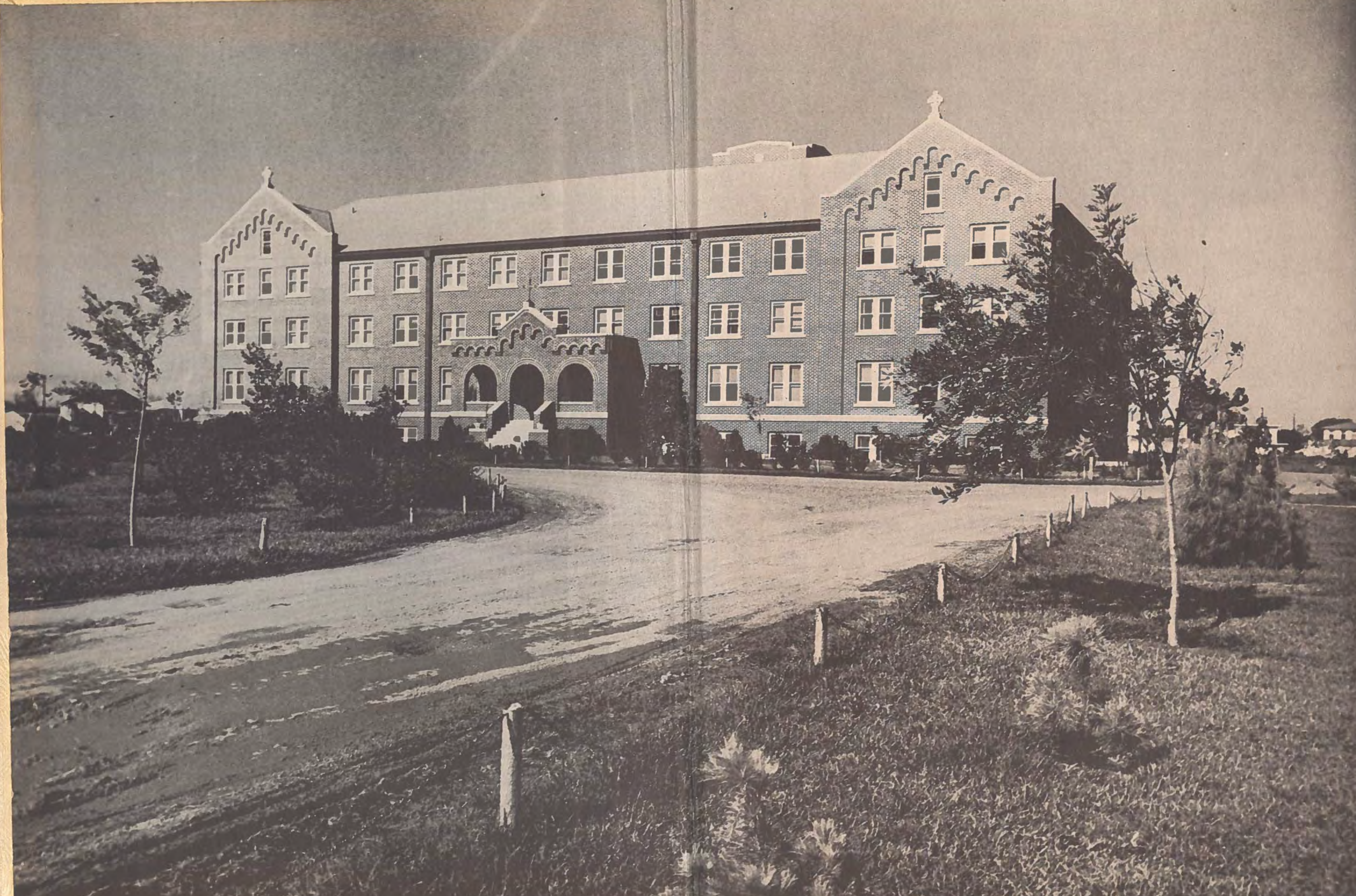




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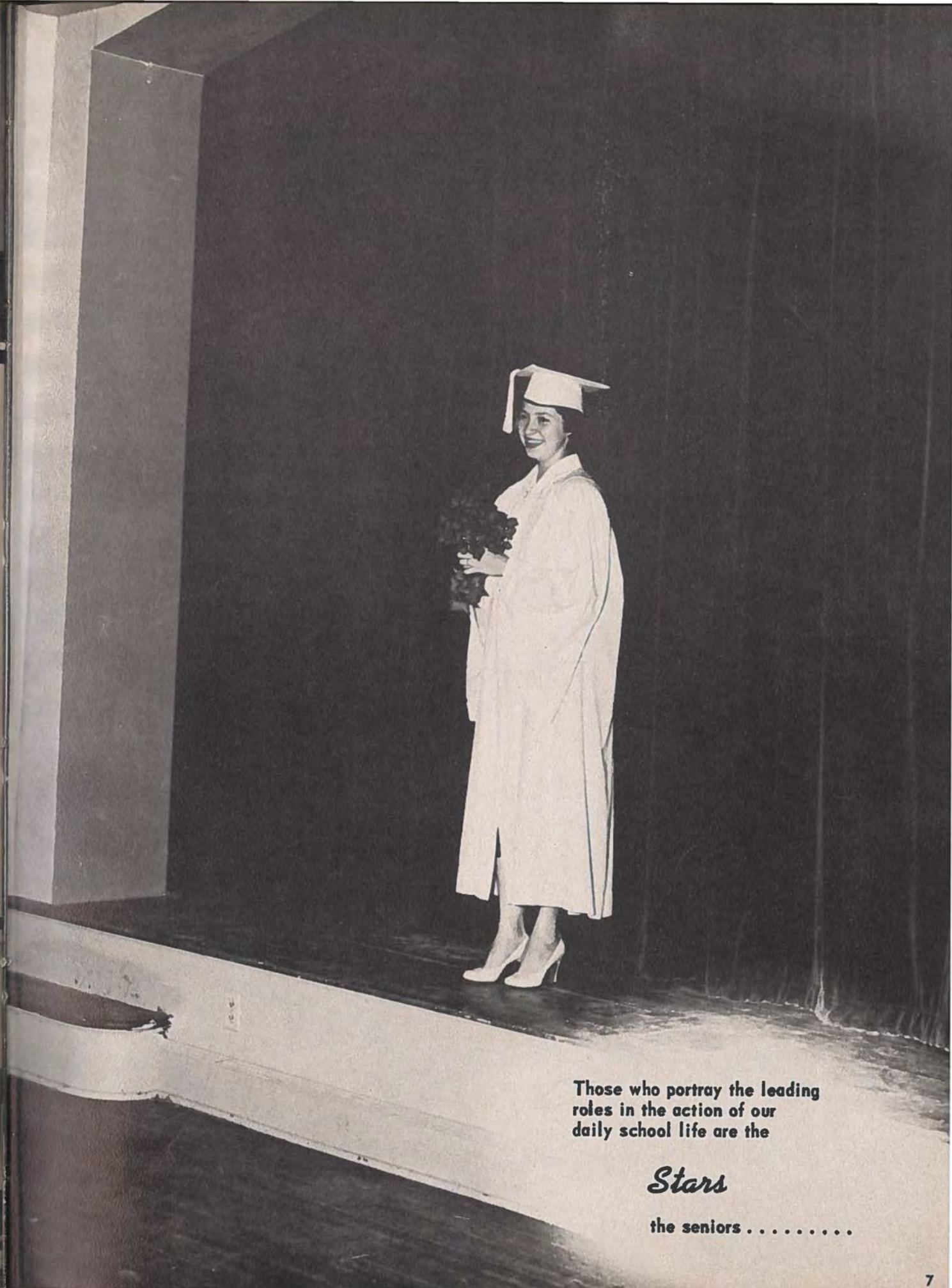
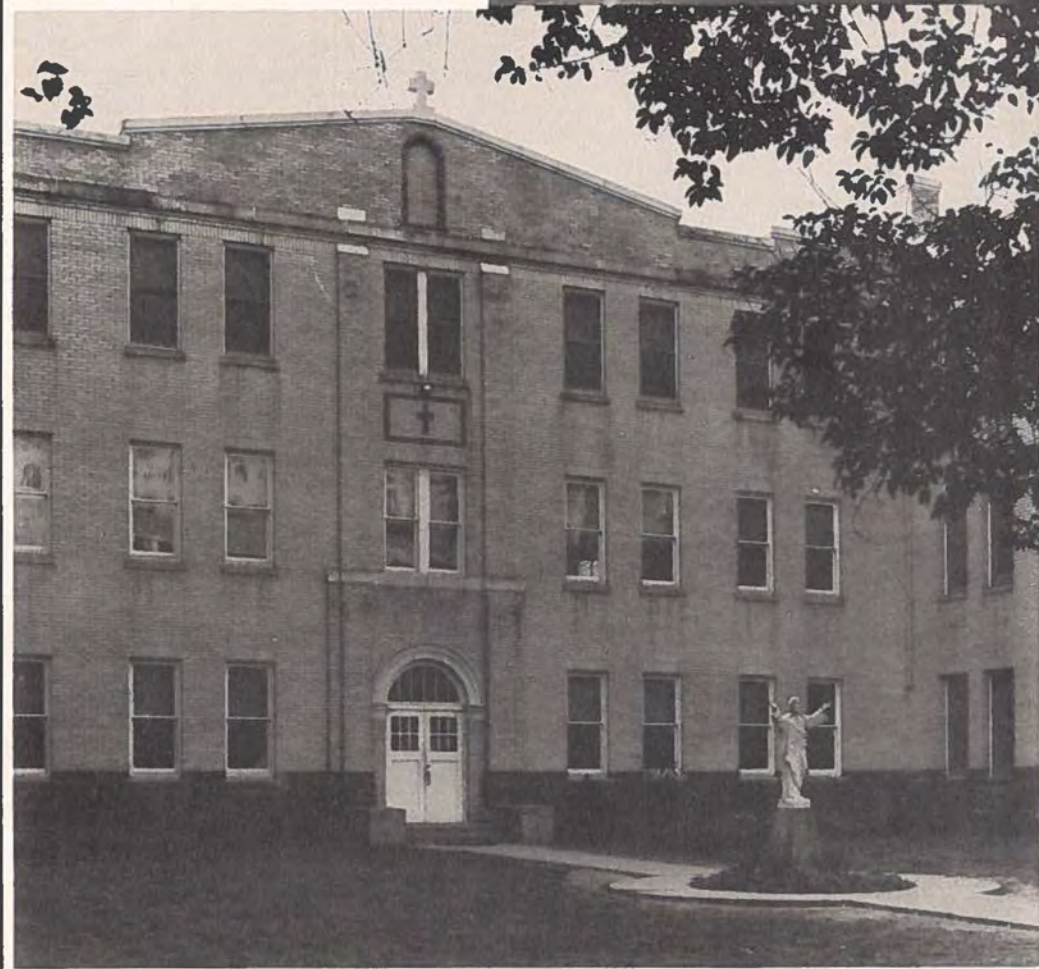


