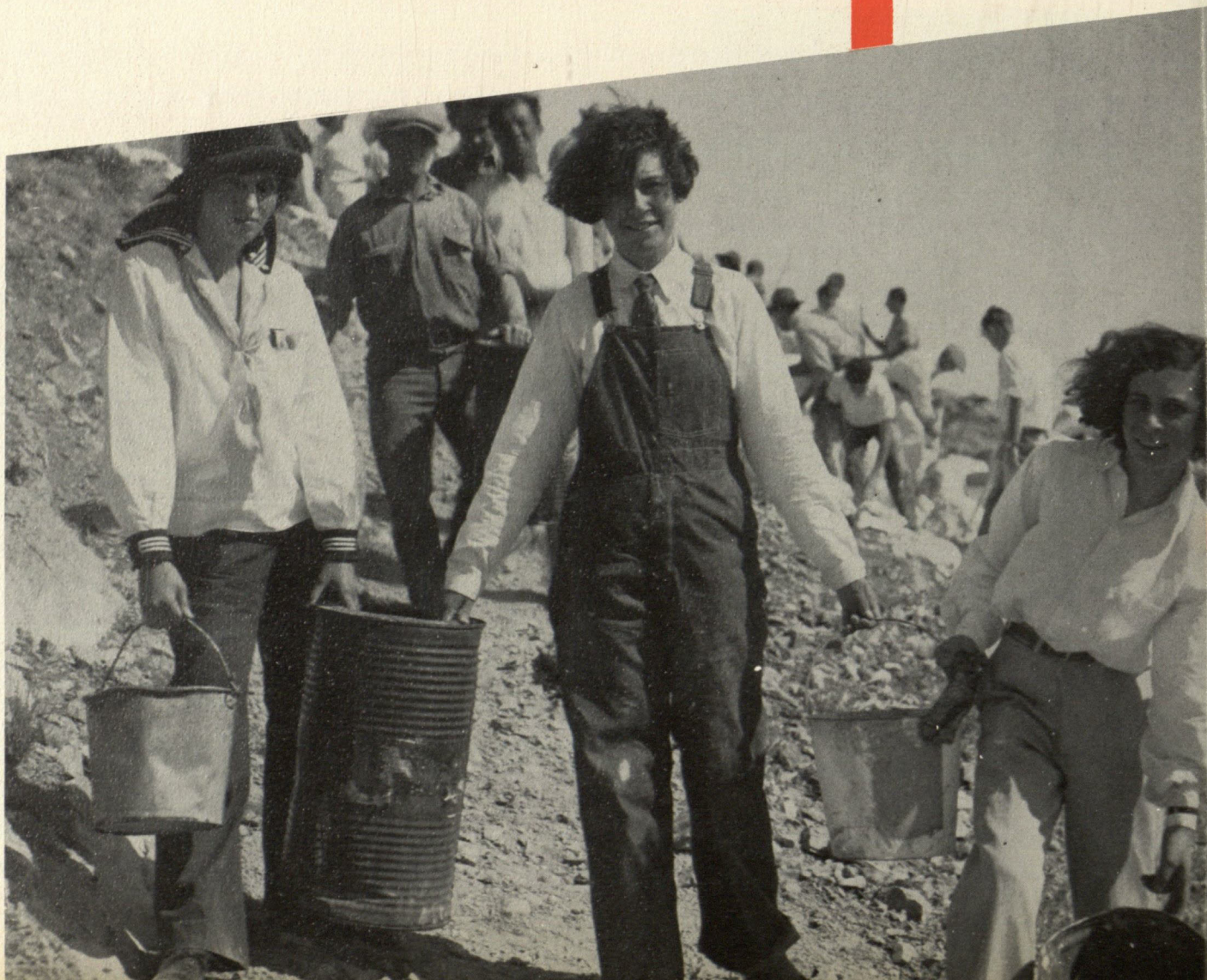


campusology

The favorite of MINER traditions was initiated in November of 1923. The day before, the M on the eastern slope of Mt. Franklin was surveyed, and on the morning of the 21st, students took an unofficial holiday and painted the M with lime.

