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All the world's a stage—

O be joyful unto the Lord

Mighty Casey had struck out!

O' Wind, if Winter comes, can spring be far behind?

Beauty is the gift of God

Tell me not in mournful

The paths of glory lead but to the grave—

Omnis Gallia in tres partis divisa est

Give to the world the best you have

Neither a lender nor a borrower be —

Pride goeth before a fall.

And what is so rare as a day in June?

It is a far, far better thing that I do, than I have ever done.

Full well they laughed with counterfe

All things come alike to all.

I never saw a purple cow—I never hope to see one!

The g

I shot an arrow into the air—

Oh wad some power the giftie gie us

Let us now be up and doing!

A thing of beauty is a joy forever

Sail on O Ship of State.

Confusion how hath made his masterpiece

Variety is the spice of life

Earth fills her lap with pleasures of her own.

Silence is golden.

Friends, Romans, Countrymen—

Tomorrow and tomorrow, and tomorrow creeps in this petty pace

The Lord is my shepherd

If you can keep your head when all about you—

Roll on then, deep and dark blue ocean, roll!

Lord, be merciful to me, a Fool.

Truth that wake to perish never.

Heaven lies about us in our infancy.

On man's first disobedience, and the fruit of—

Gift without the giver is bare.

As unto the bow the cord is,
So unto man is woman.

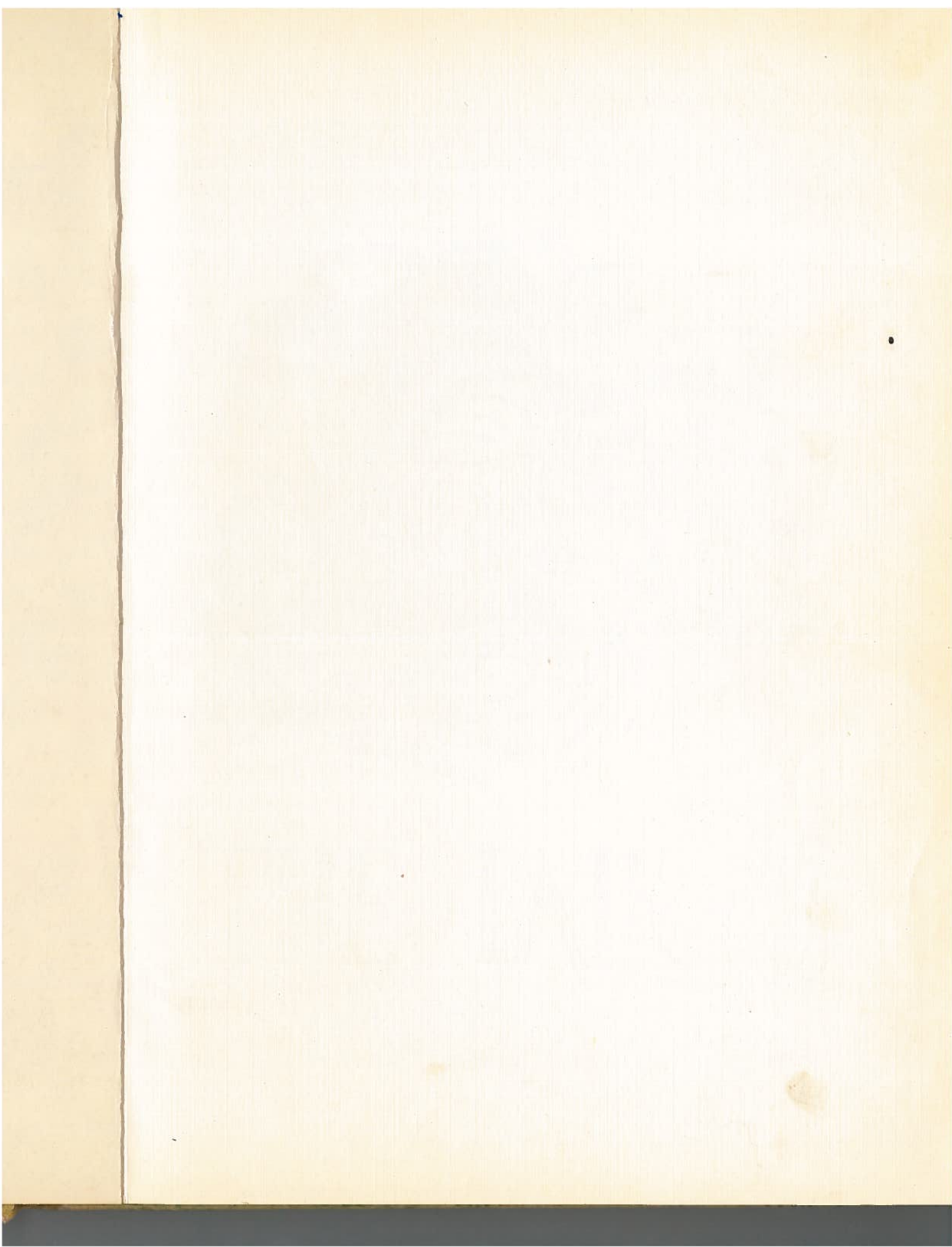
This is the forest primeval—

Lay on, Macduff! And d—

Let me live in a house by the side of the road.

That men may rise on stepping stones of their dead selves.

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THE LAIR of '49 '50

John Ortega

FOREWORD

As you turn through the pages of this book,
may you wander once more through the memo-
ries of the past years, recalling the happiest
hours, the best-loved scenes, the valued
friends, and may the pictures which we have
chosen help to make your memories more
vivid throughout the passing years.

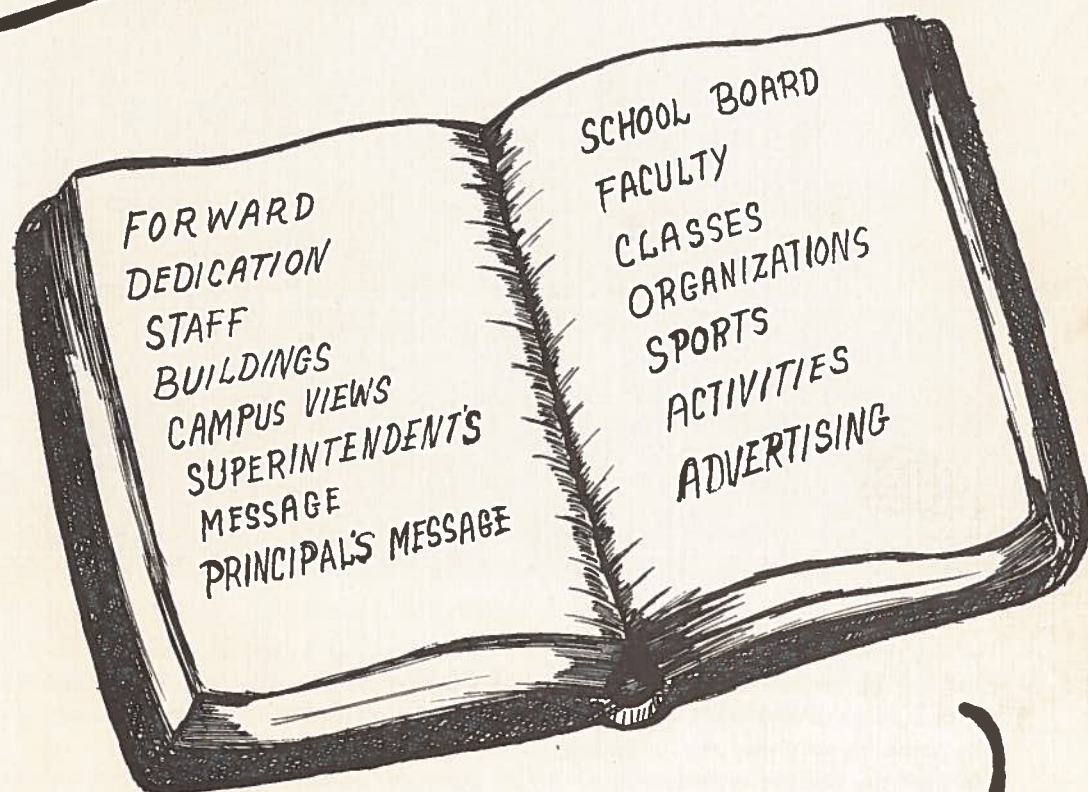
Annual Staff



John Ortega

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John Ortega



To one whose cheerful optimism, loyal, understanding heart, unselfish devotions to the welfare of every student in Rockdale; to a woman who personifies all that is good and true, and one who will ever live in the hearts of the many who have come under the influence of her magnetic personality, we the Lair staff and the Rockdale community, dedicate this, the Lair.

Mrs. Louise Sessions

The Staff



Left to Right, First Table: Janette Haelbig, Dorothy June Smith, Charles Selman, Billy Cooke, Roy Holley, John Ortega, Billy Gene Gest, Louise Shelander, Sam Perry.

