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## Foreword

Another school year has passed from the scene into the Hall of Yesterday. With it another class goes out graduated.

Familiar events of this and of other years belong now in the book of memory, there to be preserved as mementos of a cherished past—there to symbolize the life, the happiness, and the trials of high school. Each is a treasured leaf from the memorandum pad of school life.

All have been gathered in order to preserve a compact record of loyal mates, favorite haunts, and familiar scenes. They will be pleasant reminders at some future time when the urge to relive these years prompts a leisurely paging of this book.

Here they are, then: LA PALOMA's presentation of a sheaf of leaves from the memo pad of the Class of '41.

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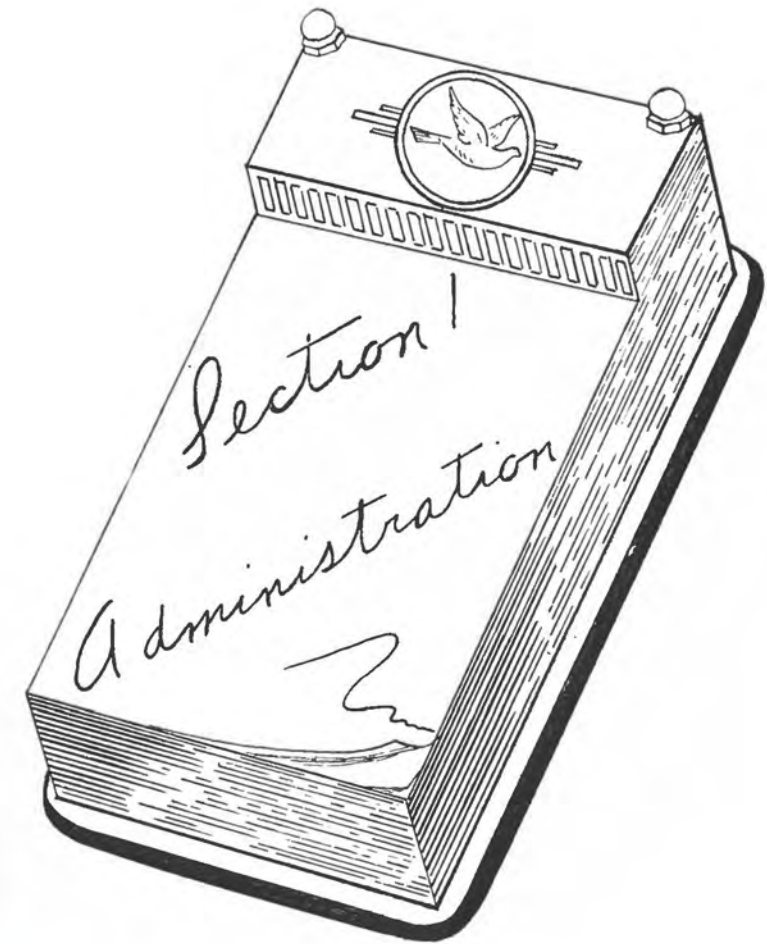
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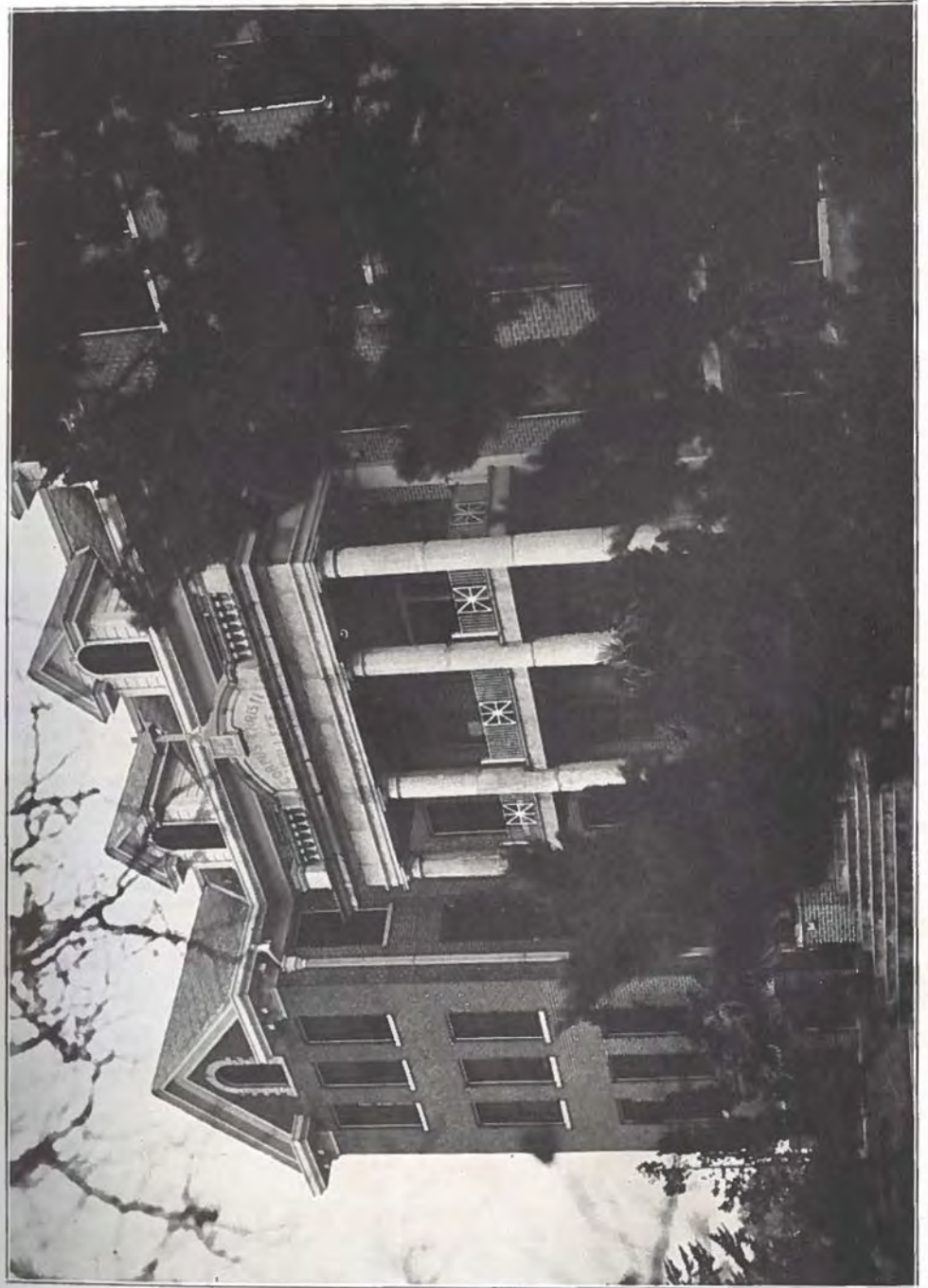
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CAMPUS VIEWS

THE FACULTY



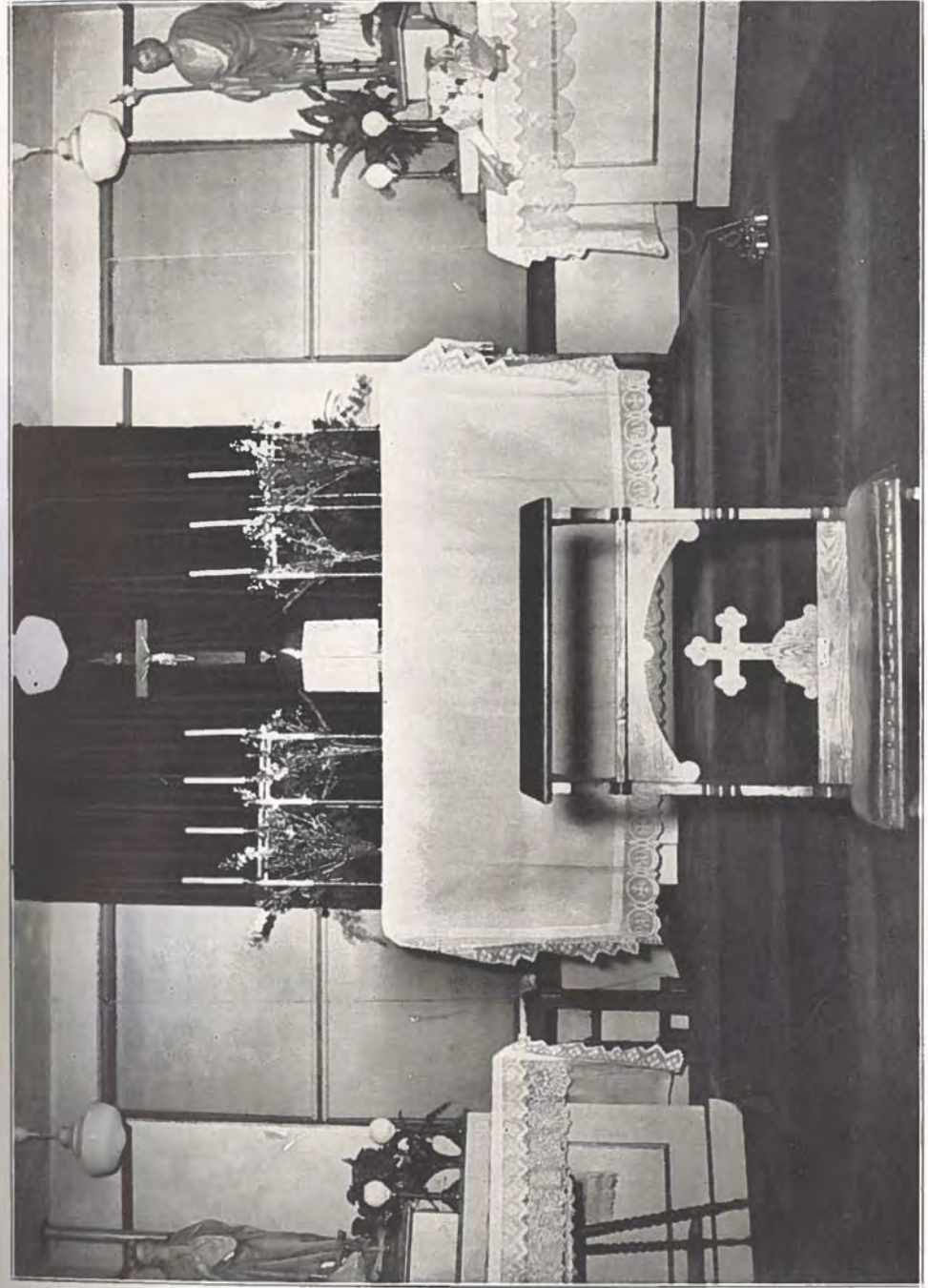
*Between the Evergreens at Night . . . . .*



*MAIN BUILDING . . . where the murmuring, swaying boughs live, evergreen with memories . . .*



