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Rockdale, Texas



FOREWORD

Yes, all that and much, much more. So let this book be like an old friend you can sit down with... and think of people you knew... and things you did way, way back in 1952.



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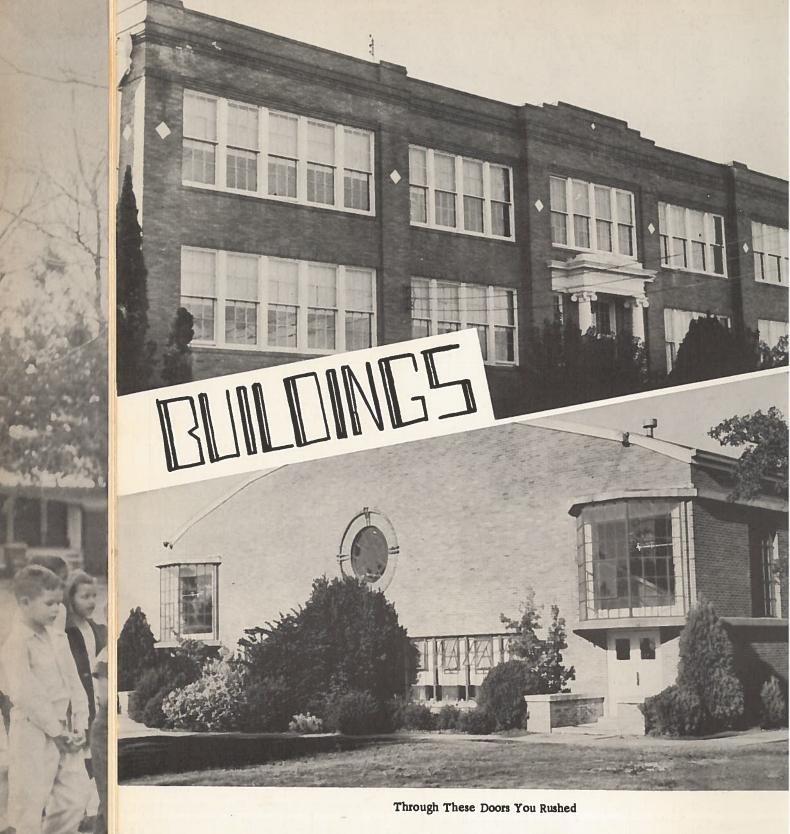
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We Dedicate



ROCKDALE SCHOOL BOARD

The Annual Staff and sponsors of the 1952 LAIR dedicate this edition to the School Board of the Rockdale Schools. On these seven people, who represent our entire school district and who assume the responsibility for the progress of our school system, we depend to chart our course for the coming years.



To Classes, Sports, And Parties.

Superintendent's Message

Seniors of '52:

There are times when one considers the more serious things in life and I think the Senior year of a student's High School life is of that category.

I hope each member of the 1952 Senior class has received something that would cause him or her to aspire to do the better and greater things in life, and to have a desire to be constructive rather than to be destructive in dealing with his fellow man.

The present-day civilization calls for a person to assume the initiative and develop his potentialities rather than live off of an amassed fortune left to a family name.

The 1952 graduates are fully able to make their mark in the atomic age and I wish each and every one all the pleasure and happiness they are entitled to receive.

Yours truly,

W. C Grissom

Superintendent of Schools



Message From Our Principal

May this book be a lasting tribute to those students and teachers who have labored faithfully and diligently in order to make its publication possible. Many students worked with the business staff, raising funds to finance the publication of the Annual. Others worked in planning and assembling this publication. The total effort has developed this record of the school year. These endeavors have been a vital part in the development of leadership, talent, and citizenship of those who produced and composed the Annual. Their work will be appreciated by everyone who enjoys this book of memories.

I personally wish to commend the staff for its work and the student body for its cooperation.

Sincerely

Norman C. Malechek



NORMAN C. MALECHEI Principal

Other People We Should Know



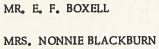
The task of feeding hungry students is not an easy one, but these ladies have worked hard to provide well-cooked and nourishing food.

Left to right: Mrs. Adams, Mrs. Hare, Mrs. Gilbert, and Mrs. Neal.



The people we start looking for when we need a door unlocked, a shade adjusted, or something else done are Mr. Chester Grissom or Mr. Ed McCoy.