Second Table: Floy Jo Stanislaw, Donald Luckey, Mary Lyda Wyatt, Larry Henry, Ralph Stricker, Mary Wanda Whitworth, Ruth Edna Busch, Julia Carol Busch.

Standing: Glenn McDonald, J. W. Jacob, Arthur C. Winkelman, Sponsor; Billy Duke, Sidney Maxwell.

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School Buildings

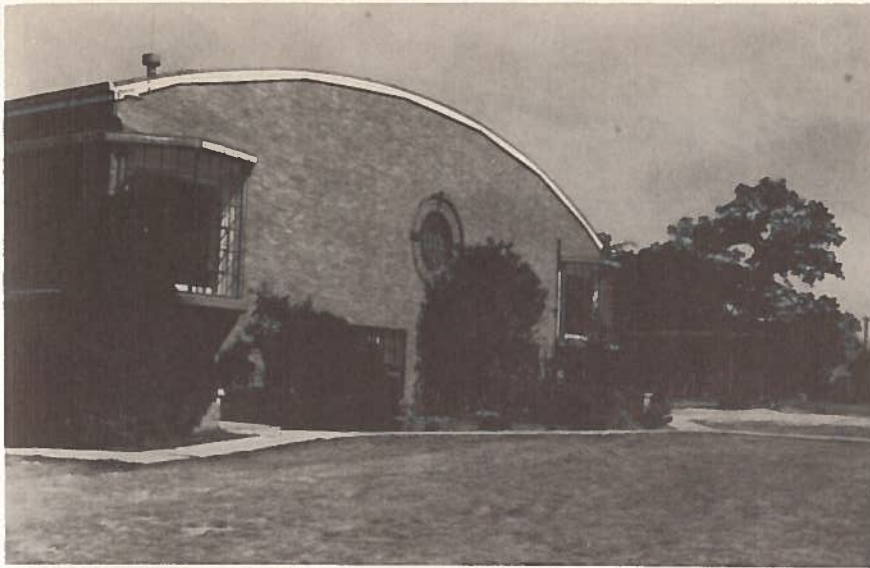


MAIN BUILDING



ELEMENTARY BUILDING

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THE GYM



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Superintendent's Message



Superintendent's Message:

As another school year comes to a close, it will soon be time for you to evaluate your work for the past year. You are the only one that can determine how successful the guidance and assistance of the faculty has been, since your learning is proportional to your own efforts.

We hope each of you have profited in a large measure, and your ideals have become more serious, and your knowledge much broader.

May we congratulate each of you upon your efforts and assistance in helping to make this annual the best one ever published, and may your efforts not have been in vain.

We shall miss the senior class next year but as you launch your ship into the waters of new endeavors, may you do so with a firm belief in yourself.

May each of you give a life of service to those with whom you come in contact each day, and in so doing earn a crown of greatness.

Sincerely,

Chas. Selman
Superintendent of Schools

CMS: am'b

Principal's Message

To My Student Friends:

Your lives, no doubt, will be in keeping with the high ideals and standards of living you have exemplified on the campus of Rockdale High. You should feel, therefore, a personal responsibility in living up to the ideals on which you have thus far been schooled.

The traditions planted by you become the permanent and priceless possessions of Rockdale High. I trust that you will make the traditions of this school as rich and valuable as it is possible for human efforts to make them.

Your sincere friend,

Arthur C. Winkelman

Arthur C. Winkelman



School Board



Left to right

W. L. Hall	Member
W. A. Urban	Member
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C. M. SELMAN,
Superintendent



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Principal
Mathematics

MISS ALIENE BAUER,
Secretary



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BLACKBURN,
Commercial

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Vocational Agriculture

MISS MARAGARET
LENGERT,
Girls' Physical Education
and Social Science



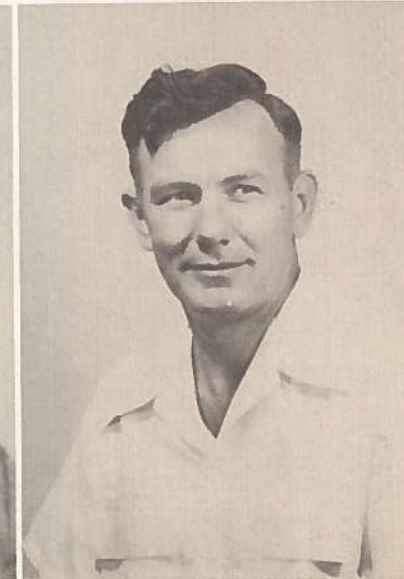
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Librarian

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English and Mathematics




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English


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Education




MILTON B. CURTIS
Commercial, Mathematics
Physical Education



HARVEY TITSWORTH,
Natural Science



E. F. BOXELL,
Band Director



M. E. OWENS,
Physical Education

MISS NORA DUNCUM,
Social Science

MRS. GLADYS MAXWELL,
Language Arts, Social
Science

MRS. DOROTHY DOBBS,
Music



MISS NETTIE TURNER,
Art and Social Science



MISS LOIS RANDOLPH,
Fifth Grade



MISS VASHTI SMITH,
Sixth Grade

MRS. WILMA ORGAN,
Sixth Grade



MRS. DELIAH McCOY,
Fifth Grade

MRS. LOUISE SESSIONS,
Fourth Grade

MRS. C. M. SELMAN,
Third Grade



MRS. SIDNEY SCHAAF,
First Grade

MRS. BERNADINE RINN,
Third Grade



MRS. MARTHA HARRIS,
First Grade

MRS. BERTHA McLEOD,
Second Grade



MRS. GRACE EILAND,
Second Grade

Seniors of 1950



Senior Officers

Jimmy Shepherd President (Not Shown)
Billy Gene Gest Vice-President
Peggy McNiel Secretary and Treasurer
Earl Gerstenberger Reporter



DIXIE ALFORD



JEANENE ARLEDGE



BETTY JANE BARTLETT



COLONEL BEARD



GORDON BEARD



S. C. BLAND



LEXIE BOSWELL



JAMES BROOKS



FRANK BURROUGH





JULIA CAROL BUSCH



DOROTHY CALLAWAY



HENRY CONE



SARAH CRIM



BONNIE CRUMP



BILLY DAVENPORT



BETTY LOU DAVIS



CHARLES DOCKALL



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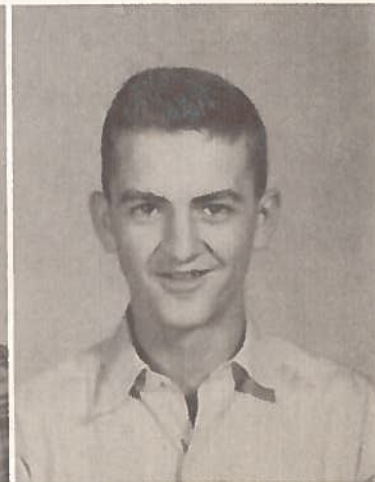
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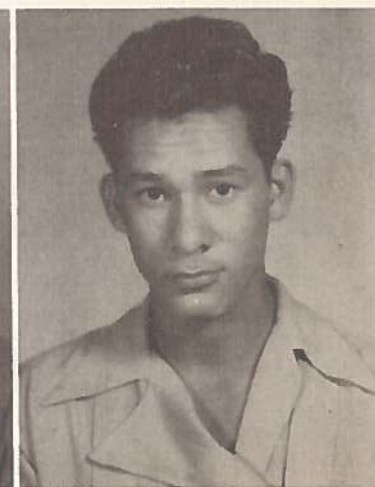
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NORMA NICHOLSON



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MARY ELLEN PARKER



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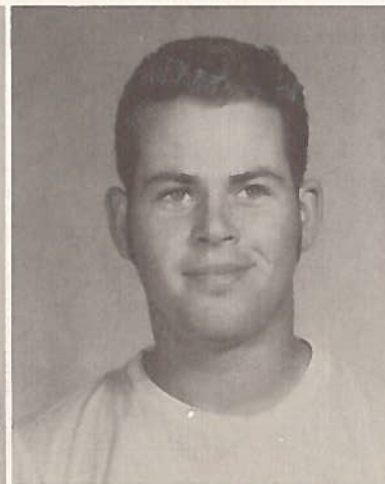
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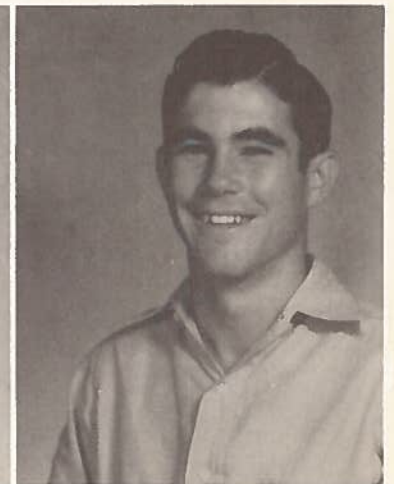
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OUITA WARD