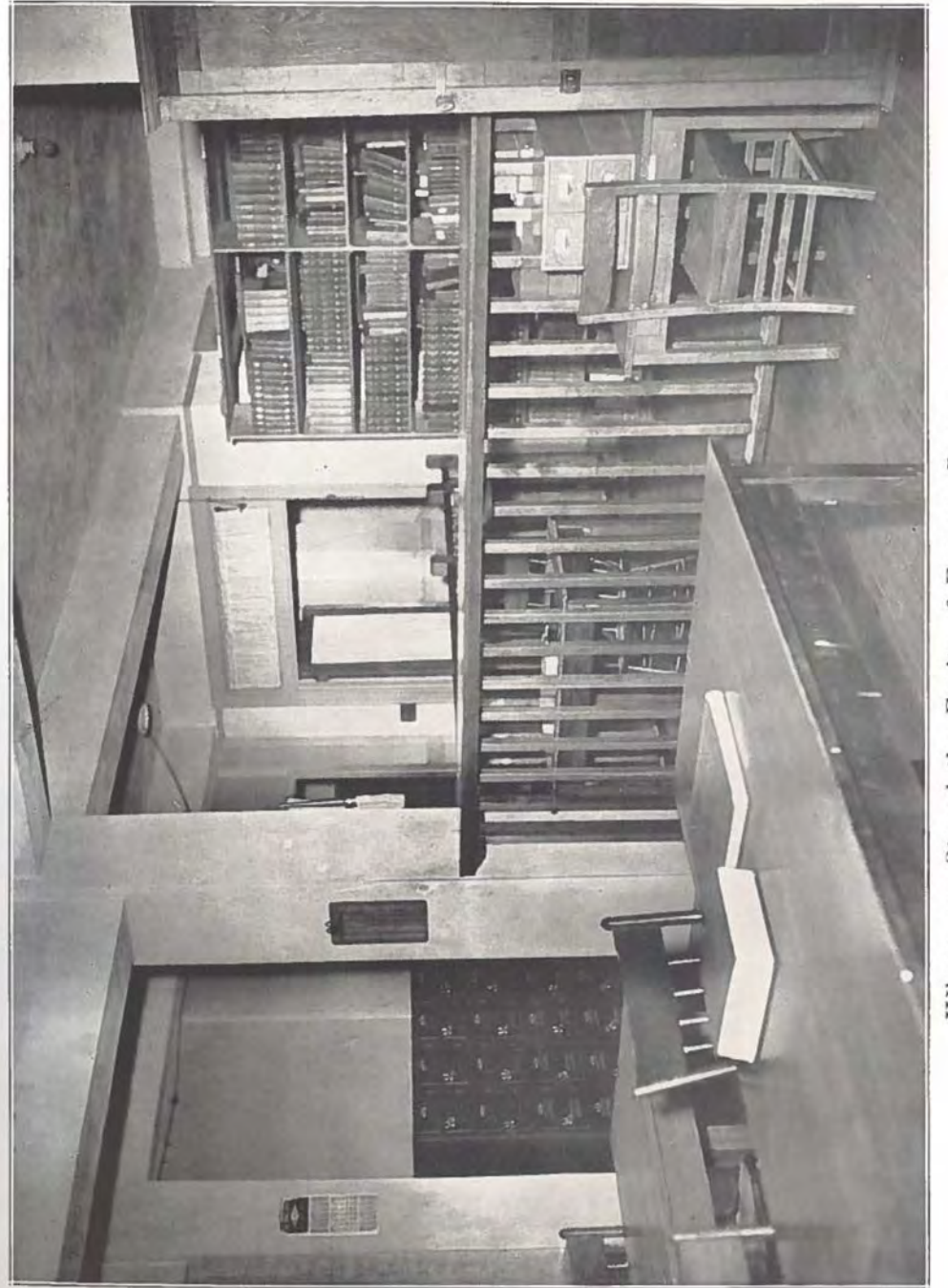
*An Oft-Sought Rendezvous . . . . .*



*A Holy Nook Where Youth Bends Knee . . . . .*



*A Splash of Light in the Night . . . . .*



*Where are Stored the Fruits of Famous Pens . . . . .*



Main Building . . . from the Northeast

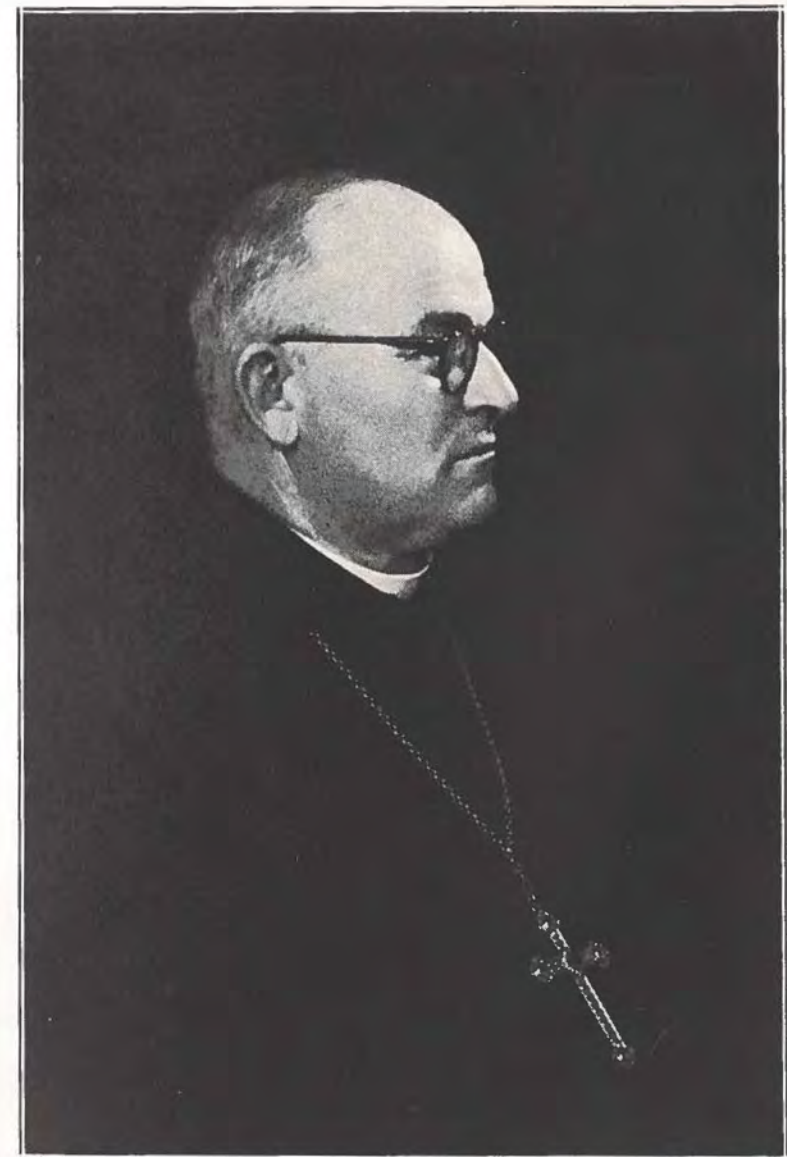


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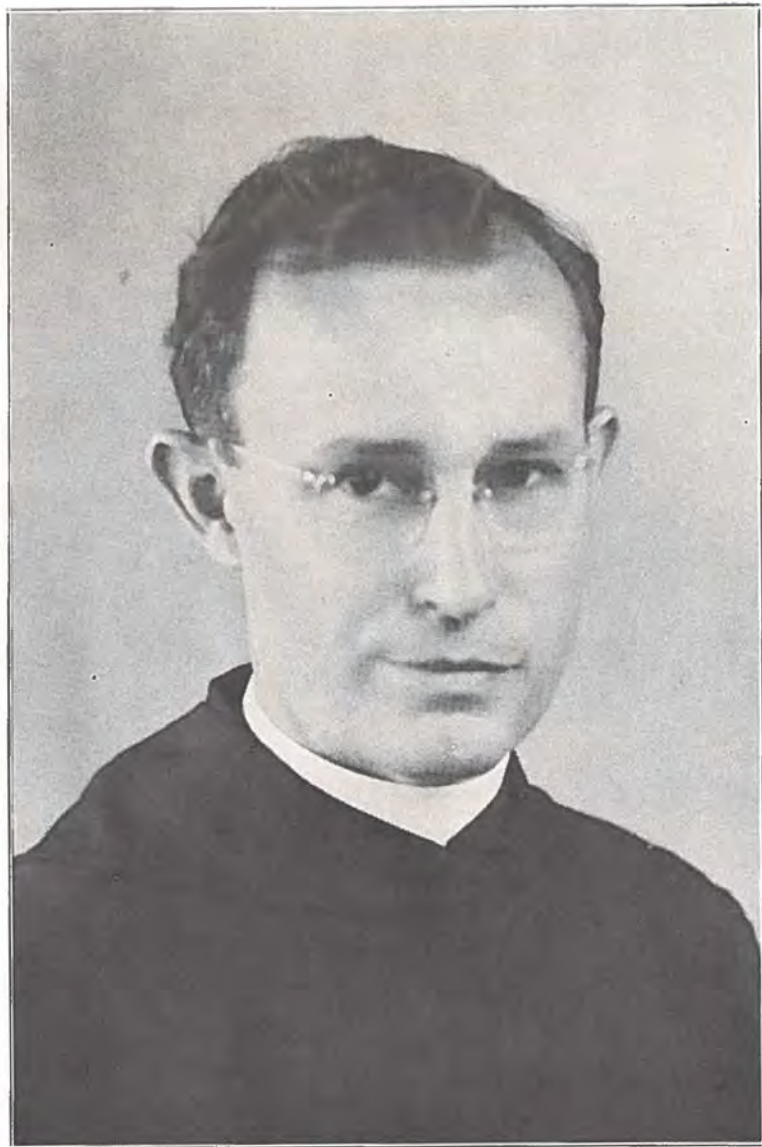
The deeds of many men are engraved in imperishable marble or bronze; the names of others are perpetuated through their expression from pulpit and through the press; but the best men find an everlasting remembrance in the dignified esteem of high and low, of rich and poor through a golden-hearted generosity of having done for all. Such a one as the latter is the Most Reverend Emmanuel B. Ledvina, D. D., LL. D., Bishop of Corpus Christi. In no better instance has His Excellency demonstrated this than in his oft-repeated kindnesses toward the College-Academy. These the Senior Class of '41 wishes to recognize in sincere appreciation for themselves, the faculty, and the students.



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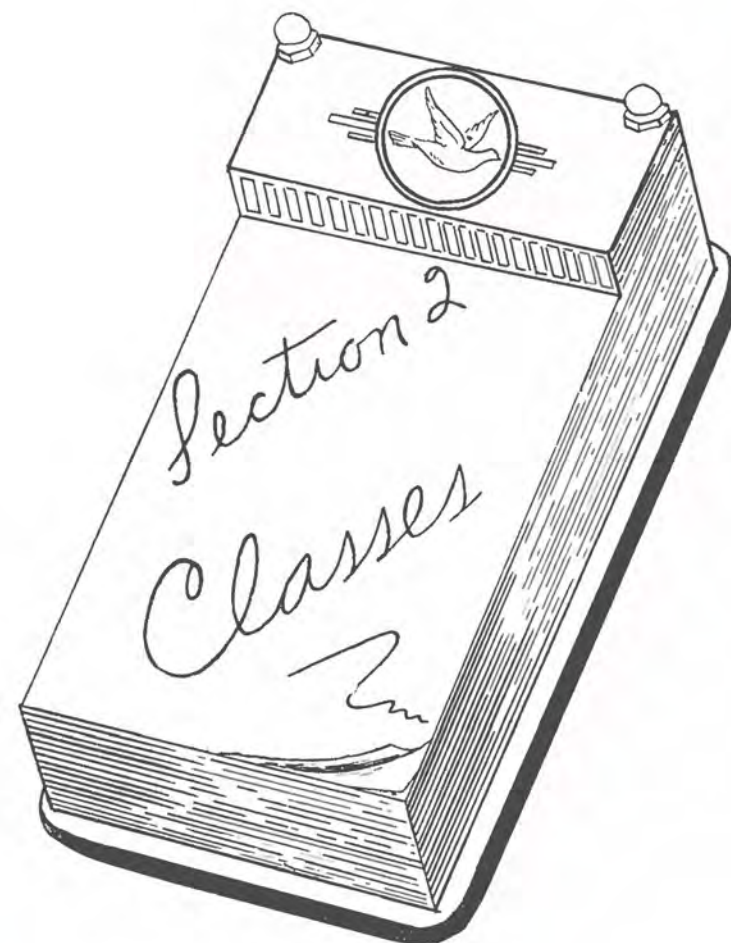


MR. ROBERT P. MIREUR

Just thirteen years after the founding of the College-Academy, the school has the distinction of having gone into the ranks of its alumni for two members on its teaching staff. The two so chosen were both honor students in their high school years, both were athletes, and both were popular among the student group in their day.

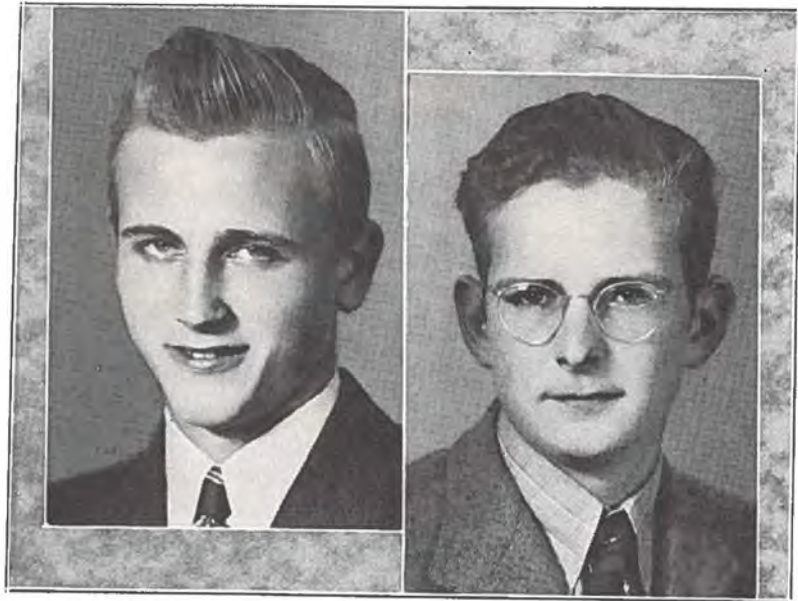
Their records of accomplishment did not cease when they left the close contact with Benedictine education, but were added to in their achievements in college. John W. Meaney was valedictorian of the class of '40 at Notre Dame University, besides having been the holder of the Meehan Scholarship there for four years. Keeping pace with Mr. Meaney, Robert P. Mireur was valedictorian of the class of '39 at St. Edward's University, Austin, besides having received the medal for the highest average in his four-year commerce course.

In returning to their old school, Mr. Meaney distinguished himself as an outstanding instructor in freshman and sophomore English, and in ancient history, while Mr. Mireur brought his resourcefulness and geniality into the business courses he taught. The latter likewise endeared himself to all students as Director of Athletics.



**Class of 1941 . . . . .**

FAVORITES



DOUGLAS A. BECK

Corpus Christi

FOOTBALL, '39, '41

*"Doug"*

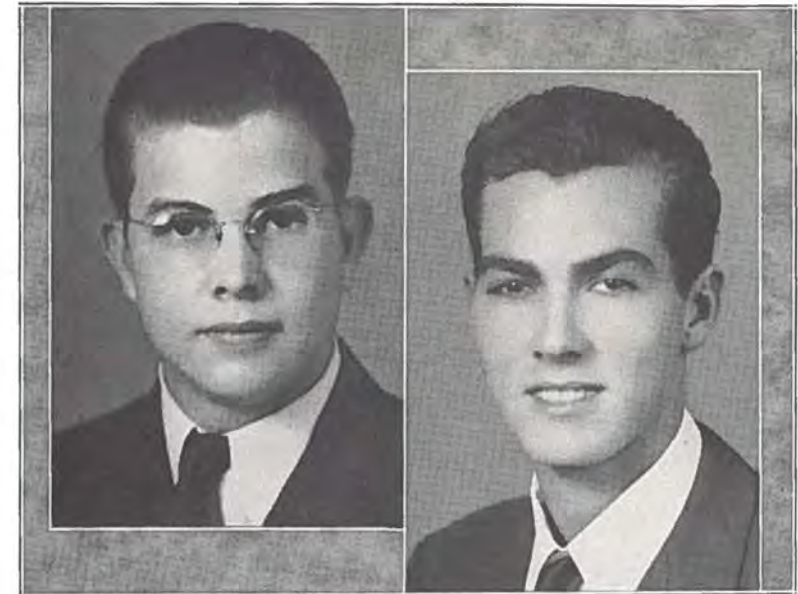
If it's anything you wish to know about airplanes, boats, and sports. "Doug" is the man to ask. In fact anything that breathes the spirit of adventure finds a ready welcome here. It's more than likely a proud possession that finds its origin in the Scandinavian strain that courses through his veins. Beck is set on a career in aeronautics, and he's starting wisely and well on his course.

JAMES M. CASS

Portland

*"Frenchy"*

One would be tempted to ask for a discourse on world travels from "Frenchy", for he's seen a great deal of the world for the short span that has thus far been his allotment of years. He is fair-faced, but behind that half-raised head, with eyes straddling the glass rims, there lurks more than one would suspect. But those class episodes are now over with, and the man from Portland is looking the world straight in the eye through wide open peepers.



MARVIN C. GALLAGHER

Corpus Christi

*"Hotshot"*

From a school in the white-lighted and effete East—New York City, to be exact—to a small and unobtrusive school in South Texas, Gallagher came. Although a member of a pioneer family in these parts, he has lost a good deal of the rough-and-ready so characteristic of the old-timers. But withal, his Eastern contacts had a good deal to do with that. Minding his own business, he went his way. South America beckons to him when school days are over with.

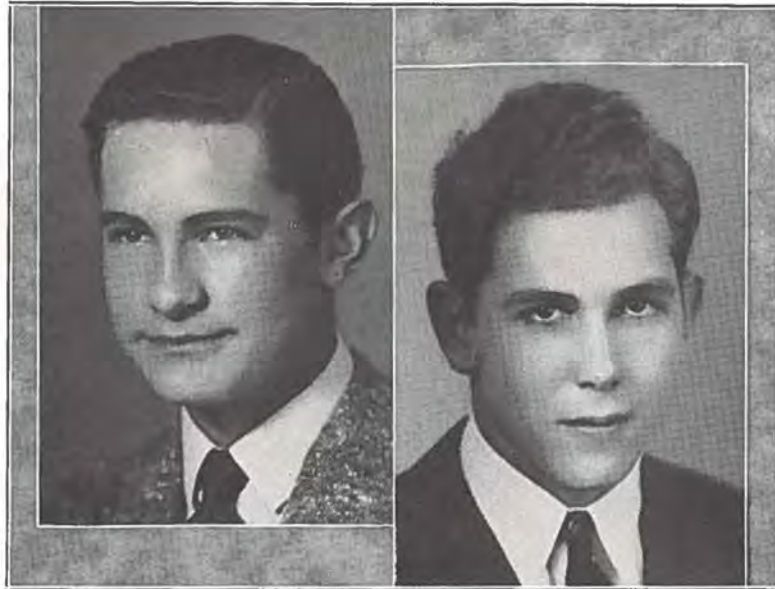
RUSSELL T. GRIFFITH

Corpus Christi

ASS'T ADVERTISING, LA PALOMA

*"Rusty"*

Russell's big asset is a clean-cut neatness that never fails to register attention. And attention, we are told, he has, for which reason the local senior high became a strong temptation on occasion. However, after fighting back—and taking a few reversals on the chin he stepped into the harness and pulled.



WILSON W. HARKINS, JR.

Refugio

ASSISTANT ADVERTISING,  
LA PALOMA

*"Hawkeye"*

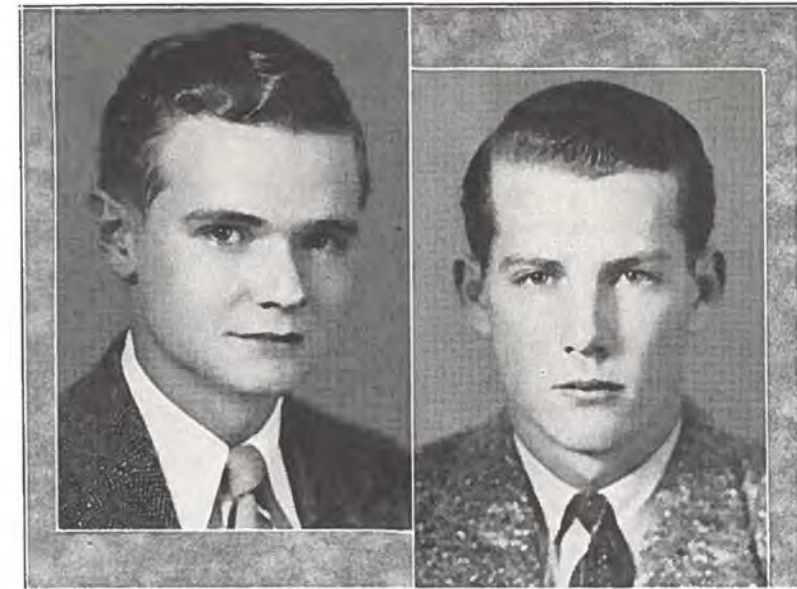
Brisk walk, head erect, a serious look, and a full round voice characteristically thumbnails this senior from Refugio. Add to that a physique that is brawny, and a step that makes his boot heels click on any hard floor, and you have completed the picture. He harbors ambitions to be active some day in his Father's drug store, and if he can nurse chemistry along to eventual completion, his life shall have been all set.

R. DEAN HAWN

Corpus Christi

*"Gunga"*

For two years, luxurious cars have enhanced the daily row of variegated student automobiles. And if you should have asked "Whose?", you would have received an immediate reply, "Dean's". In other words, by his car you shall know him. The class chuckled involuntarily when he drawled out his characteristic "Y-e-s, F-a-a-ther", but it had a true ring. For many reasons, and in particular for his readiness to be a willing chauffeur to students, Dean will be sorely missed.



VINCENT E. HEARD

Refugio

CLASS SECRETARY-TREASURER  
BUSINESS MANAGER, THE PILGRIM  
SNAPSHOT EDITOR, LA PALOMA  
FIRST VICE-PREFECT, B. V. M.  
SODALITY

*"Binkie"*

For the third time in the schol's history, the name of Heard appears on the roll of graduates. The class has elected him to offices on more than one occasion, which testifies to his ability to exert himself in class affairs. His week-ends have been whirls, if his stream of chatter on Monday's means anything. And if it's a question of son following in the footsteps of Father, then it's pharmacy. Could be!

