.

- Kneeling:**
Luis Novoa, Jr. Football trainer. . . attended A & I at Kingsville. . . played end in football, forward in basketball, 2nd. base in baseball and ran 100 yd. dash in track.
- Albert R. Ochoa Head coach. . . football and baseball. . . played end at Sul Ross State for two years. . . member of Conference Champion East Texas State track team. . . has coached at Martin High for six years.
- Standing:**
John Valls "B" squad football and basketball coach. . . starred on the Baylor All-Conference track team for three years. . . outstanding on MHS football team in 1942-43. . . has coached for two years.
- Alfonzo Valls. "B" squad football and track coach. . . attended East Texas State College where he played as basketball forward and sprinter. . . broke records in Border Olympics, Fat Stock Show, Kansas Relays, Drake Relays and Texas Relays. . . has coached for five years at Martin High.
- George Harold Porter. . . Asst. Football and Line coach. . . Captain on Southwest Texas State football team. . . All-Conference guard and tackle in Senior year. . . received offer to play pro-football with Pittsburg. . . has coached two seasons at Martin High.



1954 FOOTBALL RECORD

	MHS	OPPONENT
FALFURRIAS	0	27
SOUTH SAN ANTONIO	12	12
EAGLE PASS	13	42
HARLINGEN	0	33
CENTRAL CATHOLIC	7	13
DEL RIO	0	26
BROWNSVILLE	13	28
SIDNEY LANIER	7	18
SAN ANTONIO TECH	6	14
CORPUS CHRISTI ACAD.	19	19

FOOTBALL LETTERMEN

DENNIS McBRIDE	TIM WALLER
AMBER YEARY	SAUL GARZA
BOBBY MORAN	JOE MORAN
GEORGE McLEAN	HOMERO RODRIGUEZ
LAWRENCE MANN	MIKE FERNANDEZ
JOE IBARRA	JORGE LOPEZ
ANDRES SANTOS	ARMANDO GARZA
ANDRES MENDIOLA	ANSELMO PERALEZ
MARIO GONZALEZ	RALPH COLE

Reserve Lettermen

JUAN RAMIREZ
JIMMY SPRINGER
PAT LEYENDECKER
CHARLES DELIGANES
ROSENDO MOLINA
WYMAN GAMBLE
JOHNNY LEYENDECKER

1954 FOOTBALL SQUAD

First row: Juan Ramirez, Tim Waller, Ralph Cole, Bobby Moran, Mario Gonzalez, Jimmy Springer, Jorge Lopez, Andres Santos, and Tomas Garza. Football mascot is Luis Novoa III.
Second row: Wyman Gamble, Homero Rodriguez, Saul Garza, Mike Fernandez, Andres Mendiola, Anselmo Perales, Armando Garza, Rosendo Molina, and Johnny Leyendecker.
Third row: Juan Silva, Amber Yeary, George McLean, Dennis McBride, Enrique Rosales, Jose Ibarra, Joe Moran, Lawrence Mann, and Pat Leyendecker.
Fourth row: Pedro Rodriguez, Jose Juarez, Coach Alfonzo Valls, Coach Albert Ochoa, Trainer Luis Novoa, Coach Johnny Valls.





Co-captains Dennis McBride and Saul Garza confer with the Del Rio co-captains prior to the game at Del Rio.

OCHOA'S MEN BOW TO JERSEYS 27-0

Playing their first game on September 10, the Tigers traveled to Falfurrias to be outscored by the Jerseys, 27-0.

The first score of the game was made by Mike Maldonado from the Falfurrias 35 yard line. Lawrence Mann fired a pass which was intercepted by a Falfurrias back to score the second touchdown. A strong defensive Cat line held the Jerseys to one touchdown in the last half. The final score stood, Falfurrias 27; Laredo 0.

Dennis McBride, Amber Yeary, Joe Moran, Lawrence Mann, Pat Leyendecker, and Mario Gonzalez played an outstanding game.

EAGLES REVENGE CATS 42-13

The Martin High Tigers, again playing away from home, took a 42-13 licking from the revenging Eagle Pass team. Last year the Cats defeated the Eagles, 13-7.

The Eagles scored in the first quarter when Jerry Jackson took the ball on the Eagle 41 and ran 59 yards for a touchdown. Later the Eagles accounted for five more scores.

The Tigers only two touchdowns were made by Bobby Moran, Tiger halfback. Amber Yeary converted for the Bengals.

AMBER YEARY, HALFBACK 160 2 Yr. Letterman
 GEORGE McLEAN, CENTER 175 3 Yr. Letterman
 BOBBY MORAN, HALFBACK 140 2 Yr. Letterman



DENNIS McBRIDE, FB 165
 2 Yr. Letterman



LAWRENCE MANN, QB 155
 2 Yr. Letterman



Amber Yeary rushes to tackle a Del Rio back. Coming up to assist are George McLean and Ralph Cole.

BUTTONS DEFEAT BENGALS 13-7

The Central Catholic Buttons edged out the Martin High Tigers, 13-7, playing one of the best games of the season.

Carlos Sanchez, early in the game, broke away on the Cat's 28 yard line and scored the first touchdown. George McLean, playing defensive linebacker, intercepted a pass and ran all the way to the Catholic's 5 yard line. Lawrence Mann scored two plays later and Yeary converted.

Both teams tightened their defense in the last two periods, but Andy Canales scored for the Buttons with only five minutes to play in the game. The final score was, 13-7.

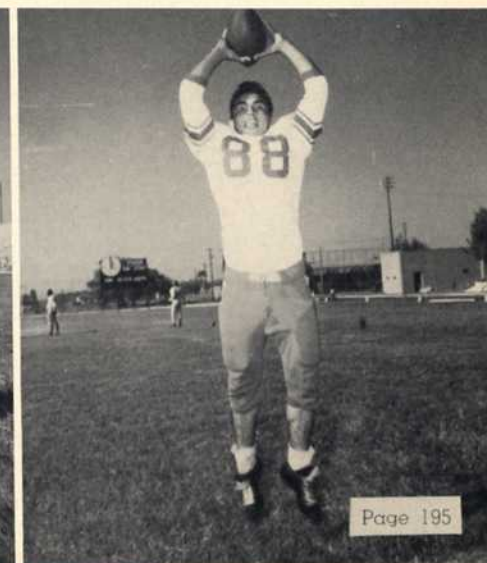
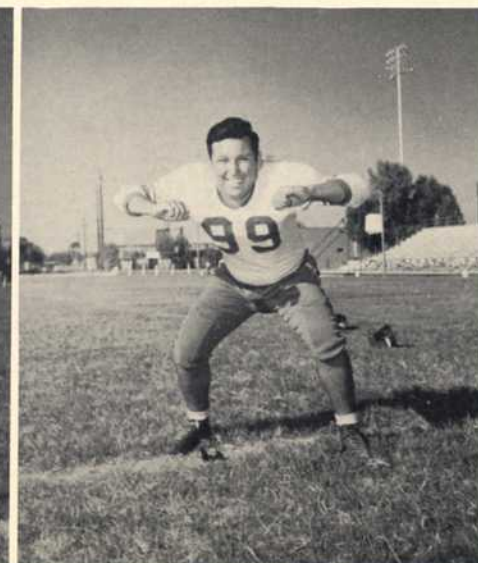
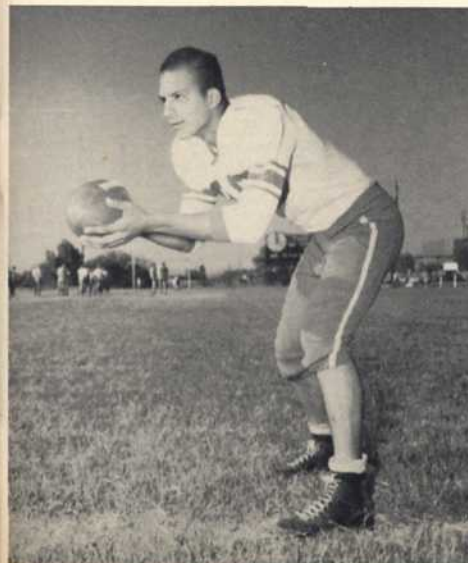
BENGALS—BOBCATS BATTLE TO A 12-12 TIE

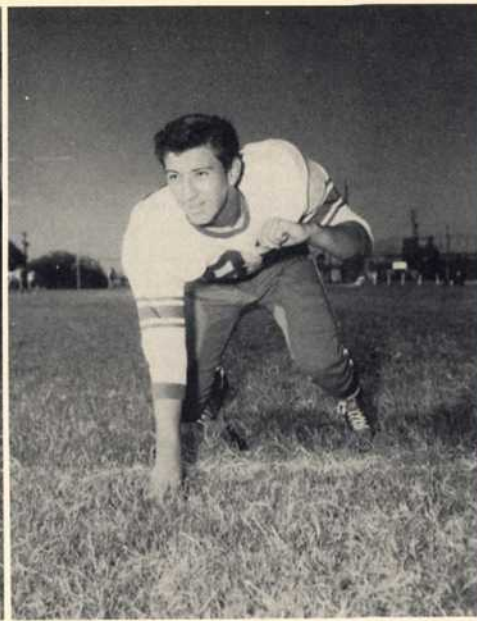
The Martin High Cats battled to a 12-12 tie with the South San Antonio Bobcats in their first home game. Laredo scored both touchdowns in the second quarter of the game, failing both extra points.

