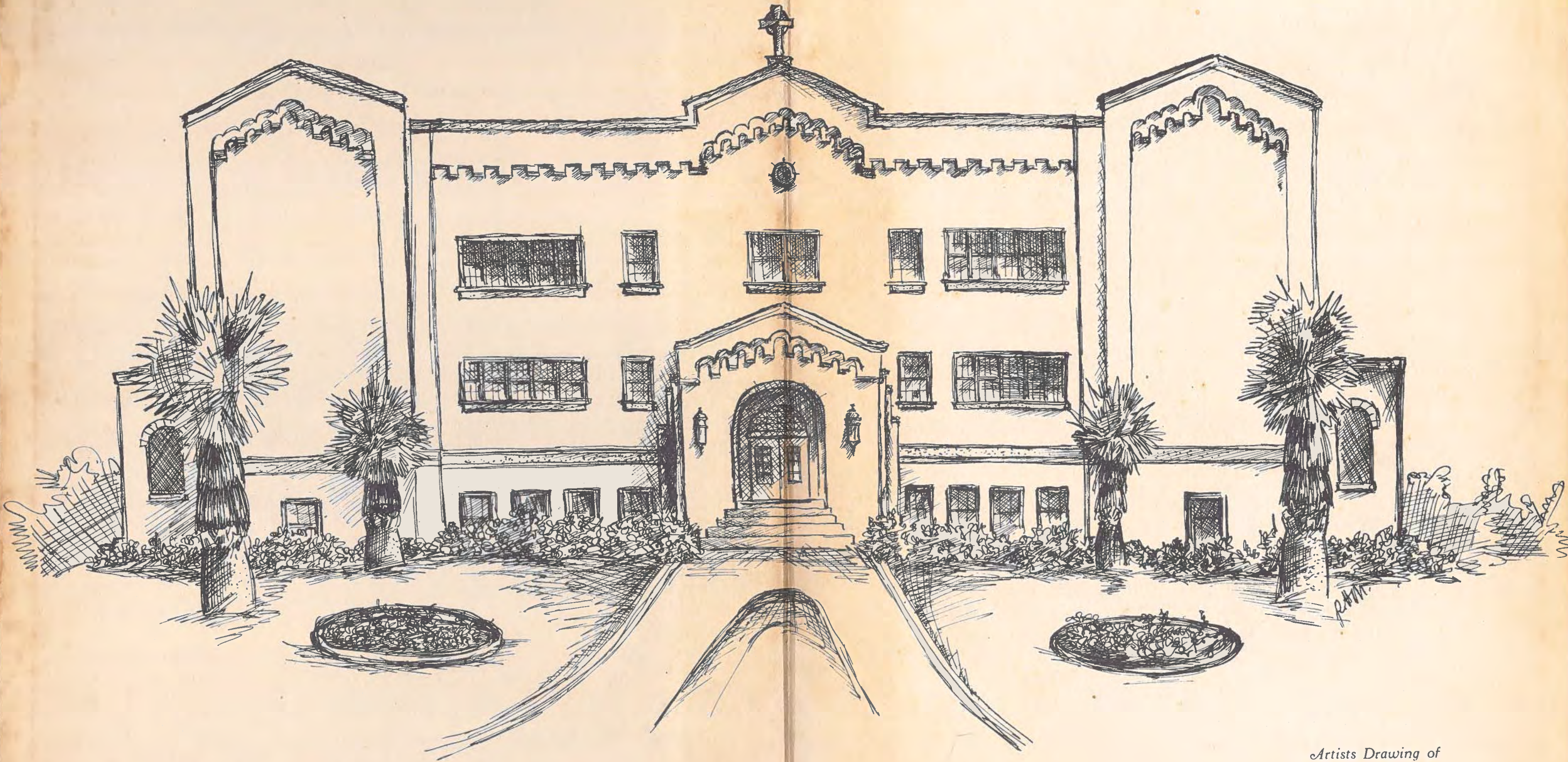


The Aurora

1948



Artists Drawing of
Proposed School

Et Verbum Caro Factum Est

A fragrant silence filled the purple air,
The midnight stars looked down in golden peace
Upon a world sleep-locked from haunting care;

But in high heaven, joy knew sweet increase
As truth and mercy kissed, and Love supreme
Flashed from eternal heights to man's release.

One soul in shining Nazareth did not dream:
She prayed in rapture as the deep night sped,
And saw the splendid wings from heaven gleam

As Gabriel knelt and gave the message dread.
She paused; then spoke in roseate purity:
"Behold the handmaid of the Lord," she said.

In that one instant's fathomless mystery.
God was made flesh in spring-sweet Galilee.

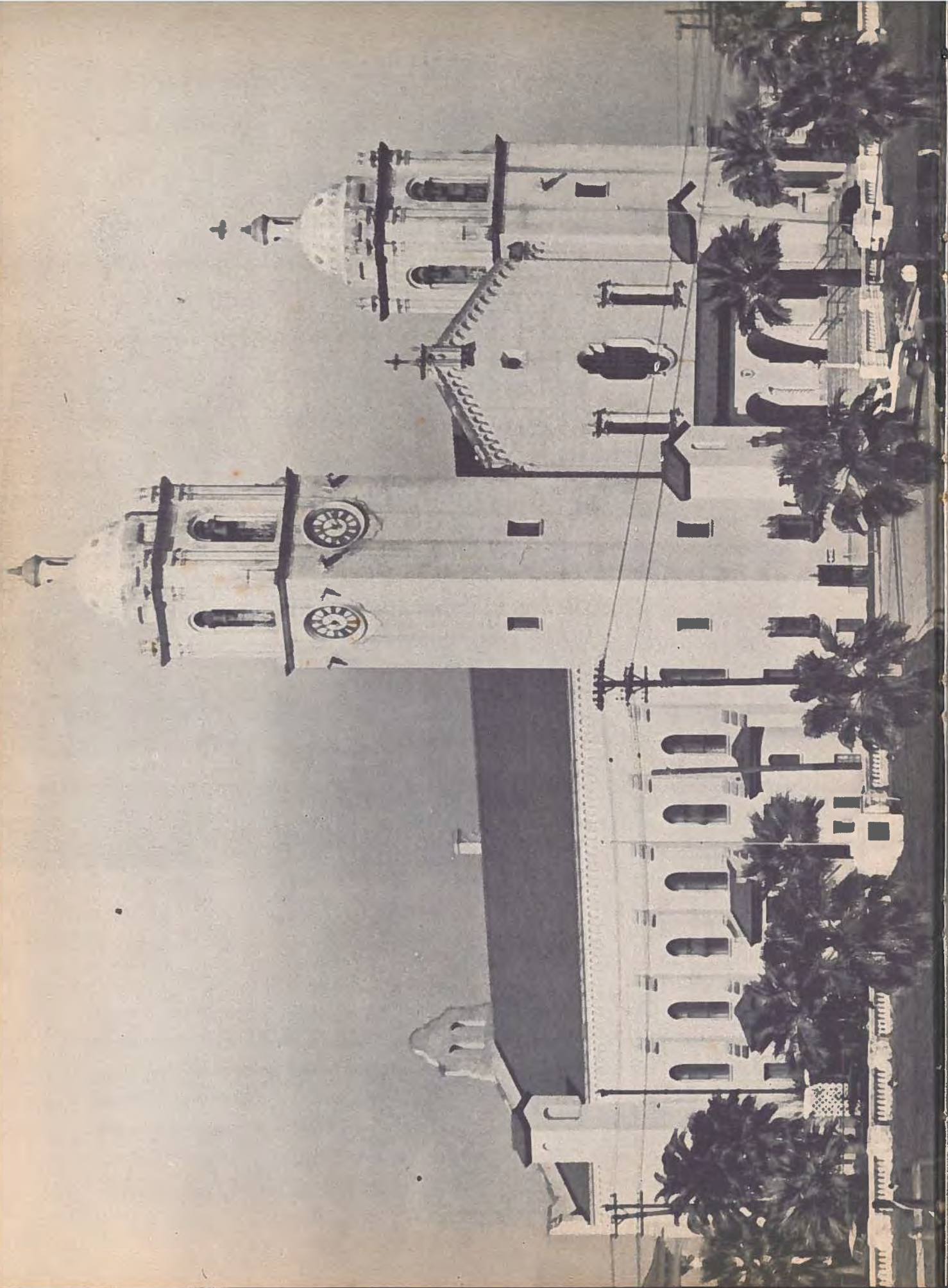
—Sister Maura, S. C.



June Apparition of Our Lady of Fatima

DEDICATION

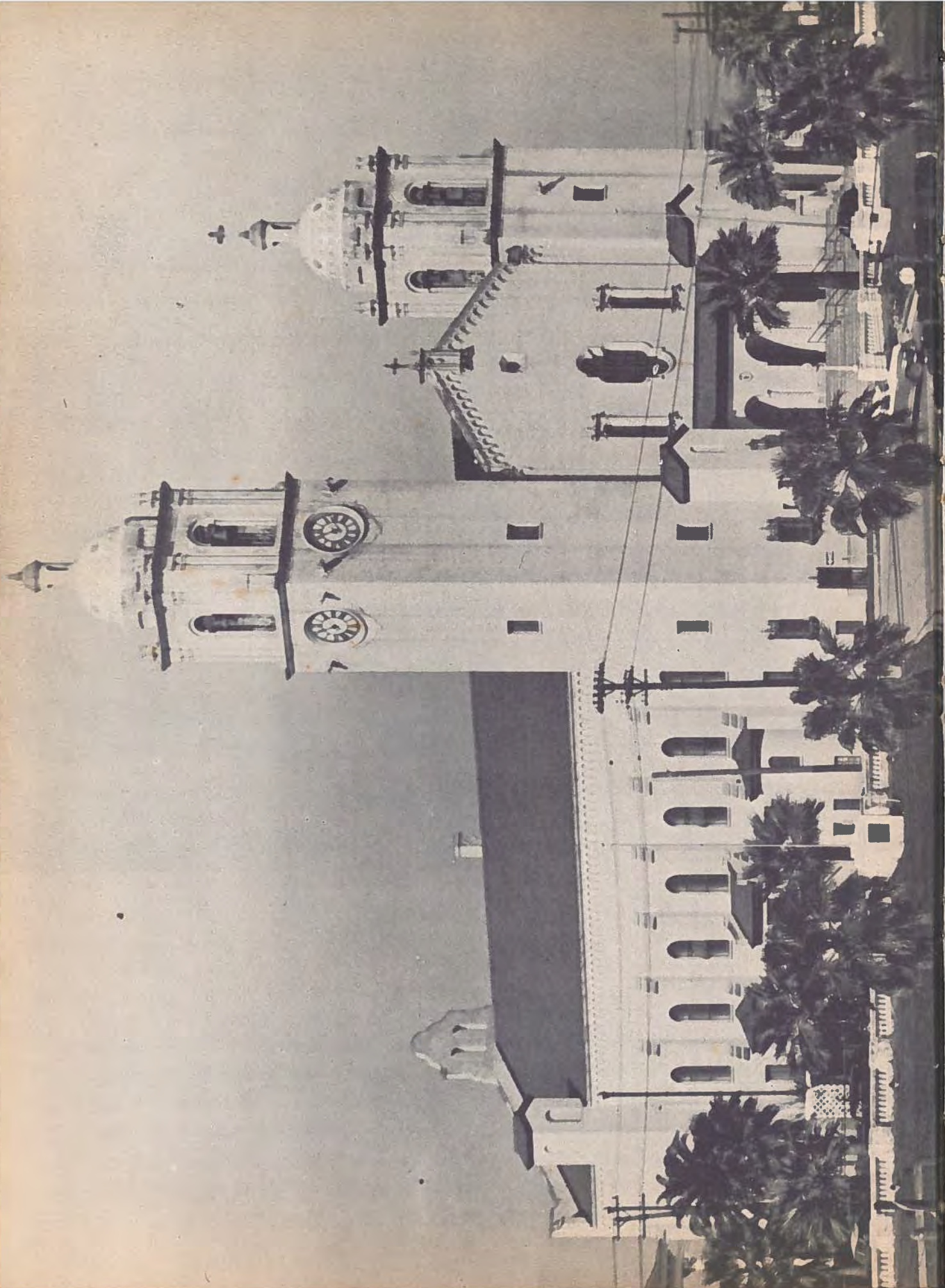
GUIDED by the inspiration and encouraged by the never-failing example of our devoted teachers, the student body of Incarnate Word Academy has endeavored faithfully during these past nine month to put into daily practice the motto, "*Peace through Prayer.*" Conscious of Mary's unique role in the work of restoring a war-torn and hatred-ridden world to Christ, her every feast day was marked by Holy Communion, while boys and girls recited the rosary or chanted our Lady's praise in prayerful hymns. As a fitting climax to this scholastic year lived closely in union with our Immaculate Mother, we, the members of Class '48, lovingly dedicate to her this book of memories.