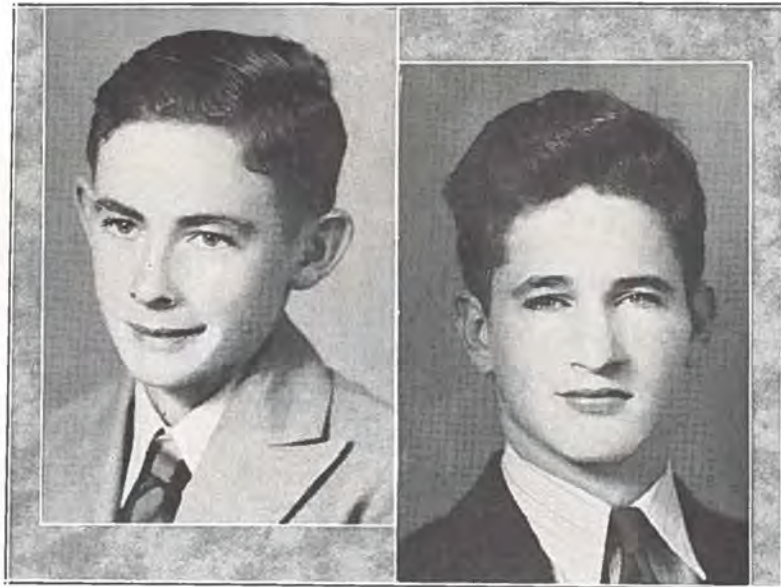
W. DAYTON HUTCHINSON

Corpus Christi

ADVERTISING MANAGER, LA PALOMA

*"Hutch"*

With an unassuming air, Dayton walks the even tenor of his way. In addition to that, he was a genuine "old reliable", and could be depended upon to give a lift, when a lift meant more than the billboard cigarette puff. Texas A. & M. has marked him for keeps in college, where he hopes by studious inside work for several years to fit himself for a rollicking life on the outside.



JOHN C. McBRIDE

Realitos

*"Monk"*

He has just a hint of auburn on his head, and a mousy voice, too. But lead him in the vicinity of Lucky Star wrappers, and he'll detect one each time. The reason, you ask: Well, he's been a winner in the national contest; in fact, he can pack more wrappers in his diminutive pockets than the ordinary man in one that is full-sized. As a warning, it is suggested that he tuck his sheepskin away a little more carefully. But that is a useless suggestion, for "Mac" will be proud to finish and get back to the wide open spaces of Realitos.

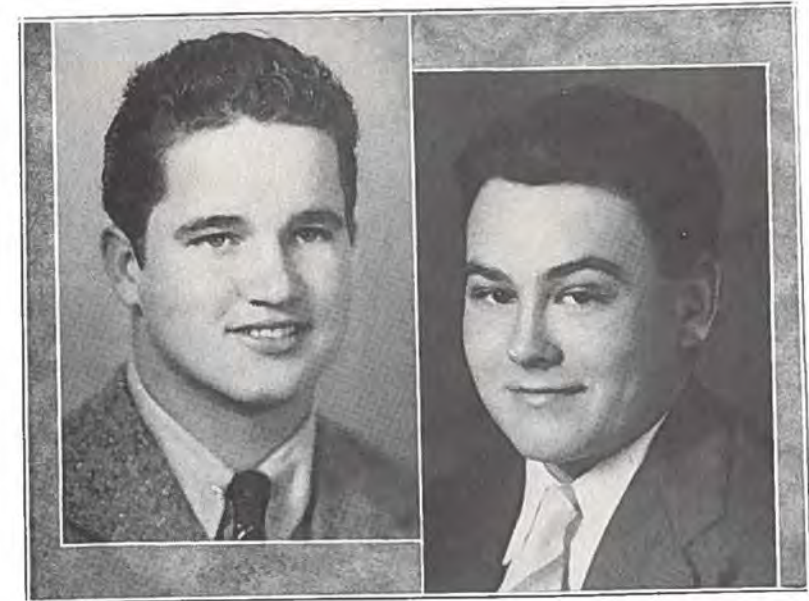
F. EUGENE PEREIRA

Corpus Christi

FOOTBALL, '40  
BASKETBALL, '41

*"Shanty"*

Gene came, and in one year he has endeared himself to the school. He had one year at the College-Academy, and he was determined to make the best of it. But it wasn't all book lore that he sought. He profited by Coach Mireur's attention, lettered in football, and was a mainstay on the basketball quint. The crystal reflects a full life and a pleasant one for this gentleman with the little strain of Portuguese.



THEODORE J. PEREIRA, JR.

Corpus Christi

FOOTBALL, '38, '39, '40,  
CO-CAPTAIN, '40  
BASKETBALL, '41

*"Porky"*

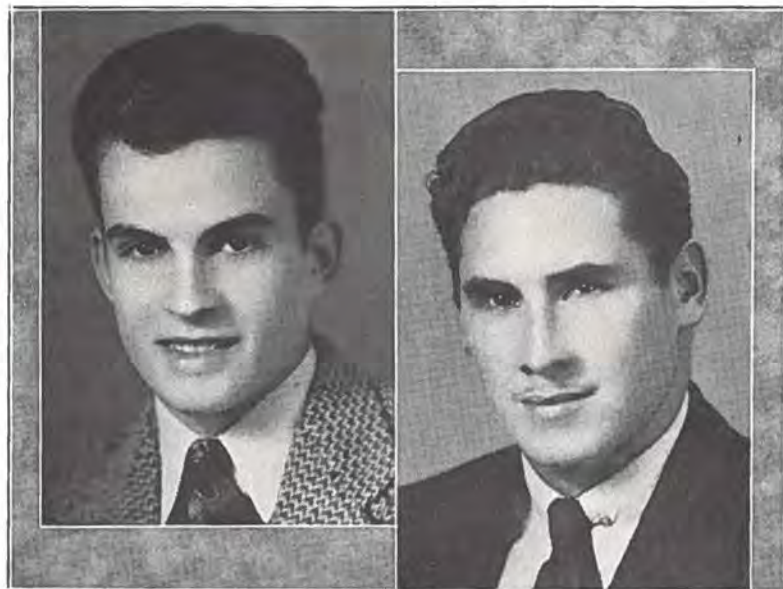
Meet this year's co-captain of the Cavalier squad! Athletics was his strongest point, and he was a tower on offense and defense. And to his future, he admits that he has a very pronounced yen for some good school in the land of Evangeline—otherwise known as Louisiana, where a course in physical education is beckoning him for company.

JOHN P. PRIOUR

Corpus Christi

*"Tubby"*

If you want poundage, persistency, sprinkled with the salt of nervousness, "Tubby" is your man. He hasn't mastered exactly all the finer points of a literature book, or a volume of math, but put him in a kitchen, and he will demonstrate with ease his proficiency in the fine art of good cooking. It must be French or something connected with the name "Priour", and dollars to doughnuts he'll be a chef some day.



FRANK A. ROSSI, JR.

Corpus Christi

FOOTBALL, '39, '40;

CO-CAPTAIN '40;

VICE-PREFECT, B. V. M. SODALITY

PHOTOGRAPHIC EDITOR,  
LA PALOMA

*"Tony"*

Walk right up and meet a gentleman and a scholar, for "Tony" is quiet-spoken and polished. He brought with him to his classes an alertness and an interest that was frequently the marvel of his instructors. But with all, he could forget the ramble through scholastic lore long enough to find an intense interest in athletics. He is the typical scholar-athlete. Frank will bring steadiness and a conscientiousness to the profession of his choice—medicine.

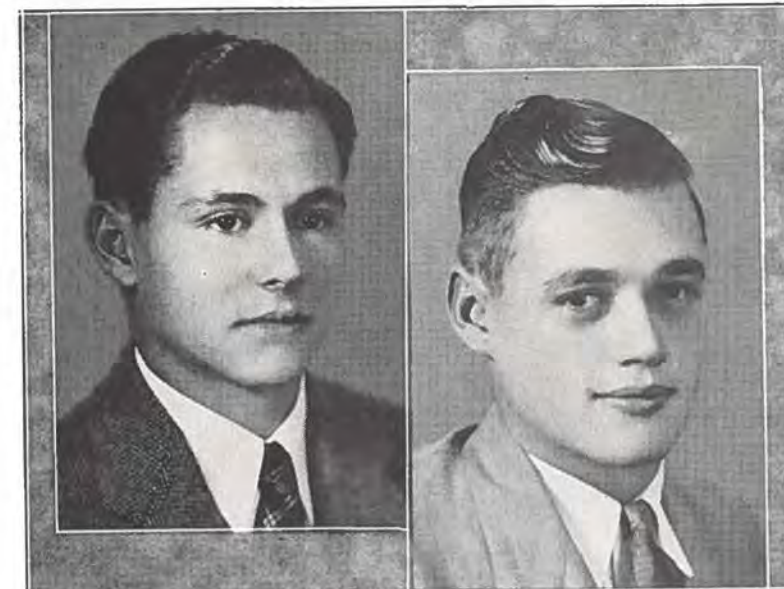
SAM SOVEY

Corpus Christi

FOOTBALL, '39, '40

*"Forty-Nine"*

Slingin' Sam had to heave the pigskin long and hard in game after game. And while he did not belong to the historic Forty-niners, still huddle gossip had it that play No. 49 was his long suit. Never much on words, Sam quietly slipped out of school, graduated at mid-term. Some college, it is rumored, has already claimed him for its own.



JOHN G. STITT, JR.

Corpus Christi

FOOTBALL, '40

MOST HANDSOME, '41

*"Reach"*

"Handsome John" they call him, and according to popularity campaign posters, he ought to receive a red geranium or something for the thousands of hearts that flutter when he passes by. But that's just one asset of Stitt's. Outside of cleverly skipping a class now and then, he could hold up his position on the Cavalier squad. God embellished his frame with long limbs, and there'll surely be no grass growing under his feet once he gets moving.

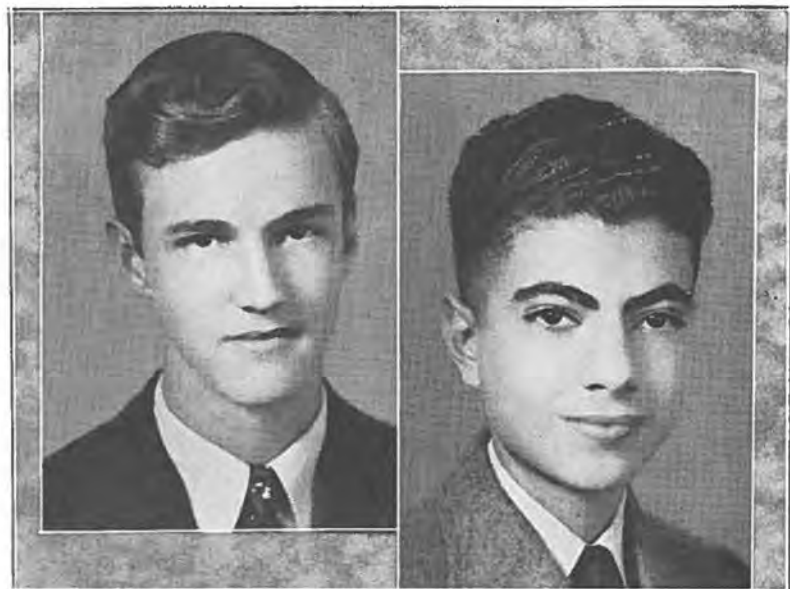
ROBERT T. STONER

Corpus Christi

FOOTBALL, '40

*"Bo"*

The biggest smile on Craig Street! and there's no denying that, although the antics of his school-going jalopy sometimes wears this to a fine thinness. However, Bob keeps chugging on. He is modest with all his personal charms, which he exercised them to his own benefit on teachers and students alike. But put him in a bull session—well, that's a stone Stoner can really heave. Athletic? Yes. He'll be missed even after a mere one year stay.



FRANCIS M. SULLIVAN, JR.

Corpus Christi

PREFECT, B. V. M. SODALITY  
CAVALIER BAND

*"Sully"*

Take a dash of Irish—be sure it's a good one—a sprinkle of Pennsylvania, a love for sodality work, a constant wish to return again to the Summer School of Catholic Action: Throw it all together and you have "Sully". He was a student who generally kept his head above water, even when the going was hard. His life's ambition is still unsettled, but he will have the fortitude to go through with what he commences.

VIRON P. VAKY

Corpus Christi

CLASS PRESIDENT  
HONOR STUDENT, '41  
MOST POPULAR, '41  
EDITOR, LA PALOMA  
ASS'T EDITOR, THE PILGRIM  
MEDALIST, '38, '39, '40  
CITY WINNER, JR. CHAMBER OF  
COMMERCE AMERICANISM CONTEST

*"Greek"*

Sage of world events, sympathizer with the "glory that was Greece" and all that she stood for, Vaky comes under the classification of the classical. Strictly studious he was, but a glint of playfulness cropped out from this little wad of concentrated intellectual dynamite. He knew that sixteen earned credits, spelled graduation—no more, no less, and he stood by his guns. He'll unravel law some day, it is understood.



JAMES B. VOESTE

Corpus Christi

FOOTBALL, '38, '39, '40

*"Burrhead"*

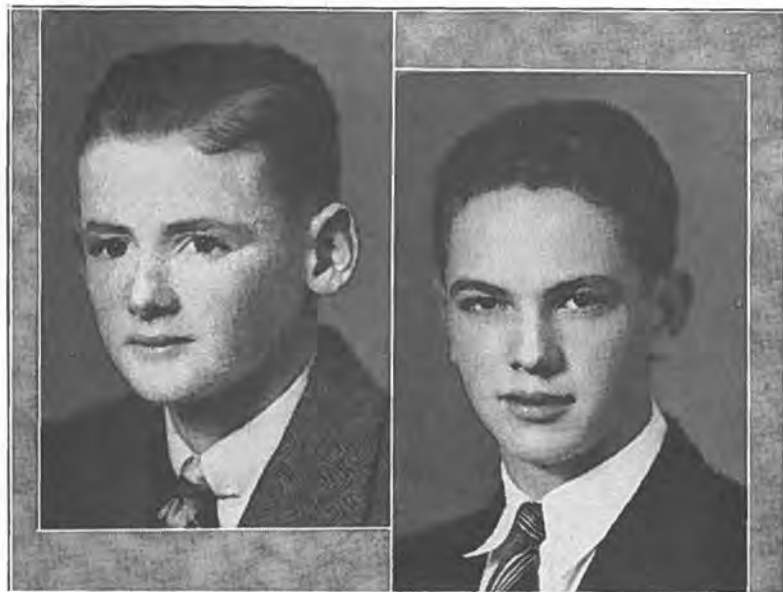
School life has been a long grind for Jimmie—a road seemingly with no end—and that was indistinct even at times during the home stretch. In fact, school life seemed to have laid heavy loads on this man, but he made it. But put a football suit on him—well, that's something different! He was a veteran Cavalier of several seasons and laid in some good licks to beat opposing foes. Jimmie will plod through life with his smile and his general good sense.

LOUIS M. WALLER

Bruni

*"Baby-Face"*

Louis rolled in from the sands of Bruni on registration day of his senior year. Reared in the wide open spaces of ranch and country, he had some difficulty in acclimating himself to the big city, but he soon learned. In commenting on his abilities: Well, as to his handwriting, he is destined to become a great man; and if ambition doesn't go stranded somewhere on the sands, this prophesy will be fulfilled.



MARK A. WELSH

Corpus Christi

BASKETBALL, '41  
 INSTRUCTOR OF CANDIDATES,  
 B. V. M. SODALITY, '41  
 ASS'T EDITOR, LA PALOMA, '41  
 THE PILGRIM, '40

*"Micky"*

Here is a character out of Twain's "Huck Finn" — freckles, red hair and all. He never set the world on fire athletically, but he was out there with every mite of his energy, and he took it as well as the next one. Micky has announced that it will be engineering for him at some good school. You see, he's aviation minded, and he'll reach heights with his airplanes that his small stature denies him.