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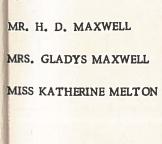
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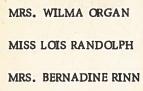








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SENIOR CLASS

THOMAS REED President
DAN CROCKETT Vice President
MARY CHARLES NELSON Secretary
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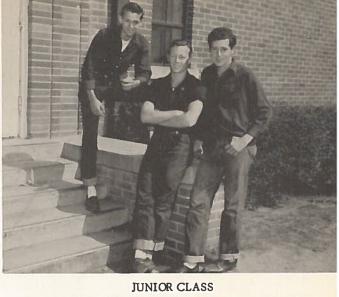
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Clyde Luetge President
Billy Cooke Vice President
Joy Timmerman Secretary
Mary Beth Rolan Reporter



JOHNNY RICKETSON President
JACK DYMKE Vice President
KATIE DAVENPORT Secretary
LOUIE LUETGE Reporter





FRESHMAN CLASS

Pete Taylor President
David Yount Vice President
Donna Haelbig Secretary
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BYRON BRANDSTETTER

DAN CROCKETT



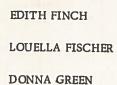


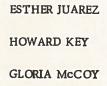


EMORY CRUMP
RUBY DAVENPORT
CARYL ERICKSON



Senior Class 1952

















BONNIE MORRIS

MARY CHARLES NELSON

DORIS JEAN PARKER









GENE PRESTRIDGE



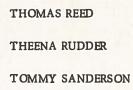


Senior Class 1952















WAYNE SKINNER
SAM YOAKUM
SYLVIA LANDIS
Post Graduate

Juniors 1952



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
LOWEEN COTTON

BILLY FRANK DAVENPORT KATY LEE DAVENPORT LEROY DAVENPORT ANNE DILLEN

CARROL ANN DOBBS GERALD DOCKALL BILLY DUKE JACK DYMKE

LOIS EILAND ALICE GARCIA JOHN GARCIA CECILE GARZA

Juniors 1952

DARRELL GREEN TRAVIS JACKSON BARBARA JOHNSON WANDA JONES

GENE KELLY
WAUGHNDEL KEY
DARRELL KOENNING
SYLVIA LAURENCE

LOUIE LUETGE LYNN McGUIRE PEGGY McQUINN JOYCE MORRIS

MARY HELEN NICHOLSON GERTIS PELZEL JERRY RICHARDS JOHNNIE RICKETSON

SHIRLEY MAE RIELLY BILLY STAUFFER AGNES STRELSKY RUBY LEE STRELSKY

BARTON WADE
AUGUST WENZEL
MARY LYDA WYATT
IIMMY YOAKUM



Sophomores 1952







Sue Albrecht Jack Alford Olga Alonzo







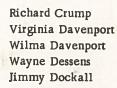








Dorothy Armstrong JoAnn Burgess Billy Cooke James Cox Joe Crump

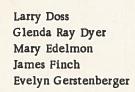




































Sophomores 1952

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Nan Jones Bobby Kirtchenwitz Peggy Koch







Thomas Kyle
Clyde Luetge
Nina Lou Moore
Lewis Patterson
Dorothy Pennington









































Joy Timmerman Joyce Tuma Helen Von Gonten Patricia Whiteley Allie Yoakum



Barbara Young



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Freshmen 1952

Mollie Applin
Helen Arnold







Edwin Brockenbush
Charlene Brodnax





Martha Camp
Shirley Cardwell

Charles Crane
James Crim





Jerry Crim
Leslie Doss

Johnnie Sue Dreher

Eugene Dymke



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Nona Dymke
Frank Edelmon

Henry Fischer
Raymond Fitzgerald







Guadalupe Flores
Yvonne Grissom

Donna Haelbig
Francis Haley







Sarah Huckabay Sam Jackson

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Freshmen 1952

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Eighth Grade



Manuel Aldama Darrell Ballard Horace Baxter Helen Blackmon Evelyn Bland

Peggy Bounds
Mary Lois Burford
Patricia Lou Burgess
Delores Burrough
Cora Sue Caffey

Kathy Camp Martha Cardwell Myrl Clinard Glenn Cotton Douglas Crane

Jimmy Davenport Weldon Davenport Marie Eiland John Elbert Fischer Gayle Fuller

Bobby Ray Garrison Alfred Garza Virginia Garza Marilyn Goehler Melvin Graham

Don Green
Dorothy Greenwood
Peggy Ann Griffin
Ann Gross
Edward Grubbs



Eighth Grade

Marilyn Haley Billy Joe Hall Johnny Harris Harry Harris Kenneth Holley

Lee Ida Holliman Geraldine Hundle Bill Joiner Jack Lands Bessie Lanning

Margie Sue Luckey Charlie Marvin Melba Jean Mathews Nell Morton Judy Mullendore





Buddy Nelson Roy Owens Henry Pelzel Ernest Praesel James Proffitt

Beth Richards
Duane Rielly
Wanda Shaver
Shirley Simmons
James Smith

Gloria Ann Stephens Winfred Toole Duke Thomas Tunnell Barbara Tyler Malcolm Warren