Following the whitewashing of the M, visible for 60 miles from the air on a clear day, the Co-eds served a picnic lunch, and a new holiday was born: all adding up to one of the most colorful and interesting of TW traditions.



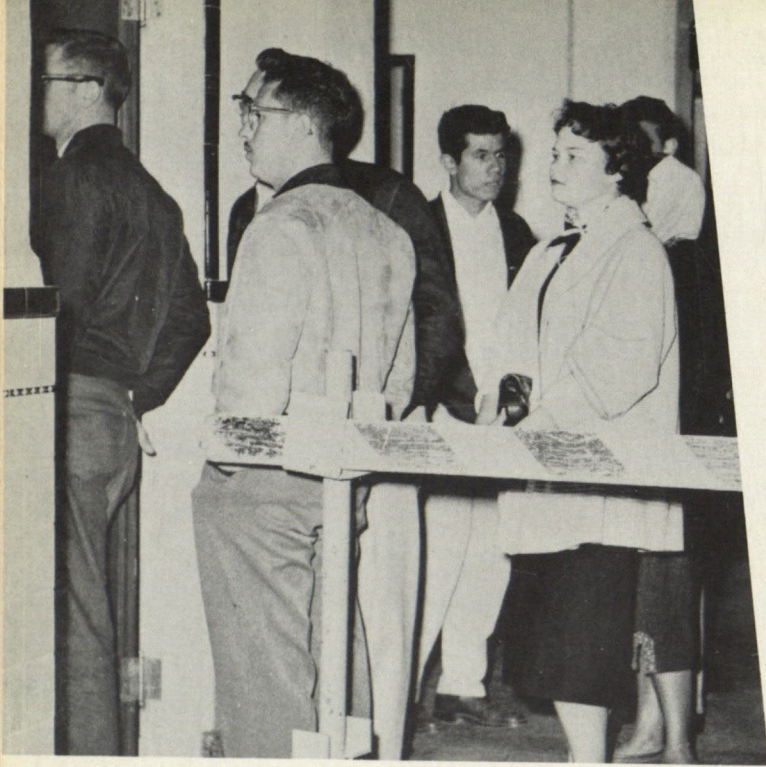


Except for slight additions, M Day has remained unchanged through the years. Frosh now do most of the work, supervised of course, by upper classmen; and the day is still an unofficial holiday.

Today, after the bean feed served on the campus, a Sadie Hawkins Day race is held, originating in 1939 and patterned after the race in Al Capp's comic strip, L'il Abner.

After the race, the El Paso Herald Post awards prizes for the first couple across the line, and for the best costumed Daisy Mae and L'il Abner.

REGISTRATION



The beginning of the end . . .

I want department . . .