CHARLES W. YOCUM

Corpus Christi

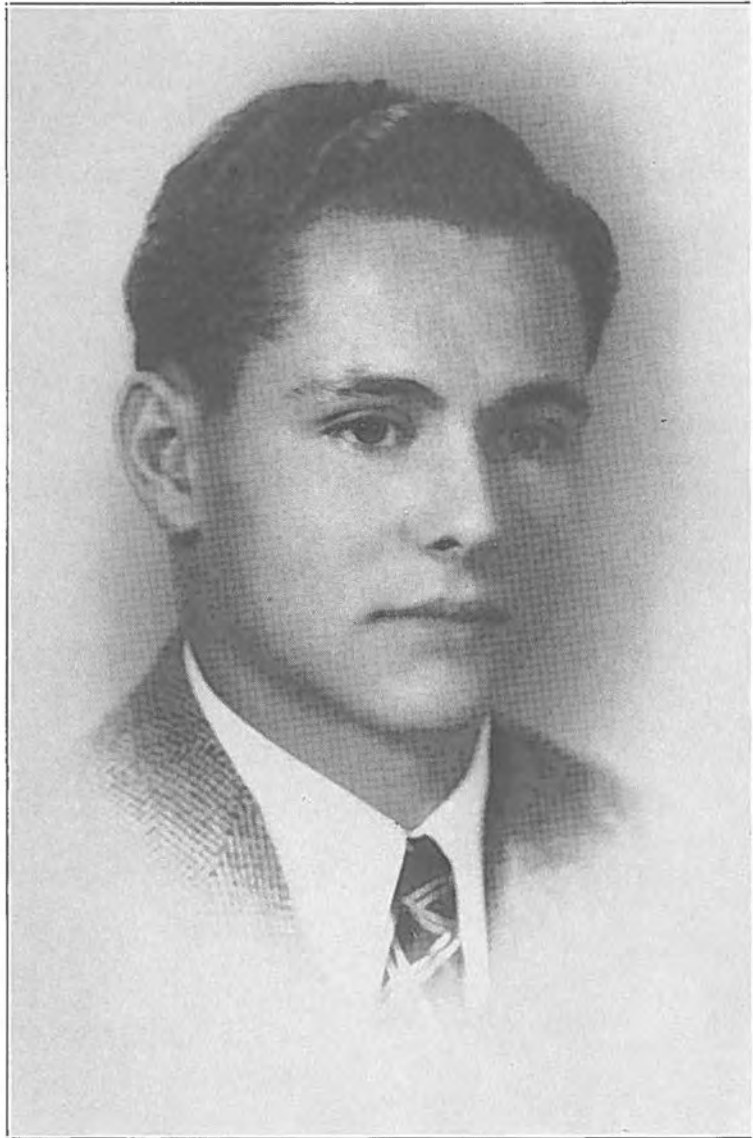
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*"Lil Abner"*

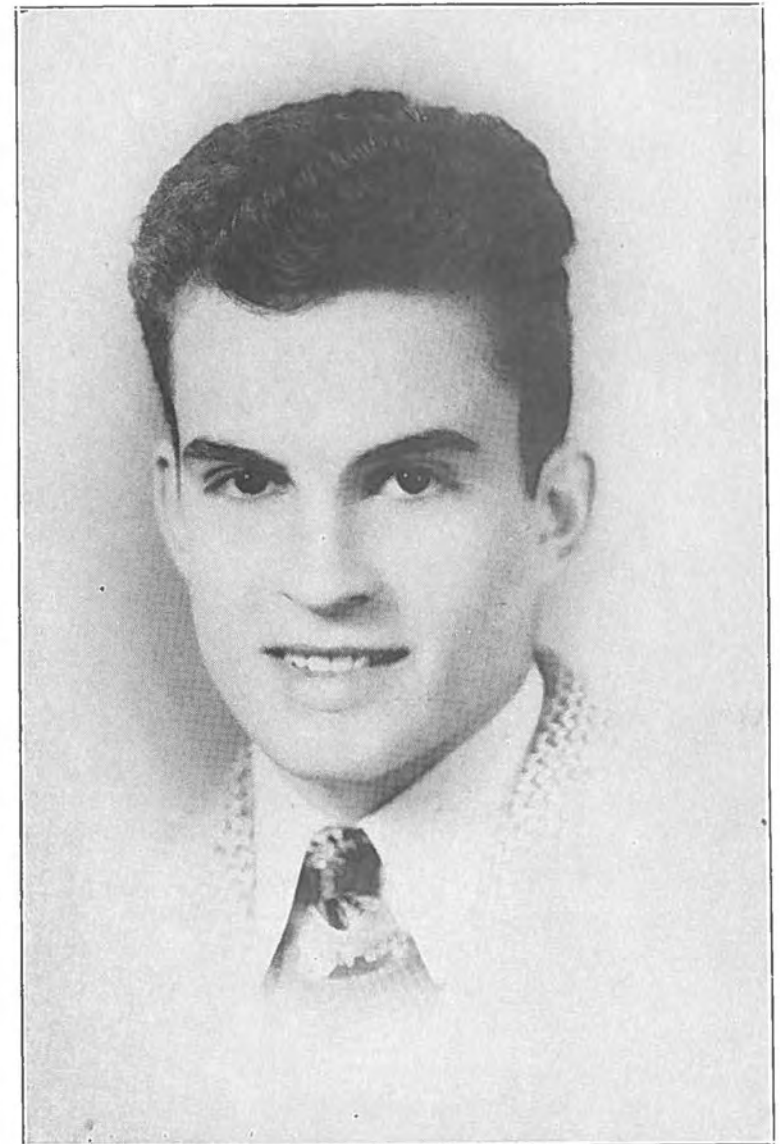
He sighs for the hills of old Kentuck', the blue grass—not the Elizabeth Arden kind . . . maybe—but honest to goodness grass. And when he's not beating drums or corralling musicians into an impromptu orchestra, or translating Spanish—his afternoon dose of bitterness—or chauffering his best friend's G. F. on evening drives—he dreams of sweet solace of romance after the sweltering heat of school life has subsided. Bill can get up energy, and this steam will motor him through life.

## Favorites . . . . .

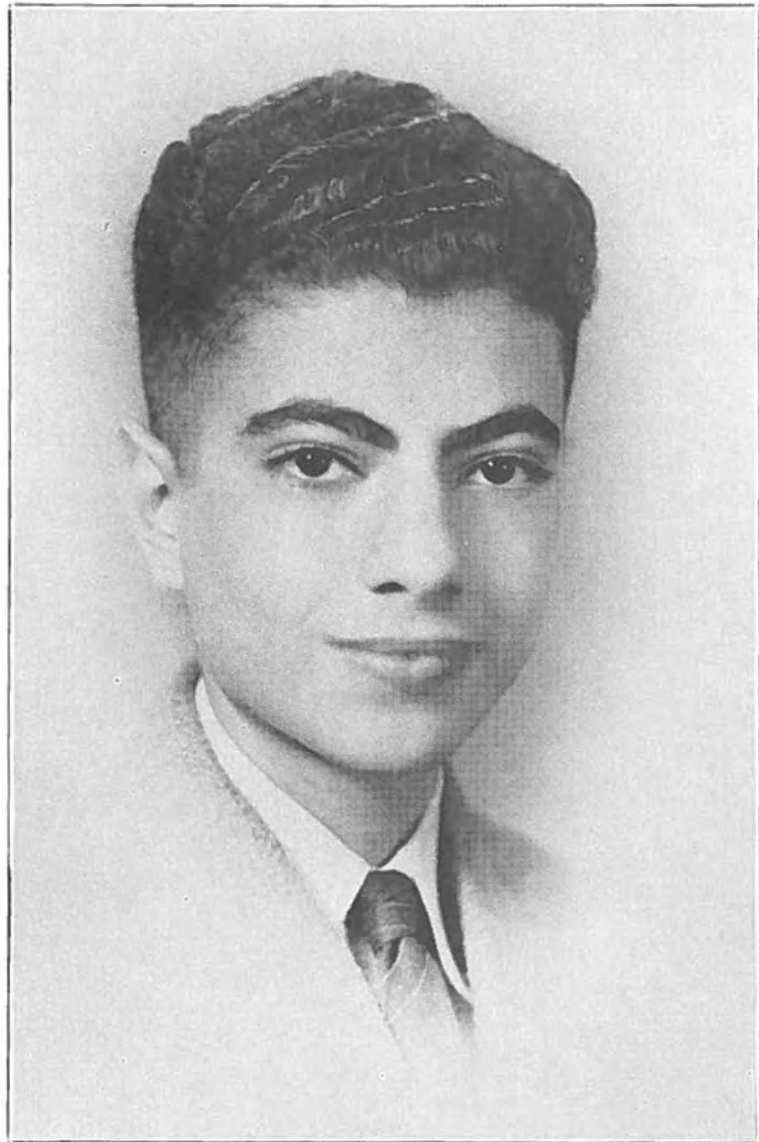
WINNERS OF POPULARITY CONTESTS



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*Most Handsome Student*



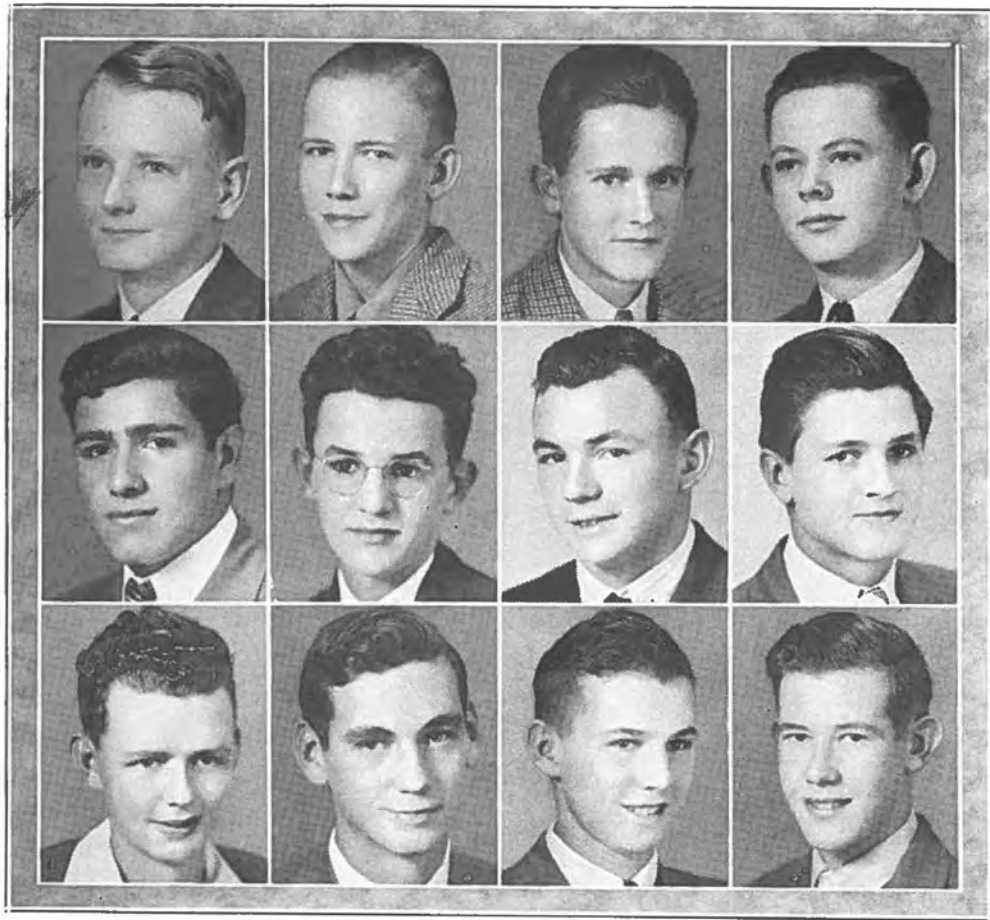
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*Most Athletic Student*



VIRON VAKY

*Most Popular Student*

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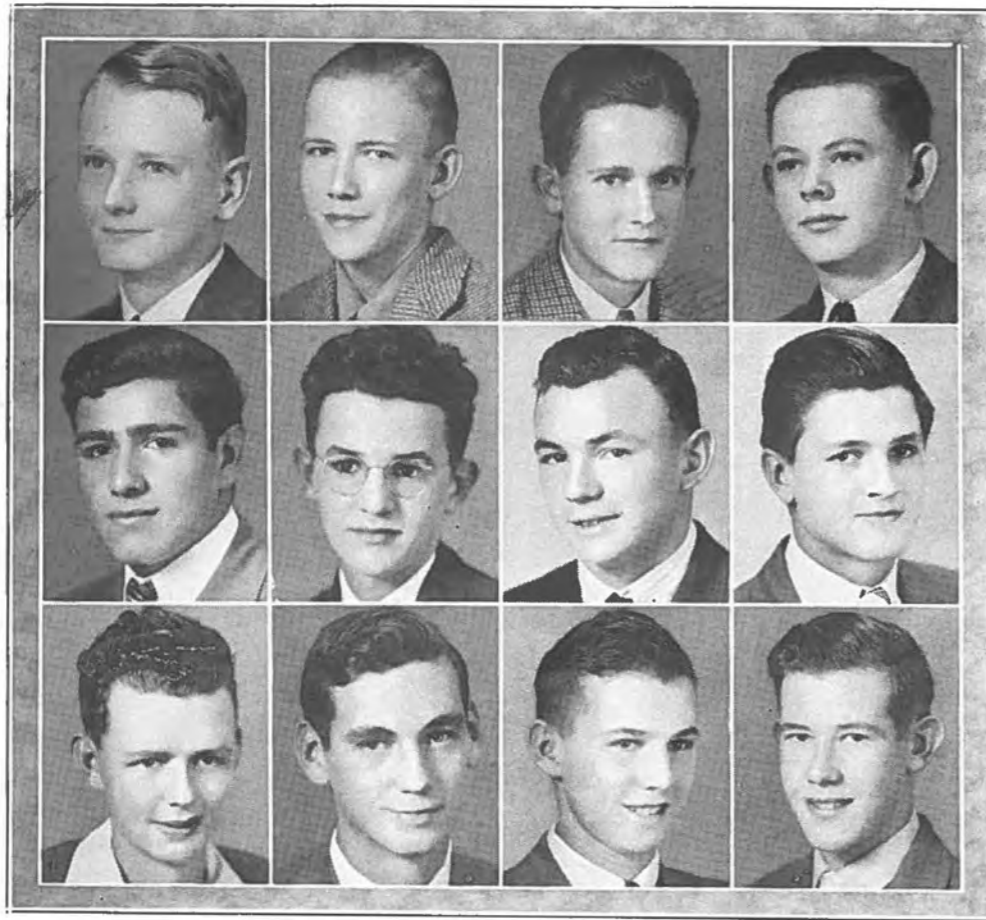
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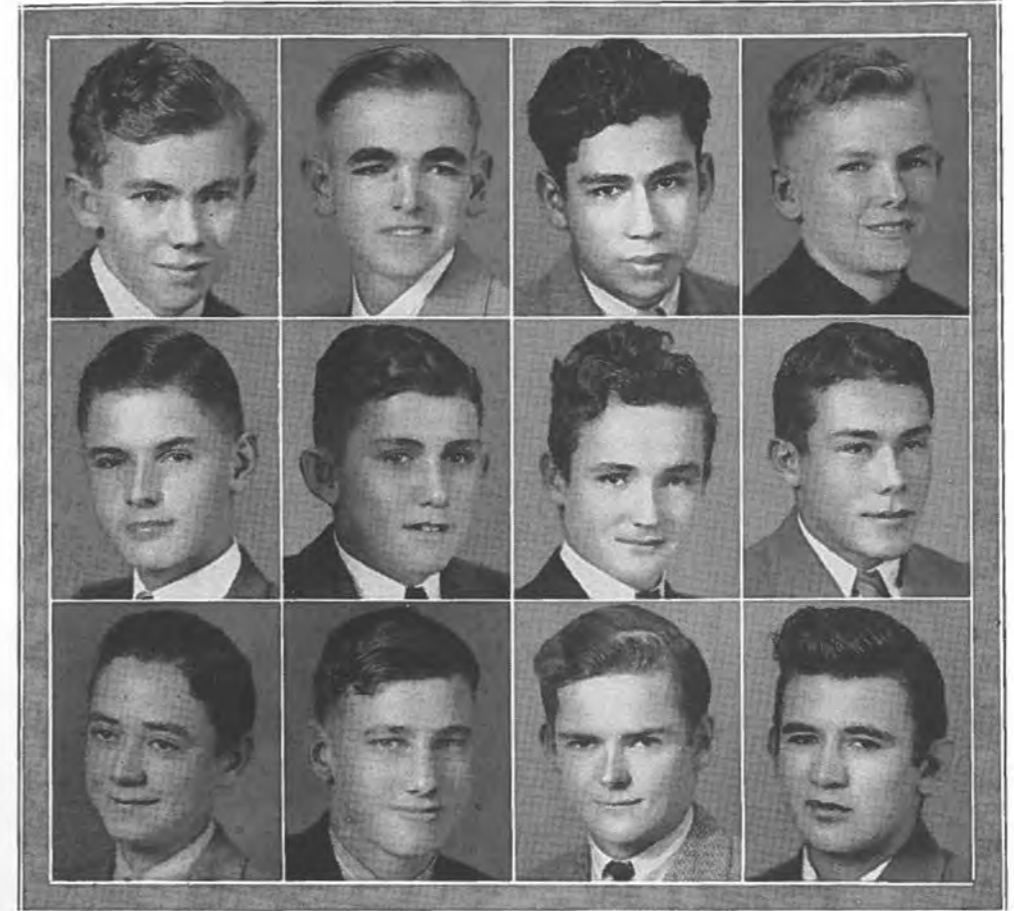


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Cap and Gown Day, March 21

## TREASURES

### Cap and Gown Day

Traditionally, St. Benedict's Day, March 21, is really the beginning of senior class activities. This year was no exception. The occasion was honored by His Excellency, the Most Rev. Mariano S. Garriga, D. D., Coadjutor Bishop of Corpus Christi, the Right Reverend Monsignor John J. Lannon, Ph. D., and thirty other members of both regular and secular clergy, together with the student body and faculty. The order of the day included a very good program during which the class presented the American flag to the school, the sophomore group a Texas flag, with addresses by Viron Vaky, Francis Sullivan, Frank Rossi, Dell Kerr and Father Joseph. T. J. Pereira was master of ceremonies. At the solemn high mass in the students' chapel, the Rev. Raymond Stocker of Beeville delivered the sermon.