The theme of our production is summarized in the classic words from The Merchant of Venice:  
"I hold the world but as . . . . . a stage where every man must play a part,"  
Act I Scene I  
For us,

## Our Stage

is our school; we, the students are the players. As you turn pages, the acts unfold before you . . .

Incarinate Word Academy, in the midtown section of Corpus Christi, is located in a building hallowed by years of tradition. Through the years, improvements have been made to add to the comfort and convenience of the students. Here, surrounding the exterior view of the main entrance, are glimpses of the student lounge, the library and senior home room.



Those who portray the leading roles in the action of our daily school life are the

*Stars*

the seniors . . . . .



Those who lead the action for the Senior Class: Doris Schwirtlich, Secretary; Patsy Janecek, President; Patsy Golden, Vice-President; Patsy Floyd, Parliamentarian; Jarlath Baskett, Treasurer.

Her Majesty, Patsy Jean, of the House of Smith, Queen of the Cavaliers, 1952-53.



*Patsy Golden*  
*Most Beautiful*



*Jeanette Robinson*  
*Most Popular*



*Patsy Janeczek*  
*Best All Around*



*Jeanette Robinson*  
*Most Popular*



*Patsy Janecek*  
*Best All Around*

JUDY JARLATH BASKETT  
St. Patrick's Parish

**Activities:**  
Pep Squad 1, 2  
Combined Choir 1, 2, 4  
Beaker Breakers 4  
Class Goat 2  
Treasurer of Class 4  
Our Lady of Lourdes Sodality 1, 2, 3, 4  
Parliamentarian of Sodality 4  
C. Y. O. 1, 2, 3.

**Ambition:**  
To be a pharmacist.



MARY FRANCES BILLINGS (MEDDIE)  
St. Patrick's Parish

**Activities:**  
Treasurer of Student Council 3  
Student Council Representative 4  
Combined Choir 2  
Vice-President of Beaker Breakers 4  
Vice-President of Class 2  
Secretary of Class 3  
The Aurora Staff  
The Crown Staff  
Our Lady of Lourdes Sodality 3, 4  
C. Y. O. 1, 2.

**Ambitions:**  
To be a surgical nurse, and to lead a good Catholic life.



MARTHA ANNE BAUER (MASA)  
Our Lady of Refuge Parish, Refugio

**Activities:**  
Vice-President of Student Council 3  
President of Student Council 4  
Pep Squad 1, 2, 3,  
Cheerleader 4  
Beaker Breakers 4  
Most Beautiful 3  
Cavalier Queen 3  
Cavalier Princess 2  
Representative for May Queen 2  
The Aurora Staff  
Our Lady of Grace Sodality 1, 2, 3, 4  
Treasurer of Sodality 4  
C. Y. O. 1, 2, 3, 4.

**Ambitions:**  
To be a nurse, and to travel around the world.



BARBARA ANN BJORK

**Activities:**  
Combined Choir 4  
Most Popular 4.

**Ambition:**  
To be an art designer.



GEORGIE NELL BROWN  
Christ the King Parish

**Activities:**  
Christ the King Sodality 1, 2, 3, 4  
C. Y. O. 1, 2, 3, 4.

**Ambition:**  
To travel around the world.



CAROLINE DURHAM (CARRIE)  
St. Anthony's Parish, Raymondville, Texas

**Activities:**  
Class Secretary 1, 2  
Boarder's Club President 3, 4  
Our Lady of Grace Sodality 1, 2, 3, 4.

**Ambitions:**  
To attend college, and to go to Paris.



RUTH VERONICA DIETZ (RUTIE TOOTIE)  
St. Gertrude's Parish, Kingsville

**Activities:**  
Our Lady of Grace Sodality 1, 2, 3, 4  
Combined Choir 1, 2.

**Ambitions:**  
To be a success in life, and to travel  
around the world.



PATSY J. FLOYD (PAT)  
Christ the King Parish

**Activities:**  
Pep Squad 1, 2  
Treasurer of Class 3  
Parliamentarian of Class 4  
Our Lady of Fatima Sodality 1, 2, 3, 4  
Secretary of Sodality 3  
C. Y. O. 1, 2, 3, 4.

**Ambitions:**  
To attend college, and to get married.





MARY ANGELINE GARCIA (ANGIE)  
Sacred Heart Parish

**Activities:**  
Our Lady of Fatima Sodality 1, 2, 3, 4  
C. Y. O. 1, 2, 3.

**Ambition:**  
To attend Incarnate Word College.



SHIRLEY ANN GEIRLAND  
St. Patrick's Parish

**Activities:**  
Pep Squad 3, 4  
Secretary of Beaker Breakers 4  
The Aurora Staff 4  
Our Lady of Grace Sodality 1, 2, 3, 4.

**Ambition:**  
To be a nurse.



PATRICIA GEORGE (PAT)  
Christ the King Parish

**Activities:**  
Our Lady of Fatima Sodality 3, 4  
C. Y. O. 3, 4.

**Ambition:**  
To have a successful future.



PATRICIA MARY GOLDEN  
Corpus Christi Cathedral Parish

**Activities:**  
Historian of Student Council 3  
Pep Squad 1  
Beaker Breakers 4  
Vice-President of Class 4  
Most Beautiful 4  
May Fete Duchess 3  
The Aurora Staff  
The Crown Staff  
Our Lady of Grace Sodality 1, 2, 3, 4  
C. Y. O. 1, 2, 3, 4  
Treasurer of C. Y. O. 4.

**Ambitions:**  
To attend college, and to lead a good  
Catholic life.



BARBARA JEAN GRUNEWALD (BOBBIE)  
St. Theresa's Parish

**Activities:**  
Pep Squad 3, 4  
Combined Choir 1, 2, 3, 4  
Our Lady of Grace Sodality 3, 4  
C. Y. O. 1, 2, 3.

**Ambition:**  
To be a history teacher or secretary.



MARY CLARE HETHERINGTON  
St. Patrick's Parish

**Activities:**  
Pep Squad 3, 4  
Combined Choir 3, 4  
Beaker Breakers 3  
Student of the Month 4  
The Aurora Staff  
The Crown Staff  
Our Lady of Lourdes Sodality 3, 4  
Treasurer of Sodality 4  
C. Y. O. 3, 4.

**Ambitions:**  
To go to college, and to be a laboratory technician.



MATILDE LUISA HERNANDEZ  
Sacred Heart Parish

**Activities:**  
Combined Choir 2, 3, 4  
Our Lady of Fatima 1, 2, 3, 4  
C. Y. O. 1, 2, 3.

**Ambitions:**  
To be a successful stenographer, to visit Monterrey and Mexico City, and to lead a good Catholic life.



PATRICIA RUTH JANECEK  
Corpus Christi Cathedral Parish

**Activities:**  
Parliamentarian of Student Council 4  
Pep Squad 1, 2  
Cheerleader 3, 4  
Captain of Cheerleaders 4  
Vice-President of Class 3  
President of Class 4  
Best All Around 2, 4  
Most Popular 3  
Cavalier Duchess 1, 2  
Our Lady of Grace Sodality 1, 2, 3, 4  
Secretary of Sodality 3  
Prefect of Sodality 4  
C. Y. O. 1, 2, 3  
Secretary of C. Y. O. 3  
Red Cross Representative 3, 4.

**Ambition:**  
To lead a good Catholic life.





MARY CLARE JOHNSON  
Our Lady of Refuge Parish, Refugio, Texas

**Activities:**  
Combined Choir 3, 4  
President of Beaker Breakers 4  
Student of the Month 4  
Our Lady of Grace Sodality 3, 4.

**Ambition:**  
To be a nurse.



JEANNE MARIE LINDNER (JEAN)  
Corpus Christi Cathedral Parish

**Activities:**  
Pep Squad 2  
Combined Choir 2, 4  
Most Beautiful 2  
The Aurora Staff  
The Crown Staff  
Our Lady of Grace Sodality 2  
C. Y. O. 2.

**Ambitions:**  
To graduate from college, be a good  
wife and mother, and to travel.



WILMA McMAHON (WILLIE)  
St. Joseph's Parish, Beeville, Texas

**Activities:**  
Vice-President of Boarder's Club 3, 4  
The Aurora Staff  
The Crown Staff

**Ambitions:**  
To go to college, and, later, to marry.



MARIAN KADLECEK  
Christ the King Parish

**Activities:**  
Pep Squad 1, 2  
Combined Choir 1, 2, 3, 4  
Our Lady of Fatima Sodality 1, 2, 3, 4  
Secretary of Sodality 2  
C. Y. O. 1, 2, 3.