Art Williams
Shirley Williams
Larry Yoakum

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Seventh Grade



Courtney Armstrong **Bobby Bartlett** Joann Blackmon

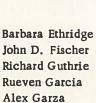
> Lynna Ann Brandon Jan Brent Freddie Brummett Billy Buetow Lyman Brodnax

Carole Camp Christine Cotton Frank Crump Jim Bob Dobbs William Dockall

Joan Doss Tommy Duke Ruby Edelmon













Barbara Goley Wilford von Gonton Laura Henry Joan Dale Hillen Doris Estelle Hobbs



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Seventh Grade

Gary Jackson Ruby Jackson Dan Jenkins Alfie Jo Johnson









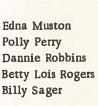
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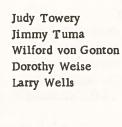








Gloria Skopek Sammie Spence Joe Strelsky Irene Strelsky













Edna Wenzel Lavada June Wenzel Joan Williams John Terry Yoakum Lee Young

Sixth Grade



Mary Helen Adame Tomasita Aldama Barbara Anderson Roger Anthis Dorothy Baggerly

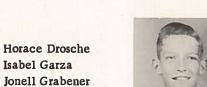
Lee Ballard Jimmy Ray Baxter Gerald Bender Geraldine Bender Laura Bland

Harold Ray Brooks Billy Joe Brown Bessie Buetow Gladys Cox Janet Crockett



Robert Lee Crump Theresa Davis

James Douglas Doss Mildred Doss Lance Doughn



Ginger Harris
Patrice Joy Havins
Edgar Lee Henry
Mike Hight
Lloyd Holton

Joe Lynn Grubbs Patricia Godfrey

















Compliments of HENRY GARAGE

Sixth Grade

Jimmy Horton Don Johnson Kathleen Kehoe Frances Ann Key









Jolene Klober Wayne Kyle Joyce Lands Mary Helen Lopez Richard Mallory









Floyd McCoy Jerry Dale Miller Vernon Morgan Shirley Nelson Carol Nemmers

























Ernest Schlemmer Evelyn Shaver Dorothy Simmons























Charlotte Urban Valente Valverde Robert Walters Jackie Yount Boniface Zapata

Fifth Grade

Ophelia Aldama Beatrice Alonzo Lanier Angell Betty Jo Barker Jimmy Bartlett

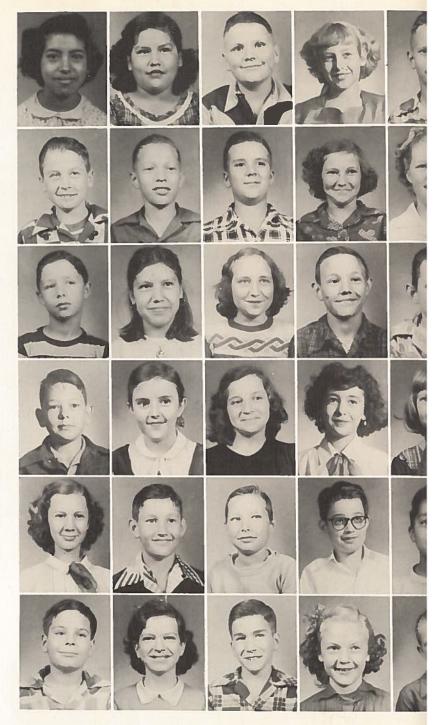
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Charles Camp
Julia Ann Carbajal
Dorothy Nell Cardwell
Francis Ciemney
J. D. Cloud