### Americanism Contest

After the customary eliminations, held at the College-Academy, the senior class had the distinction of seeing one of its members win the city-wide Americanism contest sponsored by the C. C. Junior Chamber of Commerce. Viron Vaky won, but only after a good struggle with James Cass and Francis Sullivan. Grady McRae of the freshman group won in the junior high school division of the city.

### Abbot Paul's Visit

It was a homecoming when Abbot Paul returned to the campus in March for his annual visit. The West Basement, decorated in old gold and maroon, could not fail to move the Rt. Rev. Visitor, since it reminded him of his former years at the school in the heyday of Cavalier football supremacy. Father Abbot was appreciative of the program given and in particular complimented the seniors, the band, and the general work noticed.

### Junior-Senior Picnic

They had to wait until after the Easter holidays for the annual outing. But Mathis drew the two classes in full numbers. The water beckoned many, and incidental games others. A large spread at noon was the close of the day since the weatherman was unable to hold back a down-pour of rain.

### Popularity Contest

To the senior class goes a lion's share of the credit for having put over the first popularity contest of any consequence sponsored at the school. Ably helped by Mr. Vernon Phillips, the class was able to muster a sizeable fund for the May Day celebration as well as to give to the school three outstanding winners, pictured in the feature section of this volume.

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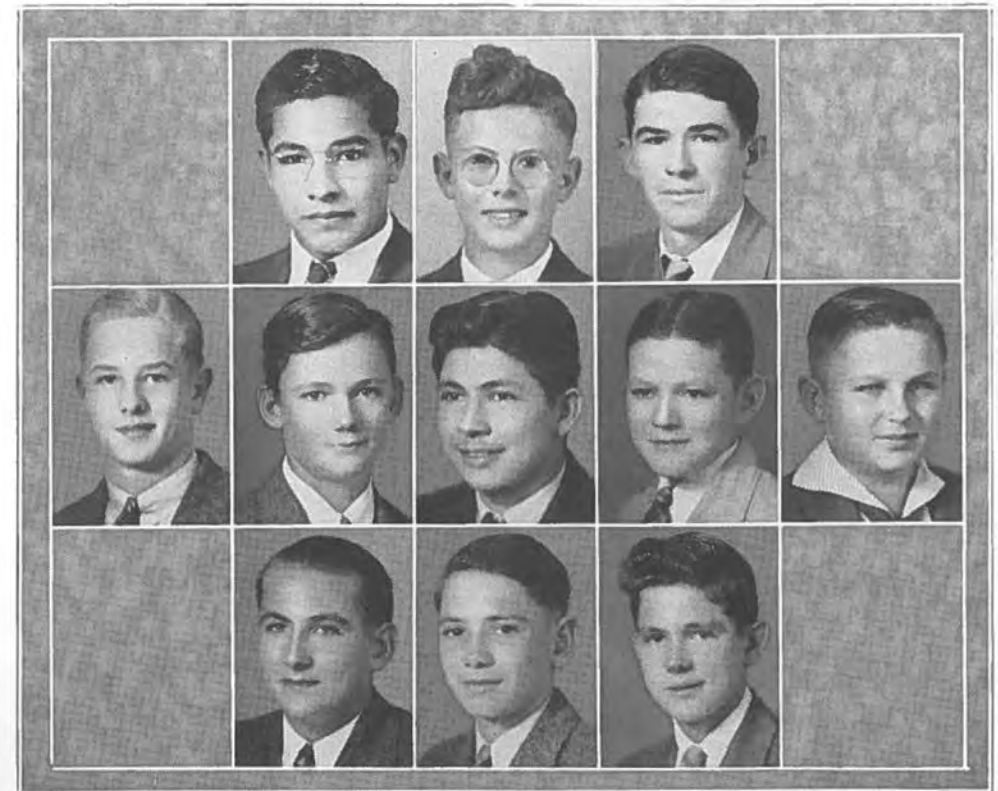
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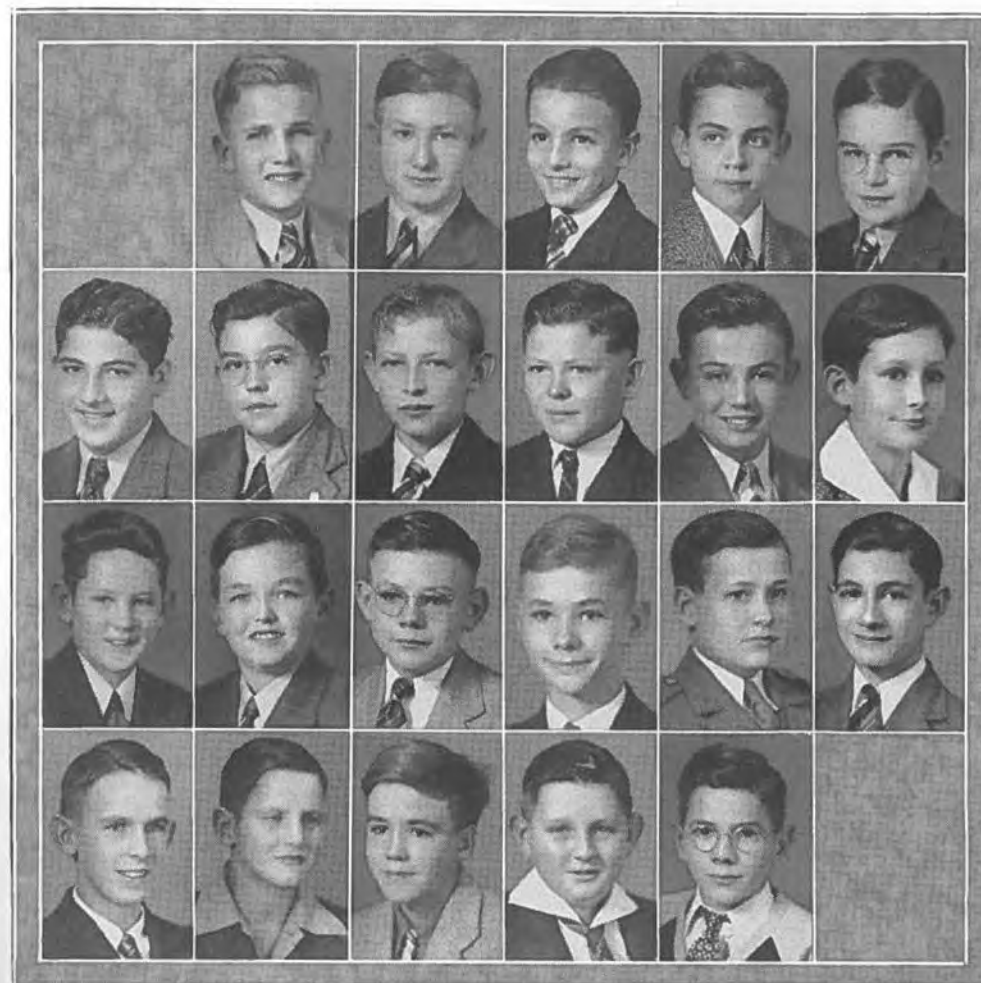
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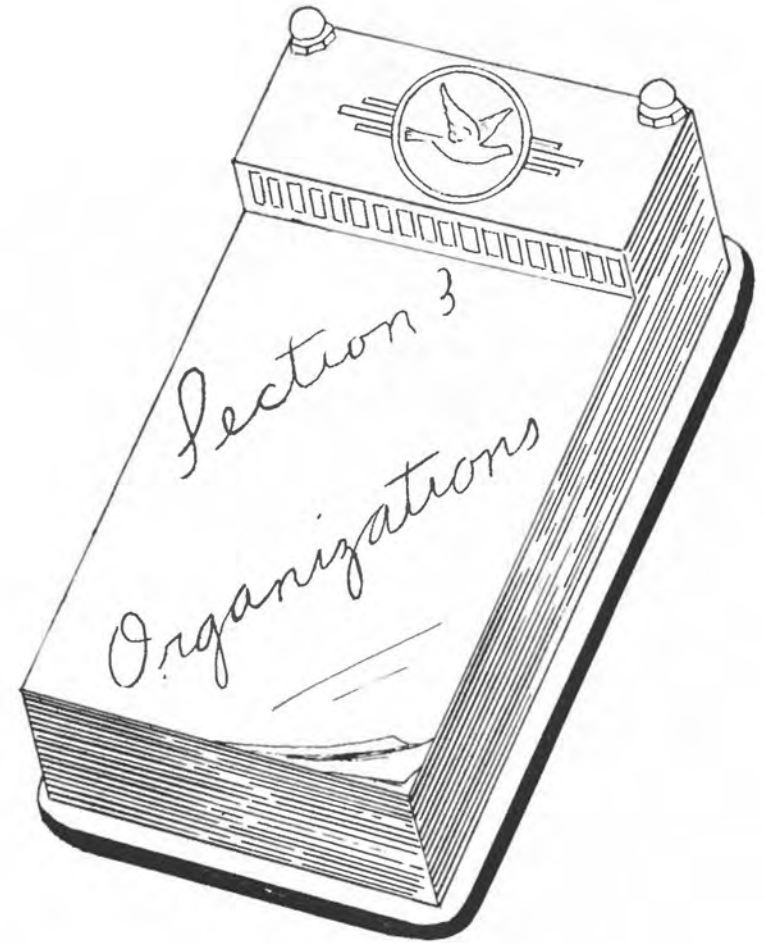
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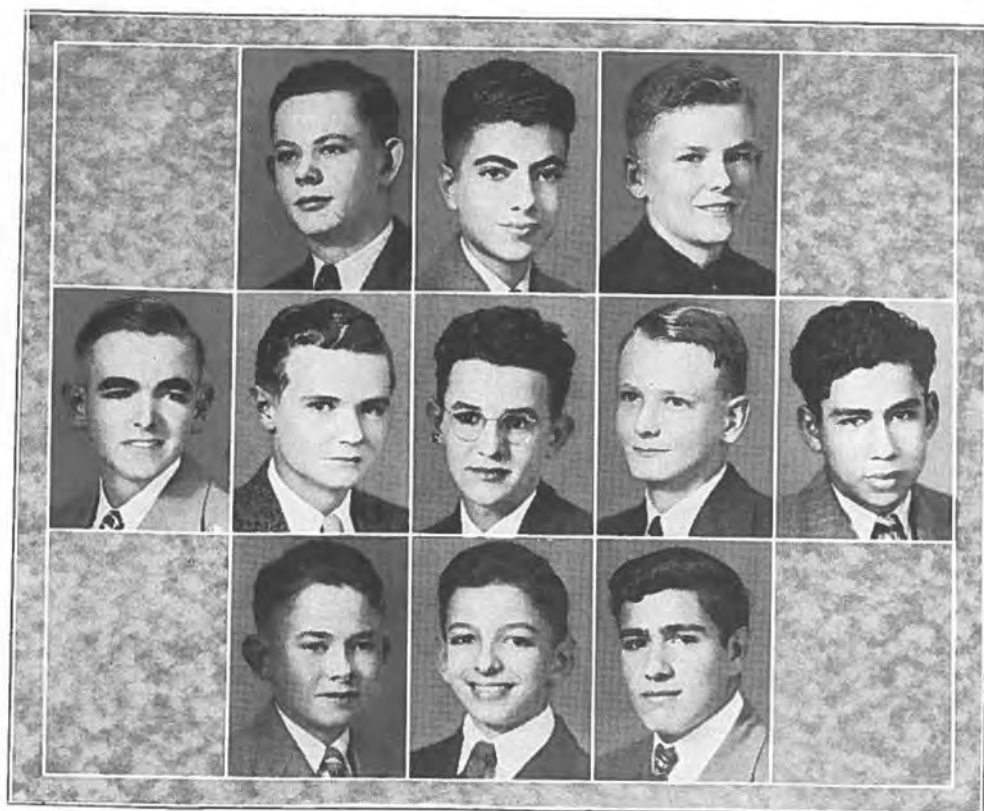
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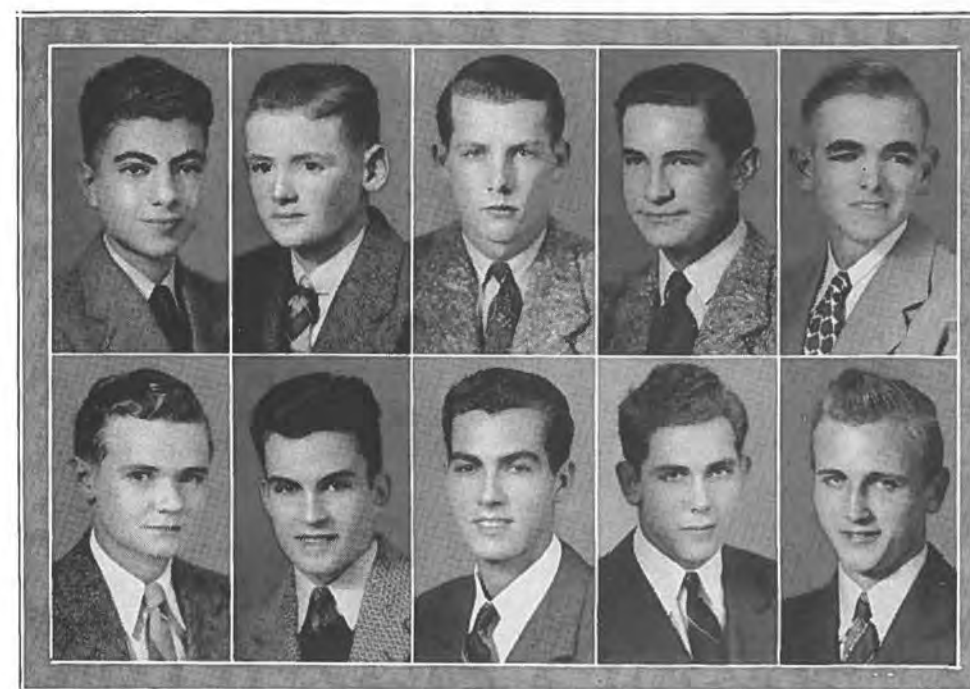
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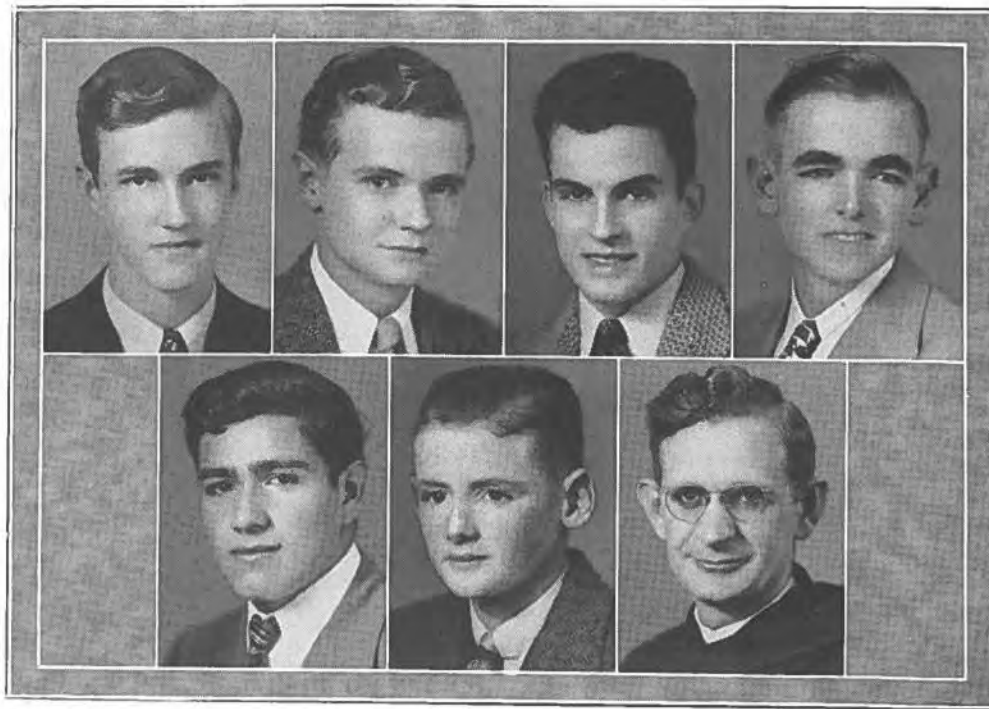
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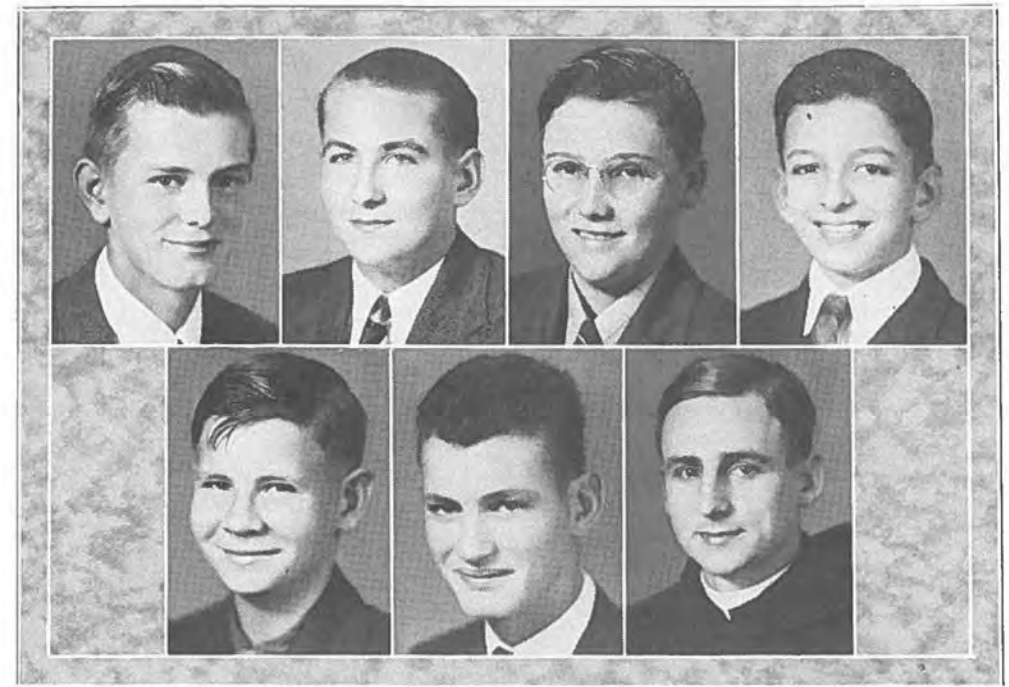
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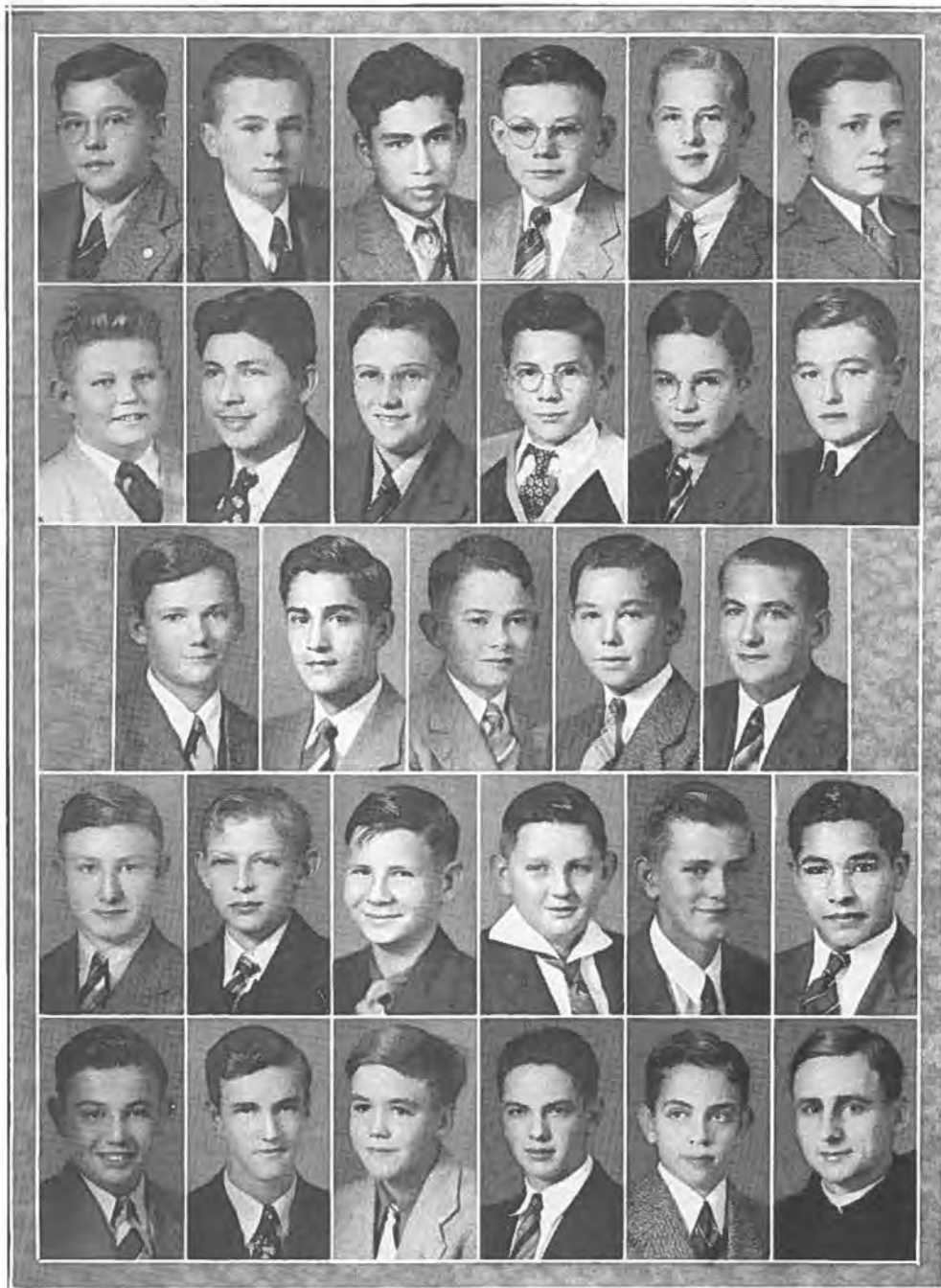
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Rev. Alfred Hoenig, O. S. B., Director