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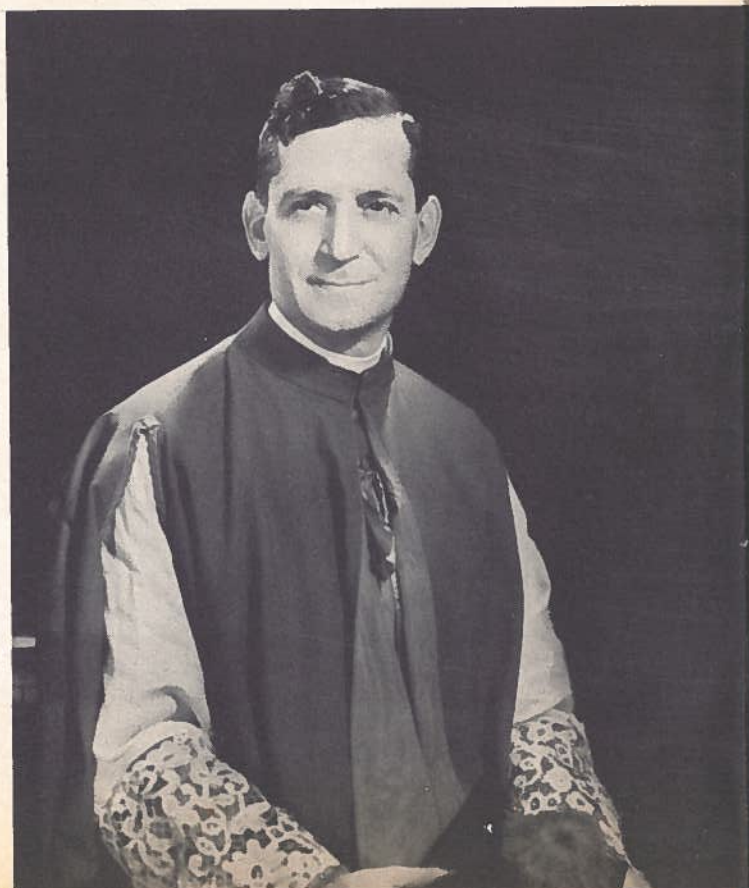
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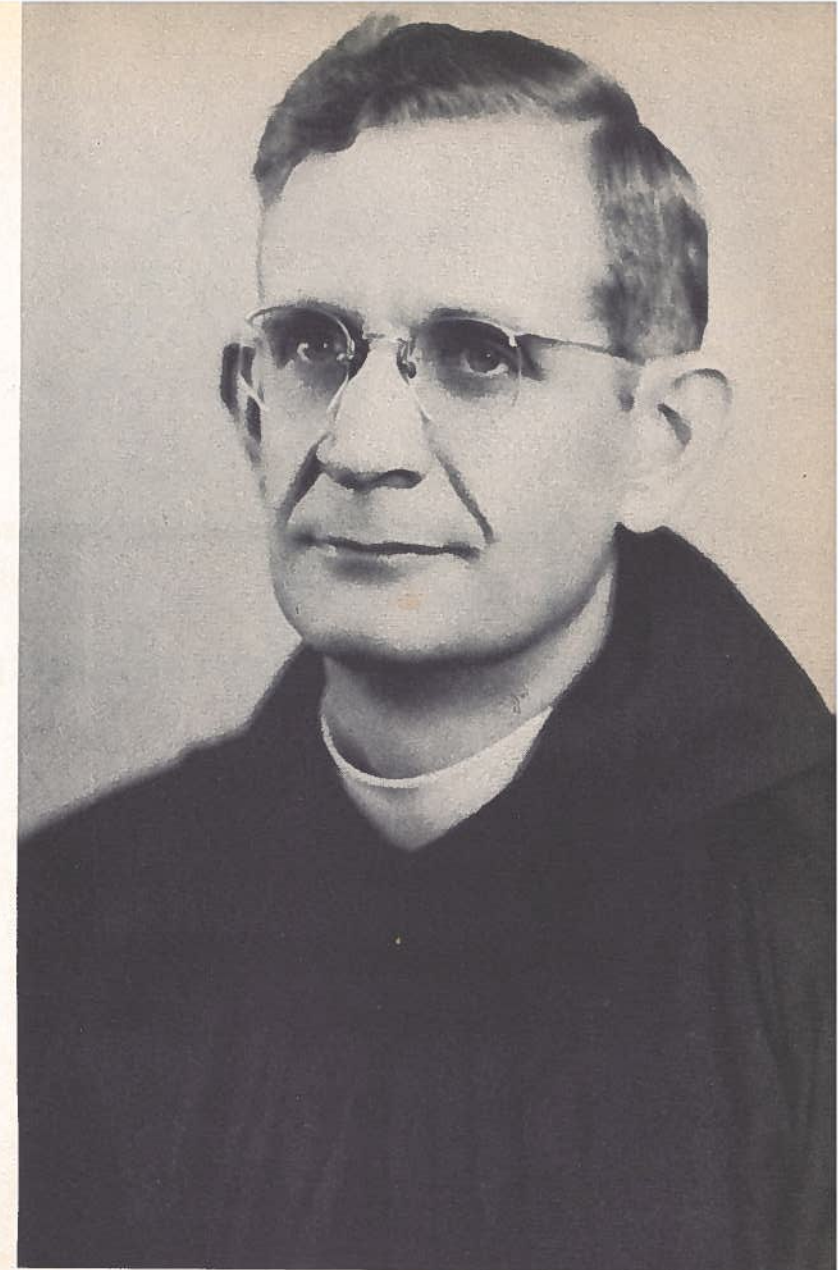
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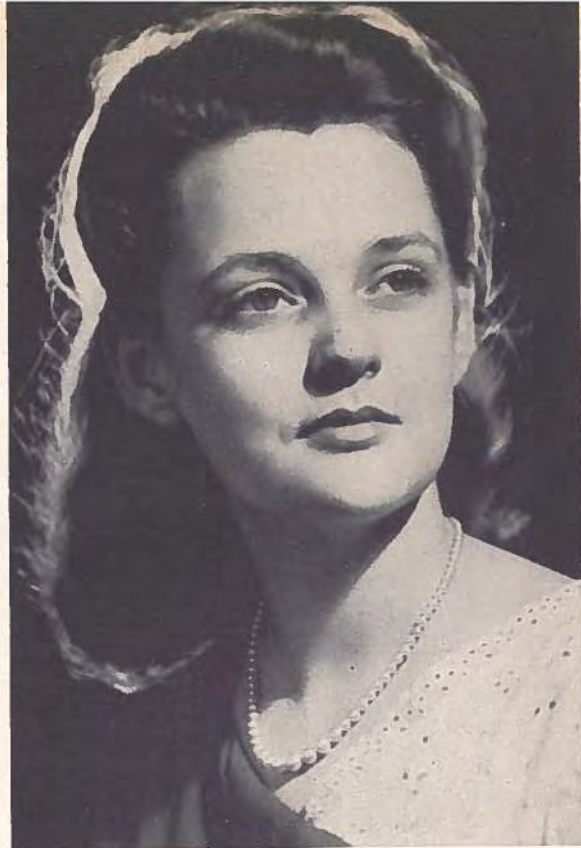
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BETTIE RICHARD
President