Bobby Moran, Tiger back, carrying the ball on a ten yard jaunt, scored the first touchdown in the second quarter. After recovering the pigskin on the Bobcats thirty-one yard line, Lawrence Mann scored the second touchdown on a quarterback sneak, and the Tigers led at halftime, 12-0.

In the second half the Bobcats returned a Bengal punt to their 33 yard line. Not long after, Earl Rudes scored the first South San touchdown from the one yard line. Midway in the last quarter the Bobcats again scored to tie the game at 12-12.

ANDRES SANTOS, END 175 1 Yr. Letterman
 ANDRES MENDIOLA, TACKLE 210 1 Yr. Letterman
 JOE IBARRA, END 175 3 Yr. Letterman





SAUL GARZA, GUARD 165
2 Yr. Letterman

HOMERO RODRIGUEZ, GUARD 150
2 Yr. Letterman

Top left hand picture
MARIO GONZALEZ, GUARD 140
2 Yr. Letterman

Top right hand picture
TOMAS GARZA, HALFBACK 125

Top Middle picture
JOE MORAN, TACKLE 165
2 Yr. Letterman

Top middle picture
MIKE FERNANDEZ, GUARD 160
1 Yr. Letterman

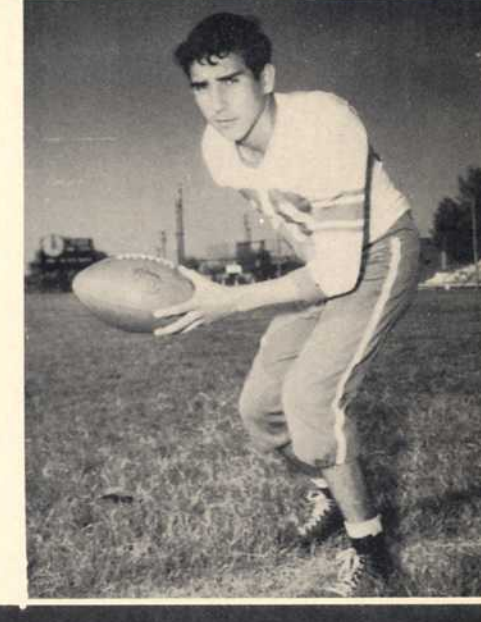
TIM WALLER, GUARD 160
1 Yr. Letterman

JORGE LOPEZ, QUARTERBACK 125
1 Yr. Letterman



Lawrence Mann crashes through the Central Catholic line for a touchdown. The Tigers shown are Joe Ibarra, 88; Andres Mendiola, 99; Dennis McBride, 79; Tim Waller, 84; Joe Moran, 82.

Fullback Dennis McBride is surrounded and finally downed by a host of San Antonio Tech tacklers after picking up nice yardage.





After catching one of Lawrence Mann's passes, Andy Santos picks up 10 yards against Brownsville.

BROWNSVILLE NIPS TIGERS 28-13

The Martin High School Bengals were defeated by a strong Brownsville eleven, 28-13. The Cats accumulated 74 yards on the ground and 129 yards in the air, but they had trouble in stopping four crack Brownsville backs, who piled up 317 yards rushing.

The Tigers scored in the second period when Lawrence Mann threw a pass to Joe Ibarra, who ran the rest of the way. Mann discharged another pass in the fourth quarter to Amber Yeary, and he cut his way downfield 30 yards to score. One of Yeary's two attempted conversions was good.

TIGERS ACCEPT 26-0 DEFEAT FROM DEL RIO

In the last out-of-town game of the season the Martin High School Tigers traveled to Del Rio, Texas, only to be defeated, 26-0.

In the first quarter Donnie Mills scored the Wildcats' first touchdown, but they were unable to add any more points to the scoreboard in the first half.

The Wildcats scored their second touchdown in the third quarter and then scored twice in the last period. The Tigers returned to Laredo with a 26-0 defeat.

WYMAN GAMBLE, TACKLE 165
Reserve Letterman

JUAN SILVA, HALFBACK 145

ARMANDO GARZA, END 190
1 Yr. Letterman



ENRIQUE ROSALES, QB 140



PAT LEYENDECKER, HB 130
Reserve Letterman



Lawrence Mann and Andres Santos tackle a Lanier back. Shown coming up from behind are Saul Garza and Amber Yeary.

CORPUS CHRISTI ACADEMY TIES LAREDO 19-19

Playing the last game of the season, the Tigers tied with Corpus Christi Academy, 19-19. Both teams, playing their best game of the season, pushed each other up and down the field. Halfback Amber Yeary scored the first touchdown for the Bengals and later made two more to climax the Tigers' scoring.

At halftime the Tigers were leading, 13-6, but later in the last period the Cavaliers began to roll and were able to tie the score at 19-19.

SAN ANTONIO TECH EDGES BY TIGERS 14-6

The San Antonio Tech Buffaloes, who are playing independent from District 6-AAAA, as are the Tigers, defeated the Bengals, 14-6, in a hard fought battle on Shirley Field.

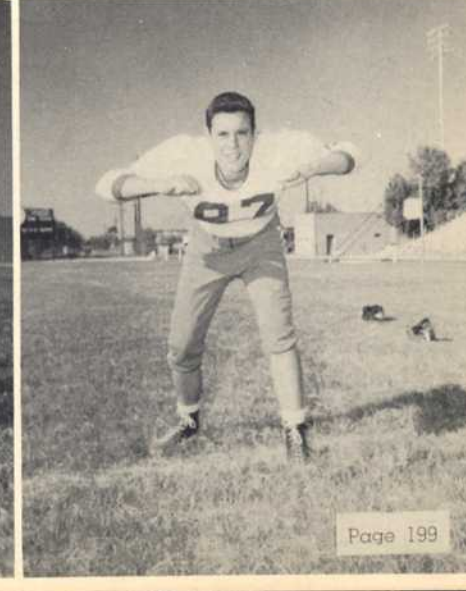
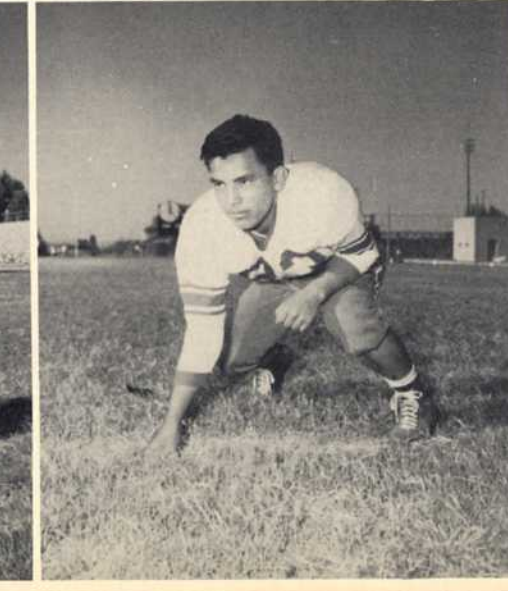
Roger Canamar scored the first touchdown for the Buffs in the opening period, and Gilbert Larralde scored in the last quarter.