### THE YEAR

The first impulse in music was given last year, but it took the determined inspiration of this year's director, Father Alfred Hoenig, O. S. B., to set this impulse into resounding vibration. With but a few left-overs from the previous year, Father Alfred succeeded admirably in bringing together what has been acclaimed as the greatest band in the school's history.

Realizing immediately that the future of music at the College-Academy depended upon the enlisting of new recruits, the director in this his first year of such work, organized a junior and a senior division, graduating the younger group into the main band as members progressed. The result was well worth the extra work.

But there was close cooperation between director and musicians. The conscientious private practice and persevering general rehearsals of all interested was noticeable in the very creditable performances given on the occasion of the visit of Father Abbot Paul, O. S. B., and at the Incarnate Word Academy May Fete.

Briefly, music is again playing an important part in filling the extra-curricular group of activities.

## CIVICS CLUB

In recognition of the splendid work of the Seventh Grade civics class, which was organized into a Civics Club, the Commission on American Citizenship of the Catholic University of America, Washington, D. C., issued a charter of affiliation to the class.

Meetings with full parliamentary organization, were held weekly, and formed a part of the class routine. Heated discussions, it is reported, on matters of government and community policy, sent participants to establishments and agencies in the city for information to bolster their contentions.

According to the constitution, officers were elected for brief periods in order to give all members of the club an opportunity to exercise their individualities of leadership.

## CAVALIERS CHRISTIAN CONGRESS

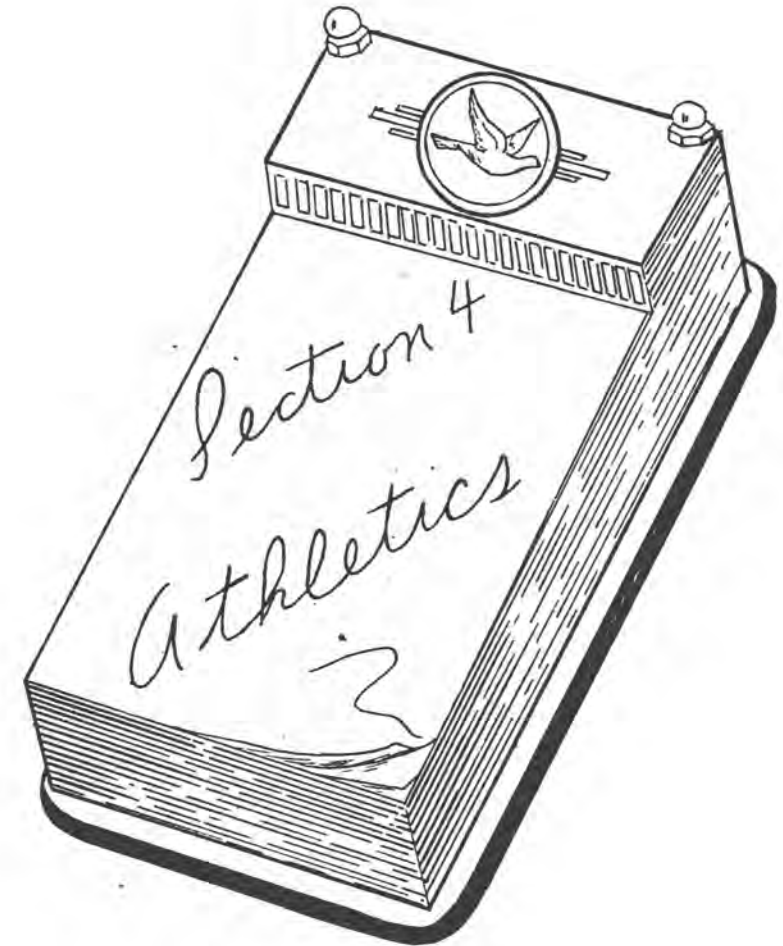
The Cavaliers Christian Congress is a new organization at the College-Academy, established by Father George Strassner, O. S. B., and is a non-denominational organization for the purpose of Bible study and religious discussion. The meetings take place weekly during the time when all Catholic students are engaged in their weekly meetings in the Sodality of the B. V. M.

The ultimate purpose of the congress is to strengthen the moral and religious attitude of those boys in the organization and to bring religion closer to those who are without one, consisting of all non-Catholic boys at the school.

The general committee on arrangements included Grady McRae, John Armstrong and Bob Green, who worked out a schedule whereby each of the thirty-two members had an opportunity to read the Bible and express his own views on religion.

The officers are as follows:

Moderator ..... Rev. George Strassner, O. S. B.  
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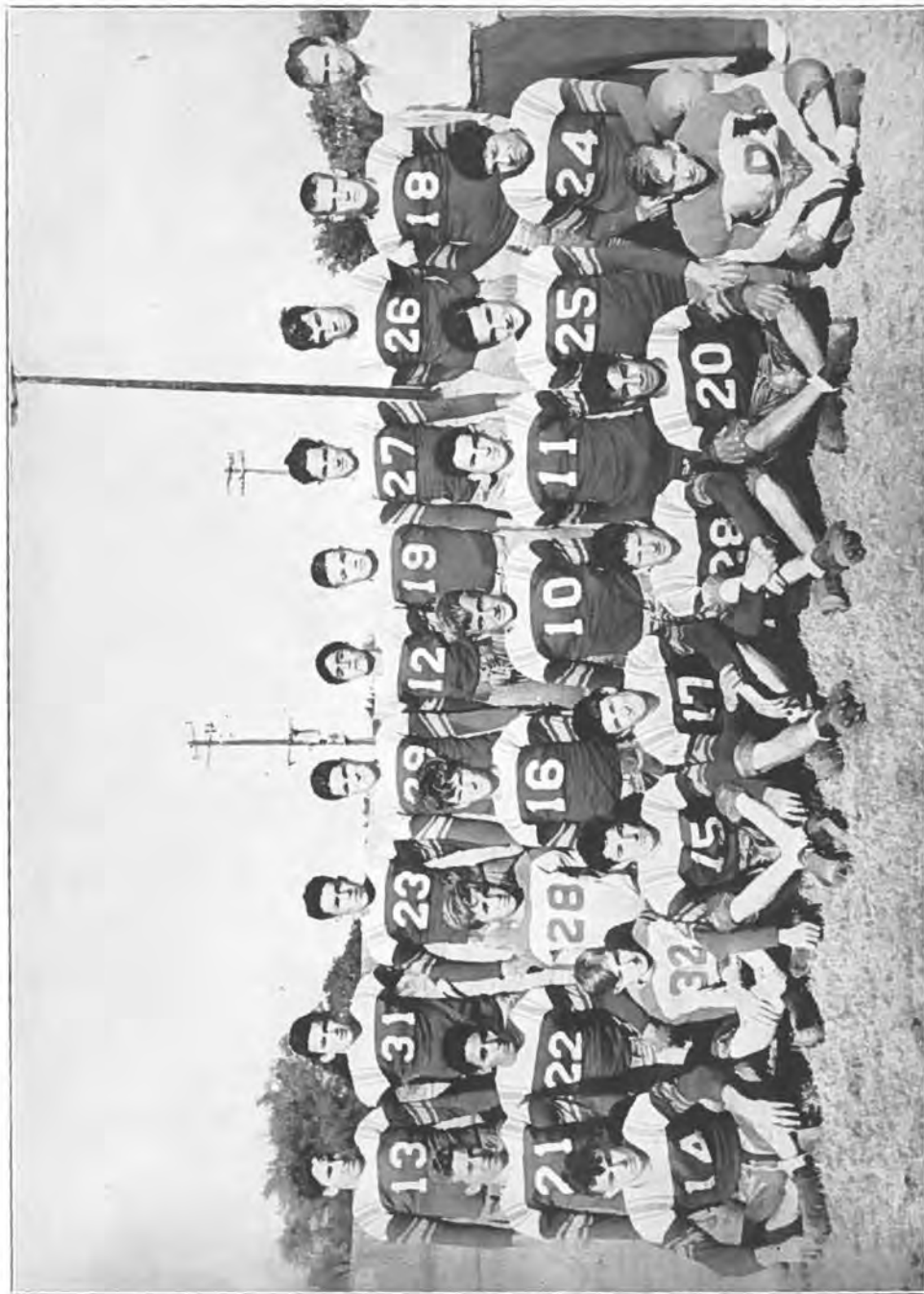


## **Athletics . . . . .**

FOOTBALL

BASKETBALL

INTRA-MURALS



The 1940 Cavalier Squad

## FOOTBALL

### The Squad

As pictured on the group photograph of the preceding page:  
 Back row:— Sam Sovey, Jesse Trammell, Willie Stevens, T. J. Pereira, Pedro Gonzalez, Robert Stoner, John Stitt, Bill Kennedy, James Voeste, Coach Bob Mireur;  
 Middle Row:—Harold Macha, Noe Longoria, Odin Beck, Koren Sherrill, Douglas Beck, Frank Rossi, Robert Perrenot, Pedro Rodriguez;  
 Front row:— Bernard Featherling, George Benson, John Emmert, Charles Joly, Gene Pereira, Leopoldo Luna, Adolph Orsak. (Absent: Pedro Coronado)

### The Season in General

The slump that hits all athletic teams from time to time was ten years in reaching the Cavaliers—but it had to come. Now that it's over with, coaches and players alike settle back, not to forget so much the reverses, but to build again for the years to come.

The seven-game schedule was not without bright moments, however, for there were games in which the genuine Cavalier mettle did really assert itself. But it was just the one or the other slip during the battle that spelled defeat.