**Ambitions:**  
To work, and, eventually, to get married.





ELVIRA MORALES (BABY)  
Corpus Christi Cathedral Parish

**Activities:**  
Pep Squad 1, 2, 3  
Combined Choir 1, 2, 4  
Our Lady of Grace Sodality 1, 2, 3, 4  
C. Y. O. 1, 2, 3.

**Ambitions:**  
To go to college and to travel.



CAROLE ANN OBERLE  
Christ the King Parish

**Activities:**  
Pep Squad 3, 4  
Beaker Breakers 4  
C. Y. O. 1, 2.

**Ambitions:**  
To travel, and to go to college.



ELIZABETH NEMEC (LIZ)  
St. John's Parish, Robstown, Texas

**Activities:**  
Combined Choir 1, 2, 3, 4  
Accompanist for Combined Choir 3, 4  
Treasurer of Combined Choir 3, 4  
Treasurer of Class 1  
Our Lady of Grace Sodality 1, 2, 3, 4  
Secretary of Sodality 4  
C. Y. O. 2, 3.

**Ambition:**  
To major in music at college.



RAQUEL PENA  
Our Lady of Victory Parish, Beeville

**Activities:**  
Pep Squad 1  
Beaker Breakers 4  
Our Lady of Fatima Sodality 1, 2, 3, 4  
C. Y. O. 1, 2.

**Ambitions:**  
To see the world, and later, to marry.





VERNIE ROSE POLANSKY  
Christ the King Parish

**Activities:**  
Pep Squad 3, 4  
Combined Choir 2  
Beaker Breakers 4  
The Aurora Staff  
Our Lady of Fatima Sodality 1, 2, 3, 4  
C. Y. O. 1, 2, 3, 4.

**Ambitions;**  
To be a nurse, and to travel.



JEANNETTE RACHAL  
St. Patrick's Parish

**Activities:**  
Combined Choir 1, 2  
Class President 3  
May Fete Duchess 2, 3  
Our Lady of Lourdes Sodality 1, 2, 3, 4  
Sodality Vice-Prefect 4  
C. Y. O. 1, 2, 3.

**Ambition:**  
To be an interior decorator.



MARY KATHLEEN QUIGLEY (KAY)  
Corpus Christi Cathedral Parish

**Activities:**  
Pep Squad 1, 2, 3, 4  
Flag Team 2  
Class President 1  
May Fete Duchess 3  
The Aurora Staff 4  
Our Lady of Grace Sodality 1, 2, 3, 4  
C. Y. O. 1, 2, 3, 4.

**Ambitions:**  
To travel around the world, and to graduate from college.



MARY JEANNETTE ROBINSON (JAY)  
St. Theresa's Parish

**Activities**  
Pep Squad 1, 2, 3, 4  
Flagteam 2, 3  
Flagteam Captain 3  
Our Lady of Grace Sodality 1, 2, 3, 4  
Sodality Vice-Prefect 4  
C. Y. O. 1, 2, 3.

**Ambitions:**  
To be an efficient bookkeeper, to travel, and later, be a good wife and mother.



CAROLYN SAENZ (MOLLY)  
St. Joseph's Parish

**Activities:**  
C. Y. O. 1, 2.

**Ambition:**  
To go to A. & I. College.



JO ANN SHOTWELL (JODY)  
St. Patrick's Parish

**Activities:**  
Pep Squad 1, 2, 3, 4  
Pep Squad Manager 4  
Flagteam 2, 3  
Combined Choir Secretary 3  
Combined Choir President 4  
Beaker Breaker President 3  
Beaker Breaker Treasurer 4  
Class Vice-President 1  
Class President 2  
Best All Around 3  
May Fete Duchess 3  
The Aurora Staff  
Our Lady of Lourdes Sodality 2, 3, 4  
Sodality Vice-Prefect 3  
Sodality Prefect 4  
C. Y. O. Secretary 4.

**Ambition:**  
To lead a good Catholic life.



DORIS SCHWIRTLICH  
St. Anthony's Parish, Violet, Texas

**Activities:**  
Secretary of Class 4.

**Ambition:**  
To travel.



PATRICIA JEAN SMITH (SMITH)  
Corpus Christi Cathedral Parish

**Activities:**  
Pep Squad 1, 2, 3, 4  
Cavalier Princess 3  
Cavalier Queen 4  
Our Lady of Grace Sodality 1, 2, 3, 4  
C. Y. O. 1, 2, 3.

**Ambitions:**  
To be a nurse, and to travel around the world.





MARTHA JO SOUTHERNWOOD (MARTY)  
Christ the King Parish

**Activities:**  
Combined Choir 2, 3, 4  
Class Reporter 4  
Our Lady of Fatima Sodality 3, 4  
Sodality Treasurer 4  
C. Y. O. 1, 2, 3.

**Ambition:**  
To be a success in life.



JERRY ANN VETTERS (CHERRY)  
Corpus Christi Cathedral Parish

**Activities:**  
Pep Squad 1, 2, 4  
Cavalier Princess 4  
Our Lady of Grace Sodality 1, 2, 4  
C. Y. O. 1, 2, 4

**Ambitions:**  
To be an air-line hostess, and to see  
the world.



ELLEN JANE TIBLIER (JANIE)  
Christ the King Parish

**Activities:**  
Pep Squad 1, 2, 3, 4  
Class Treasurer 2  
Most Popular 1, 2  
The Aurora Staff  
The Crown Staff  
Our Lady of Fatima Sodality 1, 2, 3, 4  
Sodality Vice-Prefect 4  
C. Y. O. 1, 2, 3.

**Ambition:**  
To lead a happy and successful life.



ADA VILLARREAL  
Sacred Heart

**Ambition:**  
To graduate from college.





WANEETA WILLIAMS  
Christ the King Parish

**Activities:**

- Pep Squad 3
- The Aurora Staff
- The Crown Staff
- Our Lady of Grace Sodality 2, 3, 4
- C. Y. O. 2, 3, 4.

**Ambitions:**

To be a secretary, later, to marry,  
and to lead a good Catholic life.

MARTHA ANN SNAPKA  
Incarnate Word Convent

**Activities:**

- Pep Squad 2
- Our Lady of Grace Sodality 3.

**Ambition:**

To be received as a novice in the  
congregation of the Sisters of the  
Incarnate Word and Blessed  
Sacrament.



Those who await their  
chance as the future stars of our  
play are the

*Understudies*

the juniors . . . . .



Those who lead the action for the Junior Class are: (standing) Betty McEvoy, Vice-President; Mary Louise Swick, Secretary; (seated) Mary Jo Anderson, Parliamentarian; Carol Johnson, President; Sylvia Wilmot, Treasurer.



**Junior Achievements**

President .....	Carol Johnson
Vice-President .....	Betty McEvoy
Secretary .....	Mary Louise Swick
Treasurer .....	Sylvia Wilmot
Reporter .....	Sara Schlepfforst
Parliamentarian .....	Mary Jo Anderson
Student Council Representatives .....	Dorothy Macaione and Patricia Strathman
Most Beautiful .....	Marguerite Ann Kaler
Most Popular .....	Dora Macaione
Best All Around .....	Carol Oldmixon
Student of the Month, December .....	Rosemary Ryan
Student of the Month, March .....	Ruby Diersing
Duchess for C.C.C.A. Homecoming .....	Lorraine Coldeway
Prefect of Our Lady of Fatima Sodality .....	Carol Johnson
Secretary of Our Lady of Fatima Sodality .....	Carol Oldmixon
Vice-President of the Student Council .....	Carol Johnson
Secretary of the Student Council .....	Mary Louise Swick
Historian of the Student Council .....	Dorothy Macaione
Vice-President of Glee Club .....	Sara Schlepfforst
Secretary of Glee Club .....	Carol Oldmixon
Editor of Red Cross paper .....	Betty McEvoy
Catechists .....	Pat Culver and Betty McEvoy