After climaxing a long drive, Lawrence Mann tallied late in the last period for the Cats. At the end of the game Tech led, 14-6.

JUAN RAMIREZ, CENTER 160
Reserve Letterman

ANSELMO PERALEZ, FB 150
1 Yr. Letterman

JIMMY SPRINGER, TACKLE 180





RALPH COLE, END 155
1 Yr. Letterman



ROSENDO MOLINA, HB 125
Reserve Letterman



JOHNNY LEYENDECKER, END 140
Reserve Letterman

CATS LOSE TO HARLINGEN 33-0

On a mud-soaked field the Harlingen Cardinals defeated Martin High, 33-0. The Cardinals scored in every period of the game. Wayne Labar, one of the Cardinals heavy backs, gave the Tiger defense a rough time the whole game. Pat Leyendecker suffered a broken finger during the tilt.

LANIER SPANKS TIGERS 18-7

The Martin High School Tigers were stopped by Lanier's spread formation passes, losing their eighth game of the season.

The Martinites, led by halfback Amber Yeary's 91 yards, rolled up 218 yards on the ground and 15 first downs to Lanier's 7. Yeary scored the only Tiger Touchdown and booted the lone extra point.

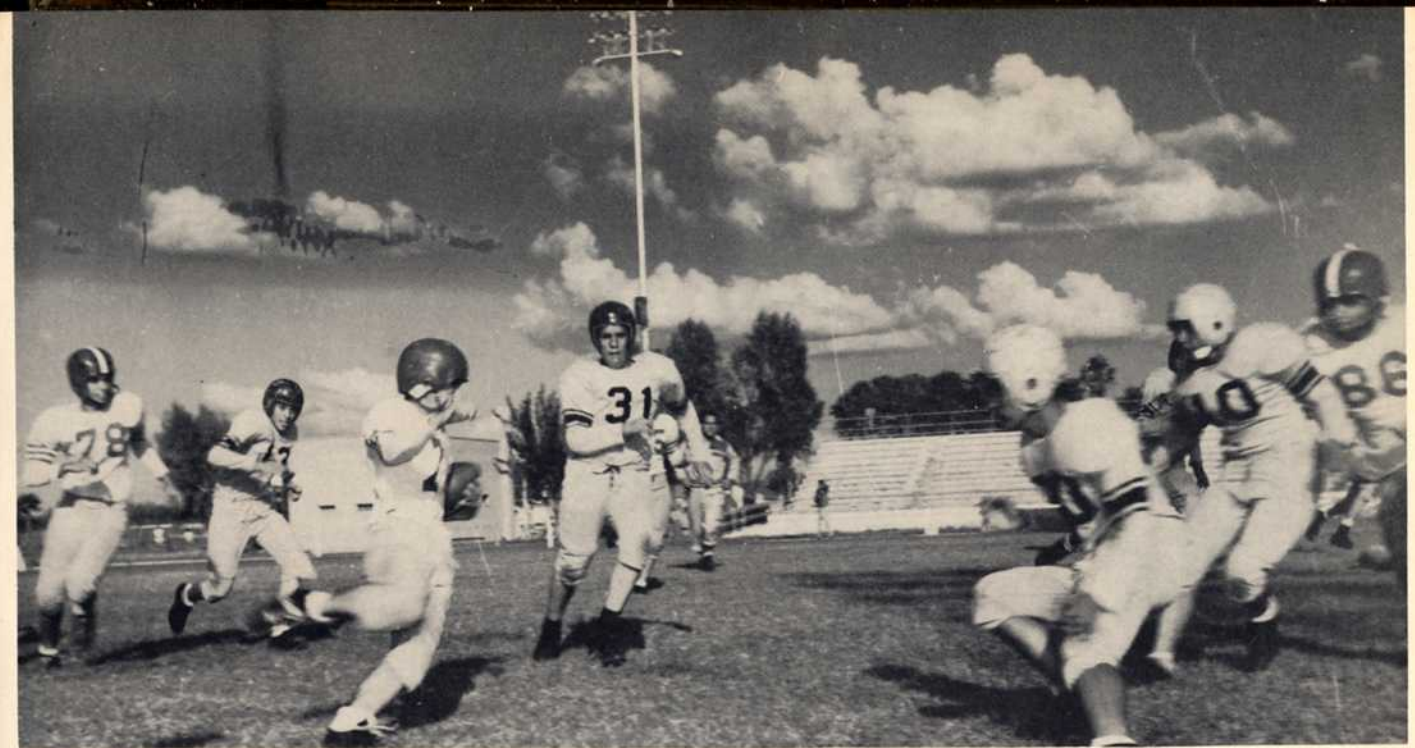
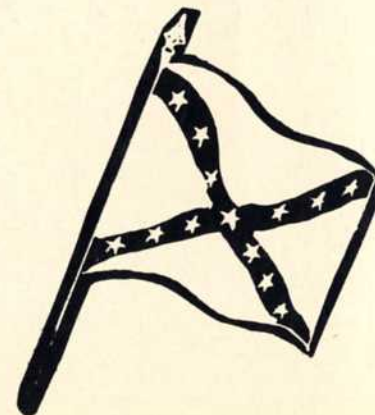
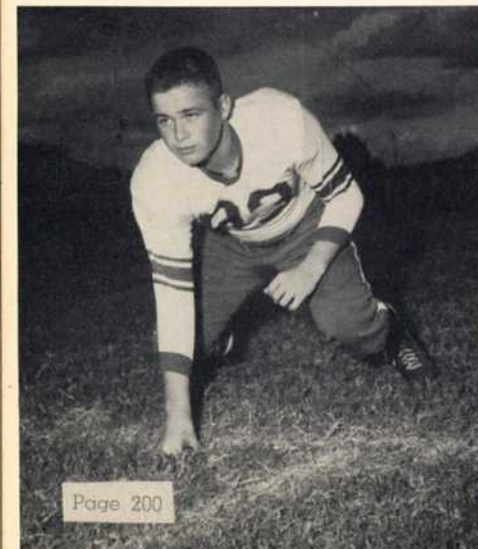
The Tiger line composed of Saul Garza, Joe Moran, Mike Fernandez, and Tim Waller along with linebackers Amber Yeary, George McLean, Dennis McBride, and Lawrence Mann held the Voks to only seventy-three yards rushing.



The Tigers huddle near the sidelines to receive last minute instructions from the coaches prior to the Central Catholic game.

MAC AIKENS, TACKLE 160

CHARLES DELIGANIS, HB 170
Reserve Letterman



"Chon" Vela carries the ball for the Martin High Kittens in the game they won against the Christen Cubs 13-6.

1954 MARTIN HIGH "B" TEAM

Front row: Celso Sanchez, Jose Casares, Juan Ramirez, Bobby Hyatt, Charles Clifton, Ben Wright, Tomas Gonzalez, and Roberto Botello.

Second row: Felix Camps, Marion Stuckey, Ray Soliz, Carlos Campos, Edward Akins, Guillermo Alcala, Manuel Olivo, and Jesus Martinez.

Third row: Raul Palacios, Homar Soliz, Ernesto Uribe, Arnoldo De Hoyos, Jack Werner, William Dickinson, and Evaristo Blanco.

Fourth row: Coach Alfonzo "Lefty" Valls, Tony Criado, Jose Flores, Amador Martinez, Milton Deliganis, Joseph Gage, and Coach John Valls.



TIGERS 1954-55 BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

DATE	TEAM	PLACE	TIGERS	OPPONENTS
Nov. 23	St. Augustine	Here	45	40
" 30	Laredo Air Force "Jets"	Here	51	67
Dec. 3	Edinburg	Here	58	42
" 4	Eagle Pass	Here	64	37
" 7	Harlingen	Here	48	46 - 3 minute overtime
" 10-11	Bryan Tournament			
	Dallas	Away	40	44
	S.F. Austin, Houston	Away	66	73
" 14	San Benito	Here	48	43
"	Sinsboro, La.	Here	27	49
" 21	Harlingen	Away	65	76
" 28-29	San Antonio Invitational Tournament			
	Alamo Heights	Away	40	59
Jan. 3	*Miller	Away	61	54
" 6	*Jefferson	Away	45	50
" 8	*Brackenridge	Here	57	55
" 11	*Brownsville	Here	58	50
" 14	*San Antonio Tech	Away	52	59
" 21	*Ray	Away	58	56
" 28	*Miller	Here	50	44
Feb. 1	*Jefferson	Here	62	51
" 4	*Brackenridge	Away	78	60
" 8	*Brownsville	Away	59	40
" 10	*San Antonio Tech	Here	48	34
" 12	*Ray	Here	58	54

*Denotes 6-AAAA Conference Games.