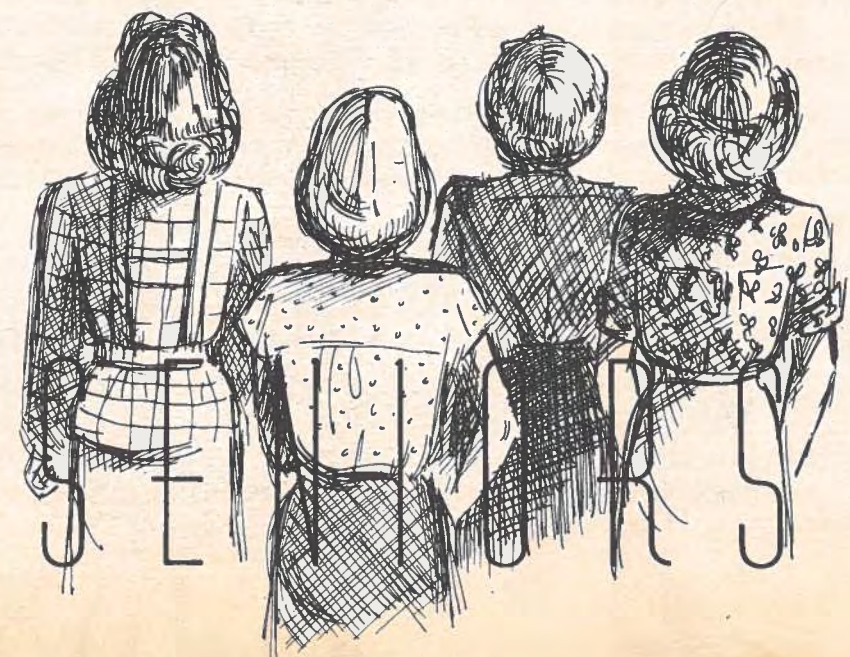
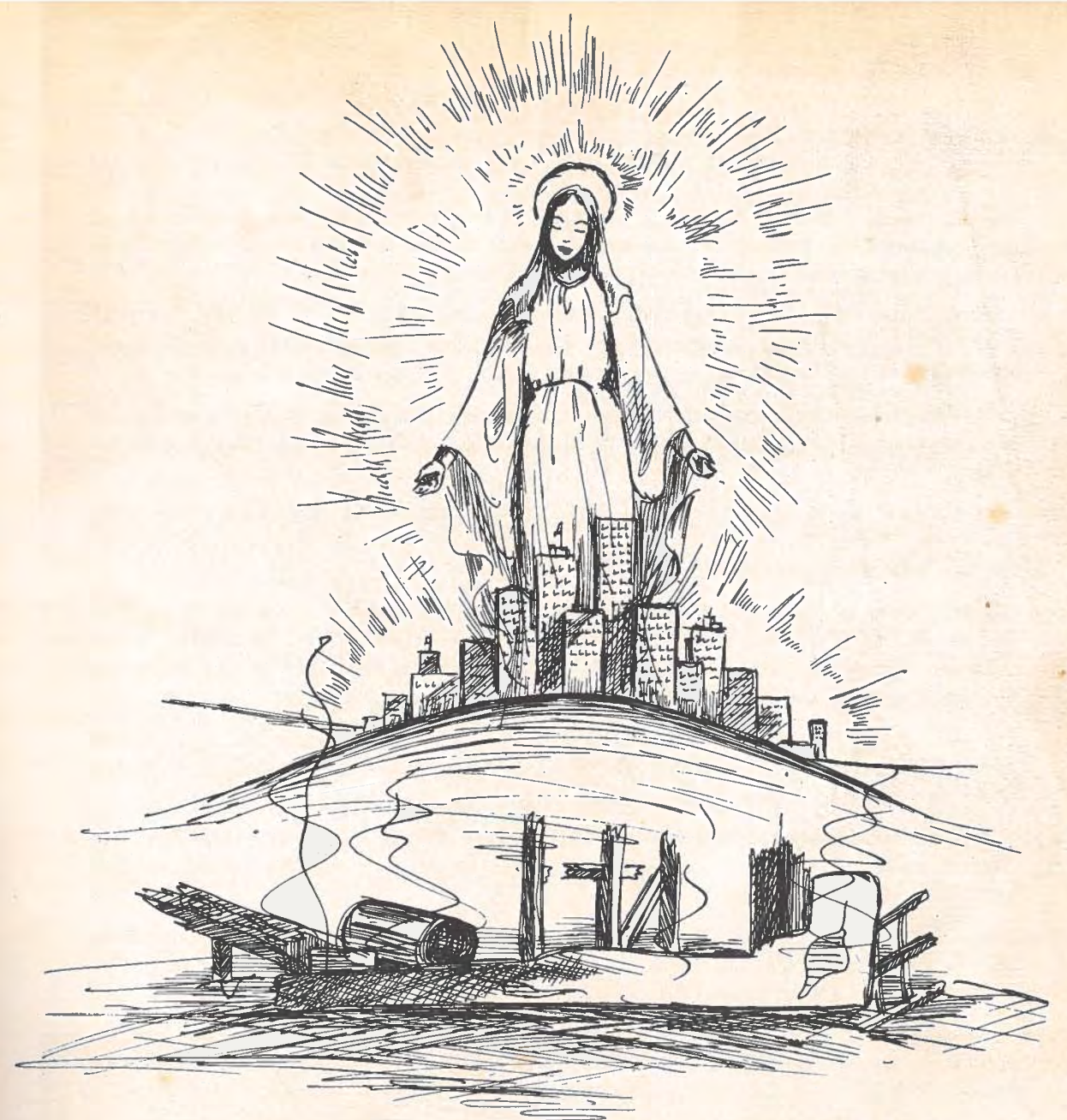
MARY PAT TOWER
Vice-President

Senior Class Officers

MARY ACHEE
Treasurer



MARTHA SCECINA
Secretary



In Our Bouquet of Memories

It is the age of "the New Look"; it is the age of the "Old Look"; it is the atomic age; it is the teen-age. Your scribe views the situation and decides that while a class history is impractical, a class prophecy is impossible. Let's look at the record as is.

Mary Achee: San Benito born, has been a resident student at I. W. A. for the past four years. She plans to attend Incarnate Word College in San Antonio and to make the nursing profession her life's work.

Maria Aguilar: Formerly a student at Ursaline Academy, Laredo, has been with us for the past two years. She will attend one of the local business colleges before taking up office work.

Constance Carew: Hails from Cincinnati, Ohio. She has attended schools in Cincinnati, New York, Nashville, New Orleans, Mobile, Palestine, Beeville, and Corpus Christi. She has formulated no definite plans for the future.

Joan Carter: Born in Okmulgee, Oklahoma, she received her primary education at St. Anthony's in Okmulgee, her elementary and secondary education at Incarnate Word Academy. Definitely plans to attend college, but as for a career, she is still wavering between the stage and journalism.

Coy Carroll: Refugio born, she has attended schools in Refugio, Houston, and Corpus Christi; Incarnate Word Academy for the past two years. Coy is undecided as to her future, but plans to attend Junior College here.

Patsy Chapa: Benavides born, she has attended various schools in the city and Incarnate Word Academy for the past three years. She plans to attend Incarnate Word in San Antonio to study nursing.

Jerry Doyle: Hailing from New York, she has attended schools in Seattle, New Hampshire, San Antonio and joined us at Incarnate Word Academy for her Senior year. She plans to study Occupational Therapy at New Rochele, New York.

Ruth Halepeska: Born in Victoria, she attended schools in Refugio, Victoria, and Corpus Christi; Incarnate Word Academy for past six years. Ruth would like to teach tap dancing.

Lorraine Karcher: An emigrant from New Orleans, La., she has attended schools in Bogalusa, Portland, Mississippi and Corpus Christi; I. W. A. for the past two years. She plans to study nursing at either Providence School of Nursing, Waco, or St. Joseph's, Houston.

Anna Marie Klepac: Robstown born, she attended I. W. A. for all but one of her twelve years of school. That year was spent at Our Lady of the Lake, San Antonio. She plans to attend Incarnate Word, San Antonio, to study interior decorating.

Elizabeth McKenna: Born in Coronado, California, she has attended schools in Virginia, California, Washington, New York, and entered I. W. A. for her Senior year. She plans to attend college to study to be a music critic.

Billie Miller: Elgin born, she attended schools in Elgin, Refugio, El Campo, Austin, Dallas, Bloomington, Woodsboro and has attended I. W. A. for the past three years. She plans to study fashion designing at Incarnate Word, San Antonio.

Dorothea Minnick: Born in Falfurrias, she has attended I. W. A. for all of her education—first through twelfth. She does not plan to attend college but secure a position as Accountant.

Marjorie Nemeck: A Corpus Christian by birth, she attended Kostoryz School until joining us for her last three years. She wants to be a Bookkeeper-accountant and typist.

Frances Netek: A Corpus Christian by birth, she attended Kostoryz School and accompanied Marjorie to I. W. A. for her last three years. She too, wishes to be a Bookkeeper-accountant.

Marie Ann Orsak: Beeville born, she joined us in the third grade. She plans to attend college, possibly Incarnate Word, San Antonio to study accounting.

Frances Plomarity: A Corpus Christian by birth, she has attended I. W. A. for all twelve years of her education. She plans to attend the local Junior College. To be a Bookkeeper-stenographer is her desire.

Mary Louise Quintanilla: A Corpus Christian by birth, formerly a student at Sacred Heart, she joined us for her four years of high school. Mary Louise plans to study nursing at Santa Rosa Hospital, San Antonio.

Martha Reeb: Hails from Antwerp, Ohio, she has attended school in Pauling, Ohio, until joining us for the last half of her Senior year. She has no definite plans for the future.

Betty Richard: Born in Beaumont, she had attended I. W. A., Houston, before joining us in the second grade. She plans to return to Houston to study nursing.

Martha Secina: Hailing from Linton, Indiana, formerly a student at Ladywood, Indianapolis, Indiana, she has attended I. W. A. for her four years of high school. Martha wishes to teach music and plans to attend college for this purpose.

Emma Lee Sparks: A Corpus Christian by birth, she joined us in the second grade, after one year at Crosley. She plans to study law, but is still undecided as to what college.

Dorothy Swetlick: Violet born, she has been a resident student at I. W. A. for the past two years. Dorothy plans to attend Incarnate Word, San Antonio, to study fashion designing.

Margaret Swetlick: Born in Violet, she accompanied her sister, Dot, to become a resident student for the past two years. She has no definite plans for the future.

Annie Strakos: Shriner born, she has attended schools in Shriner, Agua Dulce, Banquete, Sinton, and has attended I. W. A. for the past four years. She plans to attend a local business college to study secretarial training.

Mary Pat Tower: A Corpus Christian by birth, she joined us in the second grade. She plans to study psychiatric nursing at Providence School of Nursing, Waco, or St. Joseph's, Houston.

Vera Urbanovsky: Born in Granger, she has attended schools in Denton, Ross, Abbott, West, Corpus Christi, and joined us in the eighth grade. She plans to attend night school at Junior College here, and to secure a position as a Bookkeeper-accountant and typist.

Patricia Wray: A Corpus Christian by birth she attended public schools in the city and joined us in the tenth grade. She plans to enter I. W. A., San Antonio.

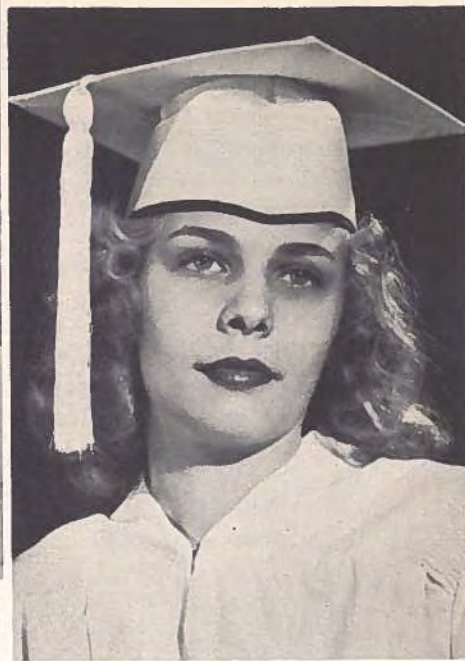
Betty Jane Wolfe: Hails from New Orleans, La., she has attended schools in Louisiana and joined us for her Senior year. Betty wants to enter the noviate here upon graduation if the nuns will accept her, if not, she will probably be a bus driver.