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Junior Class 1950



Junior Class Officers

- Billy Boyd President
- Billy Tom McDaniels Vice-President
- Mary Frances Crump Secretary-Treasurer
- Peggy Dreher Reporter

Ikey Boswell
Edward Bounds
Billy Boyd



Amy Sue Brahm
James Caffey



Letha
Caffey

Mary
Frances
Crump



Allan
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Mary Alice
Denham



Elton Dixon
Laverne Dockall
Dorothy Doss

Peggy Dreher
Joy Drummond
W. T. Dyer



Pete Garcia
Benito
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Garza

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Caffey

Wiley
Gilmore



Billy
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Janette
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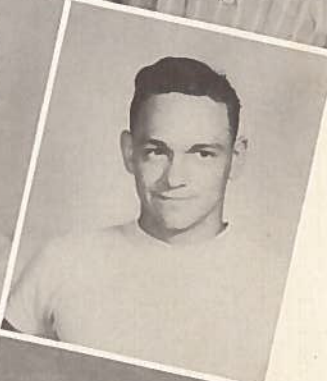


Rudy Ortega
Sam Perry



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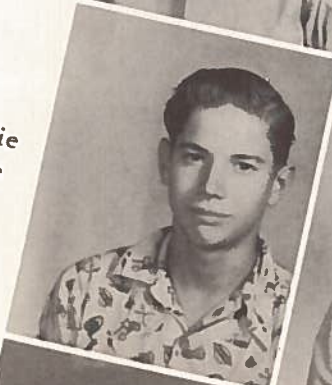


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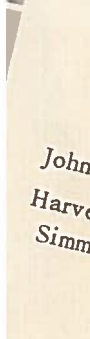


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Ollie Young

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Sophomores



Sophomore Class Officers

Emory Crump	President
Rosa Lee Harvey	Vice-President
Wayne Skinner	Secretary-Treasurer
Bonnie Morris	Reporter

Mary Alvarado
Fannie Pearl Applin
Byron Brandstetter
Emory Crump



Ruby Davenport
Peggy Duke
Edith Finch
Rosa Lee Harvey



Esther Juarez
Howard Key
Gloria McCoy
Bonnie Morris



Mary Charles Nelson
Wynelle Newman
Doris Parker
Thomas Reed



Thenna Rudder
Tommy Sam Sanderson
Wayne Skinner
Dorothy June Smith



Mary Wanda Whitworth
Sam Yoakum



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Freshman Class



Gerald Wayne Dockall
President



Johnnie Ricketson
Vice-President



Doris Ann Backhaus
Secretary-Treasurer



Mary Lyda Wyatt
Reporter



Sarah Adams
Doris Ann Backhaus
Helen Jane Bailey
Josie Bauer



Helen Beard
Alice Faye Bland
Thomas Boswell
Lester Brooks



Mary Evelyn Buetow
Woodrow Burgess
Ruth Edna Busch
Ava Coldiron



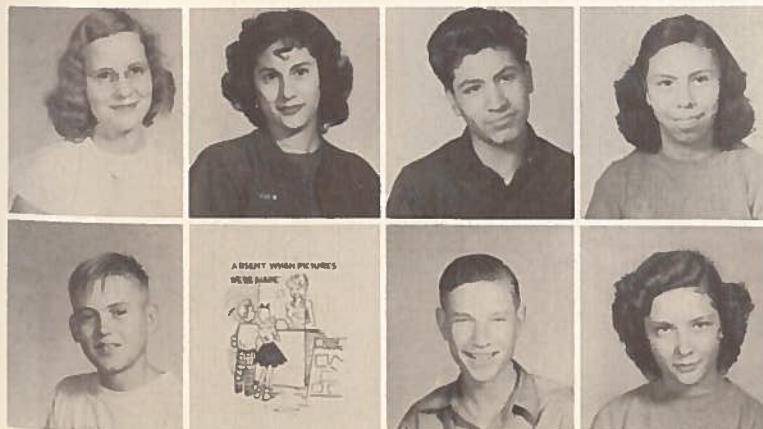
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Katie Lee Davenport
LeRoy Davenport



Junior Diver
Gerald Dockall
Billy Duke
Jack Dymke



Lyda Wyatt
Reporter



Lois Eiland
Alice Garcia
John Garcia
Cecile Garza

Travis Jackson
Connie Jimenez
Valgene Jones
Wanda Jones

Gene Kelly
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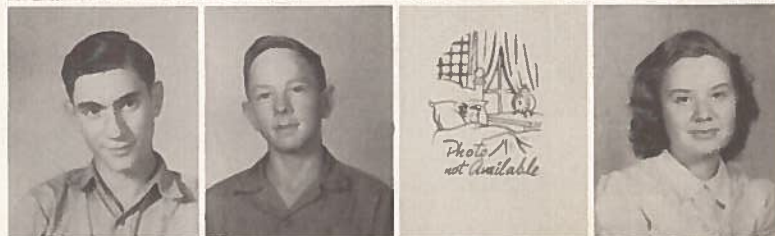
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 LaVerne Rolan



Margie Spence
 Billy Stauffer
 Agnes Strelsky
 Ruby Lee Strelsky



Barton Wade
 Annie Mae Weise
 August Wenzel
 Claude Williams

Mary Lyda Wyatt
 Jimmy Yoakum

Class Officers



SIXTH GRADE

Marilyn Haley President
 Billy Joe Hall Vice-President
 Ann Gross Secretary-Treasurer

SEVENTH GRADE

Donna Lou Haelbig President
 Charles Selman Vice-President
 Augusta Lou Newman Secretary-Treasurer
 Sue Saage Reporter

EIGHTH GRADE

Charles Wayne Dessens President
 Kenneth Harris Vice-President
 Mary Joy Timmerman Secretary-Treasurer
 Sue Albrecht Reporter



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Eighth Grade

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Jack Alford
Olga Alonzo
Dorothy Armstrong
Jo Ann Burgess



Billy Cooke
Joe Crump
Richard Crump
Virginia Davenport
Wilma Davenport



Wayne Dessens
Jimmie Dockall
Larry Wayne Doss
Glenda Raye Dyer
James Finch



Evelyn Gerstenberger
Juanita Gest
Thelma Gest
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Joan Jenkins
Nan Jones
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Clayton Pelzel
Dorothy Pennington
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Wayne Roberts
Mary E. Ricketson
Kathleen Robinson
Mary Beth Rolan
Nancy Sapp



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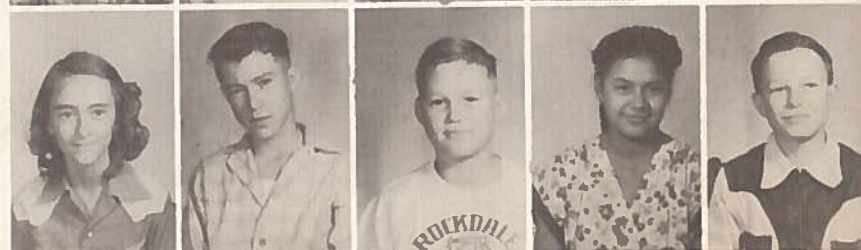
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Cecil Hill
Elbert Sam Jackson
Ophelia Jimenez
Gary Jones



Roland Lovelace
Thomas Bruce Key
Virginia Lovelace
Robert Luckey
Della Faye Luetge



Johnnie Mireles
Billie Morton
Margaret Munoz
Augusta Newman
Bessie Mae Parker





Cleo Marie Reed
 Richard Rolan
 Cynthia Saage
 Evangeline Sager
 Avis Schlottman



Charles Selman
 Cynthia Smith
 Lois Spence
 Richard Strelsky
 Roy Tovar



Milton Taylor
 Wilma Tuma
 Joyce Williams
 Kenneth Yarbrough
 Hubert Youngblood



David Yount



Sixth Grade

Manuel Aldamo
Mozelle Andrews
Helen Blackmon
Evelyn Joy Bland
Peggy Jo Bounds

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Marshall Ray Caraway

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Charles Edney
Weldon Davenport
Joyce Marie Eiland
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Alfred Garza
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 Margie Sue Luckey
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Edna Muston
 Alvin Nelson
 Ruthie Parker
 Henry Pelzel Jr.
 Carroll Lee Pimpler