Back row - Coach J. Valls, Jose Ibarra, Pedro Rocha, Francisco Alvarado, Phillip Trammel, Willie Dickenson, Andy Santos, Francisco Santos, and Mgr. Enrique Rosales, Coach Bill Batey.

Front row - Mgr. Jose Luis Novoa, Alfredo Wise, Agustin Molina, Leonard Anderson, Hector Chacon, Ramiro Hernandez, Oscar Ochoa, and Guadalupe Guajardo.



FRANCISCO SANTOS



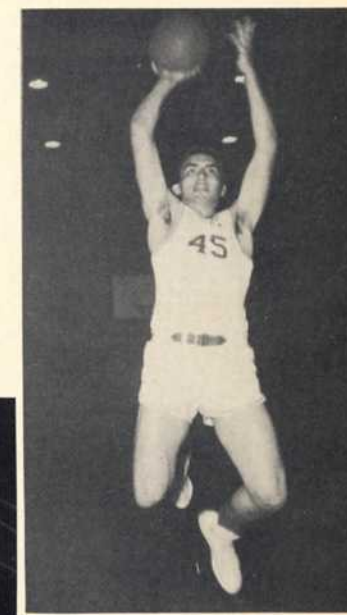
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COACH BILL BATEY



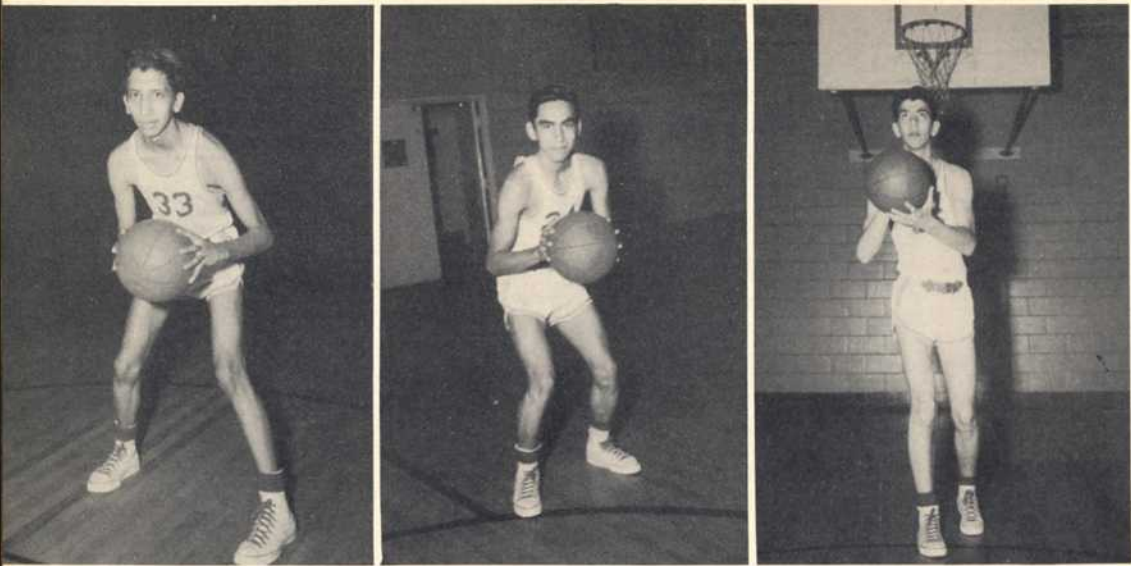
JOSE IBARRA



TIGERS VS. LAFB JETS

Trying desperately to overcome the Jets lead, Andy Santos, 42, sinks two more points while Kanky Santos, 55, and Phillip Trammel, 32, rush to his assistance.

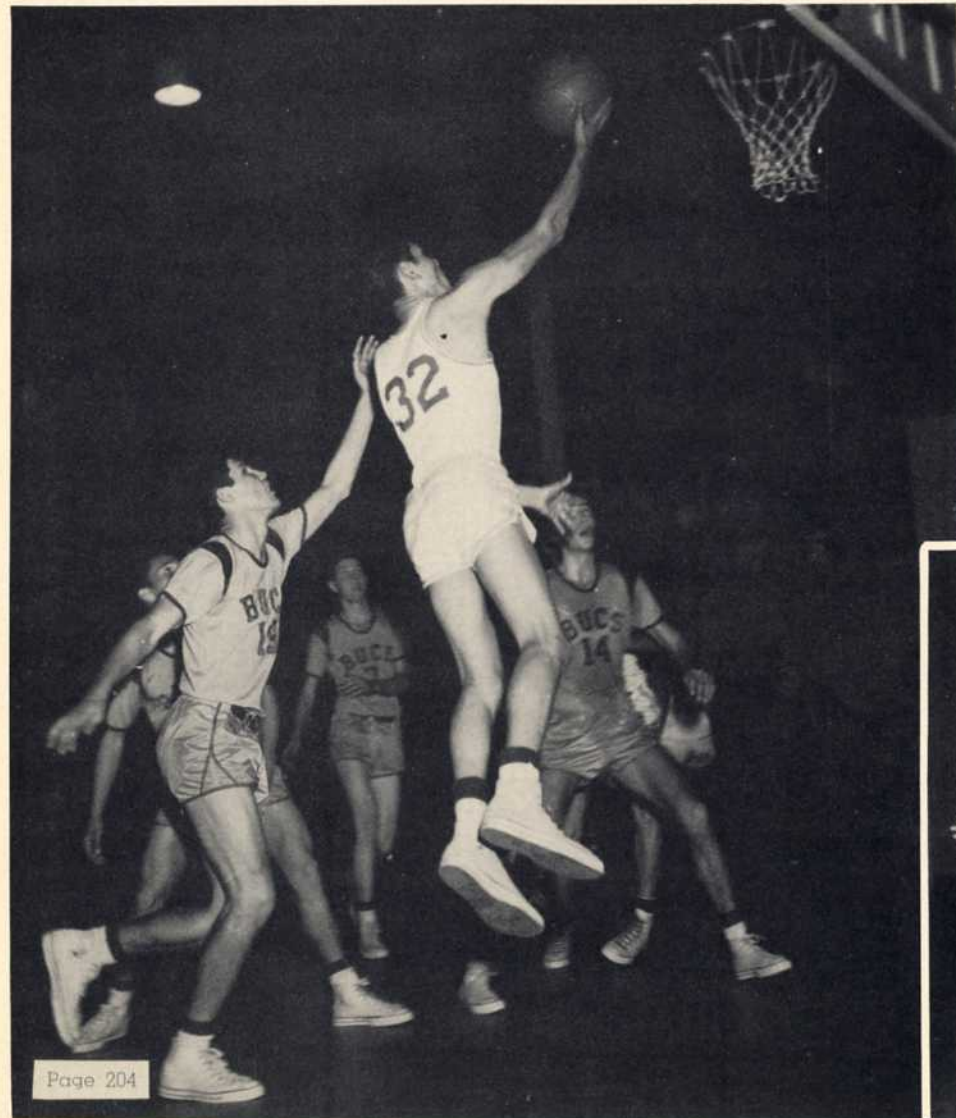




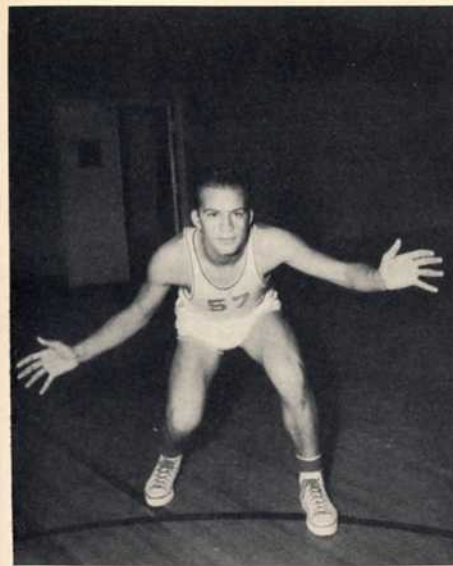
GUADALUPE GUAJARDO RAMIRO HERNANDEZ WILLIE DICKINSON

TIGERS VS. MILLER BUCS

Phillip Trammel adds another goal while Miller's whole team tries to stop him. Kanky Santos is shown in the background. Tigers beat Bucs 50-44.