Ronnie Cummings
Jackie Currey
Dorothy Davenport
Sandra Doss
Joyce Dyer

Shirley Dyer Vernon Dymke Jimmy Echols Linn Forbis Fernando Garcia

Bobby Hanks Leanna Harris Arthur Hobbs Mary Holliman Paul Jenkins



Fifth Grade



Robert Jenkins Wayne Jenkins Lowell Johnson Ronald Hardwig Bruce Holliman

Donal Key Pat Kuehner Amanda Lou Kyle Jane Landis Doyle Loftis

Seferino Muniz Consuelo Munoz Matilda Munoz Jimmy Newton Jimmy Oliver

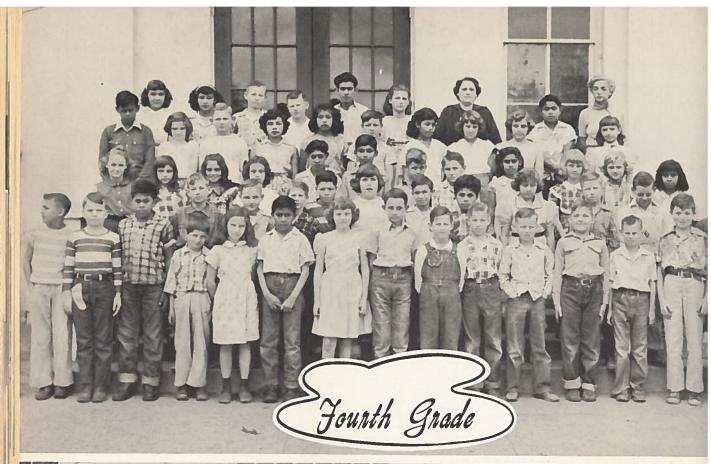
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Lannie Sager John Schlemmer Judy Schneider Hal D. Stanislaw Billy Strelsky

Bill Scurlock Conn J. Tatum Marvin Thedford Julian Tovar Mary Ann Tunnell

Lonnie Urban Carolyn Westbrook Michael Whiteley Wilbur Yakesch Delbert Yarbrough

PREWITT'S DRUG STORE





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SCHOOL FAVORITES



BEST ATHLETES

DELLA LUETGE - WAYNE SKINNER

BEST ALL AROUND

THOMAS REED - MARTHA CAMP



Compliments of PHILLIPS and LUCKEY



DORIS PARKER - GERALD DOCKALL

SCHOOL FA E S



BEST LOOKING

SAM YOAKUM - AUGUSTA NEWMAN



KATY DAVENPORT

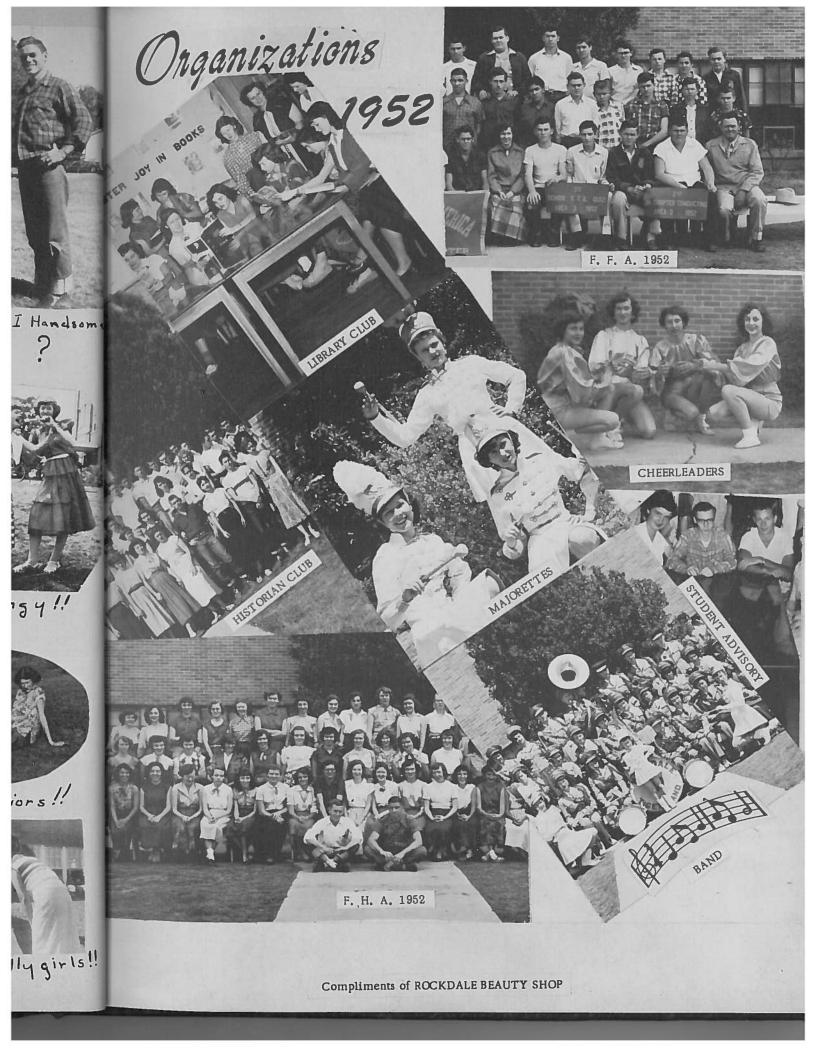


MOST LIKELY TO SUCCEED

EMORY CRUMP

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Mrs. Ida Jo Marshall Librarian