MARY ACHEE



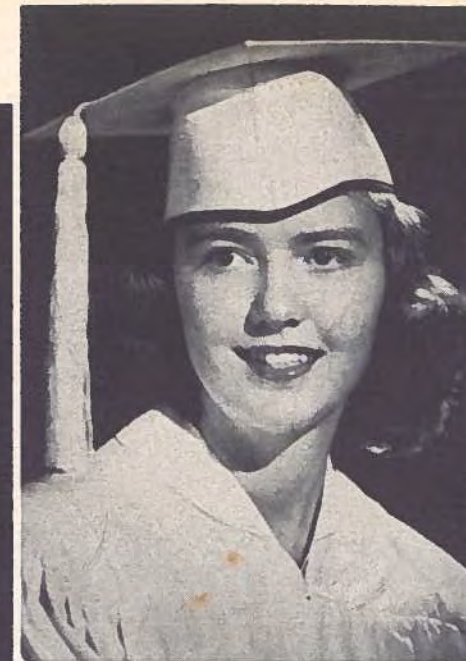
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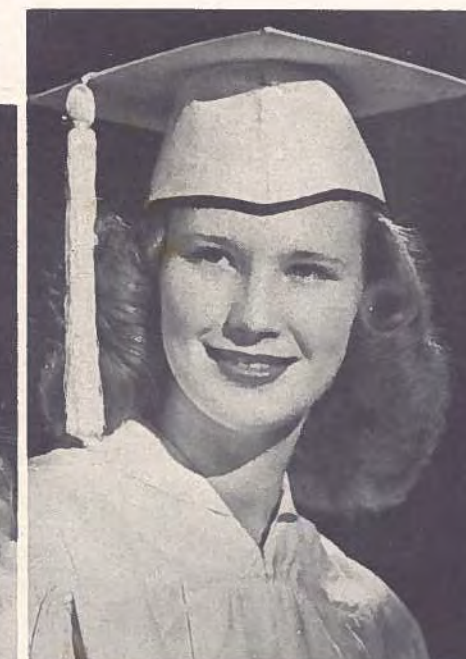
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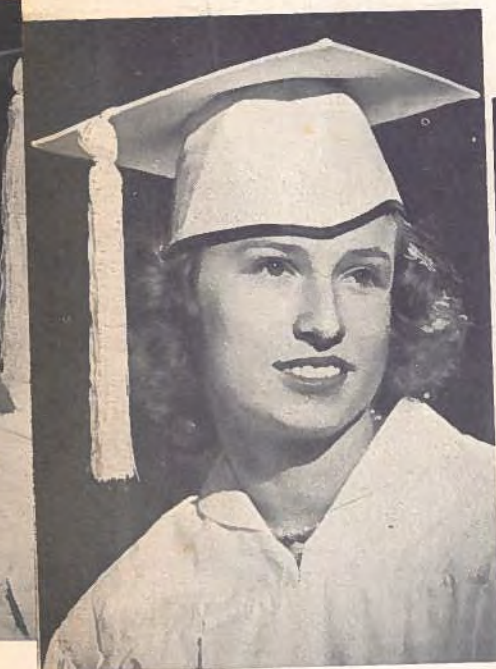
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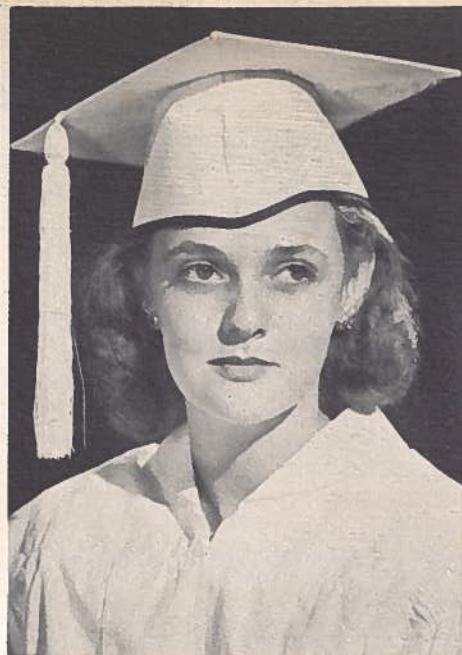
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MARCELLA WATZLAVIK



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BILLIE MILLER

Most Beautiful



MARY ACHEE
Most Representative



MARTHA SCECINA
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CLASS OF 1948



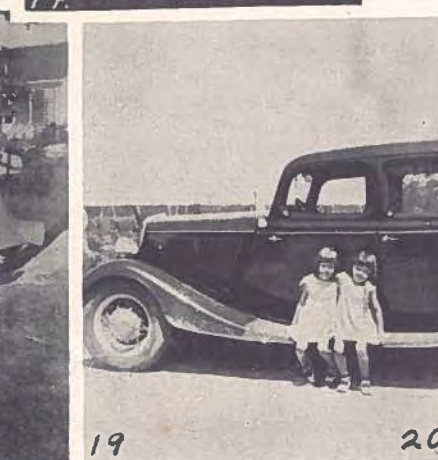
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14. Martha Reeb

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16. Dorothea Minnick
17. Vera Urbanovsky
18. Emma Lee Sparks
19. Dorothy Swetlick
20. Margaret Swetlick
21. Mary Achee

22. Frances Plomarity
23. Elizabeth McKenna
24. Coy Carroll
25. Marcella Watzlavick
26. Marjorie Nemece
27. Pat Wray
28. Betty Jane Wolfe

There's Been Some Changes Made!



Senior Class Will

We, the Senior Class of '48 of I. W. A., do hereby make, publish and declare this to be our last will and testament:

I, Bettie Richard, will to Jeanine Buckley and Gloria Spahn my ability to hit a high note in the hopes that they can hold it longer than I.

I, Joan Carter, will my dramatic talents to Maybelle Havel in the hope that she becomes another Ingrid Bergman.

I, Frances Plomarity, will to Mary Carwile and Dorothy Steward my bookkeeping books and a bottle of "Clorox," with the hopes that they don't use it as much as I have.

I, Mary Achee, will to Joan Gusler my book of "Do's and Don'ts" of the Senior year.

I, Vera Urbanovsky, will to Ann Gallagher, my fiery temper with fond hopes that she has less difficulty in keeping out of scrapes than I; and I will to Marie Herschbach, my figure and all my dress patterns.

I, Margaret Swetlick, will to Judith Wages and Evelyn Schanen, my early hours of sleep during the week-days only.

I, Ruth Halepeska, will to Evelyn Havelka and Henrietta Rodriquez, my quiet evenings at home, along with my knitting needles with the assurance that their clicking is very soothing to the nerves.

I, Emma Lee Sparks, will to Mary Gwen Foran my "swing," may she swing and sway the "Sparks" way; and to Irene Quintanilla I will my wonderful chewing gum.

I, Connie Carew, will my excellent behavior and my ability to conform with all rules to Yolanda Leal and Olga Ramirez.

I, Marcella Watzlavick, will to Patricia Rippy my cheer leader's position and my fiendish love for "jitterbugging."

I, Pat Wray, will to Edith Codd my long hair and my English nose, in the hope that she has nerve to cut her hair and keep her nose down to earth.

I, Martha Scecina, will my unruly bangs to Phyllis and Patricia Megerle along with my magic bob-pins, to keep them in place.

I, Billie Miller, will to Olive Staley and Diane Slavik my undying love for people, and blissful memories of our typing periods together. (Struggle)

I, Dorothea Minnick, will to Edith Brown my undying love for short muscular, handsome men, along with my golden tresses as a means of winning them.

I, Lorraine Karcher, will to Mary Catherine Whalen my football jacket; and to Joyce Whalen my ability to get the most fun out of study halls.

I, Betty Jane Wolfe, will to Charlene Phillips and Mary Lou Alvarez, my long fingernails, I know you'll love them and take care of them.

I, Frances Netek, will to Rita Baca and Maria Medal, my infectuous laugh and the fun I get from "cutting up."

I, Annie Strakos, will my desire for tall, dark, and handsome druggists, to Florence Dorsogna; especially when they receive their training at Tower Pharmacy.

I, Mary Louise Quintanilla, will to Mary Olivarez and Dolores Scott my personal ability to keep quiet with the hope that they will have as much fun as I with R. P. and M. L.

I, Mary Pat, will to Pat Hubbard and Mary C. Uehlinger my unfailing ability to talk my way out of a difficult situation.

I, Jerre Doyle, will to Marion Adams my chauffeur's license and my dubious driving ability.

I, Martha Reeb, will to Vivian Khoury my title of a "yankee."

I, Maria Aguilar, will to Odelia Orta and Lydia Vallejo my long hair and my outstanding ability as a seamstress.

I, Patsy Chapa, will to Grace Fabian my moth-ball-heart-storage box.

I, Dorothy Swetlick will all of my wonderful week-end dances and all of my wonderful senior days to Rosallie Schwirtlich.

I, Majorie Nemec, will to Jerre Shotwell my best fingernail file as a remedy for broken nails acquired in Physical Education.

I, Elizabeth McKenna, will to Lottie Belle May and Mary Ann Allen my undying love for the opera.

I, Anna Marie Klepac, will to Betty Jo Wright and Patsy Williams my zestful affection for reading library books, in the hopes that they can get by with it in study halls.

I, Marie Ann, will to Mary Ann Tompkins my ability to blush at the most inopportune times.

I, Coy Carroll, will to Frances Reumuth my ability to sit up straight and keep both feet on the floor at all times.

We, the Senior Class as a whole, will to our dear, old Alma Mater our infinite, best wishes and love.

Senior Characteristics

Most Beautiful.....	Billie Miller
Most Popular.....	Martha Scecina
Most Representative.....	Mary Achee
Most Meek.....	Maria Aguilar
Most Athletic.....	Connie Carew
Most Dramatic.....	Joan Carter
Most Evasive.....	Coy Carroll
Most Prudent.....	Patsy Chapa
Most Appreciative.....	Jerry Doyle
Most Naive.....	Ruth Halepeska
Most Mischievous.....	Lorraine Karcher
Most Brilliant.....	Anna Marie Klepac
Most Versatile.....	Elizabeth McKenna
Most Photogenic.....	Dorothea Minnick
Most Settled.....	Marjorie Nemec
Most Pleasant.....	Frances Netek
Most Studious.....	Marie Ann Orsak
Most Reliable.....	Frances Plomarity
Most Tranquil.....	Mary Louise Quintanilla
Most Bashful.....	Martha Reeb
Most Aggressive.....	Bettie Richard
Most Energetic.....	Emma Lee Sparks
Most Devout.....	Dorothy Swetlick
Most Sympathetic.....	Margaret Swetlick
Most Phlegmatic.....	Annie Stakos
Most Cooperative.....	Mary Pat Tower
Most Likely to Succeed.....	Vera Urbanovsky
Most Vivacious.....	Marcella Watzlavick
Most Dignified.....	Patricia Wray
Most Angelic.....	Betty Jane Wolfe



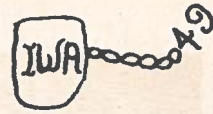
The Aurora Staff

STANDING LEFT TO RIGHT: Bettie Richard, Billie Miller, Martha Scecina,
Vera Urbanovsky.

SEATED LEFT TO RIGHT: Pat Wray, Joan Carter, Mary Achee, Mary Pat
Tower, Connie Carew.



UNDERCLASSMEN



Juniors In Action

Upperclassmen! That word sounds strange, and, thinking of what it means to us, the Juniors of '48, it sounds even stranger. It seems there are certain sophomoric traits we are supposed to have outgrown (ahem).

According to the "Patricia-poll," we Juniors consider Geometry our chief trial, with Government running a close second; the receiving of class pins our biggest thrill; movies our favorite pastime; and boys (bless 'em) our most frequent distraction and subject of conversation.