LEONARD ANDERSON



ANDY SANTOS



TIGERS VS. ST. AGUSTINE

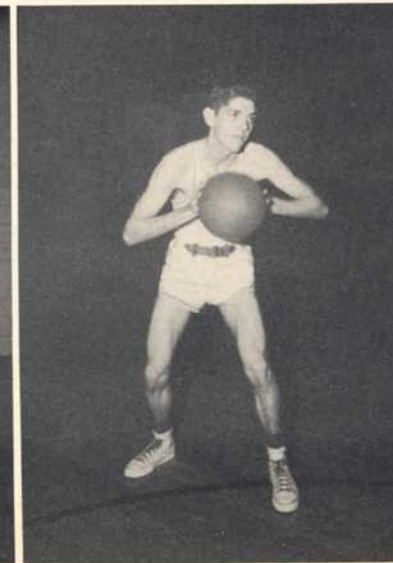
Andy Santos scores 2 points for the Bengals on a jump shot, as Milo, 15, tries to block the shot. Kanky Santos, 55, and Willie Dickinson, 35, wait for the rebound.

AGUSTIN MOLINA

PHILLIP TRAMMEL

OSCAR OCHOA

HECTOR CHACON



B TEAM SEASON RECORD

LAREDO B		OPPONENTS	
47	St. Augustine	B	33
29	Boys Club	A	49
63	Edinburg	B	41
48	Eagle Pass	B	46
29	St. Augustine	A	53
29	St. Augustine	A	66
53	Harlingen	B	51
	(overtime)		
87	Miller	B	35
52	Brackenridge	B	48
48	Yeary Spark Plugs		20
45	W. B. Ray	B	50
55	Miller	B	51
50	Boys Club	No. 1	55
117	Civil Air Patrol		36
64	St. Augustine	A	52

Basketball "B" Team

Bottom row - Howard Orebaugh, David Lopez and John Leyendecker.
Top row - Amador Martinez, Pedro Rocha, Sonny Wise, Agustin Molina, Tommy Ramirez, and Coach John Valls.



TIGERS LOSE TO WACO IN BI-DISTRICT PLAYOFFS.

Coach Bill Batey accompanied his 6-AAAA Champions to Waco for the first of the best two out of three series. The Bengals lost their first game to Waco by a score of 58 to 38. Frank Santos took high scoring honors with 22 points. The Tigers later played in their own gym to defeat Waco by a score of 60-58. The Tigers looked like champions when playing here. Phillip Trammel did some sharp shooting by sinking 8 field goals and 2 free shots for the locals.



Two points-Lefty Santos scores a field goal for the Bengals as Brunson tries to block it. Andy Santos is being blocked from rebound.



Leonard Anderson sinks two points more for the local Tigers as Pack looks on.

Phillip Trammel adds two more points to the score for Laredo as the rest of the Tigers, local and outsiders, wait for rebound.

The Tigers lost the third game and with it the Bi-District before a packed house with local and outsiders at the M.H.S. Gymnasium by a score of 65-50.



Two more points are added as Frank Santos dribbles around Brunson (10) under the basket and lays it up back-handed.

Willie Dickenson takes a high jump and scores two points for locals. An unidentified Wacoan tries to stop Willie from scoring. Frank Santos is shown in background waiting for rebound.



Frank Santos took scoring honors with 20 points to his credit. The Tiger coach, Batey, said this in regard to the loss: "We lost to a fine team. They were fast and well coached. I am proud of my boys, who did everything they could to win the District Championship and in the Bi-District playoffs."





TRACK TEAM SCHEDULE

March 4th-Triangular Meet between Laredo, Alice, and Kingsville at Kingsville.
 March 11 & 12-Border Olympics at Laredo.
 March 18-Sam's Relays at Brownsville.
 March 25-Robstown Relays, Robstown.
 April 7-District Meet, Corpus Christi.
 April 22 & 23-Regional Meet at Kingsville.
 May 6 & 7-State Meet at Austin.

Distance runners: Juan Ramirez, Pedro Rodriguez, Humberto Adame, and Miguel Ruiz.

As we go to press in mid-March, we do not know much about our track prospects, according to Coach Alfonso Valls.

The following qualified for the final events in the Border Olympics:

400 yard Sprint Relay Team composed of Enrique Mejia, Rosendo Molina, Meme Escamilla, and Bobby Muller. 100 yard, D. Meme Escamilla. 800 yard run, Juan Ramirez and Pete Rodriguez. Mile Run, Humberto Adame. Humberto Adame placed third in the final event of the mile run.

Bottom Row: Humberto Adame, Juan Ramirez, Pedro Rodriguez, and Jose Cantu.
 Second Row: Philip Trammel, Rosendo Molina, Ralph Cole, Mario Gonzalez, Miguel Ruiz, and Humberto Padilla.
 Third Row: Lefty Valls, Bobby Muller, Enrique Mejia, Manuel Escamilla, Albert Muller, Chon Vela, Tommy Ramirez, and Bill Bates.



High jumpers: ALBERT MULLER, and PHILIP TRAMMEL.

High hurdles: RALPH COLE.



Miler: HUMBERTO ADAME.

Sprint relay team: ROSENDO MOLINA, ENRIQUE MEJIA, MANUEL ESCAMILLA, and BOBBY MULLER.



Mile relay: PEDRO RODRIGUEZ, JUAN RAMIREZ, MARIO GONZALEZ, and HUMBERTO PADILLA.





Returning Lettermen and Co-Captains, Heriberto Perales, Coach Albert Ochoa, Jose Ibarra. Not pictured is Francisco Mancha. With these three returning lettermen, Coach Ochoa hopes to find the other six players from about thirty-five reporting prospects out for baseball to field a good 15-AA team and improve on last year's 2nd place district team record.

MARTIN HIGH HAS HIGH HOPES FOR DISTRICT IN BASEBALL

1st Row: Roberto Rocha, Cruz Soto, Mac Akins, Pablo Garza, Antonio Arce, Vicente Castaneda, Oscar Rogerio. 2nd Row: Enrique Mejia, Heriberto Perales, Ruben Ayala, Ramon Tijerina, Roberto Romo, Carlos Campos, Isidro Garcia, Hector Chacon. 3rd Row: Pedro Rodriguez, Servando Benavidez, Francisco Alvarado, Oscar Benavidez, Raul Fernandez, Andres Santos, Jose Ibarra.



SCHEDULE

March 15-At Eagle Pass.
 March 18-Eagle Pass here.
 March 21-Falfurrias here.
 April 1 & 2-At Corpus Christi Academy Tournament.
 *April 5-Ray at Laredo.
 *April 12-Alice at Laredo.
 *April 15-Miller at Laredo.
 *April 19-At Alice.
 *April 22-At Ray.
 April 26-St. Joseph.
 April 29-St. Joseph.
 May 3-At Falfurrias.
 *May 6-At Miller.
 *--Conference game

Pitchers: Pedro Rodriguez, Antonio Garza, Sonny Wise, Jorge Contreras.



INFIELDERS

Front Row: Heriberto Perales, Jose Ibarra, Abelardo Domingues, Jorge Contreras, Oscar Benavides, Mac Akins.
 Back Row: Enrique Mejia, Ramon Tijerina, Oscar Rogerio, Isidro Garcia, Carlos Campos.



OUTFIELDERS

Front Row: Arnoldo Perales, Raul Fernandez, Roberto Romo, Roberto Rocha, Ruben Ayala, Cruz Soto.
 Back Row: Pable Garza, Servando Benavides, Vicente Castaneda, Hector Chacon, Francisco Alvarado.



A SQUAD

Kneeling: Enrique Mejia, Arnoldo Perales, Oscar Rogerio, Antonio Arce, Roberto Rocha.
 Standing: Coach Albert Ochoa, Heriberto Perales, Oscar Benavides, Jorge Contreras, Abelardo Dominguez, Raul Fernandez, Jose Ibarra, Pedro Rodriguez, Santos Garcia.