Gloria McCoy

Waughndel Key President

Bonnie Morris



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Texas Junior Historian Club 1952



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Chapter 91



MISS NORA DUNCUM Sponsor











SUE ALBRECHT

"Let Me Call You Sweetheart"



Band





Band Director MR. E. F. BOXELL



Majorettes

1952





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LEWIS PATTERSON

MARTHA CAMP

JOHNNY RICKETSON

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MARY BETH ROLAN

MARY CHARLES NELSON

MARY HELEN NICHOLSON

Annual Staff of 1952



First row, left to right: Donna Haelbig, Sue Saage, Wilma Tuma, Martha Camp, Emory Crump, Dan Crockett, Wayne Skinner, Theena Rudder, Caryl Erickson, Carroll Ann Dobbs, Ruth Edna Busch.

Second row: Mary Helen Nicholson, Polly Smith, Doris Ann Backhaus, JoAnn Hale, Cynthia Smith, Thomas Reed, Miss Duncum, Kenneth Harris, Lewis Patterson, Sam Yoakum, Billy Cook, Joyce Tuma, Nan Jones, Sylvia Lawrence, Mary Lyda Wyatt, Nina Lou Moore, Augusta Newman.



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The Annual Staff

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Inspiring and Entertaining
Programs

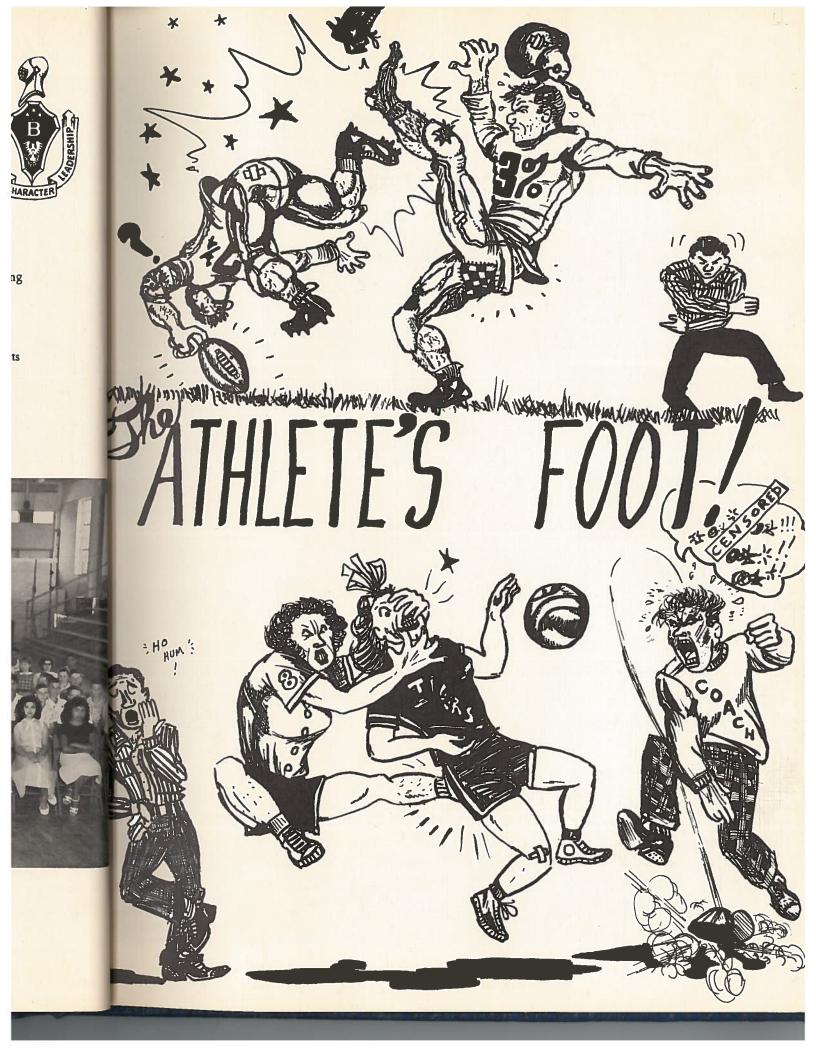
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The Ministers and Students