We have singers galore—not only in the school Glee Club, but also in the Community Chorus, and the choirs of the C. C. Cathedral and St. Patrick's. Our members in these organizations are: Marion, Jeannine, Olive, Gloria, Mary Ann, Joan, Mary Gwen, Dolores, Henrietta, Lottie Belle, Mary Ann O., Florence, Olga, Vivien, and last, but definitely not least, our soloist, Pat.

And our musical talents aren't restricted to singing! Among the pianists are Pat H., Jerre, Marion, Judy, Kathleen, and Pat R.; and among the instrumentalists we find Charlene and Olive—both future concert violinists (maybe).

There are many, many Juniors active in the various Parish Sodalties; for instance Ann Elizabeth, May Belle, Phyll and Pat. We also have two novice, Tess and Kathleen—both colleens.

We enjoy most outdoor sports and we love our annual picnic at Sinton—just ask Marie, Frances, Evelyn, and Yolanda.

We have more than our share of clowns, wits, brains, and dumb-bells, but we're "on the homestretch" and hope to make it soon, (what about that, Diane and Dorothy?)



RITA BACA



MARY LOU ALVAREZ



MARY ANN ALLEN



MARION ADAMS



EDITH CODD



MARY ANN CARWILE



JEANINE BUCKLEY



EDITH BROWN



FLORENCE DORSOGNA



GRACE FABIAN



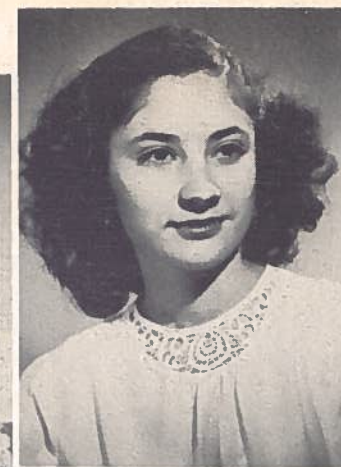
MARY GWEN FORAN



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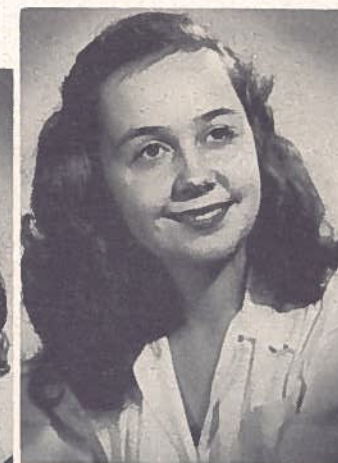
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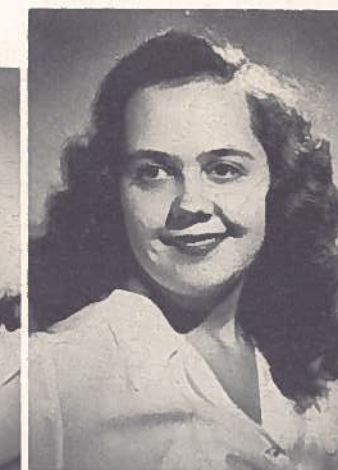
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MARY ANN OLIVARES



PHYLLIS MEGERLE



PAT MEGERLE



MARIA MEDAL



ODILIA ORTA



CHARLENE PHILLIPS



IRENE QUINTANILLA



OLGA RAMERIZ



DIANE SLAVIK



JERRE SHOTWELL



DOLORES SCOTT



ROSALIE SCHWIRTLICK



FRANCES REUMUTH



PATRICIA RIPPY



HENRIETTA RODRIGUEZ



EVELYN SCHANEN



MARY ANN TOMPKINS



DOROTHY STEWARD



OLIVE STALEY



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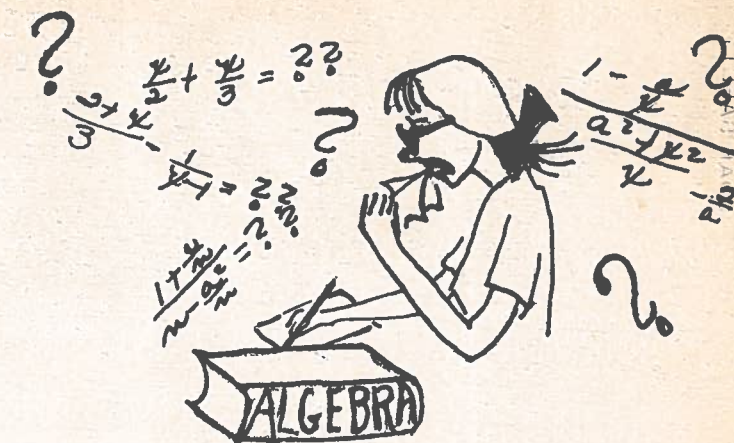
BETTY JO WRIGHT



RACHEL ALVAREZ



NEW LOOK
(we THINK)



Sophomores of '48

The sophomores of '48 run true to type, not too brilliant or ambitious, but essential, nevertheless, to the warp and woof that make up the pattern of high-school life at I. W. A. In general we enjoy jivey things, a peppy crowd, and good, clean fun. When occasion demands, we can assume a serious attitude toward life, and the school authorities can prove that we take the inevitable in our stride.

When the September sun abated and we knew that the gang was all here, we called our first class meeting and elected the following officers:

- President Delores Garcia
- Vice-President Norma Lee Fenner
- Secretary Nancy Edwards
- Treasurer Geraldine Hatch
- Class Goat Charlene Carter

Extra-curricular activities, including choral club, teenage club, pep squad, and girl scouts, have left us no dull moments to record in our diaries.

We have learned algebra but we find that it is not helpful in solving our present financial problems. Indeed, we challenge any of the great modern mathematicians to issue a text-book dealing with the subject of high school girls' allowances.

That sudden gleam in our classmate's eye has not been called forth by the history teacher's interesting presentation of the Punic Wars and their importance in the development of civilization. Rather is it the result of that unbidden glance at Buttrey's window, in which one of those dresses with the "new look" has just been put on display.

Our English is tolerable, we think. And our religion, believe it or not, is better in practice than in theory.

All in all, we are a normal group of gals, with two down and two to go. Watch us make the headlines in 1950, when the tide of human events has turned it's course one way or the other.

Norma Lee Fenner.



ANNA BEE ACHEE
FRANCINE ANDERSON
PHYLLIS ANDERSON



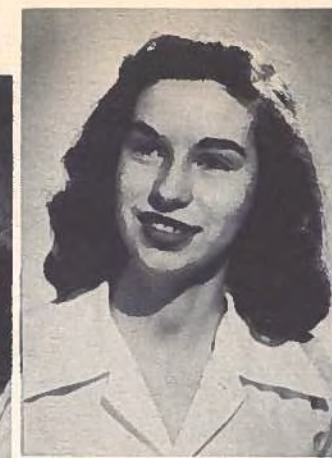
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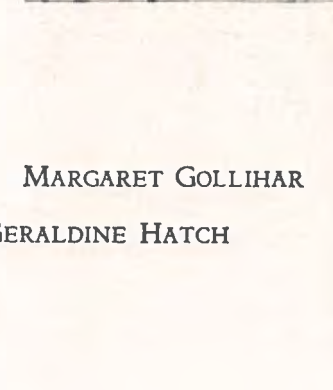
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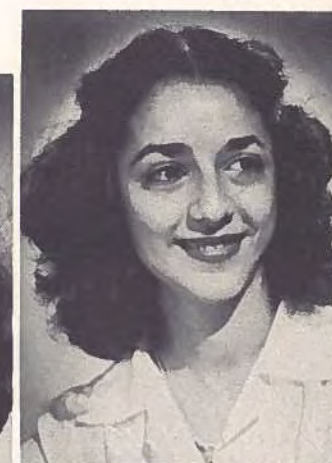
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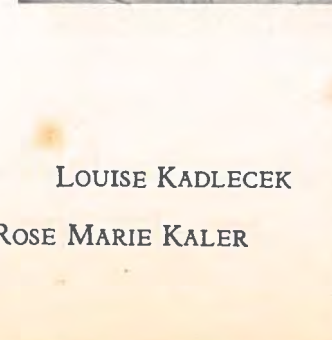
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LILLIAN FRANKS
DOLORES GARCIA



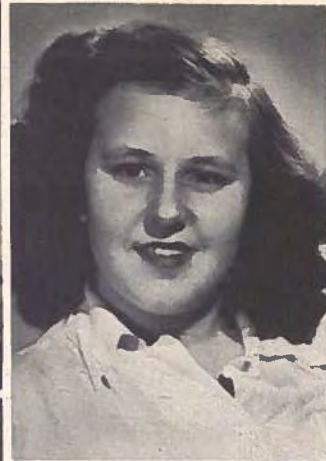
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GERALDINE HATCH



NANCY JOHNSON
MARY STARR JOSEPH
EDNA MAE JURACH



LOUISE KADLECEK
ROSE MARIE KALER



BETTY PALLOTTI
CECILIA MAXWELL
MARILYN MILLS



MILDRED MURPHY
DOLORES MUTTERA



RITA NELSON
JOAN OLDMIXON
MARY CATHERINE RIVERS



BEATRICE ROACH
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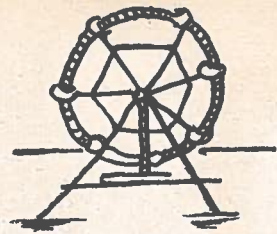
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BETTY LOU WHEELER
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Freshman Jamboree

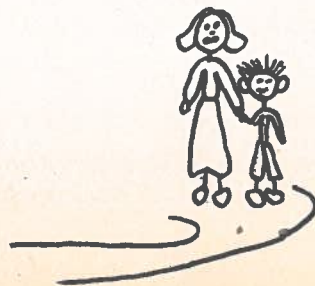
The sun shone brightly as I paid the cashier, and stepped out of *Gallagher Grill*. I crossed the street, and directed my steps to the *Park* for my noonday stroll. First I walked through the zoo, and stopped a minute to watch *Martha Train*'or *White Roach*, with the assistance of *Marjorie Stuth*. I went a little farther, and met *Jane And 'er son*, who was crying for a hamBurger or Frankfurter, with *Gawlik*, and a bun from the *Baker*. But he forgot his hunger as we approached *Jeanne* running her *Ferriswheel*, and whom did we spy riding but *Joan Urbanovsky*, *Agnes Nemeec*, and *Louise Coward*. Suddenly I heard a commotion above me, and there was *Joan Vettters* on the very top of the *Ferriswheel* yelling to *Barbara Wendland*, *Evelyn Swetlick*, and *Dolores Minnick*, "Pra-do rescue me!" *Doris Whelan*, and *Mildred Reeb* wanted to help her but *Corrine Khoury* and *Roseann Reeb* emphatically de-Kline-d to go with them. *Georgia-ly* on the bench and called, "Take *Barbara Joan Collins* with you." Just then a seat *Matt* fell from the *Ferriswheel* and hit *Virginia Vatzlavick* on the head, and the *Sparks* flew so that they lit *Peggy Wilson's Seegar*.