Sara Harrison tries for a goal. Sylvia Perez, Elodia Villarreal, Yolanda Martinez, Guillermina Sanchez, and Mercedes Santa Cruz look on.

MARTIN HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS DEVELOP PHYSICALLY IN GYM CLASSES

Guillermina Sanchez, Victoria Balladares, Norma Ramirez, Miss Doris Duke, Elodia Villarreal, Sylvia Perez, Noemi Guerrero, and Yolanda Martinez. Jumping for the ball are Sara Harrison and Mercedes Santa Crua.

Miss Ruth Young, director of girls' athletics, and Miss Doris Duke, instructor, confer in Miss Young's office.



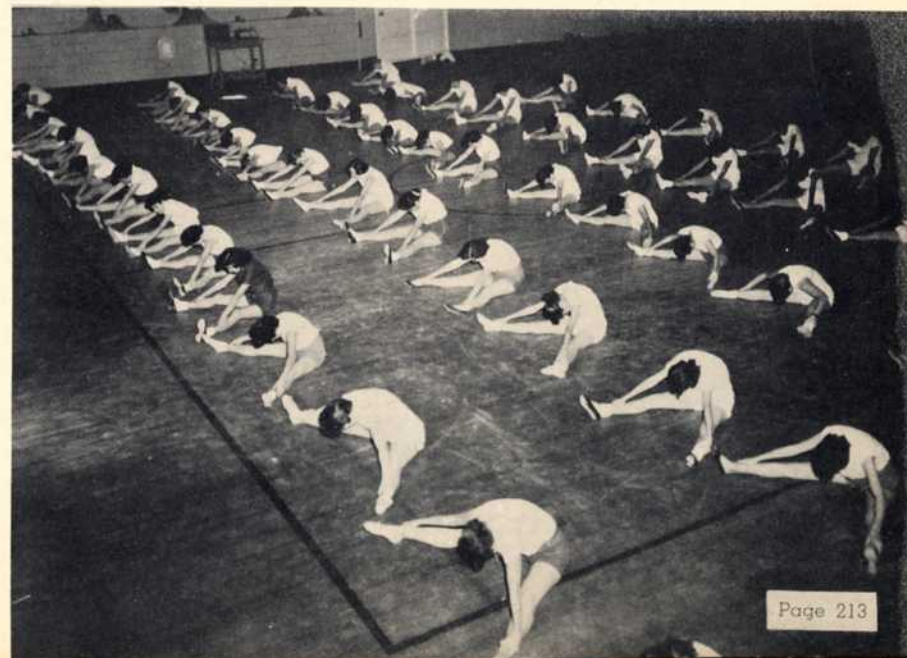
Miss Duke leads calisthenics. In the class are Isela Jara, Sylvia Martinez, Ardith Anderson, Rosa Morales, Rafaela Garcia, Judy Puig, and Irma Arambula.



Dancing is taught in gym classes. The Bunny Hop, currently popular, is shown as danced by Isela Jara, Cruz Cantu, Brigida Aguayo, and Ana Maria Sanchez. Out of step is Judy Irwin.



When not marching the Pep Squad keeps in shape with exercise. Some of those pictured are Nora Gonzalez, Sylvia Garcia, Josie Guerra, and Cookie Puig.



THE COMING OF RAILROADS TO LAREDO

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In the same year the International and Great Northern (I.&G.N.), now the Missouri Pacific, came to Laredo from San Antonio. In the latter part of 1882 the Rio Grande and Eagle Pass also linked Laredo with the coal mines up the river.

Did you know that Laredo holds the distinction of being the first town west of the Mississippi to have an electric street railway, laid in 1889?

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Front row: Abe Wilson and Prissy Da Camara, runners-up for best all around; Josie Guerra and Roman Gutierrez, runners-up for most popular



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Lower picture: Head Coach Albert Ochoa introduces the Tigers at the Lions Club Dinner.

L. Association boys:
Jose Juarez, George Lopez, Juan Ramirez, Ray Soliz, Juan Silva, and Anselmo Peralez - sell cold drinks at the basketball game.

TIGERS DINE WITH LIONS CLUB



Mr. Paul "Bear" Bryant, coach at A & M College, gave the main speech at the dinner.



George Lopez, Mario Gonzalez, Pedro Rodriguez, Lamar Coach Newton, Coach A. Valls, Coach B. Batey, Jose Ibarra, Mike Fernandez, and Roberto Moran made the steak and potatoes disappear quickly.



Principal R. P. St. John, Mr. Tom Herring, Lions President, Coach Bryant, and Mr. Charles Richter enjoy the Lions Club Dinner.



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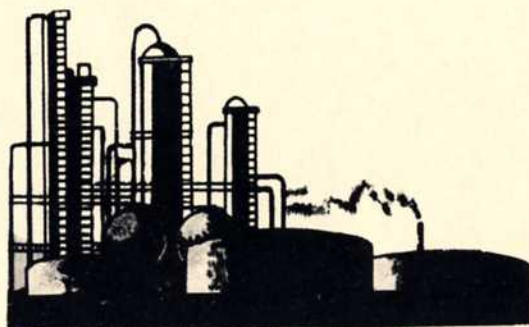
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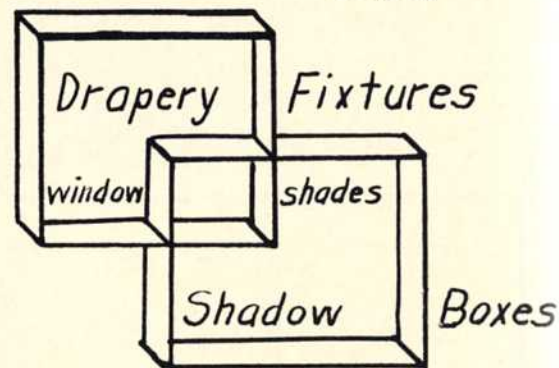
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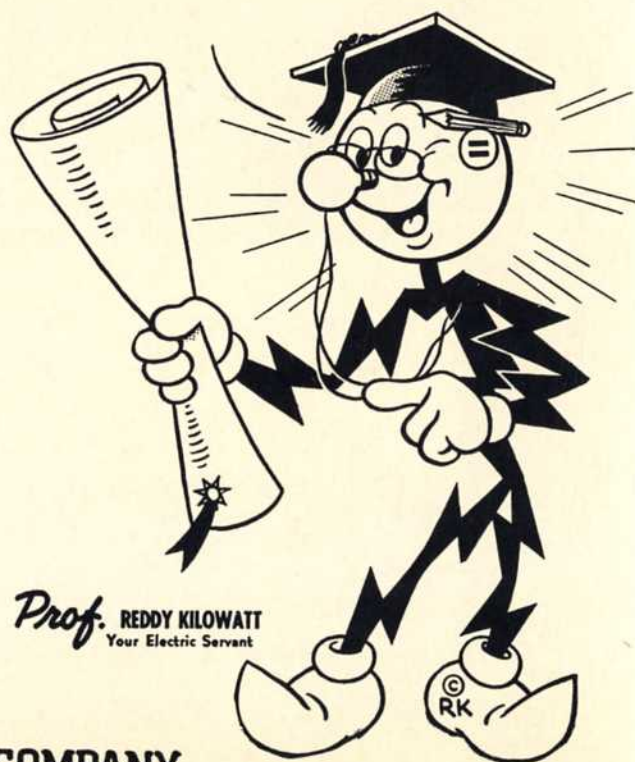
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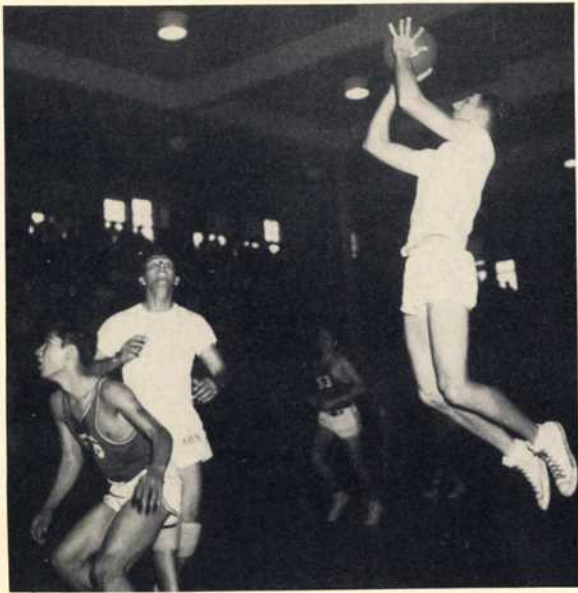
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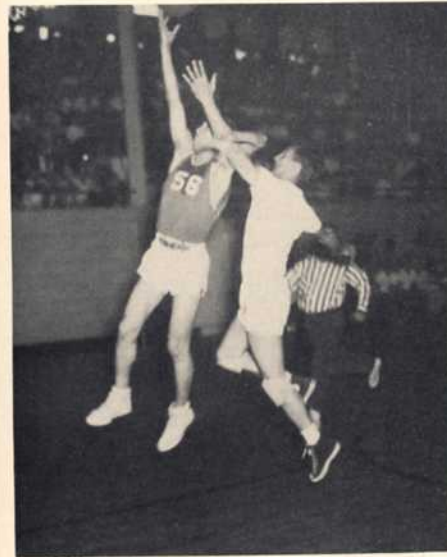