**MOST POPULAR**  
Dora Macaione



**BEST ALL AROUND**  
Carol Oldmixon



**MOST BEAUTIFUL**  
Marguerite Ann Kaler



Rosario Acuna



Juliet Allen



Mary Jo Anderson



Ann Devine



Ruby Diersing



Jeanette Flusche



Peggy Aniol



Lucy Baca



Cornelia Brown



Mary Darlene Ganem



Betty Halbrook



Delores Hill



Lorraine Coldewey



Diana Cuellar



Patricia Culver



Mary Catherine Hinojosa



Georgia Infield



Carol Johnson



Marguerite Ann Kaler



Rita Kocurek



Rose Marie Kowis



Carol Oldmixon



Patricia Opfel



Elizabeth Orsak



Dora Macaione



Dorothy Macaione



Eileen McCauley



Patricia Polansky



Mary Lucille Ramirez



Elena Ruiz



Betty McEvoy



Sharon Moore



Wanda Neřek



Rosemary Ryan



Cecilia Scecina



Sara Jane Schlepforst



Nancy Sowa



Myrna Stalter



Patricia Strathman



Mary Louise Swick



Mary Loretta Vatzlavick



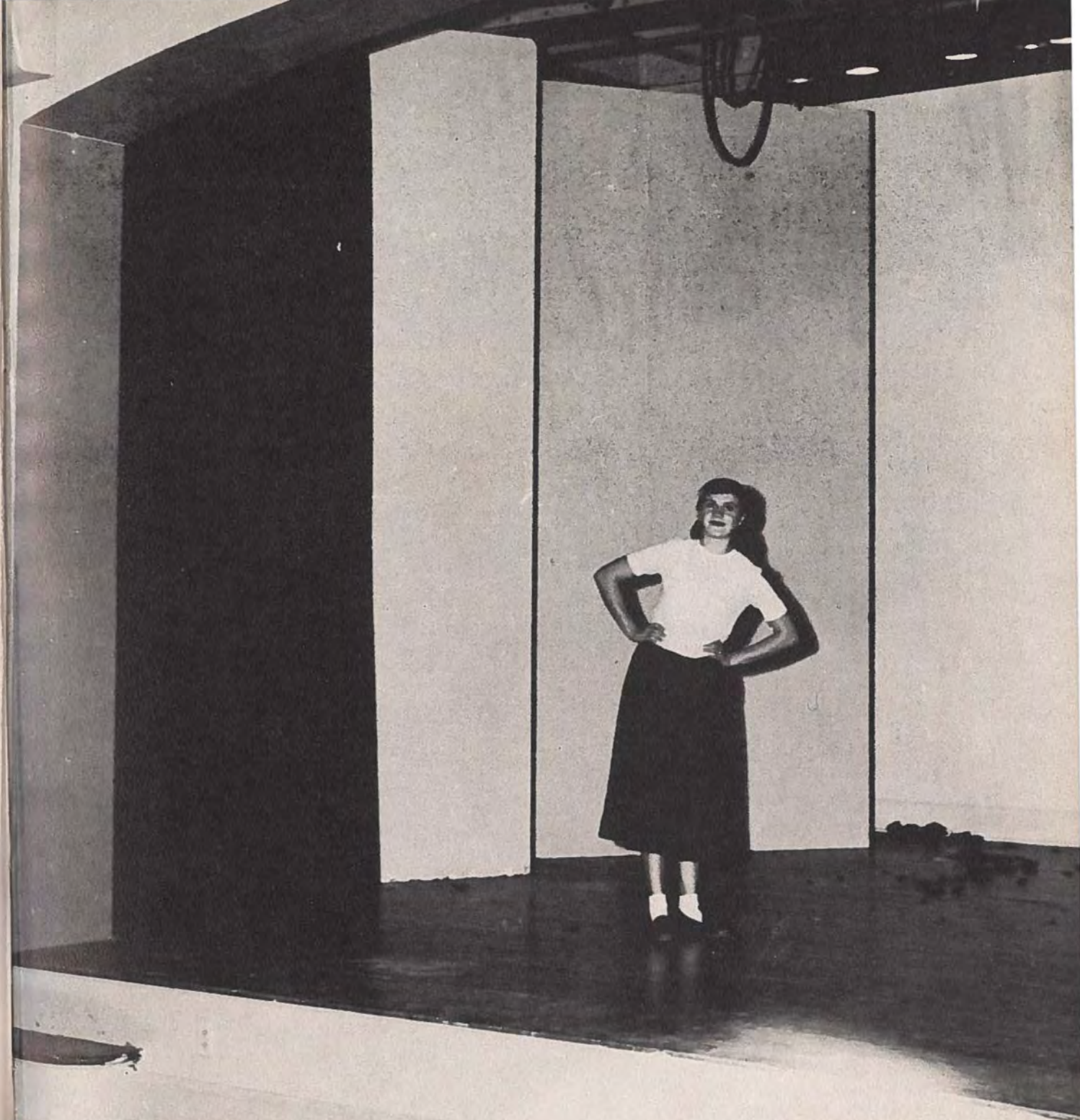
Sylvia Wilmot



Claudette Wilson



Bettye Joyce Zipprian



Those who are indispensable  
in the performance of our  
drama are the

*Supporting Players*

the sophomores . . . .



Those who lead the action for the Sophomore Class are: (left to right) Mary Cerda, Parliamentarian; Linda Clair Rainwater, Secretary; George Anne Hubert, President; Kathryn Sullivan, Vice-President; Hilda Garcia, Treasurer.

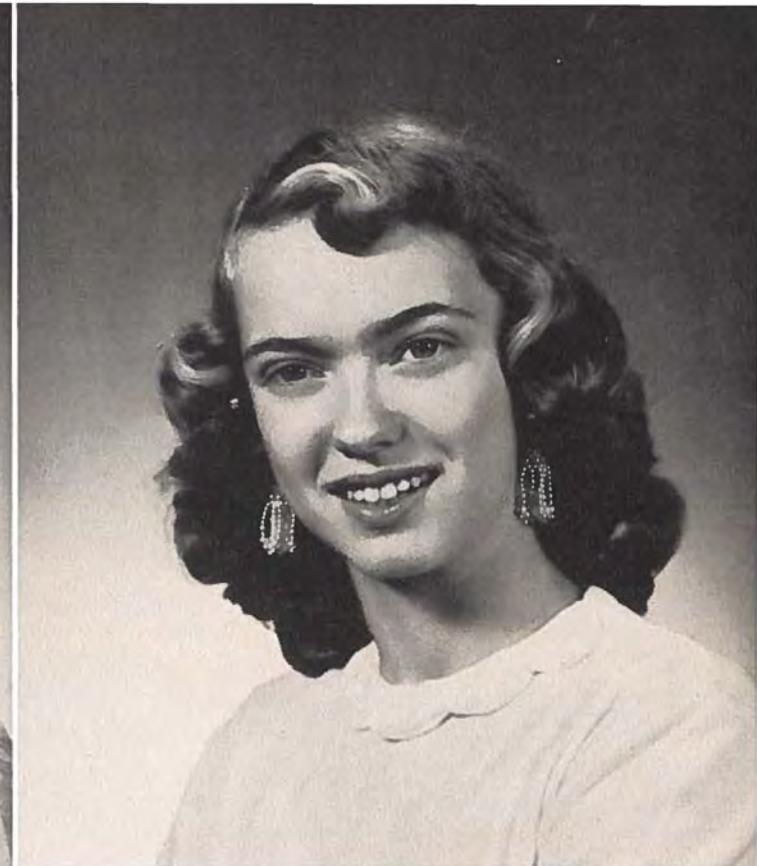
### Sophomore Achievements

President .....	George Ann Hubert
Vice-President .....	Kathryn Sullivan
Secretary .....	Linda Clair Rainwater
Treasurer .....	Hilda Garcia
Reporter .....	Joan Hetherington
Parliamentarian .....	Mary Cerda
Student Council Representatives .....	Olga Brown and Barbara Franks
Most Beautiful .....	Kathryn Sullivan
Most Popular .....	Lillie Duran
Best All Around .....	Kay Vetter
Student of the Month, October .....	Linda Clair Rainwater
Student of the Month, February .....	Gwendoline Terrell
Duchess for CCCA HOMECOMING .....	Pearl Marie Budd
Treasurer of Student Council .....	George Ann Hubert



**MOST POPULAR**

Lillie Duran



**BEST ALL AROUND**

Kay Vetter



**MOST BEAUTIFUL**

Kathryn Sullivan



Becky Baskett



Johanna Blossman



Nancy Brown



Olga Brown



Pearl Marie Budd



Mary Cerda



Rita Mae Chester



Minerva Cuellaf



Mildred Ann Dickens



Barbara Franks



Joan Hetherington



Lillie Duran



George Anne Hubert



Joella Fey



Hilda Garcia



Virginia Lee Kadlecck



Charline Kelly



Lena Belle Kelly



Vlasta Kocurek



Irma Medina



Patra Ann Meyers



Charlene Mikulec



Joyce Marie Knapek



Elizabeth Kureska



Merry Lee Mayes



Rosa Simo



Rachel Rachal



Yolanda Lara



Marjorie Shearer



Rosario Martinez



Medora de la Rosa



Linda Clair Rainwater



Maria Cristina Suess



Elena Suess



Kathryn Sullivan



Gwendoline Terrell



Kay Vettters



Rosemary Williams



Loraine Yaklin



Those who perform important tasks in the production of our play are the

*Stagehands*

the freshmen . . . . .



Those who lead the action for the Freshman Class are: (standing) Carolyn Parrish, Vice-President; Patsy Riley, Treasurer; (seated) Vicki Edwards, Secretary; Martha Temus, Parliamentarian; Christine Rachal, President.

**Freshmen Achievements**

President .....	Christine Rachal
Vice-President .....	Carolyn Parrish
Secretary .....	Vicki Edwards
Treasurer .....	Patsy Riley
Reporter .....	Martha Temus
Parliamentarian .....	Martha Temus
Student Council Representatives .....	Elaine Kaler and Roberta Smith
Most Beautiful .....	Elia Villarreal
Most Popular .....	Lucy Mae Durham
Best All Around .....	Patsy Riley
Student of the Month, September .....	Susan Scheuer
Student of the Month, January .....	Carol Jean Brown
Duchess for CCCA Homecoming .....	Lorene Mae Foyt
Ki-kun-ka Horizon Club	
President .....	Betty Kay Morris
Treasurer .....	Patsy Riley