Patricia Birnstiel turned on her portable radio, and we heard *Caroline Carroll*, then the announcer, *Romona Yaklin* said, "It is *Maxwell House* coffee time." But *Joan* did not agree for about that time she *Gracefully* fell from the *Ferriswheel*. She hit the ground so hard that a *Meiner* discovered *Ore* a little late; and since *Kennedy* the money he *Ran Dolf* down the street, and they began to dig. They were interrupted by a *sleepWalker* who was mumbling, "Diann's dress *Brown*."

Then in a play coming over the portable radio, directed by *Margaret Sablatura* and *Rosaura Solitto*, the wise old *Sheppard* said "It's an ill wind that blows no one good." Suddenly I heard a chatter behind me. I discovered it was *Irma Arredonda* calling, "Hey, *Rose Mary Rodriguez*, and *Gloria de la Rosa*, let's chase those others off the *Ferriswheel* so we can ride ourselves." About that time I looked at my watch, and realized it was time for me to go back to work as elevator girl at the *Empire State Building* and "Wake up, *Chloe* before *Sister* catches you!"

"Huh, oh!" Then I looked through sleepy eyes at *Betty Snyder* and I realized that I was in *Ancient History* class, so I opened my book, and tried to look very studious, hoping that *Sister* had not seen me." I'm glad that was just a dream," said I, and then as I looked at my *Ancient History* book I added, "Or am I!"

(With humble apologies to the Sisters of the *Incarinate Word Academy* for liberties taken in *Grammar* and *Spelling*.)



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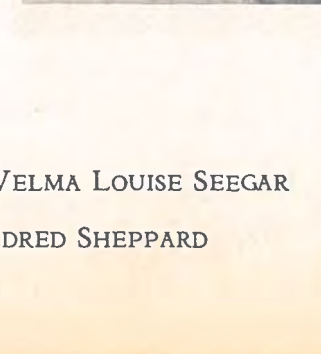
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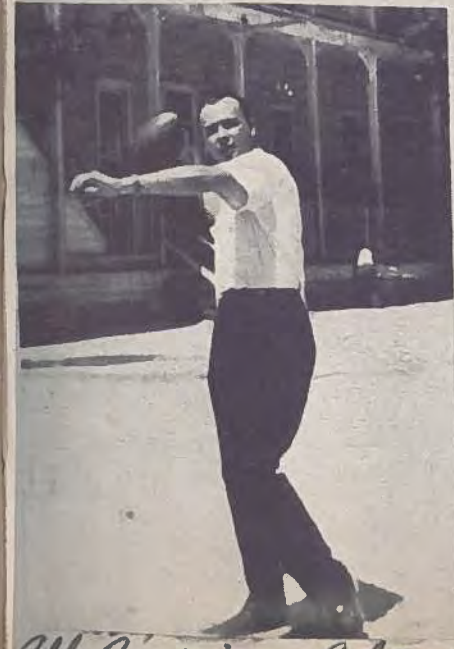
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Excitement ran wild and blood raced feverishly through the veins of some fifty girls at Incarnate Word Academy, on the morning of September 12, 1947. They were awaiting with restless anticipation the main athletic event of the season: the first Cavalier football game. Cowbells, streamers, and indestructible lungs had been eagerly awaiting this annual occurrence. At the appointed time Fr. Augustine arrived at the meeting-place in his familiar bus. In no time the bus was filled to overflowing with these vivacious bits of femininity and they were off to the game.

At this game as at the following ones, the Pep Squad cheered enthusiastically for their adopted team. The limber and vivacious cheerleaders, Lorraine Karcher, Marcella Walzlavick, Frances Reumuth, Edna Mae Jurach, and Rusty McCaleb, led the Pep Squad in many an ear-shattering and encouraging yell. Maroon and gold, the Cavalier colors, were carried out in the uniforms of the cheerleaders and the pep squad.

Though the Cavaliers fielded their lightest team in many years, they compiled a fairly good record: their total number of points being 176 to their opponents 101. They lost two games, but these were both against superior teams which were out of their class. The Cavaliers made up in speed, energy, and spirit, what they lacked in strength.

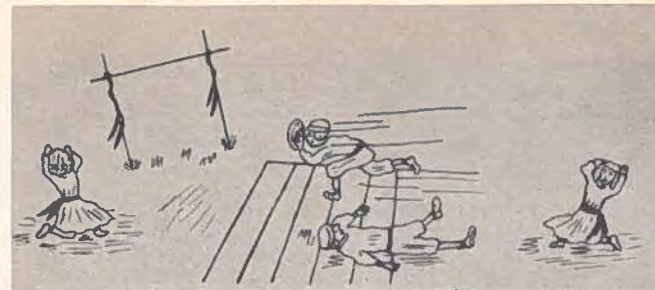
The first bonfire and pep rally was held on the College-Academy campus, the night before the Homecoming Game with San Antonio Catholic High. Another novel feature preceding the Homecoming Game was the crowning of Phyllis Megerle, a Junior student at Incarnate Word Academy, as Queen of the Cavaliers. For her maid, Phyllis chose her twin sister, Patricia. Her other maids were the three runners-up in the contest for queen: Pat Wray, Beatrice Roach, Evelyn Roach. Phyllis was crowned on the football field by Fr. Joseph Fuhrman, President of the Corpus Christi College-Academy, and was escorted back to her throne by Peter Golla, Captain of the Cavaliers.

*Phyllis Megerle
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In and Around School

SEPTEMBER 4—Mass in old *St. Patrick's* marked opening exercise of the Scholastic year.

SEPTEMBER 8—Birthday of *Blessed Virgin Mary* was celebrated by Sodalists with High Mass at 8:00 a. m. in old *St. Patrick's* and luncheon in the Sodality Hall at 12:00.

SEPTEMBER 9—Formal opening of school observed with a Solemn High Mass at 8:00 a. m. in *Corpus Christi Cathedral*.

SEPTEMBER 10—Our Lady of Lourdes Sodality, *St. Patrick Parish*, elected officers.

SEPTEMBER 11—Incarnate Word Academy Pep Squad for the *Corpus Christi College-Academy Cavaliers* was reorganized by Father Augustine. Cheer leaders were chosen.

SEPTEMBER 12—First appearance of Pep Squad was in Freer, Texas.

SEPTEMBER 16—Senior class elected officers.

SEPTEMBER 22-26—Freshman Initiation Week; Father Alfred took motion pictures of the different phases of the initiation.

SEPTEMBER 26—Seniors threw party for Freshmen to climax the Initiation activities.

SEPTEMBER 30—Father Albert Schreiber, rector of C. C. C.-A., was guest lecturer at the regular English IV period. Chaucer, his inimitable style, his charming humor, and his ability to write literature highlighted Father Albert's lecture.

OCTOBER 8—Mr. Cherry, of the Herff-Jones Co., took orders for Senior invitations; ring sizes, initials, etc., from Juniors for their Class pins and Senior Rings.

OCTOBER 25—Canteen Hallowe'en party held at *Catholic Youth Center*.

OCTOBER 29—Sodality Hallowe'en party (masquerade) held at C. Y. C.

OCTOBER 30—Community Hallowe'en Carnival (masquerade) held at C. Y. C.

NOVEMBER 6—Bonfire Pep Rally held on C. C. C.-A. campus was a prelude to the Homecoming Day football game between Central Catholic of San Antonio and the C. C. C.-A. Cavaliers.

NOVEMBER 7—Phyllis Megerle, Junior at I. W. A. was crowned Cavalier Football Queen immediately preceding the Homecoming Day game.

NOVEMBER 10-14—Catholic Book Week was observed. An interesting array of new books was displayed in the high school library.

NOVEMBER 17-18—Seniors and Juniors had their pictures taken for the annual.

NOVEMBER 26—Thanksgiving holidays commenced. Bonfire Pep Rally held on C. C. C.-A. campus.

NOVEMBER 27—Pep Squad paraded through business district of city. International football game staged during afternoon between Mexico City Spitfires and Cavaliers climaxed Thanksgiving Day festivities.

DECEMBER 1—School resumed after Thanksgiving holidays.

DECEMBER 3—Sodalists honored their moderator, Sister Xavier, with a surprise party at the regular Sodality meeting.

DECEMBER 10—A special Mass was said at 8:30 a. m. in *Corpus Christi Cathedral* for the conversion of Russia and the formation of a lasting peace.

DECEMBER 16—High School Christmas party was held in *Cathedral Auditorium*.

DECEMBER 18—Students presented a Christmas pageant in the *Cathedral Auditorium*. It was the occasion of the first appearance of the I. W. A. Glee Club.

DECEMBER 19—Christmas holidays began.

JANUARY 4—School re-opened with the Forty Hours Devotions.

JANUARY 6—Stenography students attended a Mimeograph School at the Princess Louise Hotel. Sister Stanislaus took Seniors' measurements for the traditional caps and gowns worn at graduation.

JANUARY 8—Sodality held a formal dance at the new Knights of Columbus Home.

JANUARY 12—Cheer leaders attended Cavalier Football Banquet as guests of honor.

JANUARY 13-16—Mid-term examinations.

JANUARY 16-18—The annual High School retreat held in the Sisters' Chapel was conducted by Father Stanley J. Kusman, S. M., from San Antonio.

JANUARY 21—Sisters sponsor Mexican Supper in the *Cathedral Auditorium*.

JANUARY 26—Students chose Class Favorites.

JANUARY 30—Looking Backward Dance staged by Teen-age Canteen in C. Y. C.

FEBRUARY 2—New Glee Club director, Miss Wigent, held her first practice.

FEBRUARY 5—Father Albert addressed Senior English students on "Careers."

FEBRUARY 9—Class pins for Juniors arrived.

FEBRUARY 10—Freedom Train visited *Corpus Christi*. Mardi Gras Dance was held at the Knights of Columbus Home.

FEBRUARY 22—Students journeyed to San Antonio to see the opera, "*Tannhauser*."

FEBRUARY 24—Representatives of the Catholic, Protestant, and Jewish faiths spoke to the High School students as a part of National Brotherhood Week.

MARCH 8-12—Vocation Week observed.

MARCH 10-11—Dr. Hornish examined teeth and talked to the students about the care they should take of their teeth.

MARCH 16—Students attended the Palace Theatre to see "*Henry V*."

MARCH 24—Easter holidays commenced.

MARCH 28—Teen-age Canteen held Easter Dance in C. Y. C.

MARCH 29—Reception and Profession ceremonies for I. W. A. candidates and novices held in C. C. Cathedral.

MARCH 30—School was resumed after the Easter holidays. Sister Stanislaus, principal, returned to the staff after a two month's absence.

APRIL 3—Kiddie Matinee of "*On Account of Larry*," a 3-act comedy, was presented by the Senior Class in Wynn Seale Auditorium.

APRIL 5—Senior play was presented at Wynn Seale Auditorium at 8:00 p. m. for the general public.

MAY 24—THE BIG DAY for Seniors: Graduation exercises. Many exciting and interesting events will take place between April 9 and graduation.