Ernest Praesel
 Barbara Ann Rolan
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 Cecilia Beth Richards
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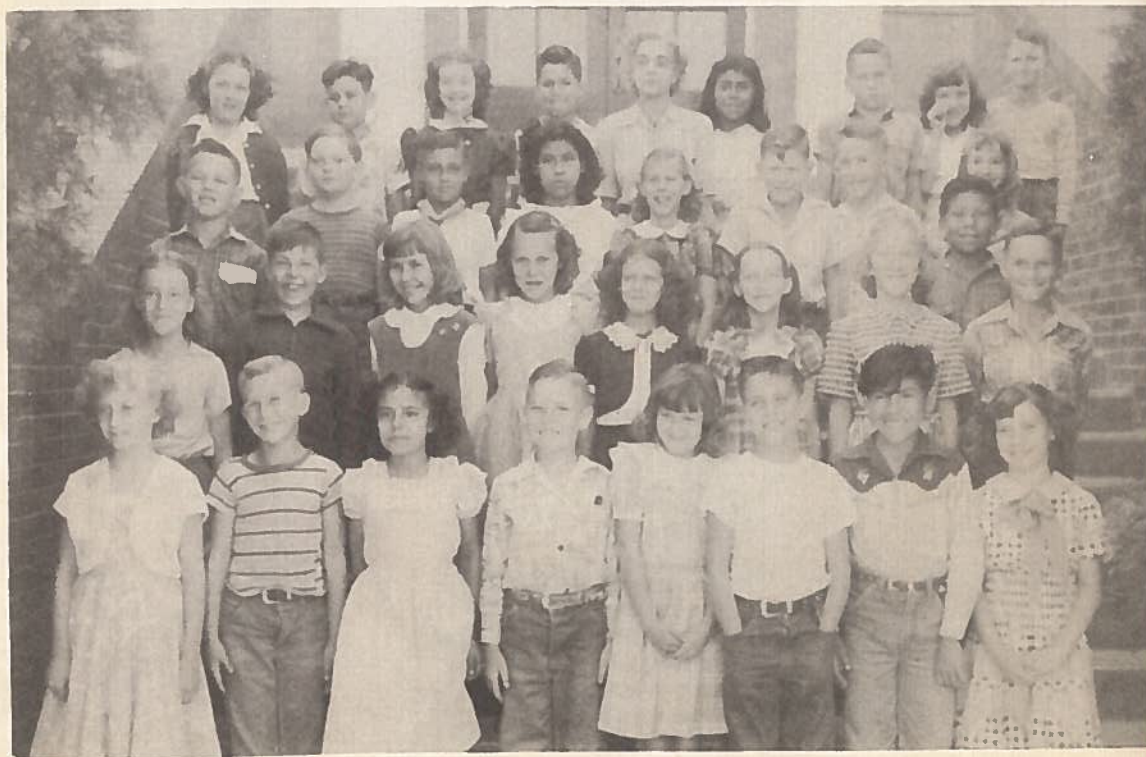
Mary E. Youngblood



Fifth Grade



Fourth Grade



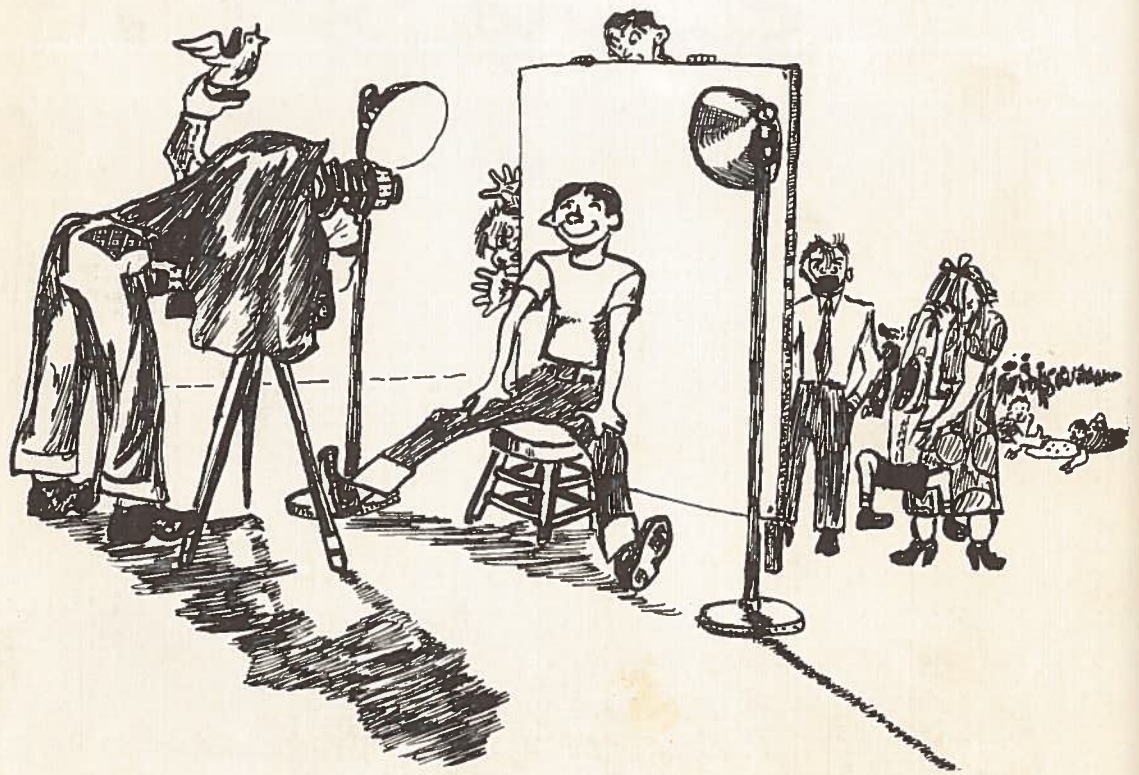
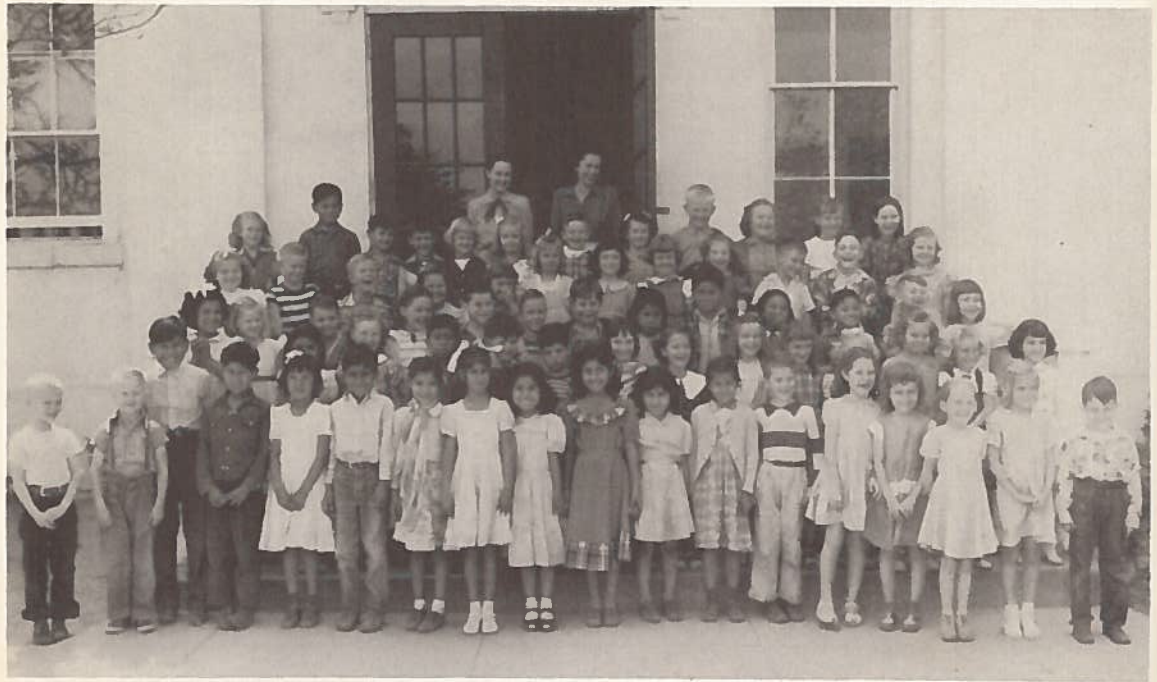
Third Grade



Second Grade



First Grade





Julia Busch
Charles Selman

Activities

Library Club



The Library Club, organized in 1944, is open by invitation to those students who serve as library assistants. It is affiliated with the Texas Teen-Age Library Association. Aims of the club are: the stimulation of reading interests, the improvement of school library service and the creation of a high sense of pride in its members.

Members of club are: Betty Jane Bartlett, Mozell Willard, Ruth Reed, Loretta Neely, Katie Lee Davenport, Mary Frances Crump, Velmalene VonGonten, Doris McCoy, Joy Drummond, Dorothy Doss, Peggy Dreher, Ava Coldiron, Helen Jane Bailey, Alice Fay Bland, LaVene Rolan. Club sponsor is Mrs. Ida Jo Marshall.