### The Lettermen

Basing his decision on the merits of the players, Coach Bob Mireur awarded letters to the following, at a meeting of the Parents' Club, held shortly after the opening of the second semester:

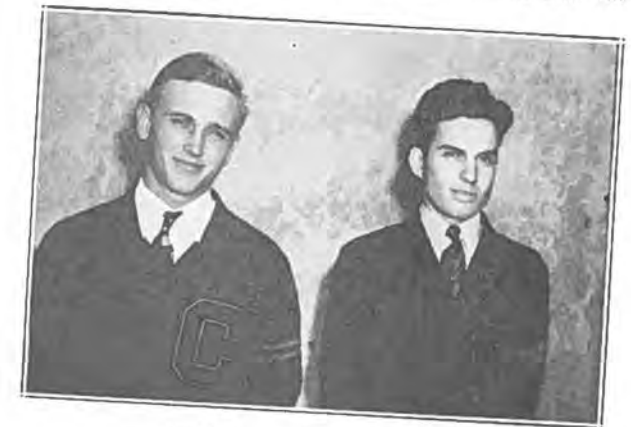
Frank Rossi (co-captain), T. J. Pereira (co-captain), Bob Stoner, James Voeste, Douglas Beck, Sam Sovey, Noe Longoria, Jesse Trammell, Pedro Rodriguez, Willie Stevens, Harold Macha, Gene Pereira, Bernard Featherling, Bill Kennedy, Charles Joly.

### The Season in Detail

#### Ingleside

The opening game of the season at Ingleside was outstanding for the passing and running attack of the Ponies against the excellent punting of T. J. Pereira, and the defensive work of his team.

The Ponies finding no openings in the Cavalier forward wall, resorted to aerial tactics late in the second quarter. They proved successful when McKenzie of Ingleside shot a short pass to Wright who streaked thirty yards for the first score of the game. In the third quarter the Ponies recovered the ball on a fumble and in two passes, advanced the ball to the 5-yard line, from where they crossed pay dirt the second time. Late in the next quarter after two



Lettermen Beck and Rossi



Lettermen T. J. Pereira and Stoner

The Panthers' first score came midway in the second quarter after the two teams battled in midfield during the first quarter. White, Panther back, plunged three yards over the Cavalier goal, after a teammate had intercepted Sovey's pass, moving the ball into scoring position.

On the kick-off after the touchdown, Featherling returned the ball twenty-two yards to the Panther forty. The backs, with fine blocking, in the line, worked the ball to the 27, from where Sovey took it to the 16. Rossi skirted the end to the 3-yard line from where Featherling smashed through to tie the score as the half ended. The Cavaliers were kept on the defense most of the time in the last half. The Panthers accounted for two more tallies in this half.

The teams tied for first downs, each team getting eight.

### Laredo

The Cavaliers produced one of their best defensive games of the season with the St. Joseph's Rams of Laredo, the game ending in a scoreless tie on October 4 at Laredo. The Cavaliers threatened to score in the first period but were cut short by a clipping penalty. Most of the game was played in the middle of the field, both teams making thrilling gains, only to be stopped when goals were threatened.

The Cavaliers threatened again in the third period when Rossi shot a short pass over the middle to Trammell who raced thirty-five yards to the Ram fifteen.

The game ended with the ball changing hands several times in the last minutes on fumbles and intercepted passes.

Sovey was the most consistent gainer for the Cavaliers, making several first downs. With the exception of a few passes and runs by Martinez, flashy Ram full-



Lettermen Stevens and Featherling

running plays and a pass failed to gain, McKenzie passed on the fourth down to Nolte for forty yards. Several plays later Nolte carried the ball through center for the third and final tally. The game was played on September 19. Final score: Ingleside 13, Cavaliers 0.

### Aransas Pass

The Cavaliers, playing away from home for the second time of the season, took a 20-6 defeat from the Golden Panthers of Aransas Pass on September 27.



Lettermen Macha and Gene Pereira

Brittain, line plunging fullback for the Cottonpickers, traditional foes of the Cavaliers, gave the fighting Maroon and Gold a 40-0 defeat on October 18 at Robstown.

The Cavaliers made a valiant stand against the stronger and heavier Robstown eleven. The first score came in the first quarter with three more in the second, and two in the third. George "Great" from Sovey to Longoria to T. J. Pereira.

### Victoria

The St. Joseph's High School Flyers of Victoria scored a 19-6 decision over the Cavaliers, at Victoria on November 2, after a rugged and hard-fought battle.

The Flyers scored early in the second period after an exchange of fumbles. Using some well-aimed aerials with Sovey on the tossing end, and Trammell, Rossi, and Stevens doing the receiving, the Cavaliers marched 75 yards in this period to tie up the score when Sovey dropped back to pass, elected to run, and sprinted 21 yards for the counter. The next score came when Charlie Cain intercepted a pass, and ran 25 yards for the score.

The Cavaliers began passing to even the score again, but this time they missed. Then Cain intercepted another and set up the final touchdown for the Flyers.

Voeste, Kenedy, Beck and Macha turned in a well-played defensive game in the line with T. J. Pereira backing up the line in splendid fashion.

### St. Thomas, Houston

The St. Thomas Toms of Houston took the Cavaliers 19-0 at Houston on November 11. Failing to penetrate the Cavalier line, the Toms took to the air late in the second quarter despite a strong wind and heavy rain. They threw five passes in this quarter, one being good for a touchdown.

Finding the Cavalier



Lettermen Kennedy and Voeste

back, the Cavaliers held everything under control.

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Lettermen Trammell and Rodriguez  
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pass defense in a weakened condition, the Toms resorted to aerial tactics again in the third quarter, adding two more touchdowns. Then the Cavalier defense closed in again in the final period, holding the Toms to short gains in mid-field. The Cavaliers threatened late in the final period when Stoner covered a fumble on the Toms' 21-yard line, but the game ended several plays later.

### St. Anthony, San Antonio

The Cavaliers stopped the St. Anthony's Yellow Jackets with a net gain of 25 yards, but a leaky pass defense cost them a 26-0 defeat in San Antonio on November 16.

End Joe Moran accounted for the three touchdowns, with the other end taking the other.

The Cavaliers threatened after the Yellow Jacket's fourth touchdown. Returning the kickoff to the Cavalier 42, T. J. Pereira then got 14 through guard and passed to Rossi, making it a first down on the Jackets' 32. From there Pereira got 2 and a pass from Longoria to Stevens, following a 5-yard penalty against St. Anthony's, produced another first down on the 20. Rossi added 6 but Sovey fumbled on the fourth down. Voeste, Macha, Stoner, Kennedy, played fine defensive ball in the line, with T. J. Pereira and Rossi backing up the line splendidly.

### Spring Training

In spite of an unsuccessful season, and the absence of a coach this spring, the football blood of some twenty gridsters pulsed faster, and the spirit ran high as the call of the gridiron rang through the College-Academy again. Under the supervision of Mr. V. G. Phillips, athletic director for spring athletic activities, three former lettermen, Frank Rossi, James Voeste, and Douglas Beck took over the coaching duties for the spring training session.

During the spring training season of past years, the coach has been assisted in teaching fundamentals to his new charges by two or three outstanding lettermen of the preceding season. But this year was the first time in the history of the Cavaliers that the lettermen took over without a coach.

Frank Rossi, flashy back of '39 and '40, drilled the old backfield men with the rigor of a Quigley, former coach, and also uncovered some promising material in the underclassmen.



Mr. V. G. Phillips  
Athletic Director  
II. Semester

James Voeste, in charge of calisthenics, overlooked nothing in the line. He did well his job of limbering up muscles in the twenty some odd boys who had grown stiff since their last appearance on the football field.

Douglas Beck was at home with linemen, going through the tackling and blocking practice, happy that after three years of being told how to do it, he could finally teach some one else.

A good deal of credit for the success of the spring season goes to Mr. Phillips who maintained the inspiration necessary to go through with the work.

### Coach Bob Mireur

For only a half year, Coach Bob Mireur was at the helm. But it did not take that length of time for him to become the traditional athletic idol of his charges, of the students. That speaks for itself. Few men would have been able to, so to say, face the music, after a disastrous football season in the manner that he took it.

His task this year was not an easy one, for he was charged with the responsibility of reorganizing the system in order to give greater opportunity to the students themselves by offering an expanded program to permit more students to participate. This he did.

But more than that. His outstanding accomplishment was the inauguration of basketball, after it had ceased to be a major Cavalier sport for twelve years. Mireur capitalized on the spontaneous interest of the students themselves and developed the first campus liking for the sport. Although handicapped by a lack of a gymnasium, he used available facilities for goal practice, and engaged downtown courts for periodical training in offense and defense. Out of a normal schedule he succeeded in winning a half of his games. As a result of this year's work, basketball has come to stay and will be numbered in the future as the second major athletic interest on the College-Academy campus.

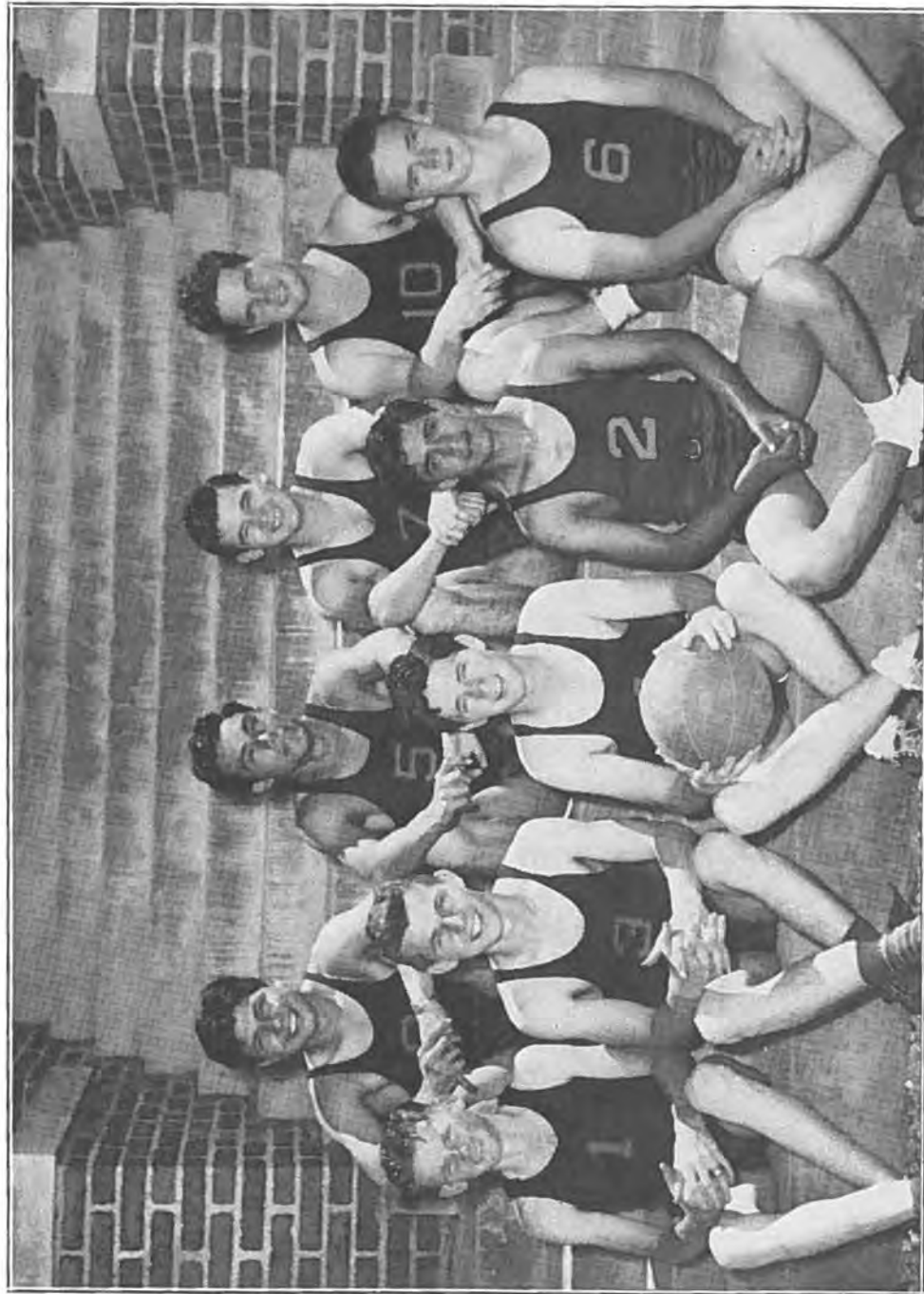
### Basketball

The twelve-game Cavalier basketball season went on in rapid-fire order, and when the final goal was thrown, the team found itself with an even winning break and as many losses.

The opening of the season found the Maroon and Gold cagers in an unbreakable winning streak, during which they scored five consecutive wins. But the lack of opportunity for work-outs finally told, and the last half of the season caught them in difficulty.

The squad was comparatively small, and replacements were few, but Coach Mireur managed to eke out with a complete team, although at times costly fouls made the players' bench more than uncomfortable.

Squad members included Jesse Trammell, Willie Stevens, Gene Pereira, T. J. Pereira, Pedro Rodriguez, Noe Longoria, Robert Perrenot, Pedro Gonzalez, and Harold Macha as player-manager.



**Basketball Squad**

BACK ROW: Pedro Rodriguez, Willie Steves, Jesse Trammell, T. J. Pereira;  
 FRONT ROW: Micky Welsh, Harold Macha, Gene Pereira, Pedro Gonzalez, Robert Perrenot

Jesse Trammell was high point man for the season with a total of 96 points. His nearest rival was Gene Pereira, who scored 41 points. Then came the rest in the following order: T. J. Pereira, Willie Steven, Pedro Gonzalez, Noe Longoria, Robert Perrenot, and Harold Macha.

The following is the composite score:

Cavaliers			Cavaliers		
23	C. P. & L.	21	18	Taft	34
21	Clarkwood	19	21	Aransas Pass	24
32	Ingleside	17	20	Gregory	11
20	C. P. & L.	16	18	Rockport	27
21	Taft	18	8	Ingleside	34
24	C. P. & L.	26	20	Taft	41

The "B" team likewise came in for a part of the schedule. Playing on this team were James Cass, Jack Armstrong, Dell Kerr, Charles Joly, Robert Vrazel, and Micky Welsh.

### Intra-Murals

Dividing the school into two leagues, the American and the National, softball got into full swing around Easter, with V. G. Phillips in charge of schedules and games. Four teams are entered in each league, making eight teams in all. Excitement is running high, and the outcome of the schedule, which closes May Day, set for the 21st, will be undecided until the end.

The teams are using the noon period and the physical training hour after lunch for the games, and the sidelines are crowded with spectators for the daily get-togethers. Prizes will be awarded on May Day to the winners.

Other sports that have been claiming attention of the students this year include golf, for which a course has been laid out by the students themselves on the south half of the Forty Acres.

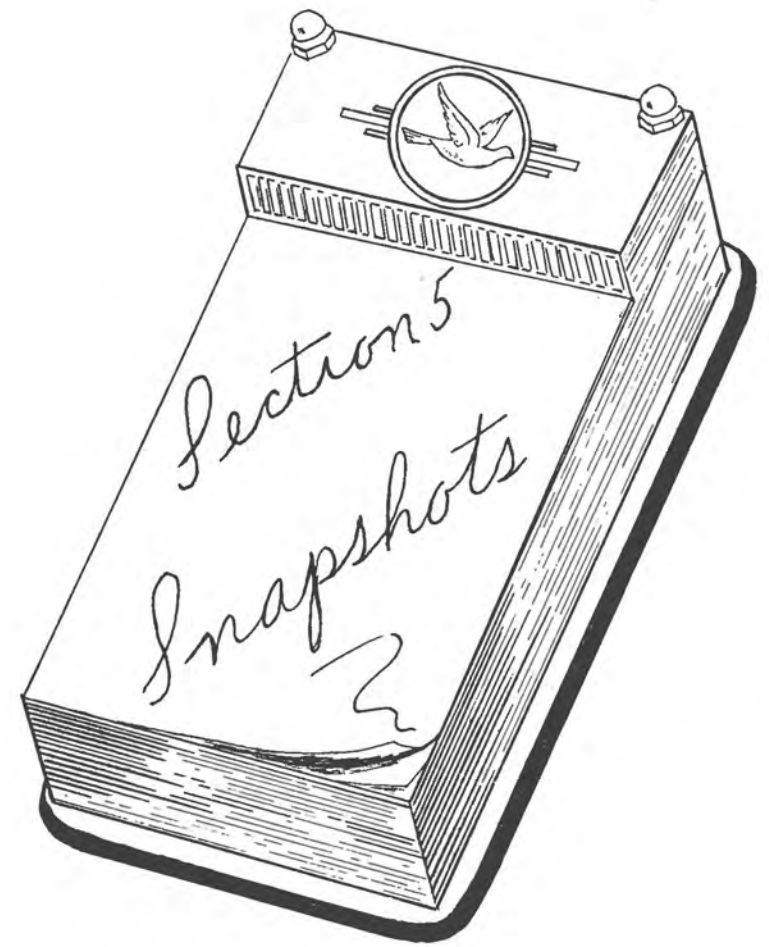
A new game this year has been badminton, and much interest has been manifested in this sport, particularly among the junior high school group. This together with table tennis and horse shoe pitching have provided ample diversion for the off hours.