Assembly Hour



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BYRON WELCH, Minister

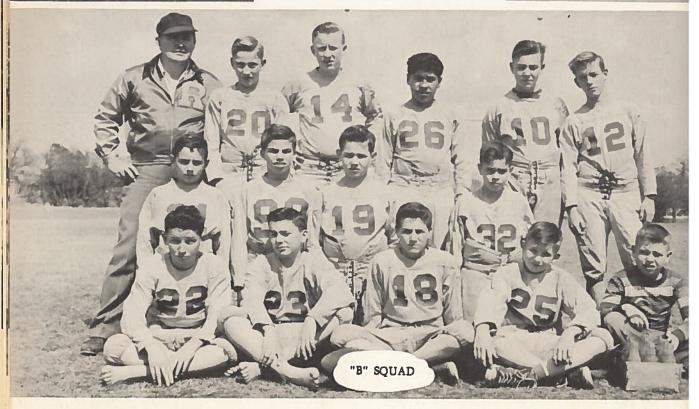






Jootball 1951:52







COACH WADE

and

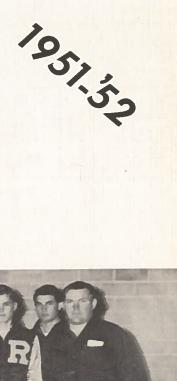
COACH CURTIS



Football



MISS JOYCE TUMA





FOOTBALL SUMMARY



Crowning JOYCE TUMA, The Football Queen.





FOOTBALL BANQUET

Compliments of J. T. RICHARDS

Basketball 1951-'52



Second row: Larry Doss, Gerald Dockall, Wayne Skinner, Lynn

McGuire, Johnnie Ricketson.





Junior Basketball Team 1952



Front row: Bill Joiner, Valente Valverde, Johnnie Timmerman, Boniface Zapata, Melvin Graham, Kenneth Holley, Weldon Davenport, Courtney Armstrong, Jackie Yount.

Back row: Manuel Aldama, Jimmy Dick Tuma, Douglas Crane, Edward Grubbs, Bobby Rae Garrison, Duke Tunnel, Dannie Robbins, Coach Wade.



Girls, Basketball



SENIOR BASKETBALL TEAM

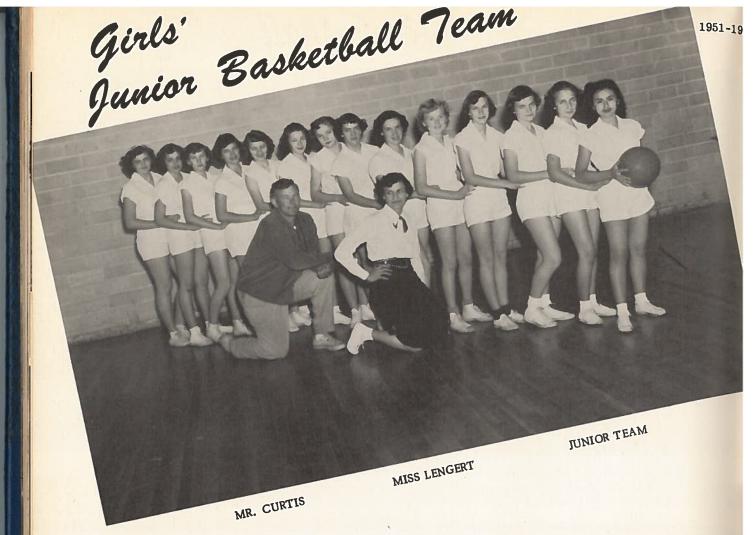
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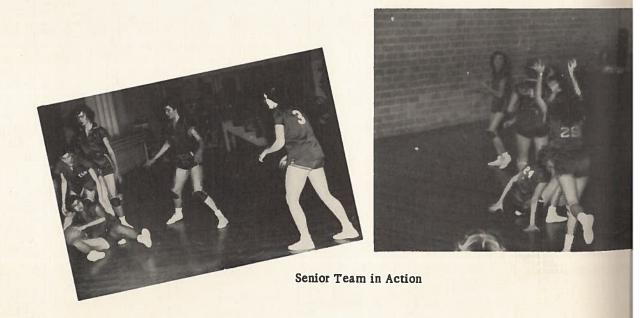
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"B" GIRLS' BASKETBALL TEAM