**MOST BEAUTIFUL**  
Elia Villarreal



**BEST ALL AROUND**  
Patsy Riley



**MOST POPULAR**  
Lucy Durham





Esperanza Arredondo



Mary Stella Alvarez



Carol Jean Brown



Marjorie Brown



Lucy Mae Durham



Gloria Durant



Geraldine D'Unger



Vicki Edwards



Patricia Gail Brown



Joyce Ann Busenlehner



Glenice Butler



Ann Elizabeth Crawford



Diane Elaine Fawcett



Lorene Mae Foyt



Charlotte Guerra



Yvonne Harvey



50 Monica Ann Delahoussaye



Zaida Dora de Leon



Lyla Jeanne DeVine



Marie Durbin



Carol Hedrick



Jo Ann Herschbach



Mary Rose Horrell



Patricia Hussey 51



Elsie Mae Janosek



Norma Jimenez



Elaine Kaler



Clarice Krogman



Josephine Prado



Mary Prado



Carolyn Parrish



Dianne Pearson



Mary Margaret Kuntscher



Patsy Kusenberger



Mary Lu Link



Audrey Mc Phaul



Patsy Riley



Christine Rachal



Sylvia Rainwater



Pilar Ramirez



Phyllis Mills



Betty Kay Morris



Mary Beth Oberle



Rose Marie Orsak



Alice Kay Rich



Eleanora Robards



Mary Nidia Rodriguez



Kathleen Ryan



Susan Scheuer



Elaine Schonefeld



Martha Seng



Shirlene Skrobarcek



Carolyn Smith



Roberta Smith



Sheila Tarwin



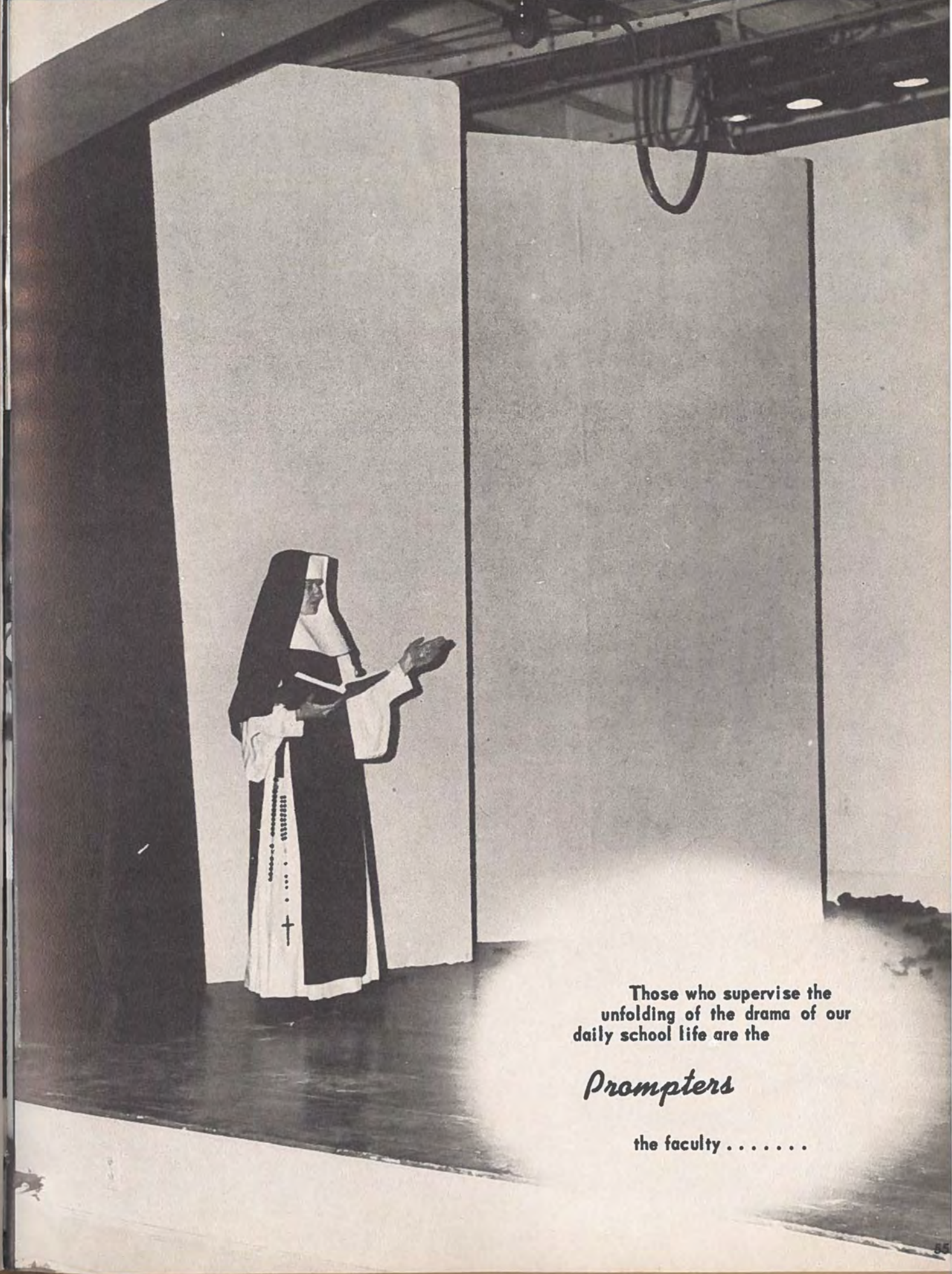
Martha Ternus



Elia Villarreal



Gloria Walters



Those who supervise the unfolding of the drama of our daily school life are the

*Prompters*

the faculty . . . . .



Sister Mary Claude, Principal



Sister Mary Xavier



Sister Jeanne Francis



Sister Agnes Marie

Government, American History, Modern History.



Religion III, Typing Secretarial Training, Typing II.

General Science, Biology, Physical Education, Chemistry, Journal-m.



Bible, English III, Typing I, General Mathematics.



Sister Anna Maria



Sister Mary Elizabeth



Sister Mary Luke



Sister Mary Lucy

Religion I, Algebra II, Geometry, Bookkeeping.

Ancient History, Home Economics.

English IV, English II, Latin I, Latin II.

Religion II, English I, Spanish I, Spanish II.



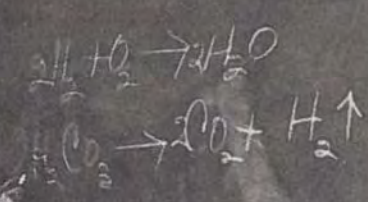
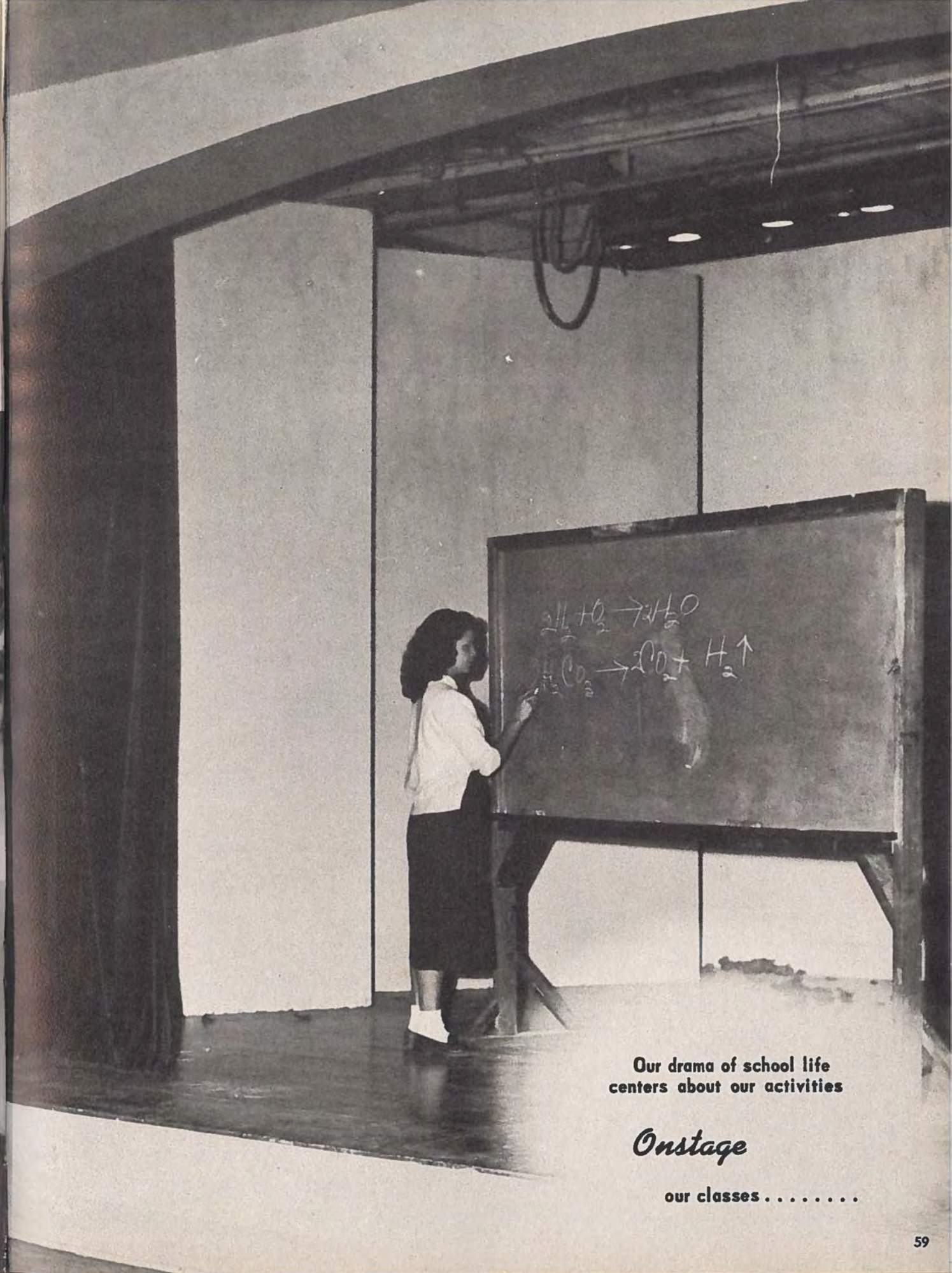
Sister Mary Joan, teacher of piano, has many pupils among the high school students.