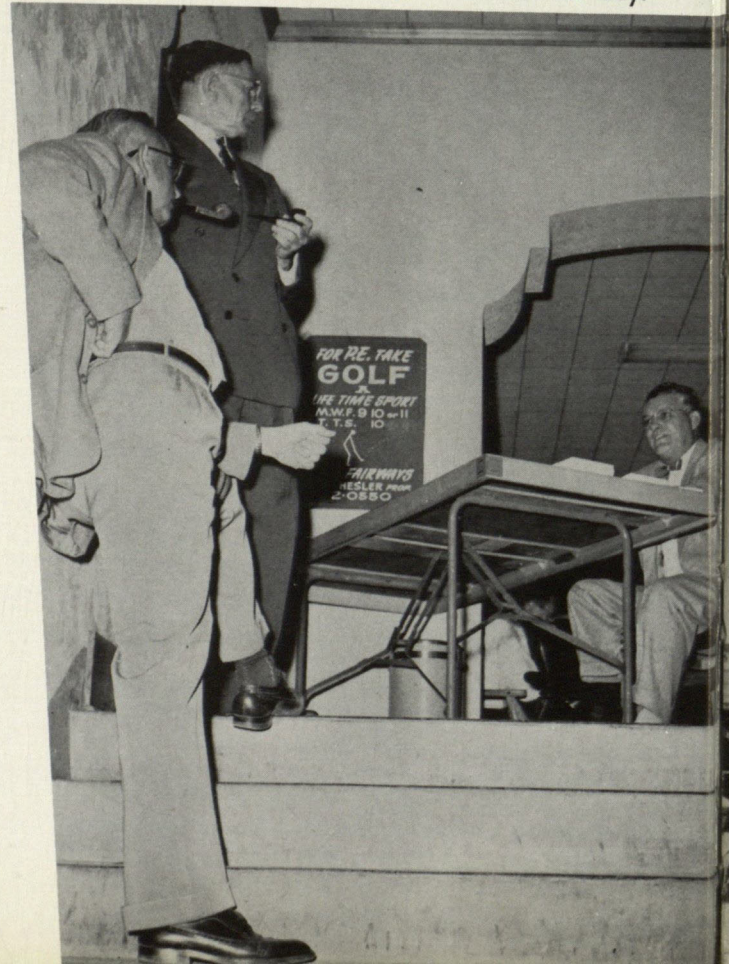


Hope my section doesn't close before I get through.



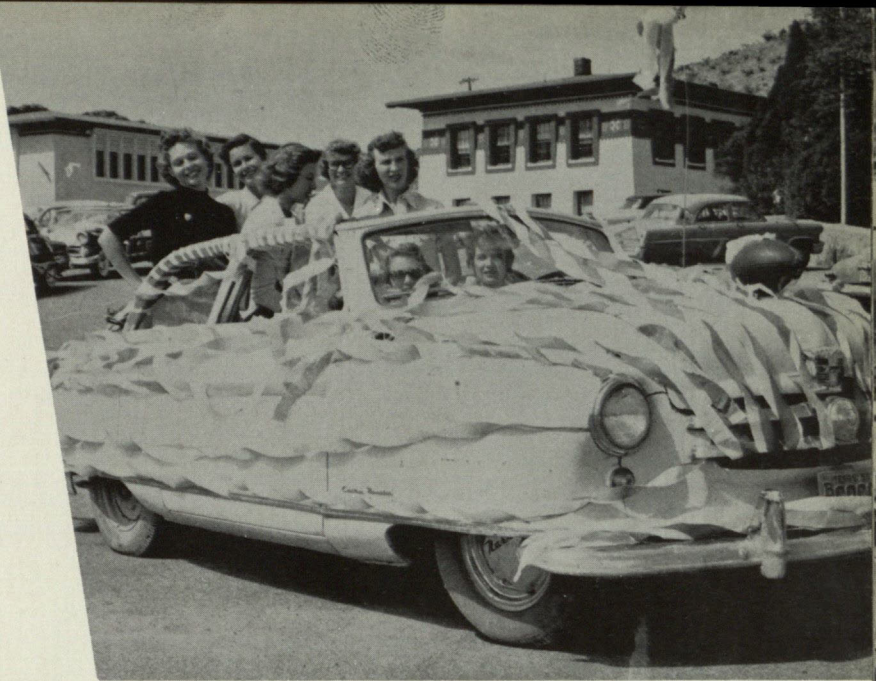
The climax of a long day as seen by Ed Olive's expression.

The poor faculty was worn out by the end of the day.