Agustin Molina dribbles toward the Tiger goal while Coach Porter and Lefty Valls wait for a chance to snatch the ball away.

Mrs. de Toumillon, Miss Duke, and Miss Priess bite their nails nervously.

The basketball skit was staged by the L Association. The curvaceous gals, Manuel Silva, Andres Andrews, Juan Ramirez, Saul Garza, Tomas Garza, and Jorge Lopez danced to the music of Boomp's a Daisy.

Coach Ochoa, Major Hein, Lefty Valls, Pedro Rocha, Coach Porter, and Sonny Wise wait for the rebound.



Sonny Wise and coach Al Valls fight for the ball.

Mr. Barreda desperately tries to take the ball from Amador Martinez and Sonny Wise. Mr. de Toumillon and Coach Valls come to the rescue.



Major Hein, Mr. Barreda, Mr. de Toumillon, Mr. Polling, Coach Ochoa, Mr. St. John, and Mr. Matthews observe tensely as the Tigers shoot for a basket.



Carlota Mejia presents the attendance cup to Miss Lela McKinley, President of the faculty club, for 100% attendance at the Faculty-B team basketball game.

Mrs. Murphy, Mrs. Baird, and Mrs. Winters lead the faculty in yelling fifteen rah's for the faculty.



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Dicky Lykes,
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plans to run for
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presidency of the
P.A.S.F.



Some of the students
who attended the Future
Homemakers dance are Pat
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Leyendecker, Cookie Puig,
and Bob Hyatt.

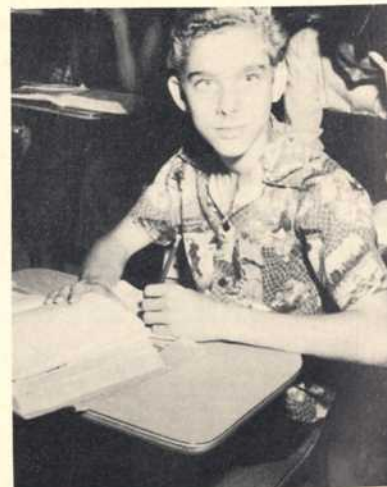
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Mrs. Guillermo Lopez, our
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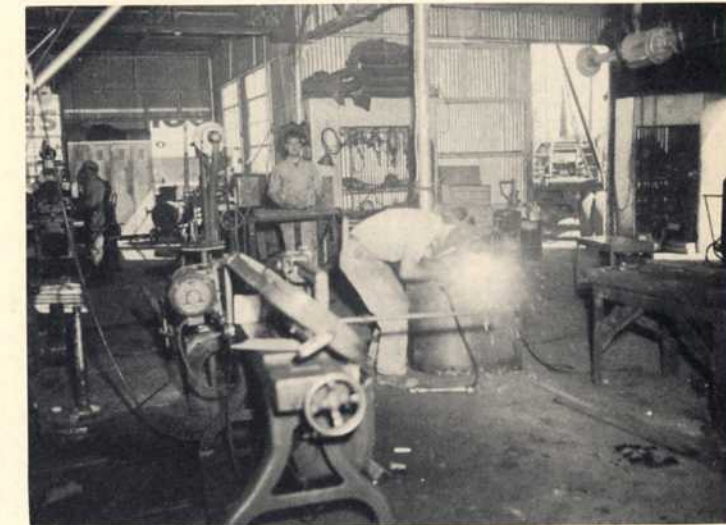
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Prissy's cousin, Prissy Da Camara, Wanda Yates, Ralph Cole enjoy chatting at the Thespian Christmas party.



Peggy Riley and Mary Ruth Matthews model costumes for a Thespian program.

Ismael Menchaca, Belia Rodriguez, Jesus Garcia, Juan Silva, Gonzalo Gamboa, Federico Garcia, Zulema Vela, Benito Esparza, and Ada Reyna help themselves to the punch served at the French Club Party.

"Men at Work" one might title this picture in metals class, in which the following boys appear: Rodolfo Amesquita, Rodolfo Sanchez, Arnoldo Perales, Donaciano Reyna, and Isabel Castro.

Flo Ann Haag adjusts Mr. Dummy on top of the wood pile, while Luis Cardenas and Dora Gonzalez gather more wood for the bonfire.



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Company A's First Platoon is stopped in front of the Post Office. Guides, Ken Klein, Plat Lt. Joe Zapata. First Rank, Carlos Reyes, Frank Million, and Mike Ramirez.

Company C's First Platoon is swinging along. Guide Mario Escobedo and Platoon Lieutenant is Bill Delay.

Color guard Arnaldo DeHoyos, Pedro E. Gutierrez, Jose Castillo, Roberto Santos.

LAREDO CELEBRATES WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY

Laredo Chapter of the Vocational Industrial Club, #46 entered a float, on which the following students were at work: Arnaldo Perales, Raul Valdez, Rodolfo Amesquita, David Martinez, Marcos Lozano.



Prissy Da Camara of M.H.S. tops a float.



An Air Force band makes music.

Mr. Tom Leyendecker played the part of Don Tomas Sanchez, one of his ancestors.

Mrs. Max Mandel appeared as Martha Washington, and Mr. Francis Richter, as George Washington.



Auto Mechanic Chapter No. 118 entered this display in the Washington's Birthday Parade. The boys at work are Ramon Quijano, Ricardo Garcia, Juan Salazar, Homero Montes, Guadalupe Acosta, Oliveros, Jose Mireles, Manuel Cerda, Charles Deliganis, Reymundo Chapa.



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Raul Rodriguez, Javier Gonzales, and Ricardo Pena stand guard at a football game.



Helping the students choose a college is another job of our counselor, Miss Lupe Cabrera. Ramon Perez III, Johnny Mayers, Sylvia Wise, Juan Ramirez, Roberto Botello, and Ismael Menchaca leaf through the different college bulletins.



Football players, Tim Waller, Tomas Garza, and Roberto Moran leave the field after the first half of the game.



Ramiro Perez, Francis de Arkos, and Jimmy Hickey sang at the T&S initiation party.

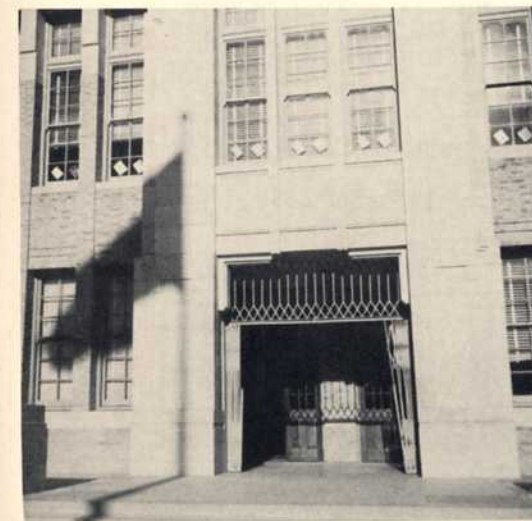


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Some time before the Washington's Birthday Celebration, the M.H.S. Band gave a series of concerts in front of the post office. Large crowds turned out to hear these concerts which proved to be very popular.