Mr. Ralph Thibodeau, as he directs the Combined Choir, a class of students from the Corpus Christi College-Academy and Incarnate Word Academy.



Teachers of religion classes in the Academy are the Reverend Father Gerald O'Doherty (left), and the Reverend Father Anthony Goegele.

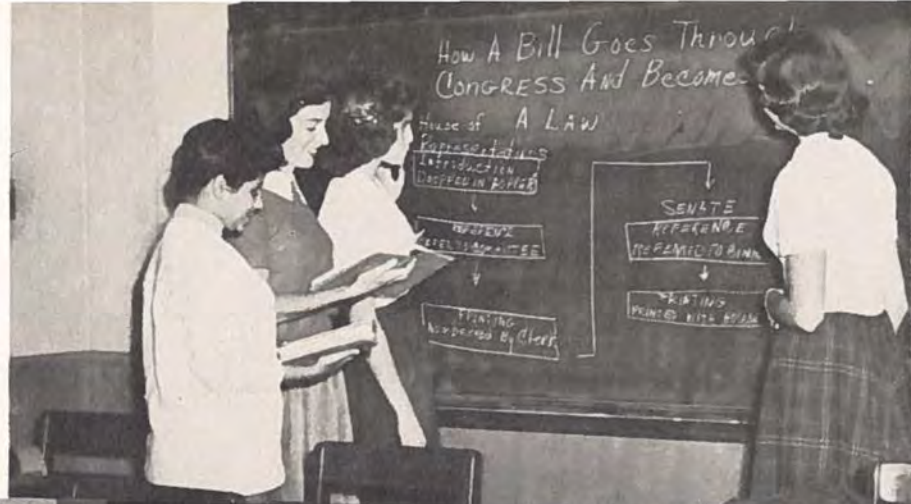


Our drama of school life centers about our activities

*Onstage*

our classes . . . . .

Junior government students diagram the path of a bill introduced in Congress.



Four junior geometry students prove a theorem at the blackboard.



Combined choir class includes students from I.W.A. and C.C.C.A.



Pat Strathman and her fellow typists concentrate on the material in their books at typing I class.

Sister Lucy helps Spanish II class with translations.



Future stenographers learn the fundamentals of shorthand from Sister Xavier.





Four freshmen in Religion class study a new statue of St. Maria Goretti.



The Latin I class concentrates on the conjugation of a verb.



Home Economic seamstresses work diligently on a new creation.



Chemistry students busily set up the apparatus they need in performing an experiment.



Freshmen ancient history students point out a significant landmark on the map of Italy.



The senior English class listens to a recording of Shakespeare's 'Macbeth'.

Physical Education plays its role in the training of the "whole student."

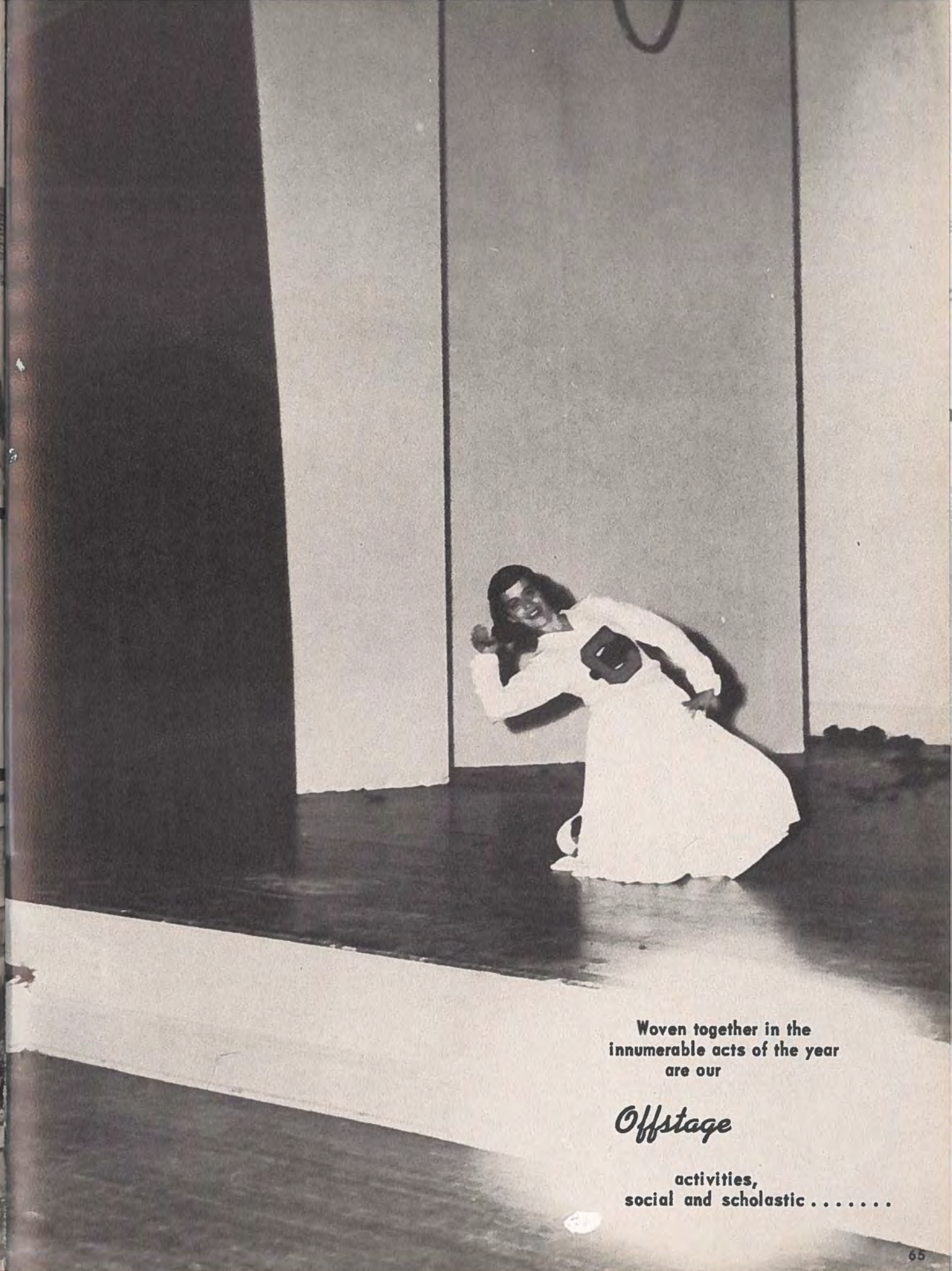
Rosario throws for a goal during a class basketball game.



Square dancing is an always-popular favorite.



Volleyball here has the attention of a mixed group of players.



Woven together in the innumerable acts of the year are our

*Offstage*

activities, social and scholastic . . . . .



Sister Claude cheerfully registers Minerva Cuellar and Charline Kelly for the 1952-53 school year.



Several year-book staff members attend the Port Printing Company's Annual Workshop at Del Mar College.



NEWPOINT  
 MY NAME IS *Patsy Golden*  
 I REPRESENT *The Aurora*  
 I'M FROM *Laureate School Academy*  
 PORT WORKSHOP — 1952-53  
 Attention To Sister Jeanne Francis, AURORA, Corpus Christi.



Students attending Pontifical High Mass.



The combined Choir sings at Cardinal's reception.

The four class presidents, Christine Rachal, Patsy Janecek, Carol Johnson, and George Ann Hubert meet in the lounge after class elections.



Diane Fawcett takes charge of the Pep Squad's booth at the Sisters' barbecue.

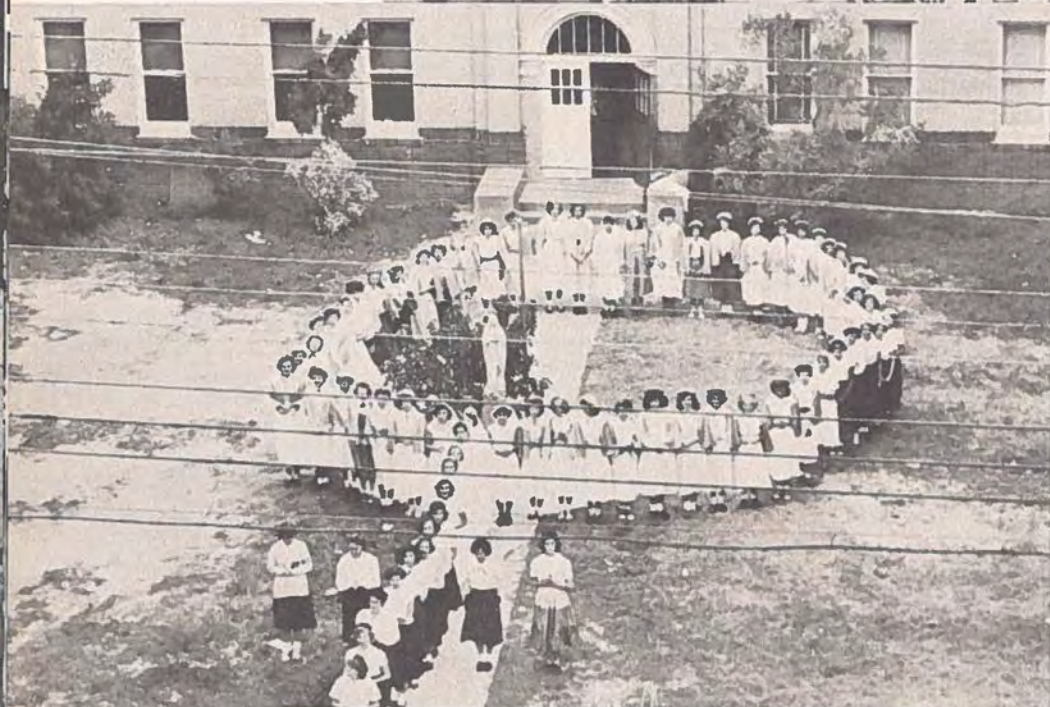




The Pep Squad cheers the Cavalier football team on to victory.