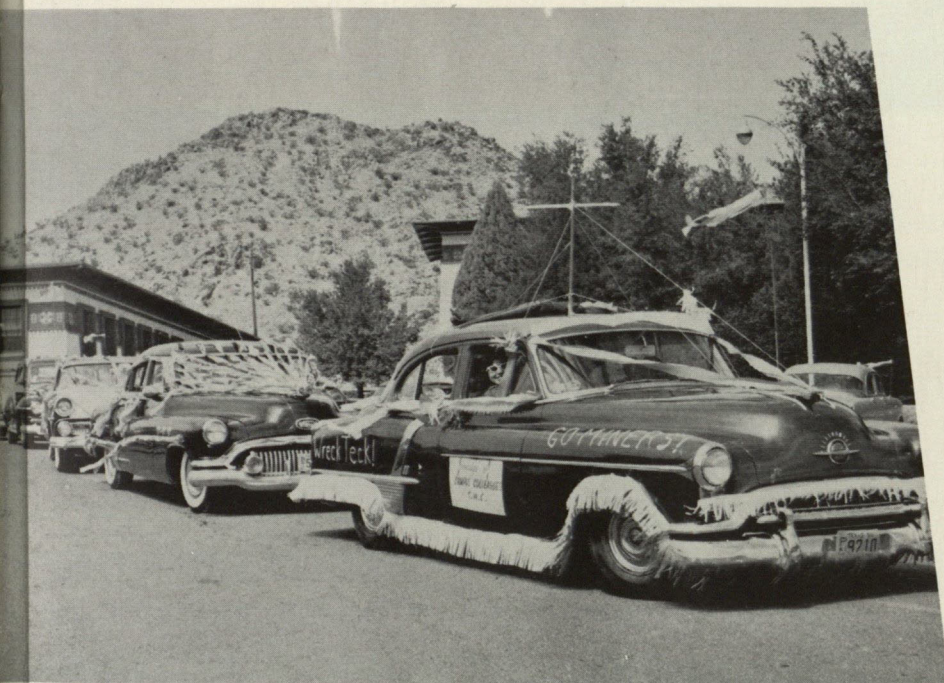


ORANGE AND WHITE PARADE

To start off the football season with plenty of school spirit, the Student Association called the campus to attention with the Orange and White Parade. Individuals and organizations were encouraged to participate by the announcement that prizes would be awarded the best-decorated cars. On this day, orange and white was really the prevailing color on campus.



Co-eds got together and entered their own cars . . .



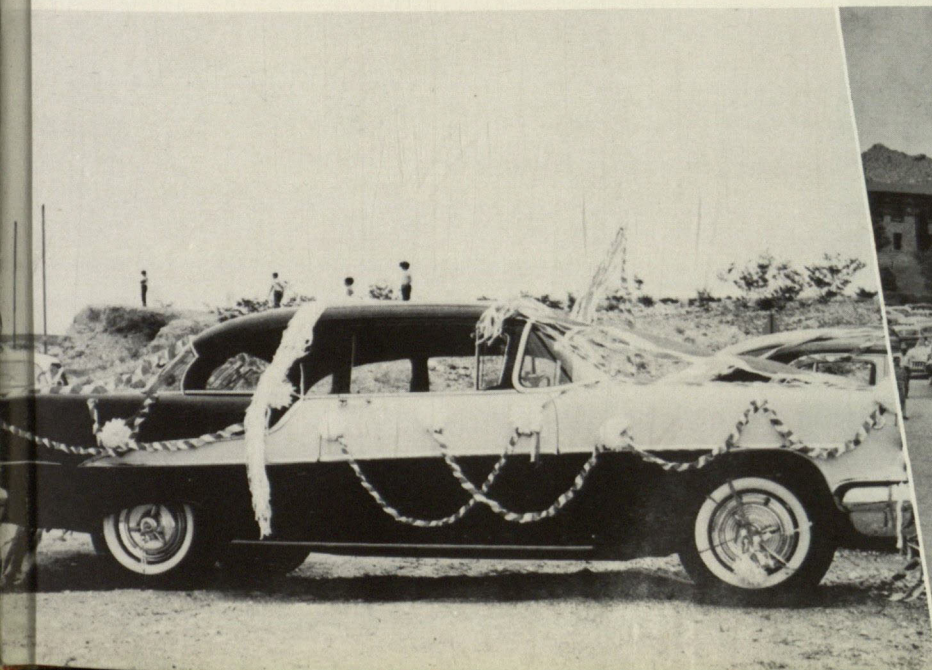
School organizations were not to be left out either. . .

First Place Winner—TW mascot.



Second place winner—isn't it a beauty?

The bonfire climaxed the Parade.



CLASSES



Just a blue Monday . . .