EIGHTH GRADE GRADUATES



SEVENTH GRADE

LEFT TO RIGHT—1st Row: Aurelia Timpte, Suzanne McNabb, Jarlath Baskett, Elizabeth Smith, Barbara Girouard, Julia Gregory, Janie, Tibler, Mary Lou Park, Mary Ann Stoebner, Mary Ann Gray.

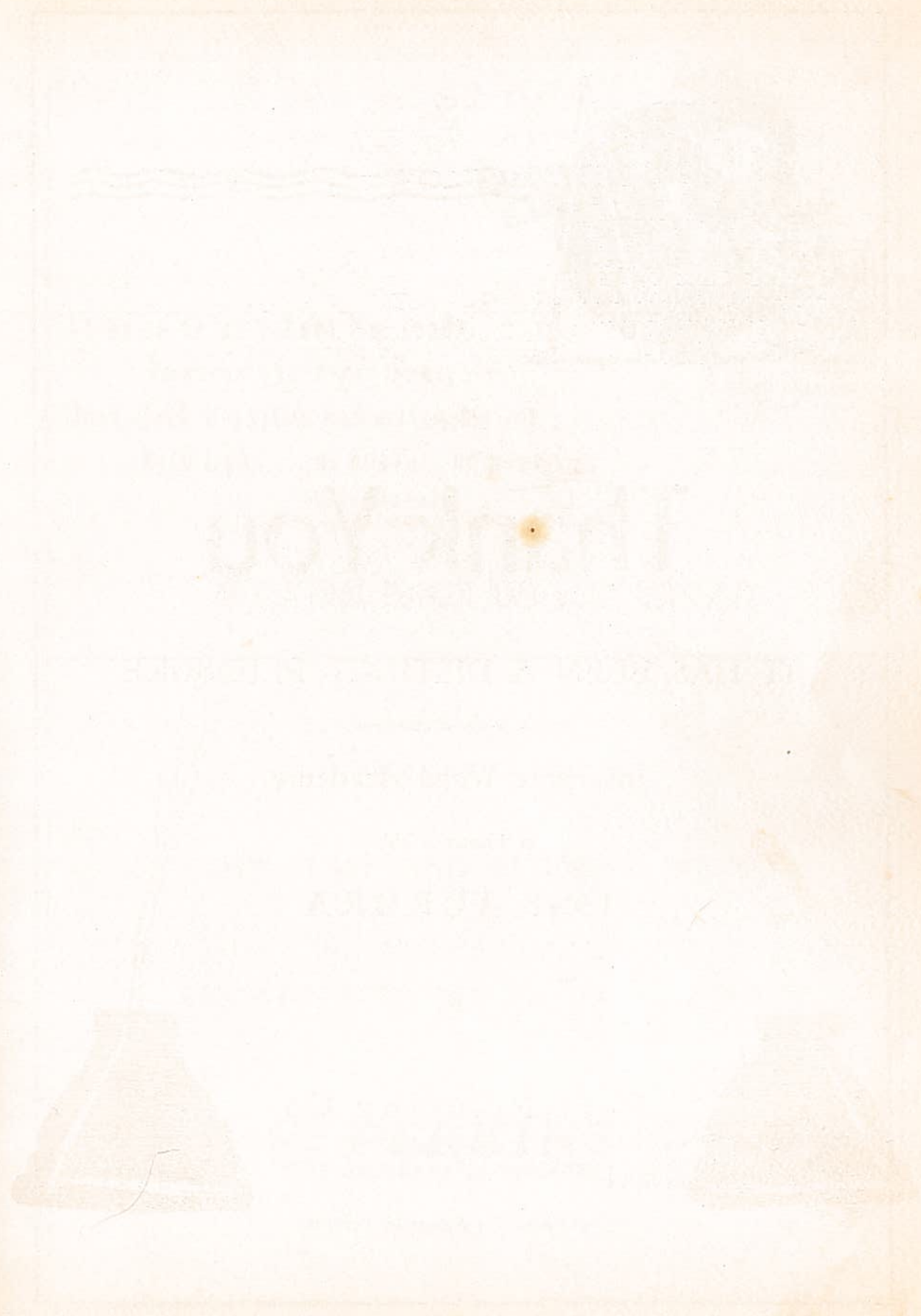
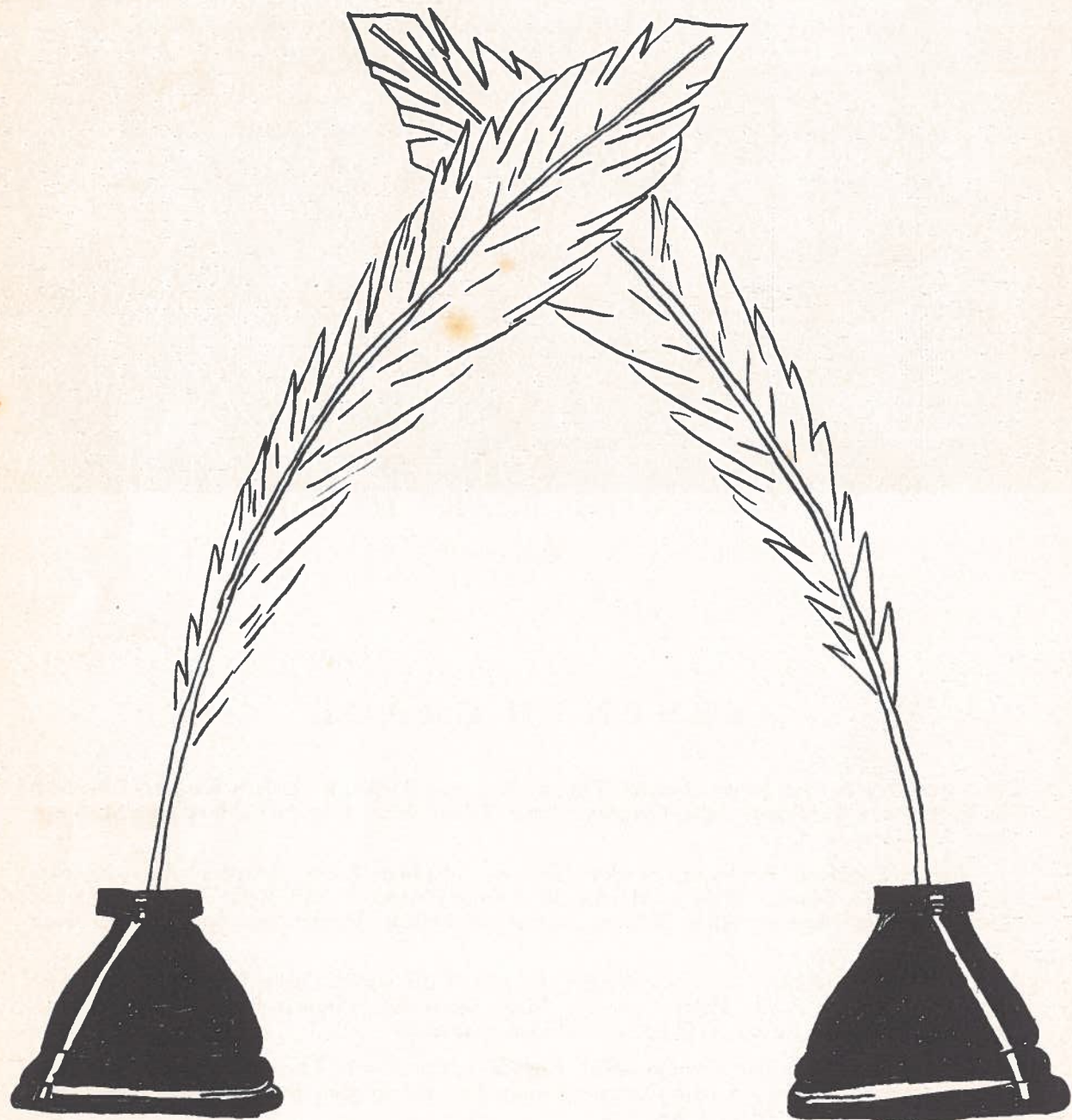
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3rd Row: Velma Garcia, Patricia Wright, Donna Williamson, Callie Rencher, Mary Ann Mitchan, Christine Solis, Patsy Janecek, Mary Benavides, Virginia Benyz, Jo Ann Shotwell, Patsy Floyd, Kathleen Quigley, Julianna Kadlecek.