The graduates of 1953 receive their senior rings from The Right Reverend Monsignor Adolph Marx at the Incarnate Word Convent Chapel.



Members of local sodalities participate in the Living Rosary in front of Incarnate Word Academy.



REGIONAL CONGRESS  
—  
FRATERNITY of CHRISTIAN DOCTRINE  
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CORPUS CHRISTI TEXAS



Newly-elected Student Council officers are installed by the out-going officers.



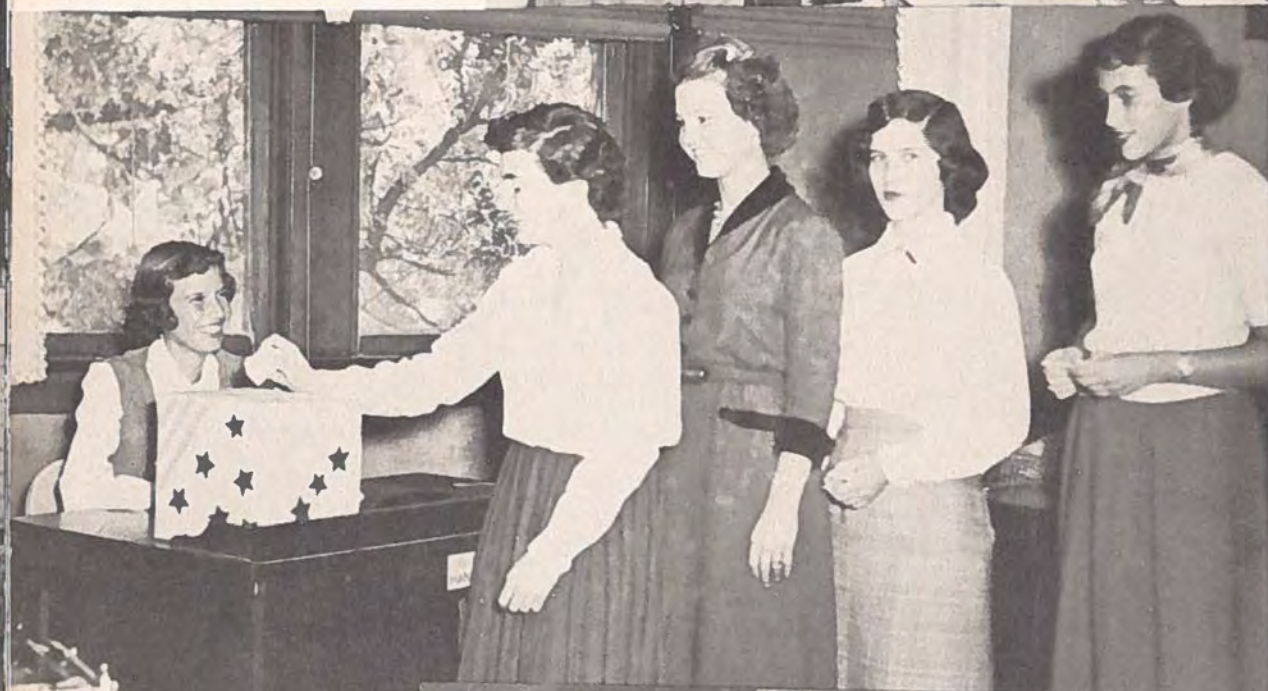
Teen-Age holds a Halloween Dance at the Palm Room of the Nueces Hotel.



A group of hungry students buy candy from Ann Devine before the 10:40 P. E. period.



A group of seniors initiate their freshmen 'stooges' in the school yard.



Students voting in mock election.



Corpus Christi College-Academy Cavalier Queen, Patsy Jean Smith, senior, and her court assemble on the steps of the Administration Building on the College-Academy campus.

Rosemary Ryan, Rose Marie Kowis, Ruby Diersing, and Sara Schlepfforst entertain the student body at the junior assembly program.



A senior serves coffee at the Sister's Mexican Supper in the basement of the convent.





From Mrs. J. F. Kaler and Mrs. G. H. Shotwell, Sister Claude accepts a new spirit duplicator machine, presented to the high school faculty by the Mothers' Club.



Mr. Thibodeau directs the singing at a rehearsal for the Christmas Cantata.



Members of the Student Council happily unpack the new chairs purchased for use in the Council room, while Sister Agnes Marie tries out one of the chairs.

Students of Incarnate Word Academy and the Corpus Christi College-Academy present their Christmas program, "A Divine Mystery" at Del Mar College Auditorium.



The Pep Squad and the Cavalier football team assemble at a barbecue given them by the Bauer family at their home in Refugio, Texas.



Bishop Garriga delivers a congratulatory address at the annual Corpus Christi College-Academy Cavalier football banquet.

Cheerleaders and Pep Squad Manager sport their new jackets awarded them for their service to the Cavaliers of CCCA.



Sophomores smile wide for the cameraman of Wheat Photo Company.



Girls eat heartily at lunch during the annual retreat at the Convent Motherhouse.



Reverend Father Sheehy, Retreatmaster, delivers the first afternoon conference in the Convent Chapel.



At the end of the three day retreat, students get together on the Convent entrance steps for the annual photo.





Students line up to order their 1953 Auroras.



Three new students are welcomed at Incarnate Word Academy.



Barbara McMurry

Donna Whisenhunt



Carolyn Slover



Junior Class officers assist in taking the measurements for senior rings for 1954.



Members of the Combined Choir make a record of music to be used on a regular Sunday program over KSIX.



Some of the girls make a special visit to the Blessed Sacrament during the noon hour during the Lenten Season.



Betty McEvoy, Editor of the Junior Red Cross LIGHT and Dorothy Macaione view the school art exhibit loaned to IWA by the Red Cross.





# March

Senior Jo Ann gives Freshman Diane a bit of advice at a Pre-Lenten dance.



Senior Class president, Patsy Janecek, and class sponsor, Sister Mary Luke, confer with Sister Anna Marie about ordering the robes to be used for graduation exercises.



Beaker Breaker officers prepare to attend a Junior Texas Academy of Science meet.

Several journalists gaze with pride at the newly-granted charter from Quill & Scroll.



Several freshmen ponder the question of whether or not to "give up" candy for Lent.



These freshmen take "time out" to read the latest CROWN for school news.



# April

Our Lady of Grace sodalists dye Easter eggs for children at the Casa Blanca mission.



Some of the Sisters prepare to board the bus which takes them daily back to the Motherhouse after school.

Once a year, girls from the eighth grades in local parochial schools spend Future Freshman Day at Incarnate Word Academy, while the boys in their classes visit the Corpus Christi College-Academy for the same purpose.



from Christ the King School



from St. Therese's School

from Corpus Christi Cathedral School



from Sacred Heart School



Eating seems to be the most important thing at the annual school picnic at Lake Corpus Christi near Mathis, Texas.



from St. Patrick's School



# May

Parties honoring the graduates fill the calendar in April and May.



*The Faculty and Senior  
of  
Incarnate Word Academy  
invite you to be present at their  
Commencement Exercises  
Monday evening, May twenty-  
Nineteen hundred fifty-  
at eight o'clock  
Roy Miller High School.  
Corpus Christi.*



BACCALAUREATE SEP  
SUNDAY, MAY 1  
CORPUS CHRISTI C.



On Yearbook Day, the seniors carry out the tradition of hanging their class picture.

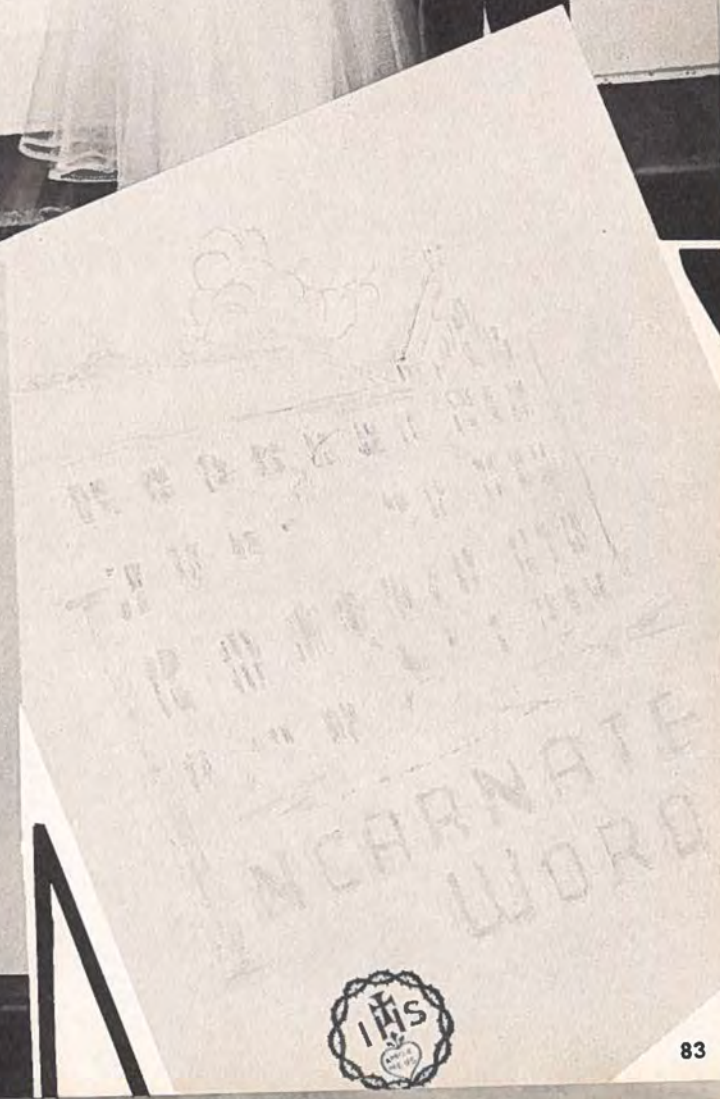


Jody and John Ed smile their enjoyment at the Senior Prom.