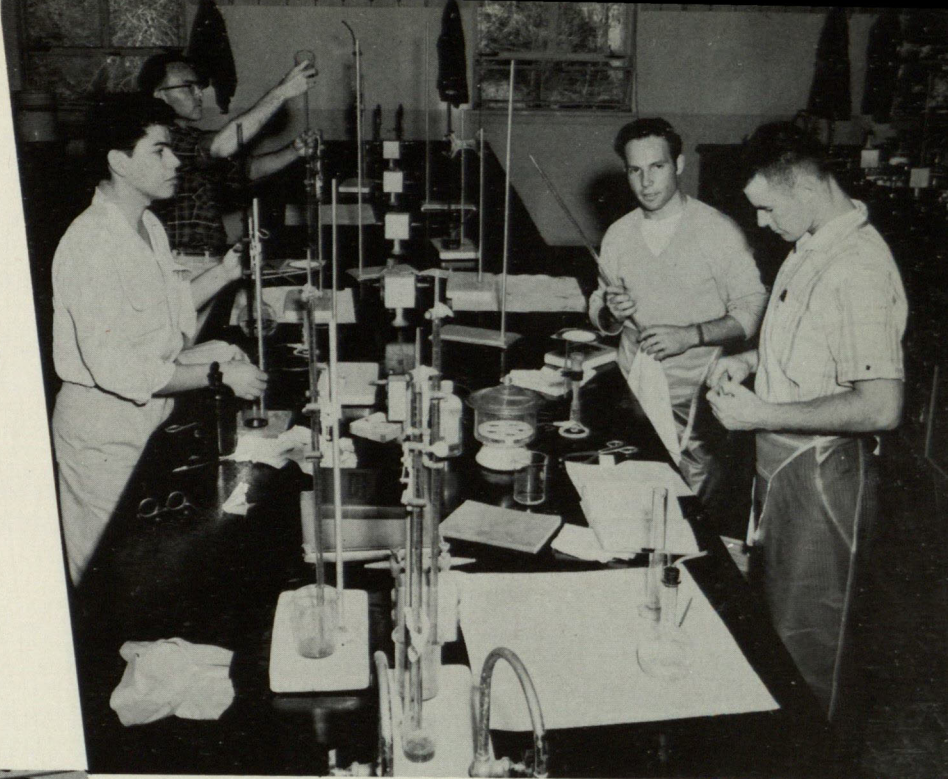


Just like real TV!



Easy as pie . . .

CLASSES



A biological sciences lab . . . you've got to be exact here.



Sir, you are on.

Just acting busy.





CAMPUS

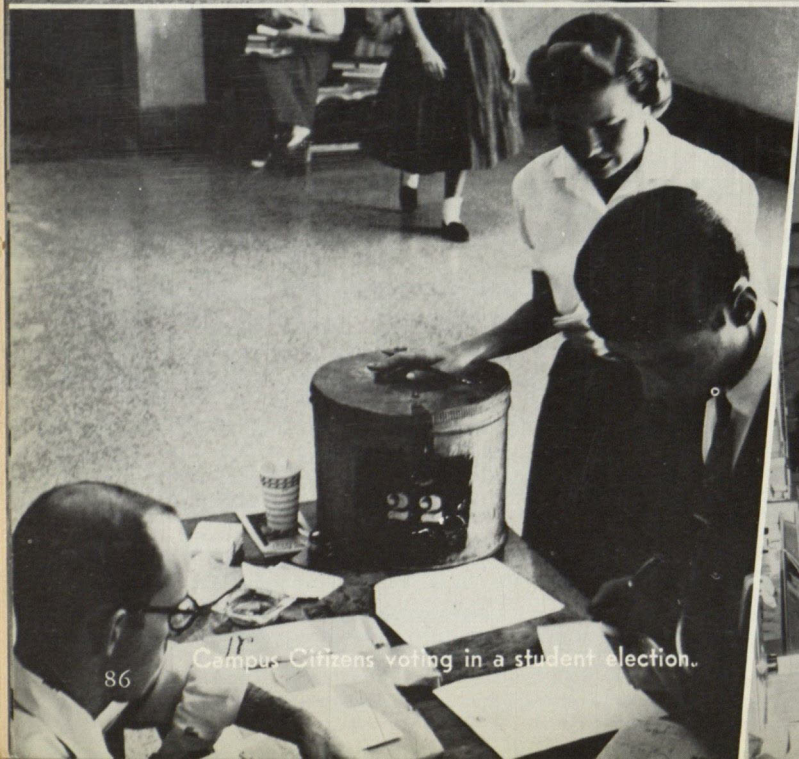
Some waiting for the bus, others rushing to their next class . . .