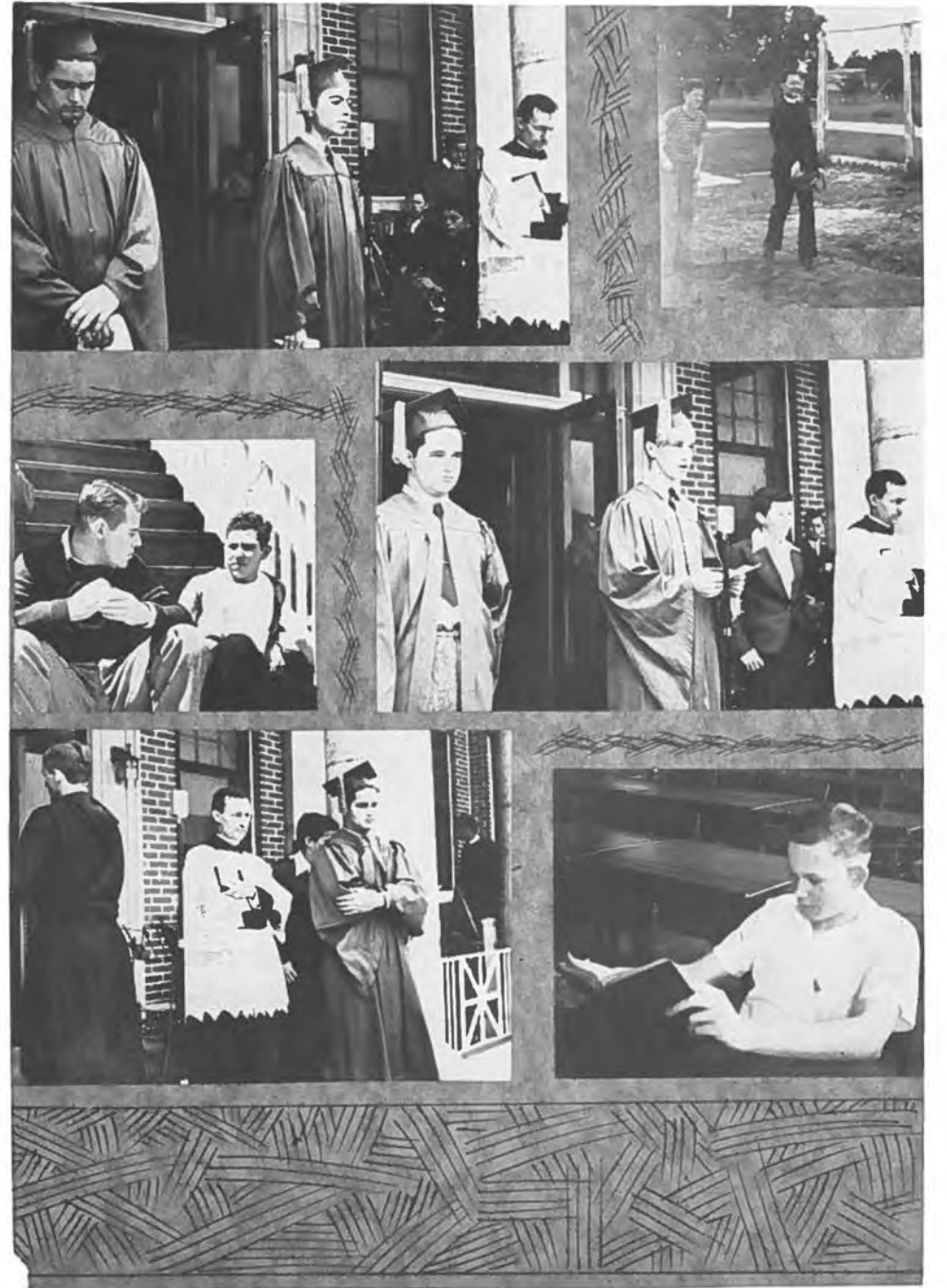
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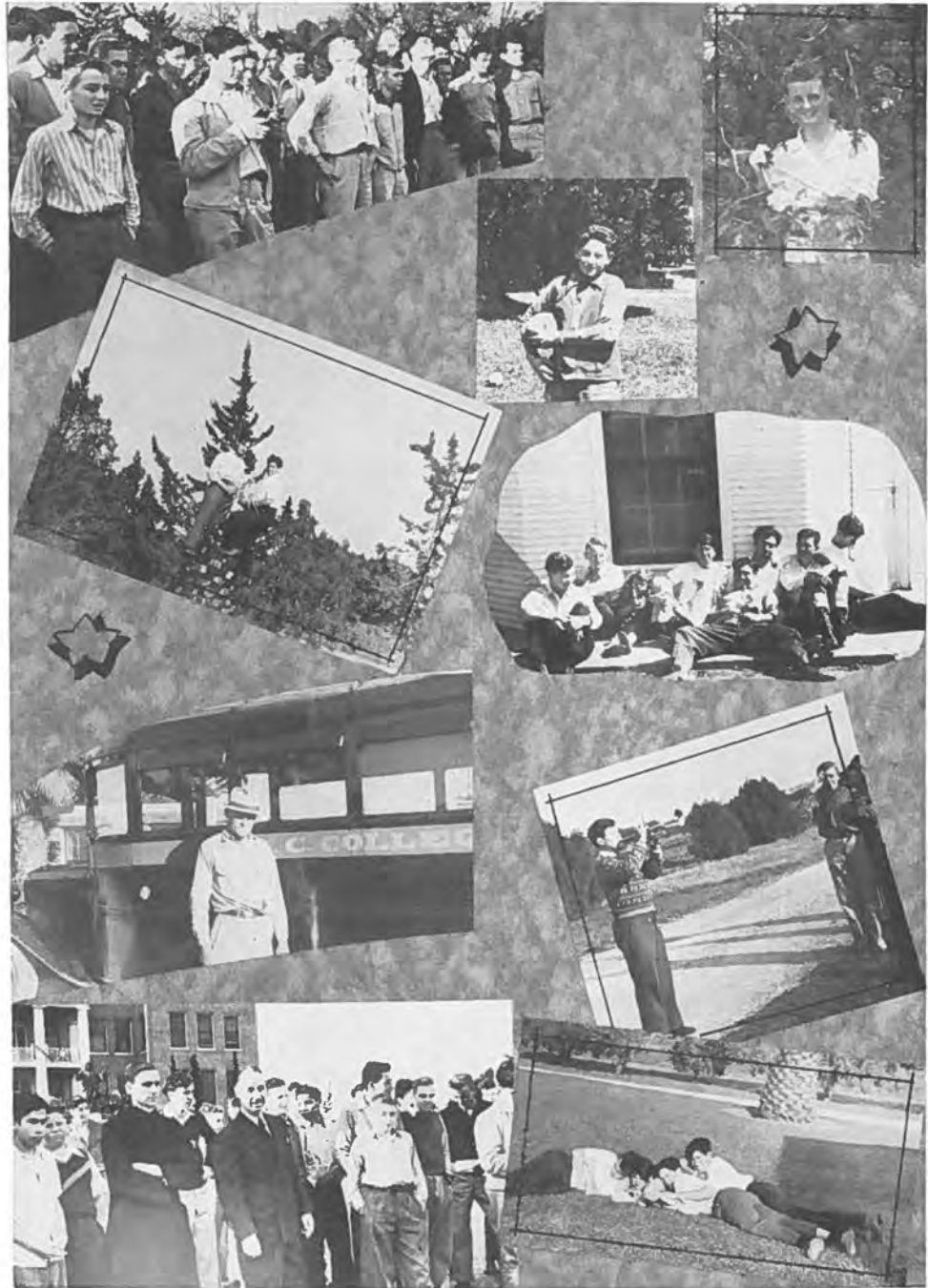
May Day this year will include several features that have not been on the schedule in the past two years. The day will open with a Field Mass, according to the present schedule. Following this will be a sermon preached by Father George Strassner, O. S. B.

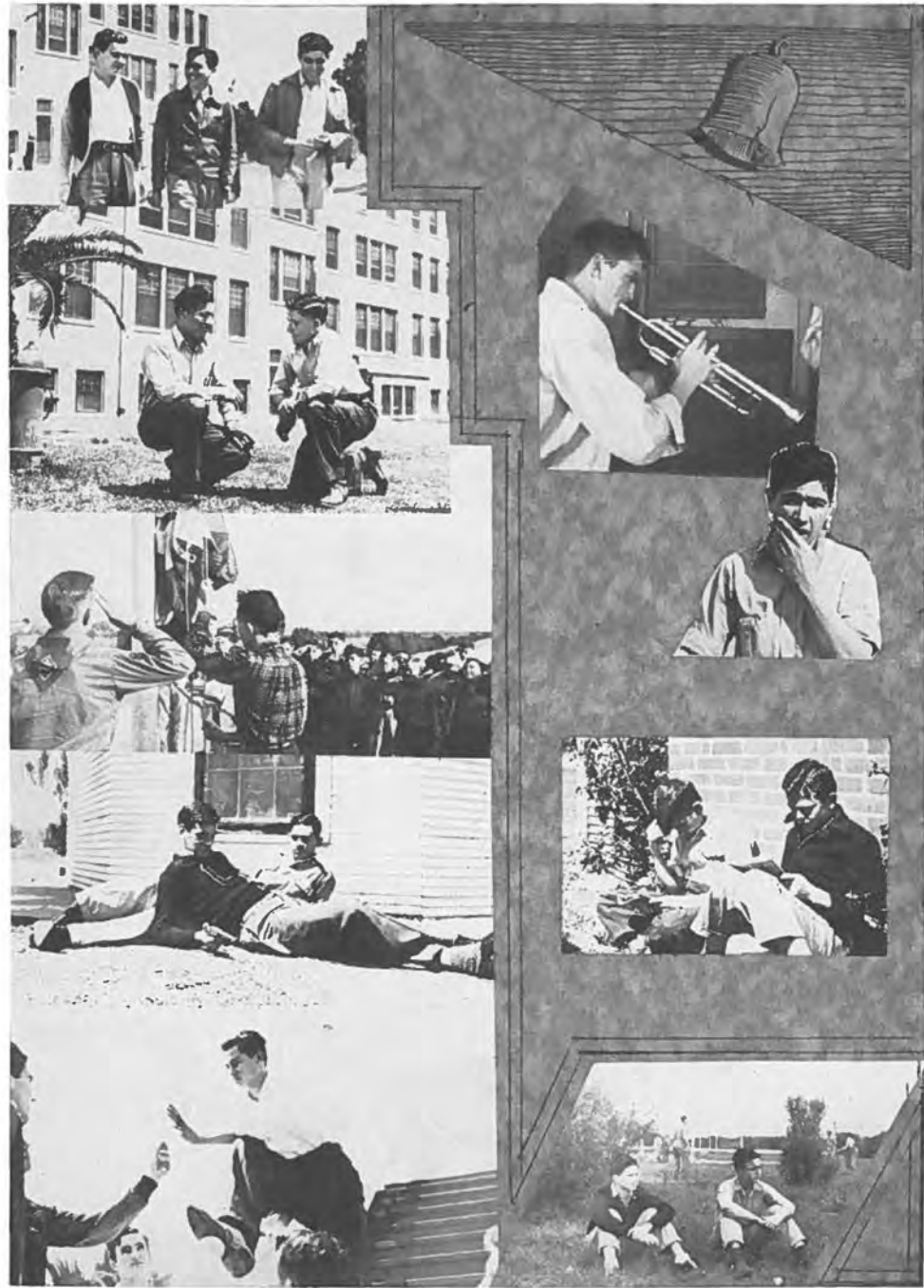
At noon a barbecue luncheon will be served to students and parents, who will be especially invited to attend.

The greater part of the afternoon will be given over to contests of various kinds, as well as the final play-off between the winners in the American and National Softball Leagues.

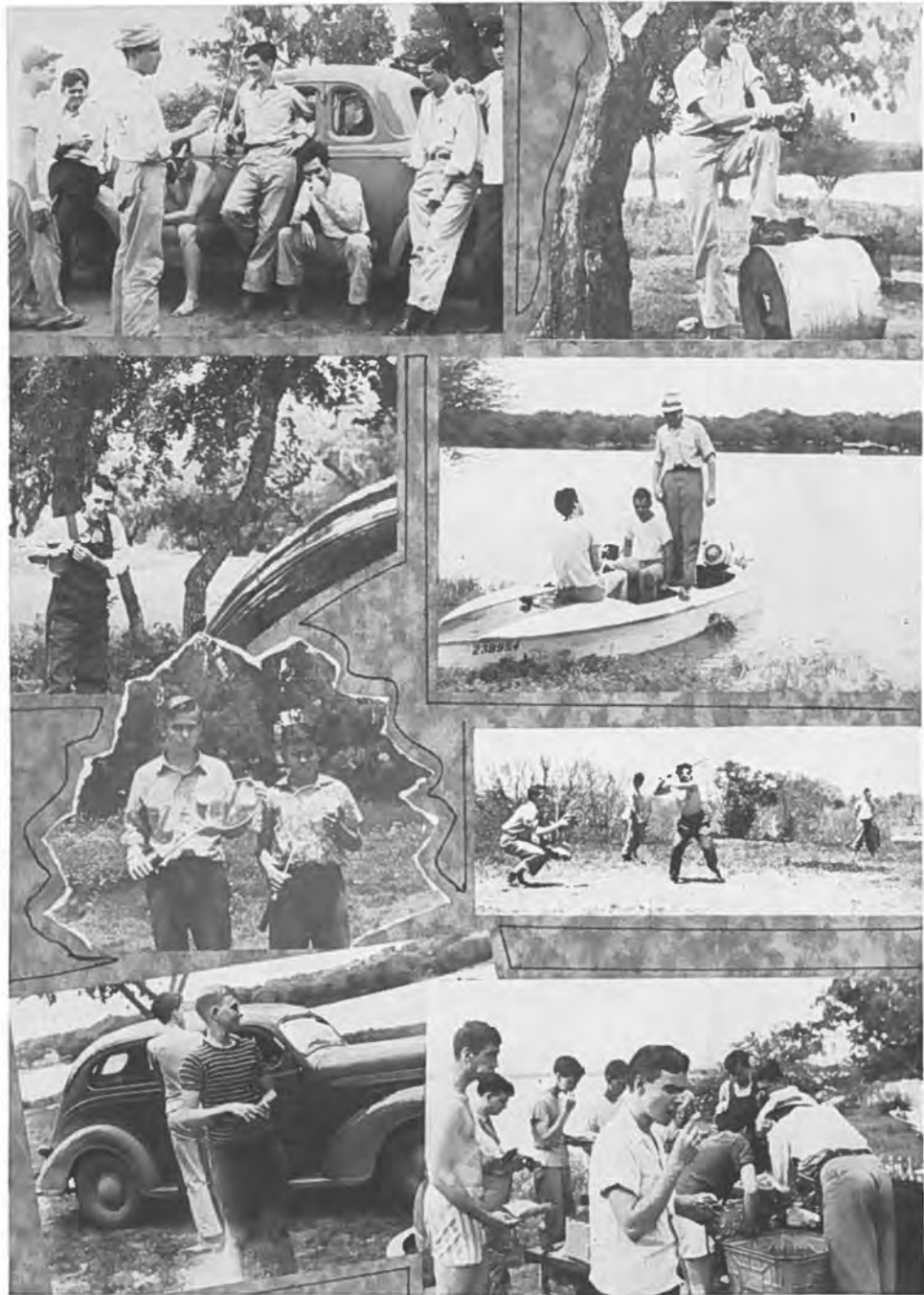












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As in past years, so also this year, Mr. John Dunn and Family have been overly generous and interested in the work, faculty and students of the Corpus Christi College-Academy. The mere wish was a signal for this group of benefactors to exert all in their power to be of aid and help to the school. Without exaggeration, the Dunn Family can be truthfully called, "Friends of the Benedictines".

### THE JOHN (Red) DUNN MUSEUM

Outstanding among this year's generosity was the presentation of the famous John (Red) Dunn Museum in January. Representing the work of a life-time and valued in the thousands, the museum was eagerly sought after by many schools over the state. Lack of space has hampered the school from displaying adequately the excellent collection, but much thought is being given to find suitable facilities for it. It is the hope that when this becomes a reality, LA PALOMA will eulogize this grand gift. But in particular, the thanks of the school go to Mrs. Cleveland Wright, daughter of the donor, Earl C. Dunn and J. M. Dunn, grandsons, for their interest in having the museum in the careful custody of the College-Academy.

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