Janie and Elvira lead the lines of graduates at the Commencement Exercises.

Spectators and participants enjoy the annual May Festival, which all local schools taught by the Sisters take part in presenting.





## Honors for the School Year



Valedictorian \_\_\_\_\_

Salutatorian \_\_\_\_\_

### Medals Awarded:

Highest Average in the Senior Class \_\_\_\_\_

Highest Average in the Junior Class \_\_\_\_\_

Highest Average in the Sophomore Class \_\_\_\_\_

Highest Average in the Freshman Class \_\_\_\_\_

Bible \_\_\_\_\_

Religion \_\_\_\_\_

English \_\_\_\_\_

Social Science \_\_\_\_\_

Bookkeeping \_\_\_\_\_

Stenography \_\_\_\_\_

Science \_\_\_\_\_

### Babe Ruth Sportsmanship Awards:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_



Between the acts of  
our daily school living comes  
the

## *Intermission*

our extracurricular  
activities . . . . .

# Sodalities

Our Lady of Grace Sodality  
Cathedral Parish  
Moderator: Sister M. Xavier  
Prefect: Patsy Janecek



Our Lady of Lourdes Sodality  
St. Patrick's Parish  
Prefect: Jo Ann Shotwell



Our Lady of Fatima Sodality  
Christ the King  
Prefect: Carol Johnson

# Pep Squad



Jo Ann Shotwell  
Manager

For many years, one of the most popular organizations in school has been the Pep Squad, whose function it is to cheer for the Corpus Christi College-Academy Cavalier football team. Special buses take the girls to and from games, both in and out of town. Being of necessity limited in number, the Pep Squad usually has a long waiting list.



The Reverend Father Augustine Linbeck,  
O. S. B., Sponsor



# Student Council



# Beaker Breakers



**President**  
Martha Bauer

**Vice-President**  
Carol Johnson

**Secretary**  
Mary Louise Swick

**Treasurer**  
George Anne Hubert

**Parliamentarian**  
Patsy Janecek

**Historian**  
Dorothy Macaione

Organized in the fall of 1951, the Student Council of Incarnate Word Academy is affiliated with the National Association of Student Councils. Recently, the Council completed furnishing the Student Council Room. Other projects during the school year included directing all the student parties, sponsoring a contest to provide a school song, taking care of bulletin boards, promoting community and school spirit, and serving in capacities designed to benefit the school and the student body.

**Sponsor**  
Sister Agnes Marie



**President**  
Mary Clare Johnson

**Vice-President**  
Mary Frances Billings

**Treasurer**  
Jo Ann Shotwell

**Secretary**  
Shirley Geirland

**Reporter**  
Vernie Rose Polansky

Devoted to stimulating interest in the scientific and nursing professions, the science club, Beaker Breakers, this year numbers sixty one members. Most of these members are students in one or another science classes while others have already had some training in science. Each year the club sends delegates to near-by science conventions and seminars, who in turn report back to the club on what has taken place at these meetings.

**Sister Jeanne Francis**  
Sponsor



# The Crown

Incarnate Word Academy  
Corpus Christi, Texas



Incarnate Word Academy...  
Mr. Wilson spoke about the influence of the Catholic Church on the people of Panama. He emphasized the faithful work of the Cathedral in Panama.

The journalism class of Incarnate Word Academy visited the Caller-Times, October 2, 1952, when the newly remodeled building was open to the public. Everyone was impressed by the magnitude of the building.

## CROWN STAFF

FOR THIS ISSUE

- Editor-in-Chief ..... Patsy Golden
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- Feature Editor ..... Mary Frances Billing
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### SODALITY NEWS

Our Lady of Lourdes Sodality officers for this year are: President, Jo Ann Shotwell; Vice-president, Jeanette Rachal; Secretary, Jeanette Rachal; Treasurer, Mary C. Hetherington; Parliamentarian, Elizabeth Baskett; and Public Representative, Elizabeth Hetherington. The Sodality held their meeting of the month by giving the teenagers of the parish a dance at the Scout Hut on October 14. A business meeting was held on October 28.

### ALUMNAE ECHOES

"May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace."

At its regular meeting on October 5 the Alumnae voted to send to the annual Alumnae convention two members, President Smith and Mary Cathers. Mrs. James Walker and Francis Blossman were elected. Sisters Xavier and ... will accompany ... November ...

### Sponsor Dance

Our candidate for ... Patsy Golden ... sponsored a ... October 11, at ... the Corpus Christi ... Campus. The ... Edward Sox Dance ... by students from ... Word Academy, ... College Academy, ... of the latter ...

### STUDENT Of The Month



Play To ... Bauer

### Council Installed

Following day, the ... of Student Council ... mem- sident, Carol Joh ... Senior Mary Louise S ... Frances George Anne H ... Barbara arian, Patsy Jar ... ne Graduate," orian, Dora Maca ... ariel, the Angel wly-elected officers ... Floyd; "The Sul- installed in a cer ... andner; "The Old Old ore a special stud ... ivira Morales; "The Friday, October 10. C ... her," Betty McEvoy; cials, or their proxi ... dian Angel," Patsy the symbols of their ... "The Blind Boy," new officers and ... of Corpus Christi success in their unde ... pl. Directors of the school year 1952-53

### 1953 Yearbook Heads Appointed

Staff heads for the 1953 Aurora were announced by Sister Jeanne Francis, yearbook sponsor. Patsy Golden will serve as Editor.

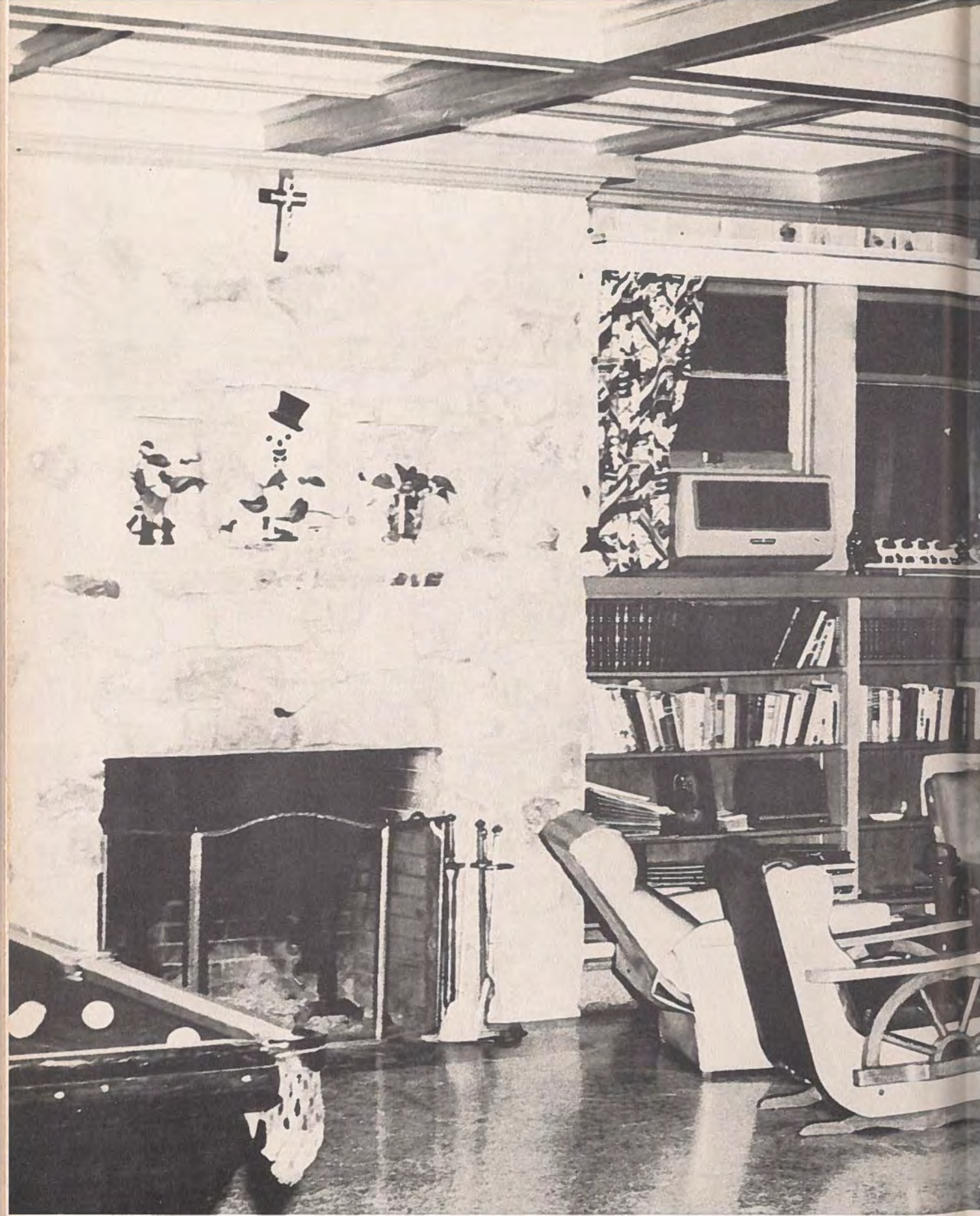


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