Sponsor
Ida Jo Marshall



Officers of Library Club

High School Band



Twirlers



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Club

Pep Squad And Band



Cheer Leaders





JUNIOR HISTORIAN CLUB



MISS NORA DUNCUM
SPONSOR

The Rockdale Junior Historian Chapter, 91, was organized in 1948.

The officers for the Rockdale Junior Historian Chapter for the 1949-1950 school year were Billy Boyd, president; Billy Haelbig, vice-president; and Ouita Ward, secretary-treasurer.

Nora Duncum is the sponsor. Members of the Junior Historian Club are those students who are interested in history.

Much interest in Texas and local history has been stimulated by this club.

Homemaking Club



OFFICERS

Norma Nicholson President
Sue Smith Vice-President
Floy Stanislaw Secretary-Treasurer
Sue Crim Reporter
Peggy McNiel Parliamentarian

SPONSOR

Miss Dorothy Scharff

The Future Homemakers of America, a national organization for homemaking students was founded in June, 1945. The purposes of the organization are:

1. To develop an appreciation of homemaking.
2. To emphasize its importance.
3. To encourage democracy in the home and community.
4. To work for good in the home and family life for all.
5. To promote international good will.
6. To provide wholesome recreation.

The chapter meets every first Tuesday of each month with their sponsor. The meetings consist of business, program, and recreation. There is a total of fifty-four members.

Future Farmers Of America



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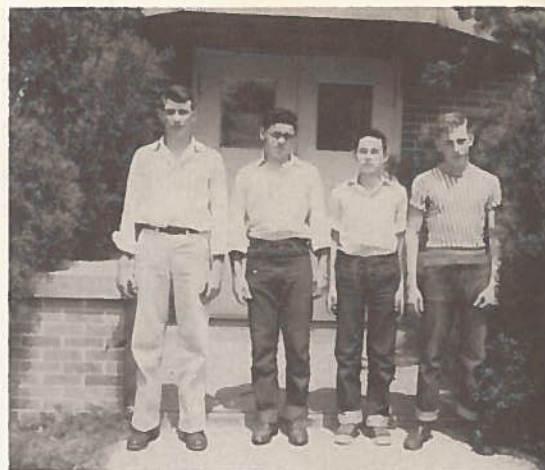
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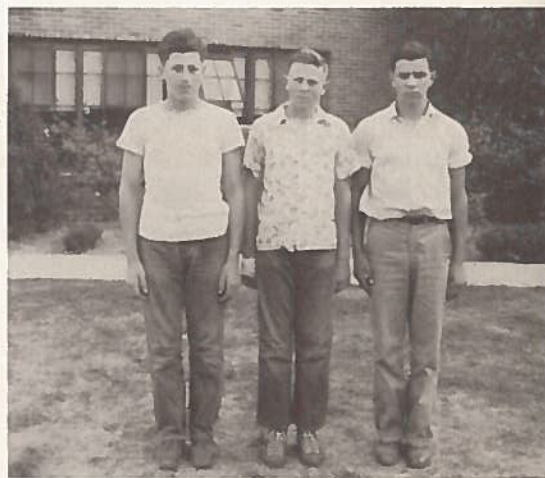
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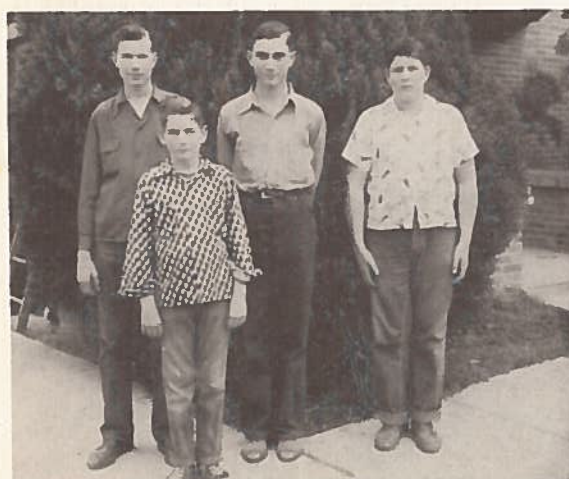
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Dairy Team



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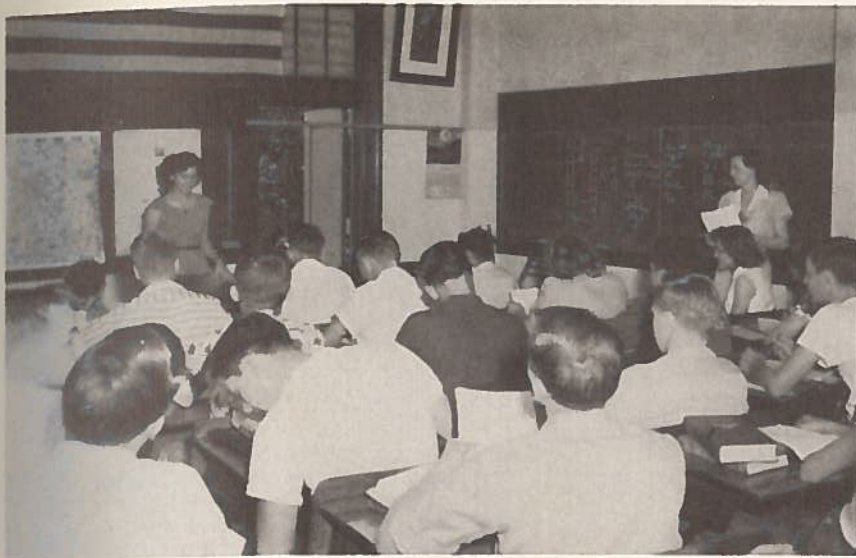
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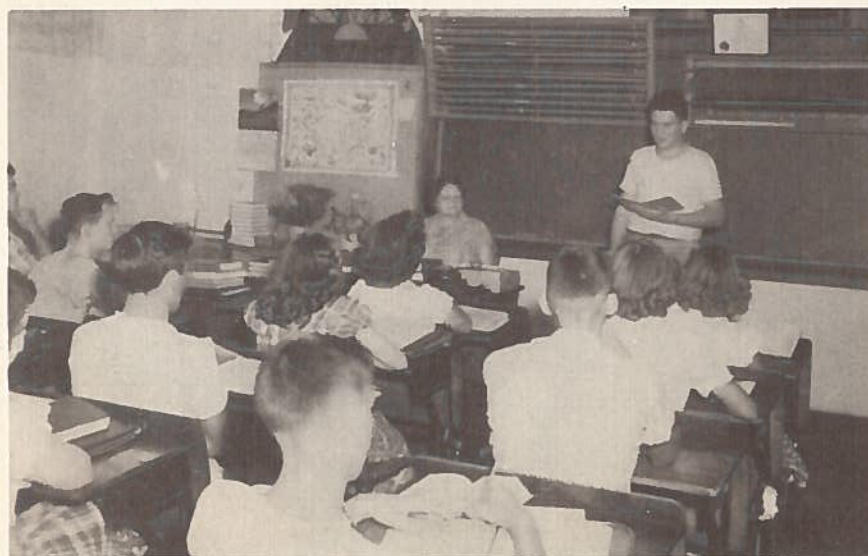