Studying and relaxing in the S. U. B.



At the library—studying is never done.



Campus Citizens voting in a student election.



Then for the traditional coffee-break in the S. U. B. between classes.

LIFE



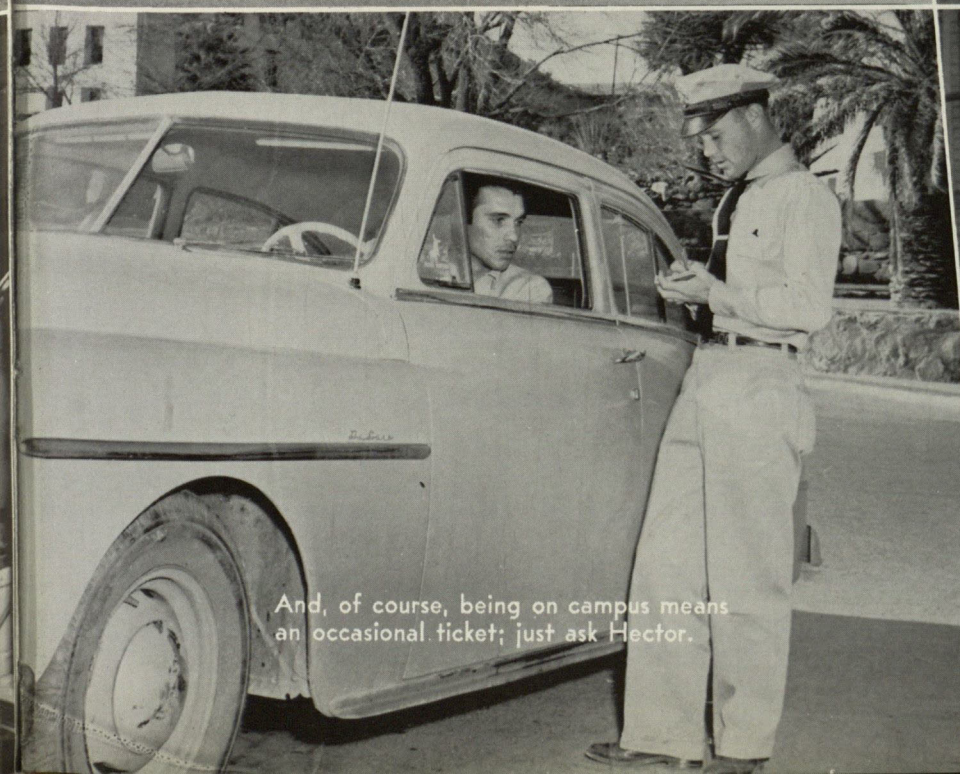
Just loafing, gabbing and showing-off (cars) before class-time.



How many miles around the campus from class to class?



Classes out—at last!



And, of course, being on campus means an occasional ticket; just ask Hector.



Solving that—problem—three heads are still better than one.

DORM

When students of all types, ideas and places get together—you have life in the dorm. Like the regular students, they sleep, eat, study and yes . . . play an occasional game of cards. Dorm students are unique in that they are away from home—but t's no easier, oh no!

There's nothing like getting together and studying . . . from books, too!



When things slow down—there are always the perennial card games.

Time out for callers!



LIFE

Ah, them books!—college life is too big a part of them.



Two of these "loafers" are engineers—can you guess who?



The guys also like an occasional game of cards; occasional, did you say?