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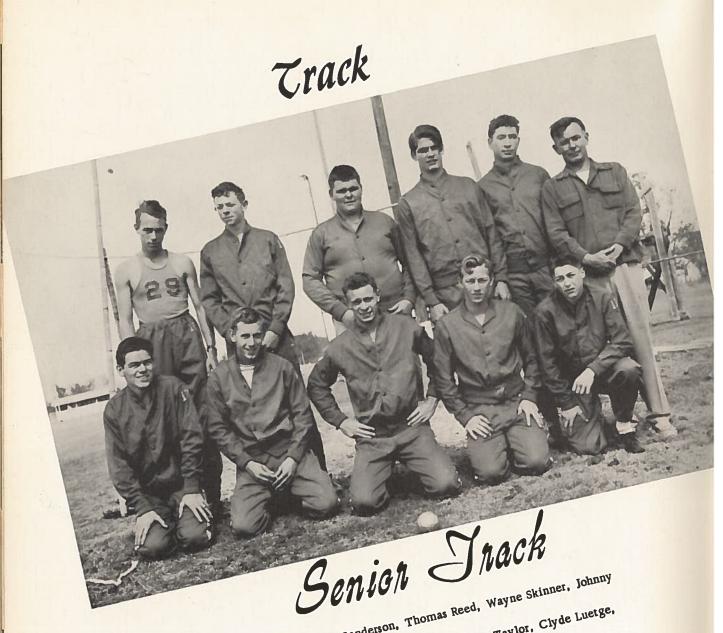






Volley Ball Teams 1951-52





First row: Tommy Sanderson, Thomas Reed, Wayne Skinner, Johnny Ricketson, Billy Cooke.

Ricketson, Wade, Jerry Richards, Pete Taylor, Clyde Luetge, Back row: Barton Wade, Curtis.

Howard Key and Coach Curtis.



Junion Track

First row: Bill Joiner, Edward Grubbs, Melvin Graham.

Back row: Coach Wade, Lee Young, Jimmy Dick Tuma,

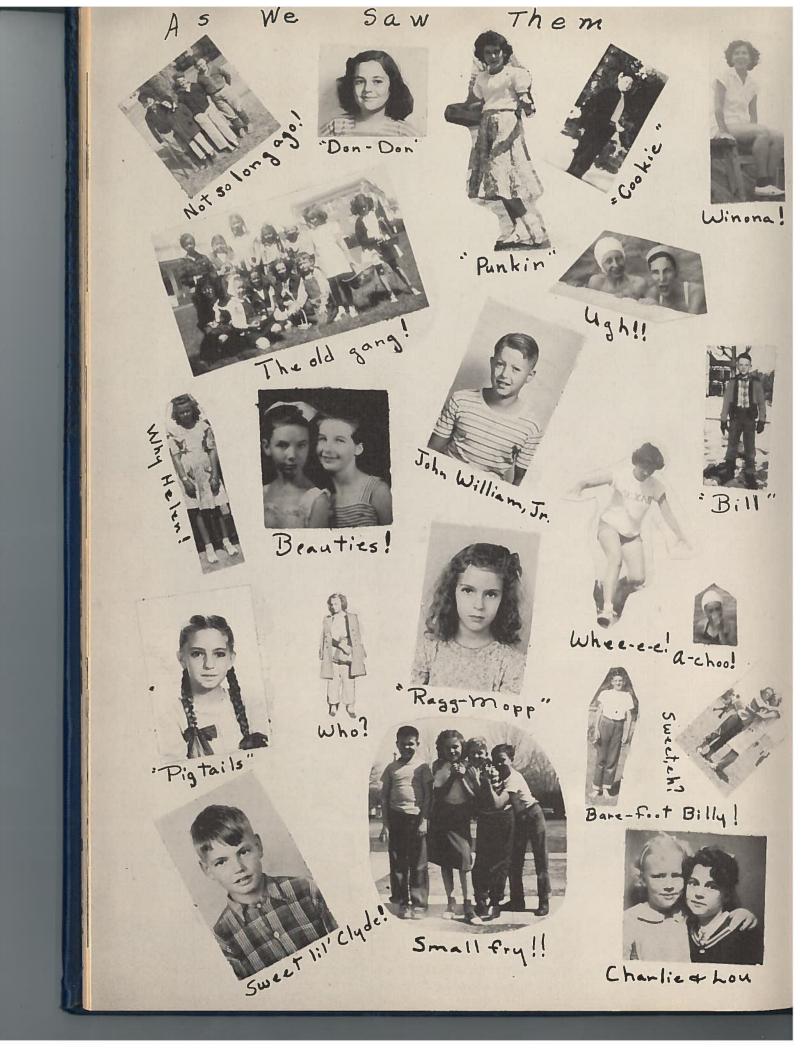
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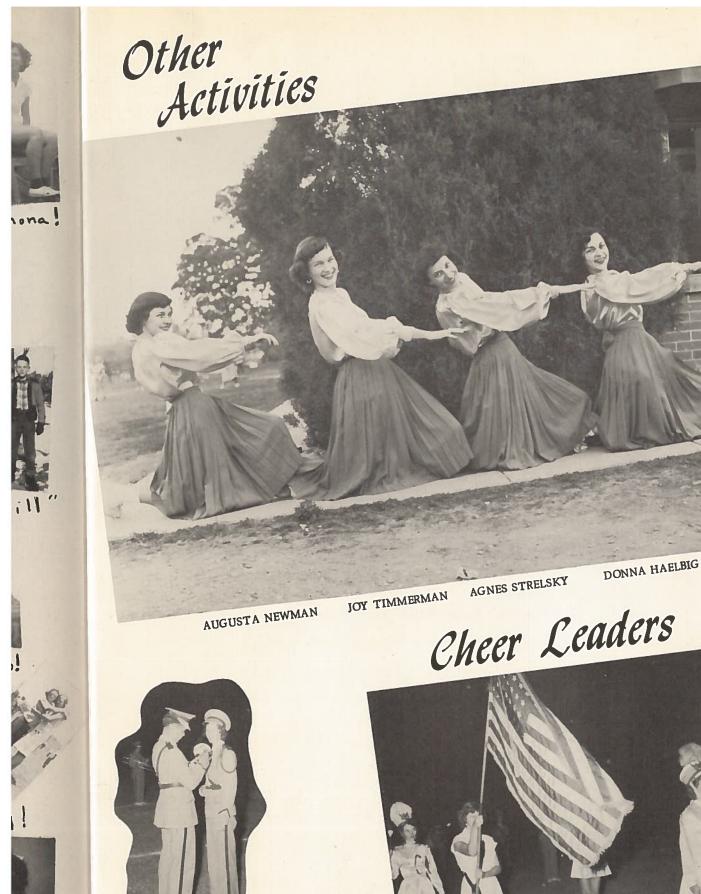
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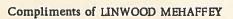