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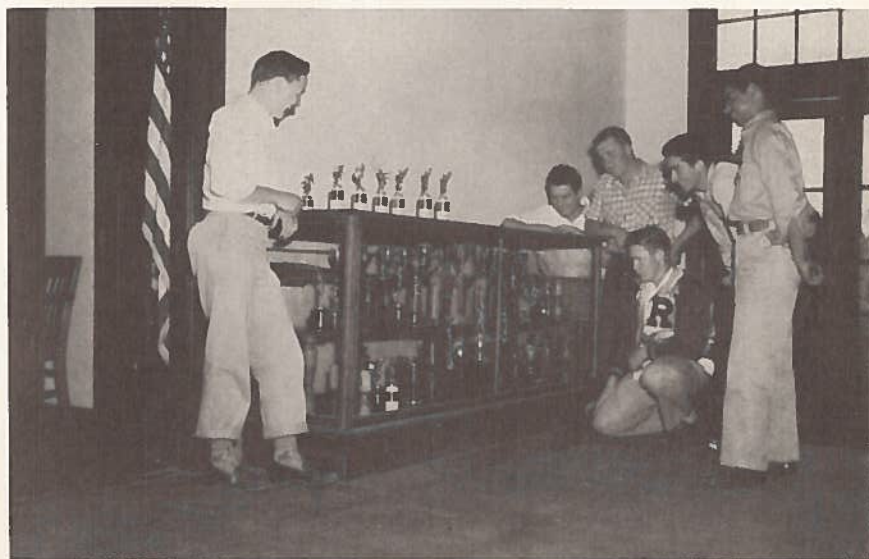
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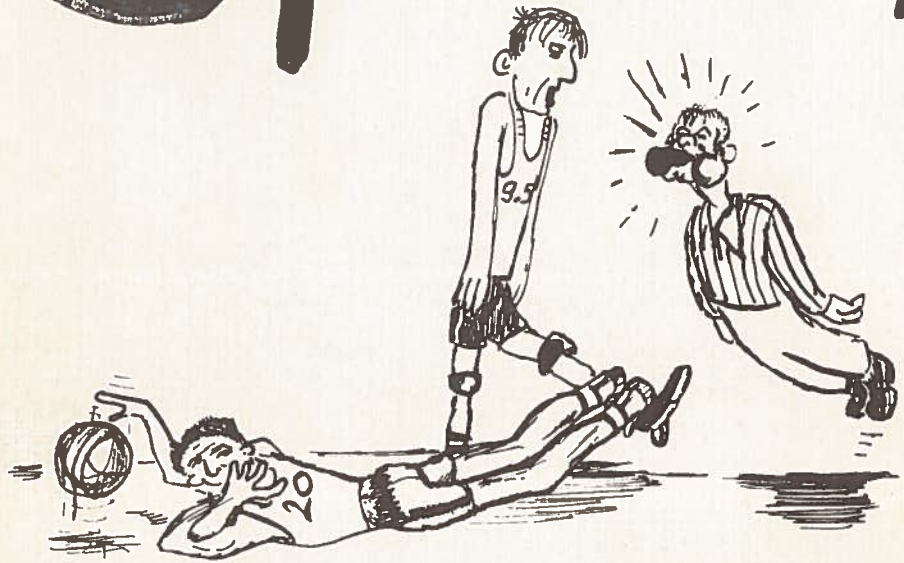
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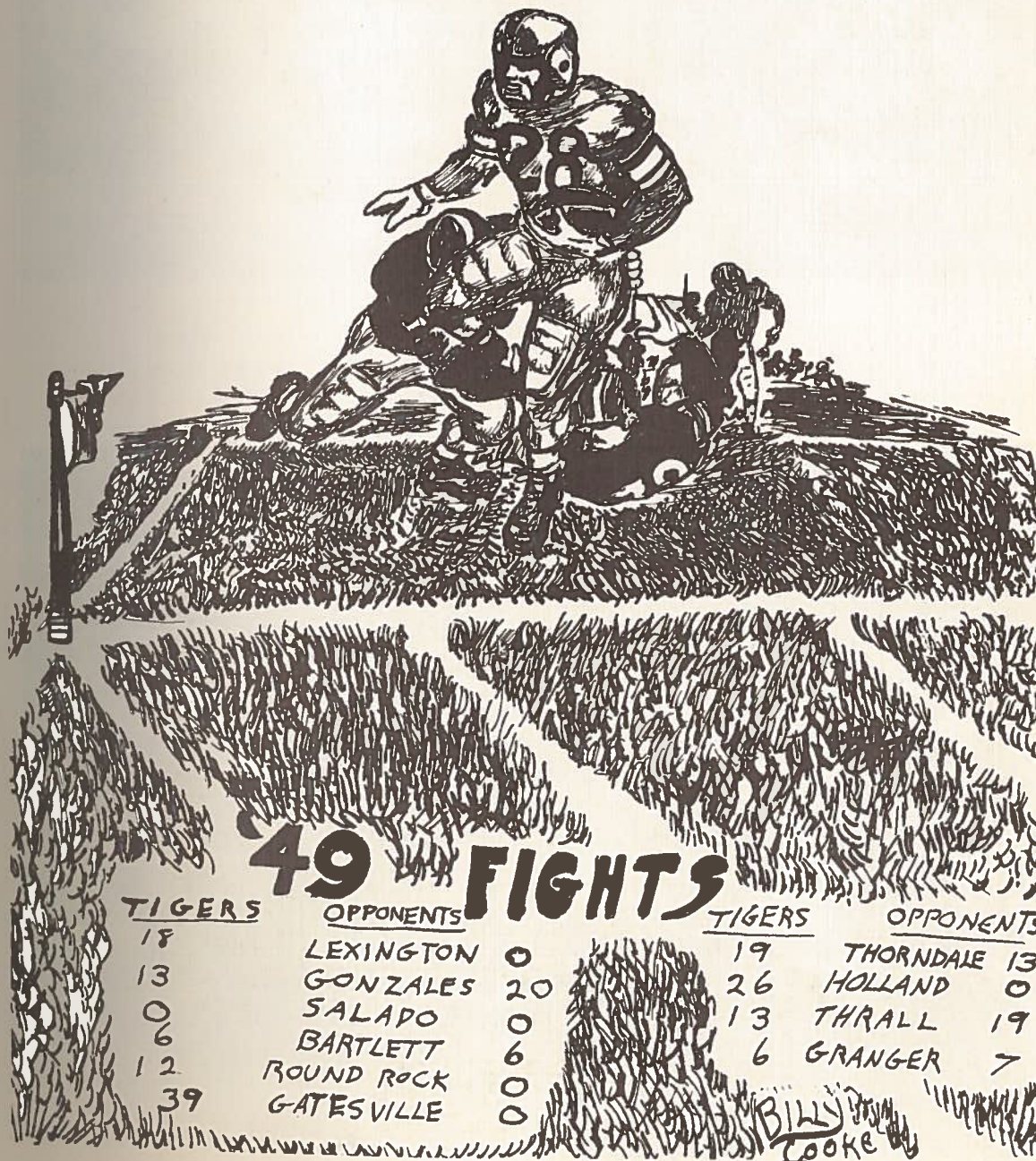
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A cartoon illustration of a football game. A player is in mid-air, having just kicked the ball. Another player is running towards the right, and a third player is running towards the left. The ball is in the air, and there are motion lines around it. The word "Sports" is written in a large, stylized font across the middle of the page.