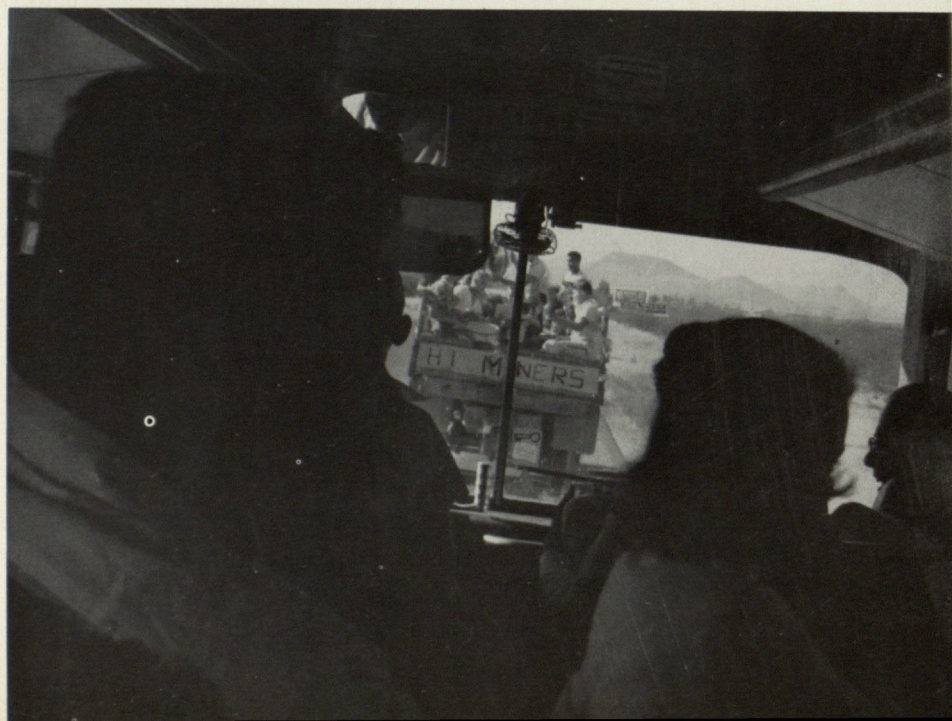
The Tucson Trip, annual affair, went off with the traditional bang this year with over 200 students, the band and Gold Diggers attending. The Student Association obtained a special price for buses. Upon arrival at Tucson, students checked in at the Tucson Inn. They were first entertained by the Arizona University Student Council and later by watching the Miners defeat the Arizona Wildcats. The post-game dance saw activities come to an end—until next year.

With everyone in high spirits, the Tucson Trip gets off to a good start.



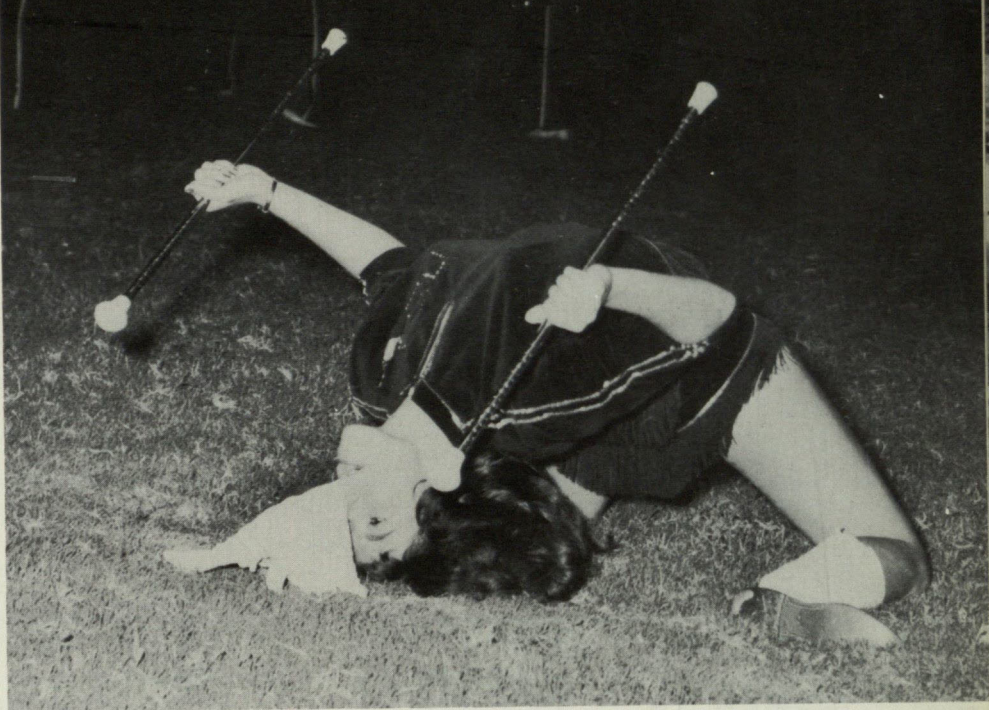
Enthusiastic Gold Diggers await moment of departure.