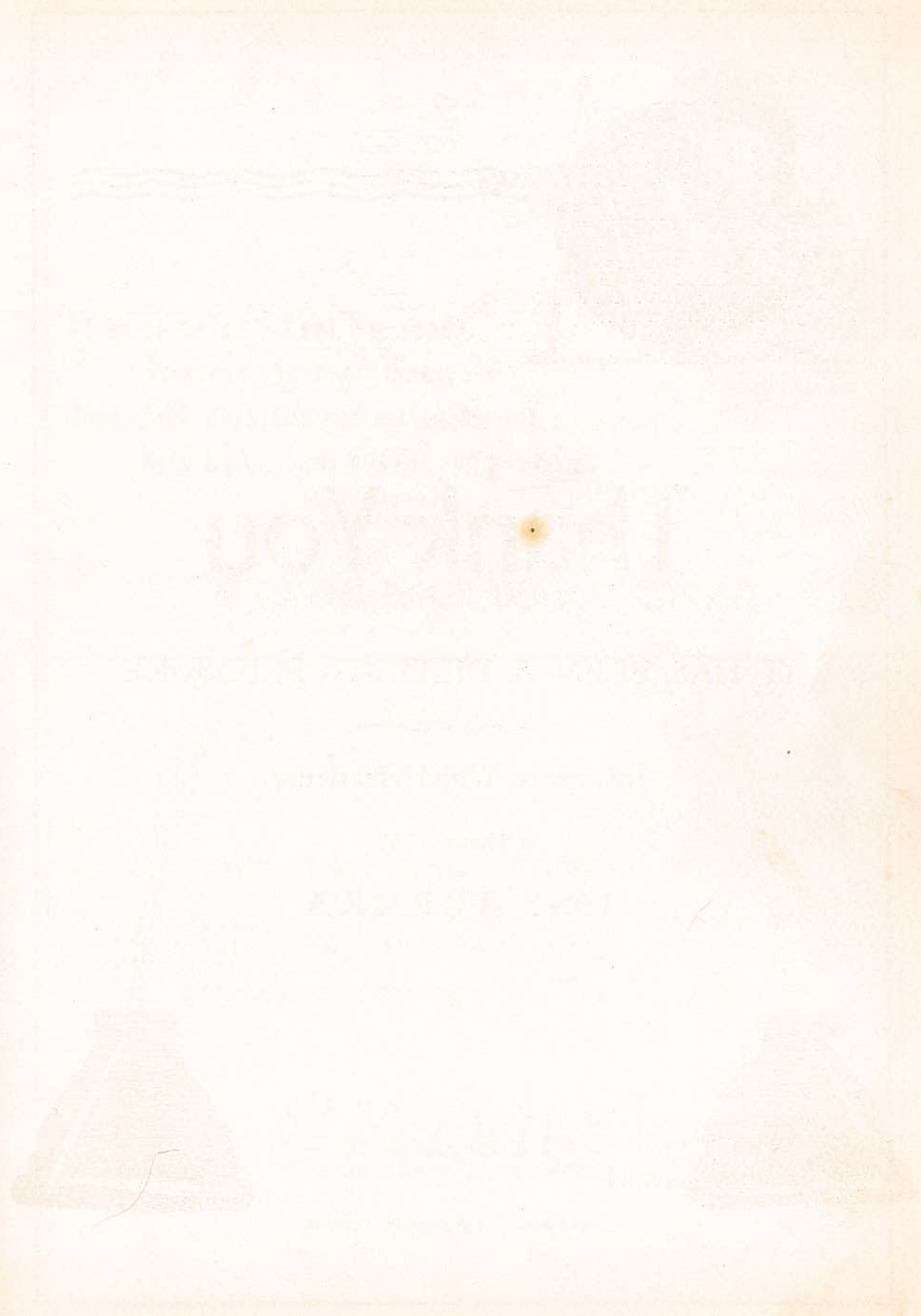
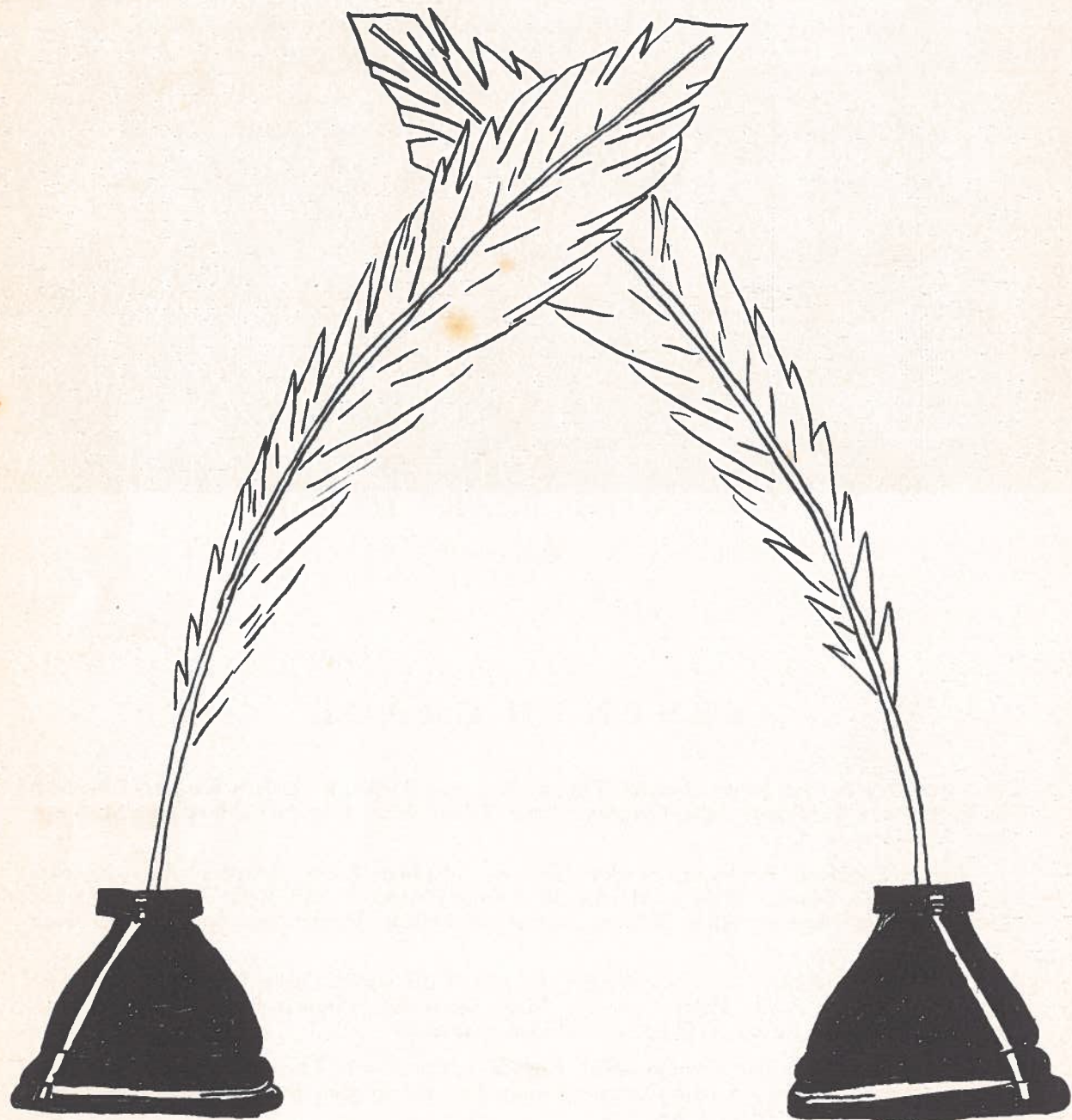
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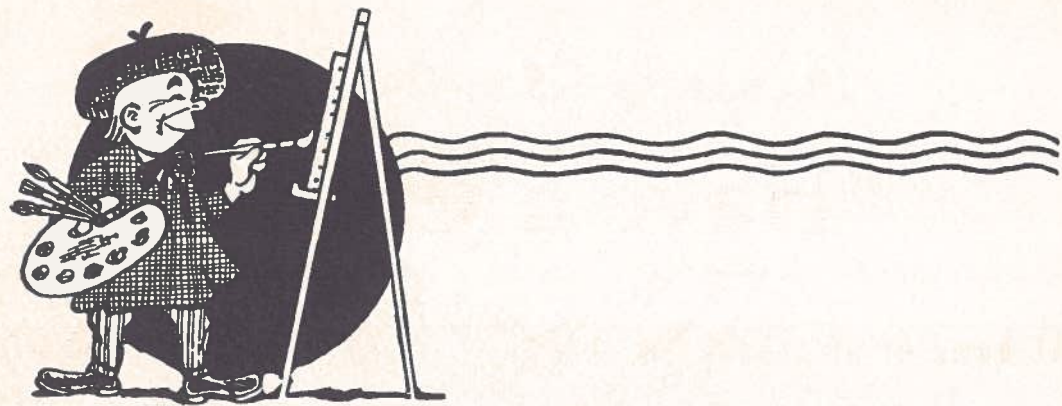
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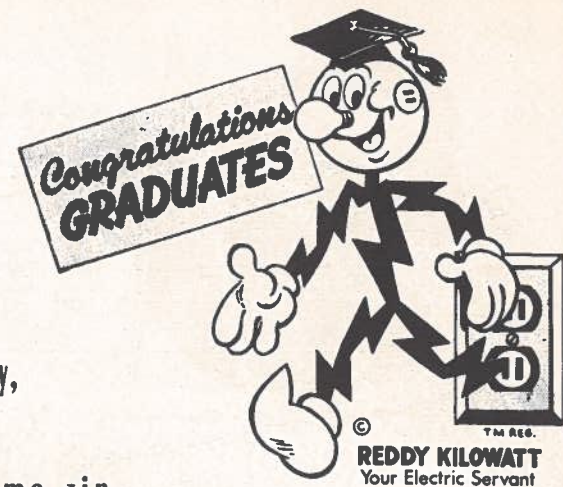
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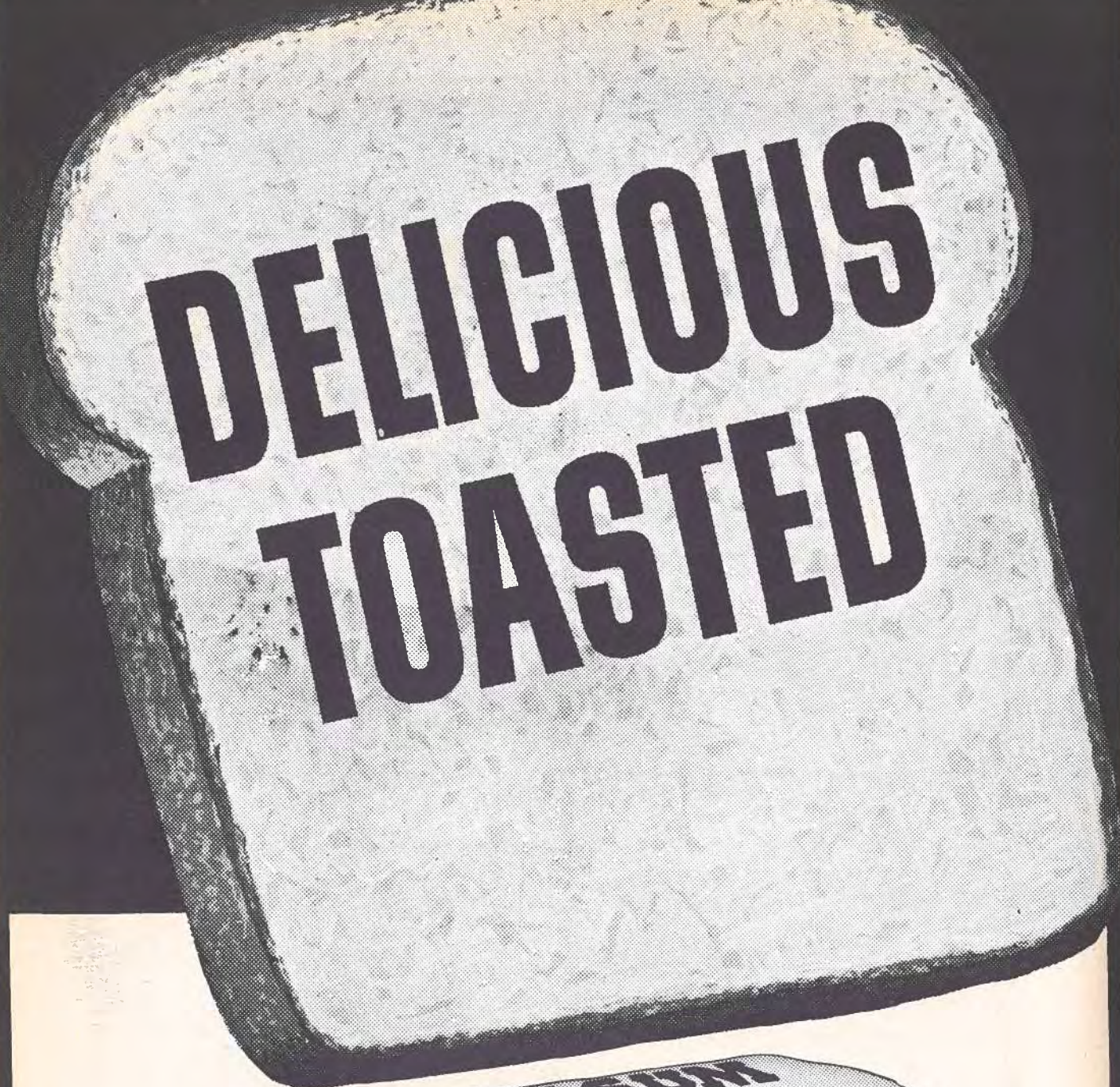
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