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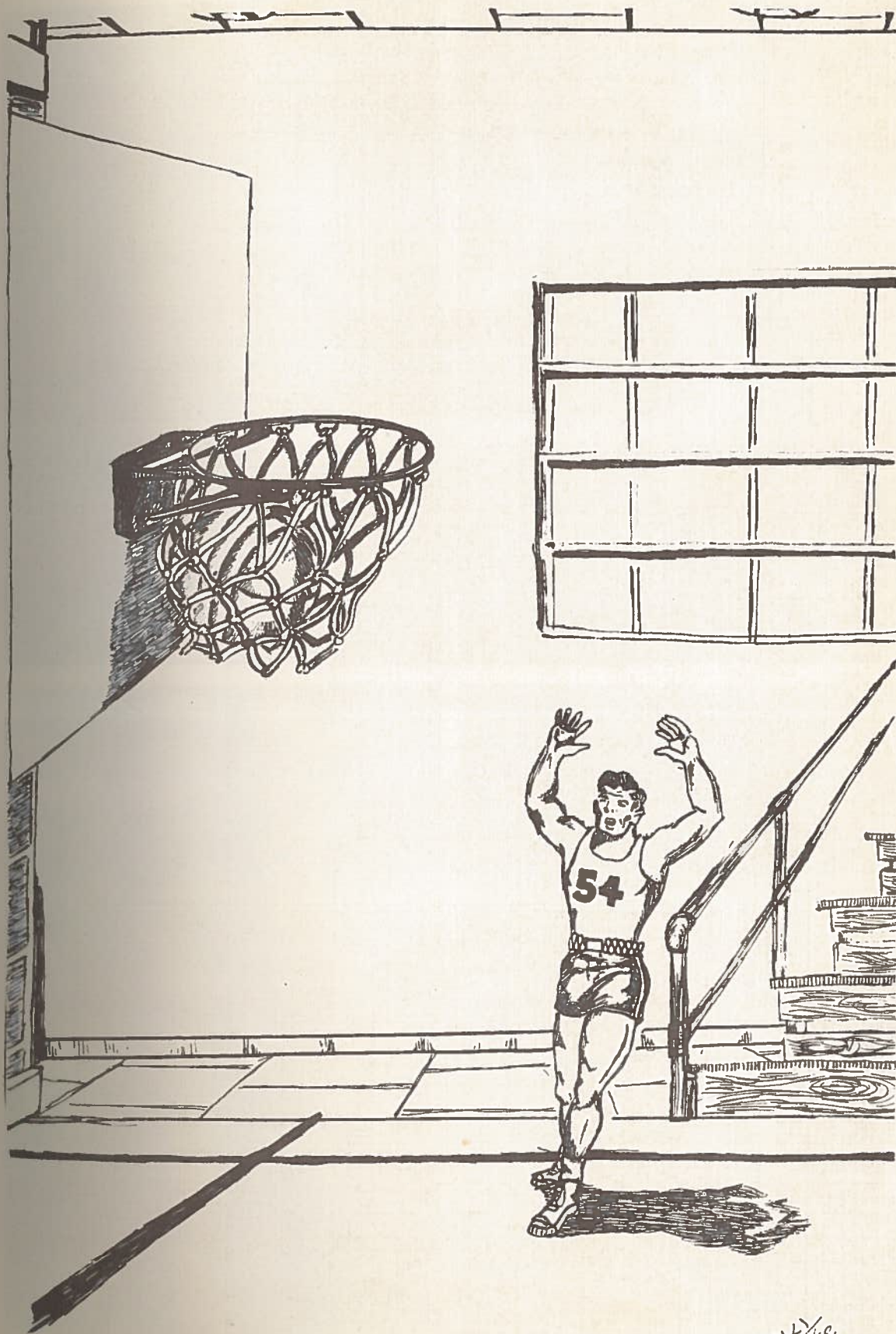
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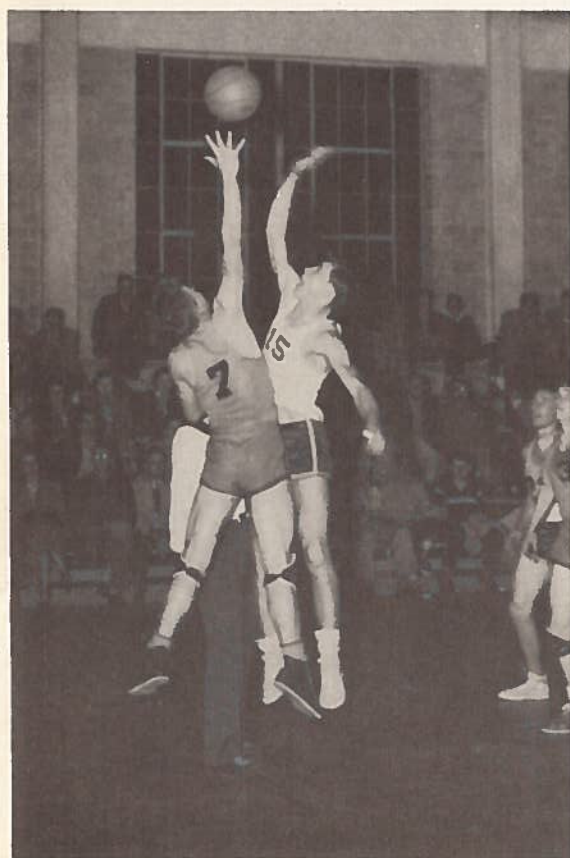
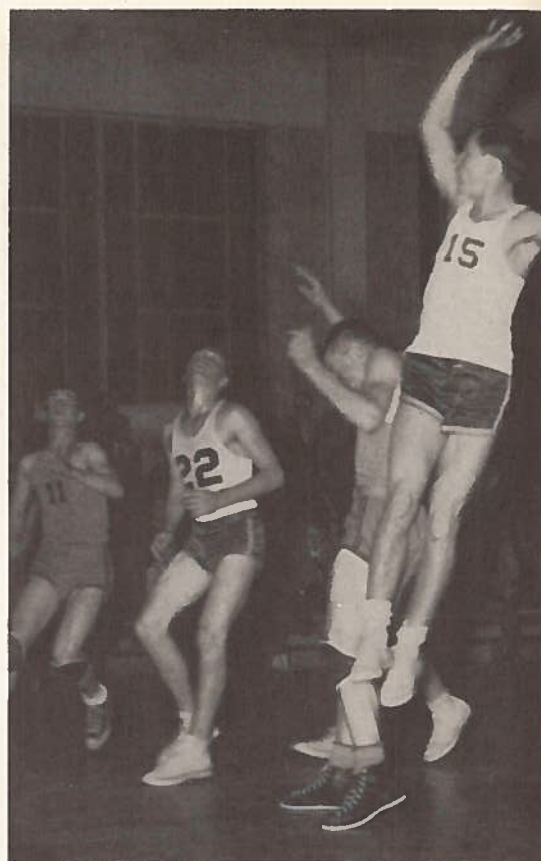
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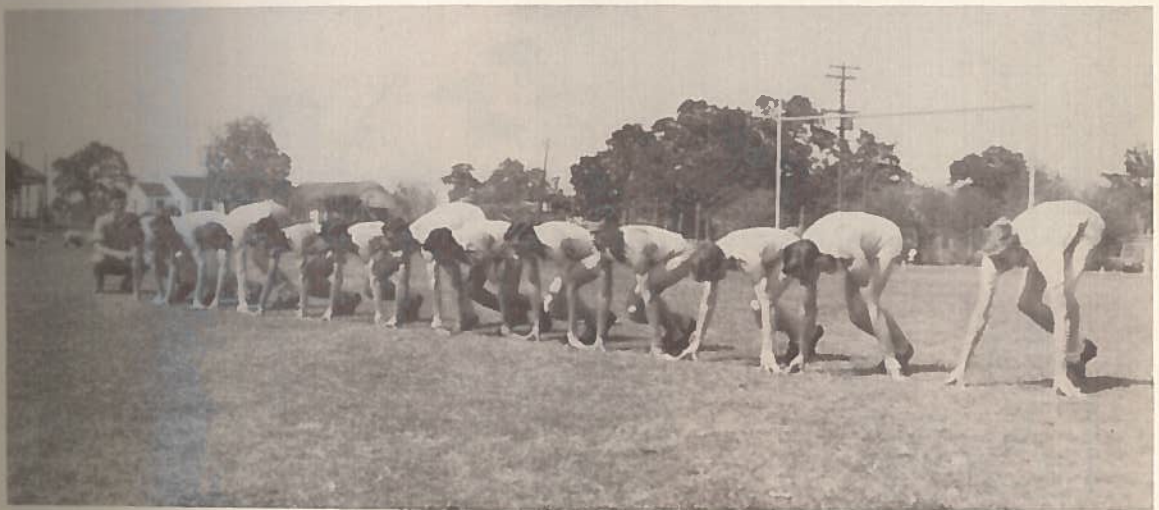
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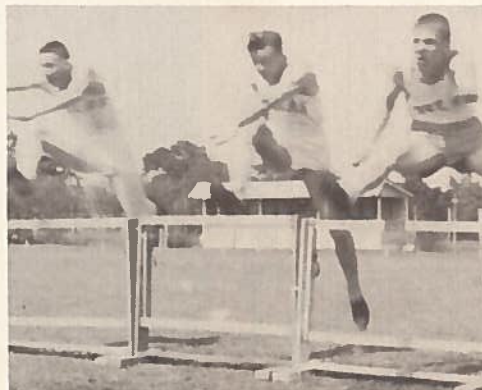
Volley Ball Team



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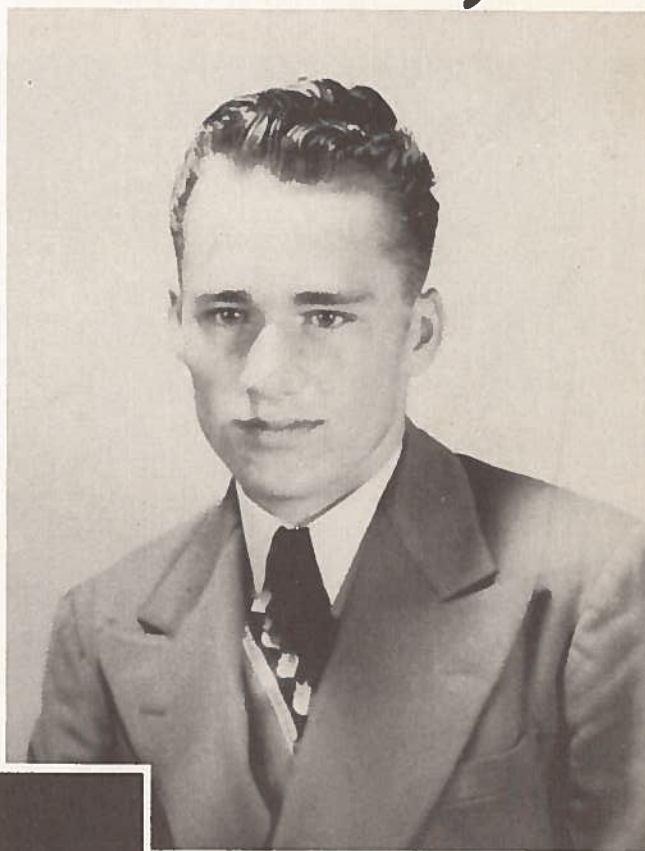


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Parade



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Hi!!



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Sold to Mr. York!!



Let me see!!



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Sport



Studying hard?



Baby, it's cold outside!



Hey, beautiful!

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*Off to
the races*



Going somewhere?



The Longeters



Sporty



The Three Stooges



The Gang's all here!