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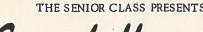












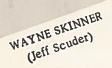
The Campbells Are Coming



CARYL ERICKSON (Mrs. Campbell)

DAN CROCKETT (Kingston Campbell)





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Left to right: Donna Green, Bonnie Morris, Caryl Erickson, Thomas Reed, Sam Yoakum, Emory Crump, Coach Curtis, Doris Parker, Wayne Skinner, Louella Fischer, Dan Crockett.



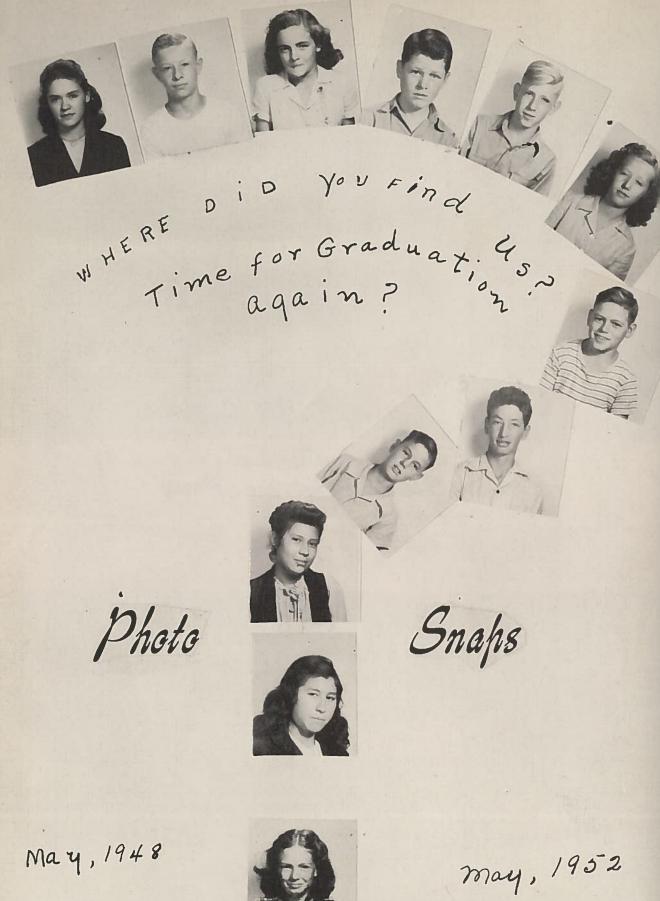
Junior-Senior Banquet April 18, 1952





Junior-Senior Plantation Party
April 18, 1952









DR. E. O. WOODS Baylor University

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Baccaulareate May 18, 1952



Singers: Sue Albrecht, Joy Timmerman and Donna

Lou Haelbig.

Pianist: Mrs. Nonnie Blackburn.



Speaker, L. P. STURGEON
Assistant Commissioner,
Texas Education Agency

Commencement May 20, 1952



Presentation of Awards by Superintendent W. C. GRISSOM

Louella Fischer
Doris Parker
Emory Crump
Thomas Reed
Mary Charles Nelson



Odds and Ends