On a bright sunny Saturday morning only old Glory's shadow falls on the school; come Monday and the student's laughter again fills the halls.



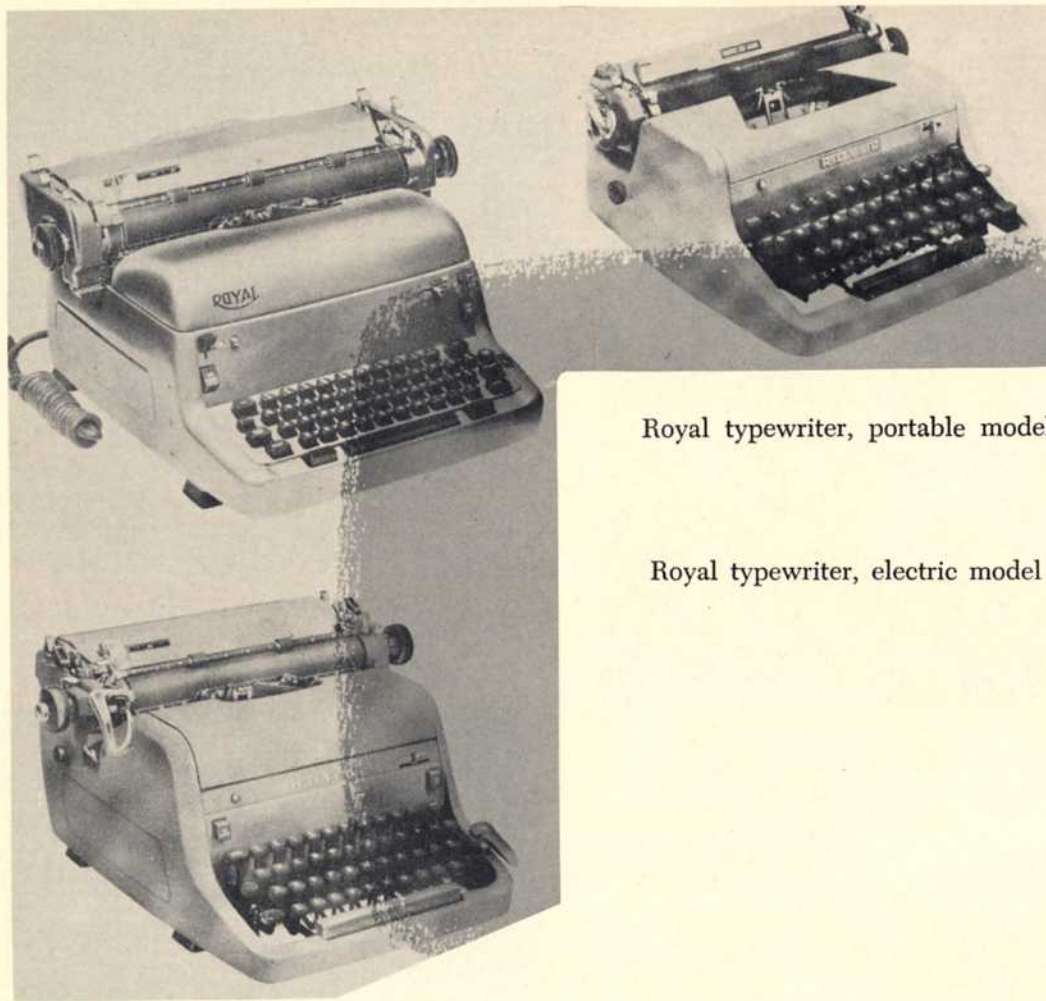
Clean-up, Paint-up, Fix-up Week was 100 % supported at M.H.S. Thomas Ramirez, Dick Phelps, Arnoldo Pena, Raul Morales, Jose Moran did their part by painting the school's trash cans.

Gonzalo Gamboa and Dickey Lykes supervise the target practice in the "hole" (basement). Soon they will be perfect marksmen.



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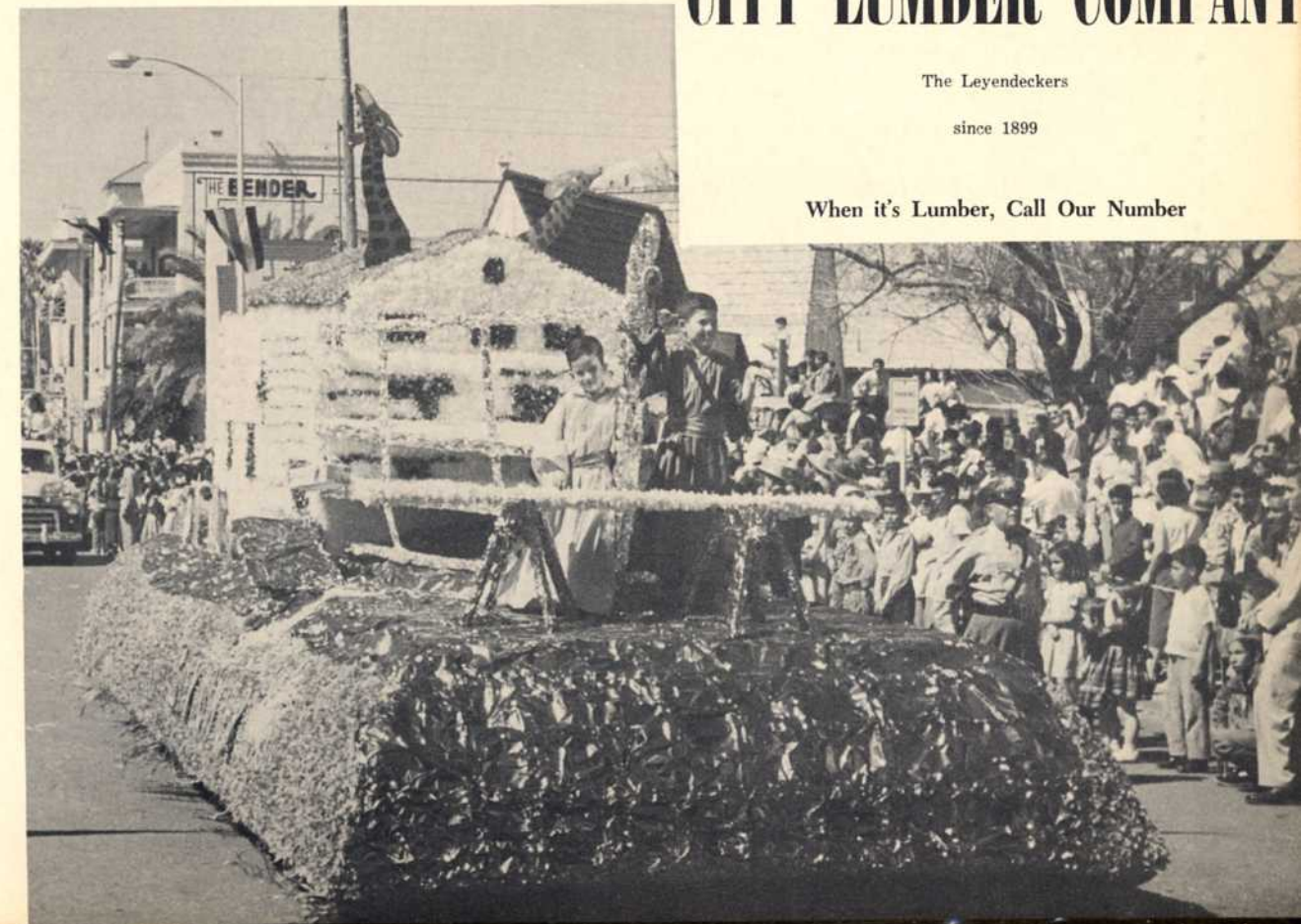
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Joe Diaz, Manuel Martinez, Lane Lee Haley, and Javier Gonzales have their X-Ray test.



Some of the students who eat in the cafeteria are Amber Yeary, Bill Delay, Richie Urban, Flo Ann Haag, Jitters Jackson, Tommie Barnes, Robert Peck, and Bob Hyatt.



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Mr. Adkins, president of the Laredo Junior College, gave an inspiring talk at the National Education Week Assembly.



Mrs. Wright, our history and math teacher, entertains some of her pupils' parents.



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