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Little Women



Beauties!



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Ain't Love Grand!



The Big Three



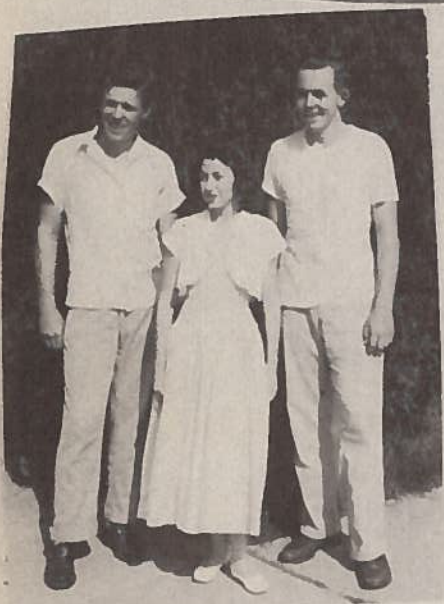
How Time Can Tell!!



Whoa, Boy!



The Good Days



Last Half Surge Gives Tigers 19-13 Win Over Bulldogs

Trailing all the way, the Rockdale Tigers snatched one out of the fire here Friday scored in the fading the game to defeat Bulldogs 19-13.

R.H.S. Will Play

The High School act play "The High School" on May 19. The play presented by the directed by the Mrs. Loween Milton Curtis.

The school closing week as announced by Supt. man is as follows:

50 R.H.S. Will Receive Diplomas

Fifty seniors of the school will receive diplomas at graduation with 44 eighth graders the promotion class May 22.

The school closing week as announced by Supt. man is as follows:

May 18-19: Semester exams 7th through 12th grades. All students will check in their field boys scored 24 points to win tracksters took second place at May 19.

May 21, 8 p. m.: Commencement sermon by F. T. S. May exercises May come report May tion exercises at gym.

Classes will continue for all students through May 19.

Giant Pep Rally Will Be Staged Downtown Tonight

A giant Pep Rally will be staged in downtown Rockdale Saturday night.

Boxell to Take R.H.S. Band to Austin Nov. 5

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Students to Present Pageant Friday, May 12

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Students of the first six grades of the Rockdale schools will present a pageant at the high school

Win First in Ward, Second in Junior High, at District Track Meet

FOLLOW R. H. S. TIGER ACTIVITIES IN

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Graham Young: third in 50 yard dash.

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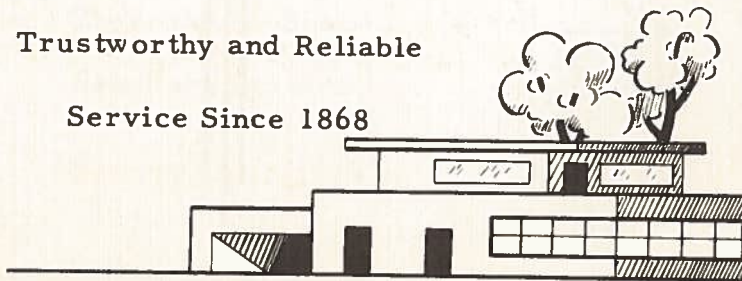
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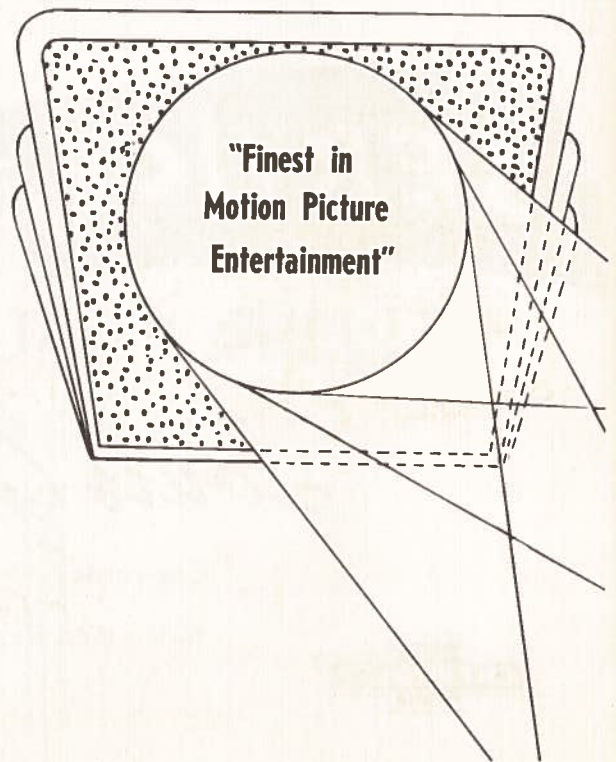
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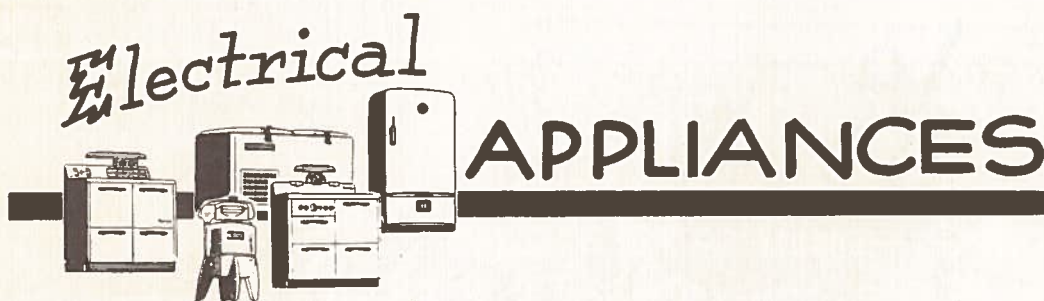
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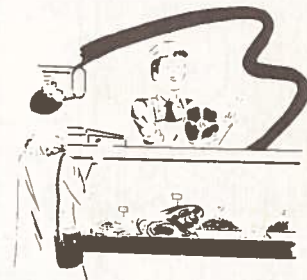
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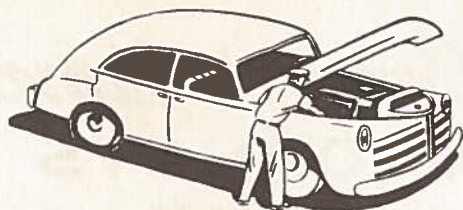
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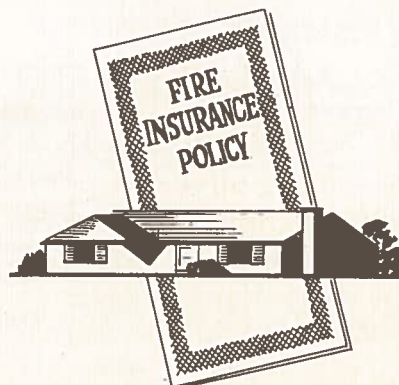
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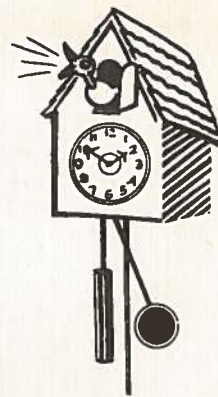
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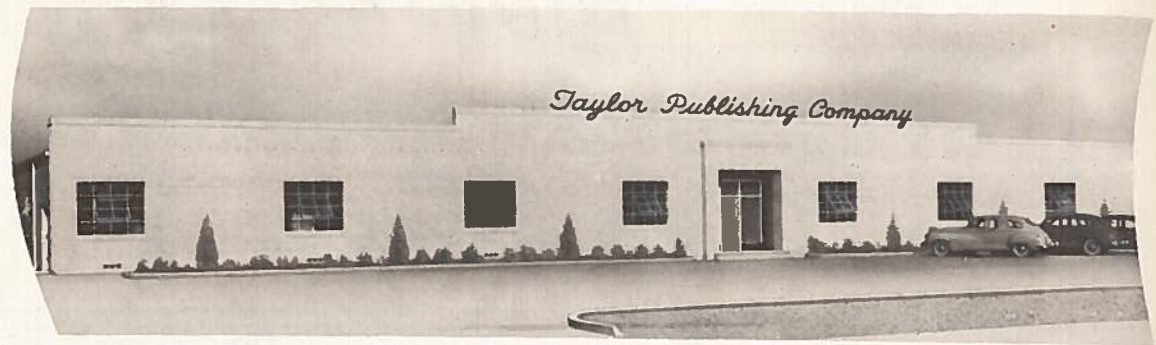
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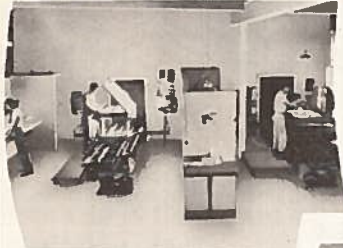
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