Recognize anyone?

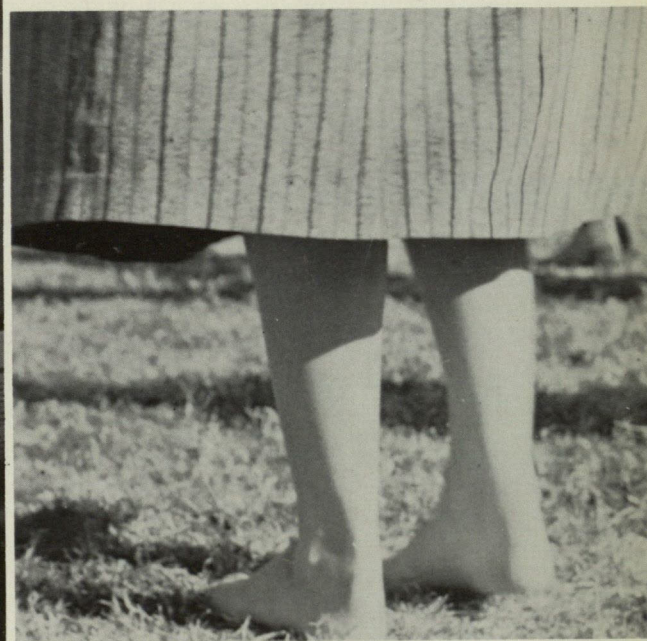
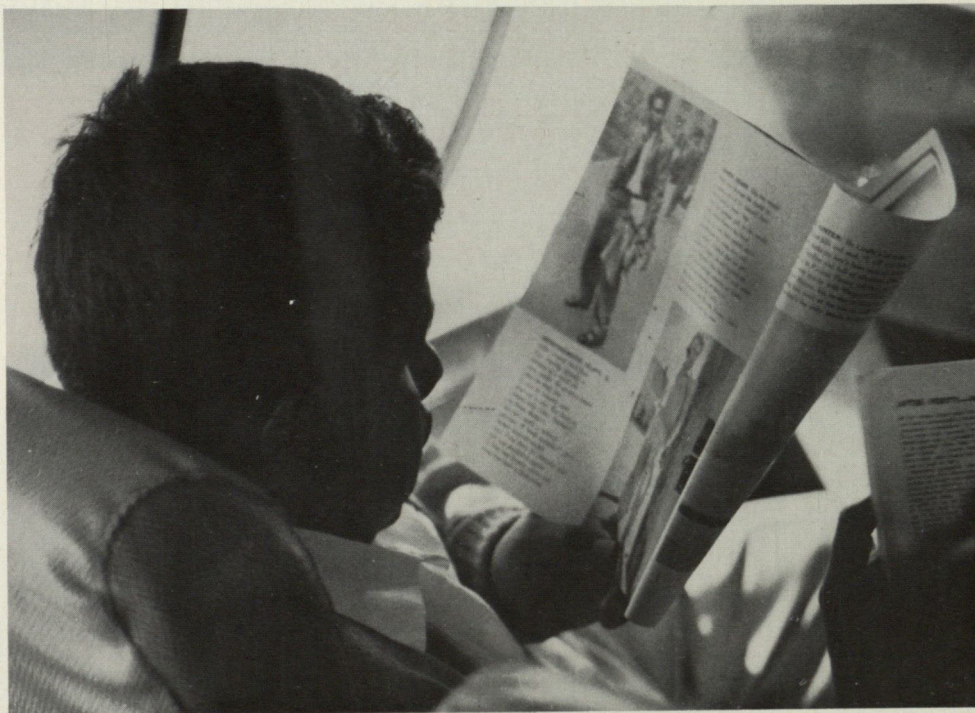


THE ANNUAL SCHOOL TRIP

Talented Sue Dickerson exhibits.



Reading to the rescue.



No "de feet" for us.



No school trip interferes with Melly and Margo's beauty sleep.



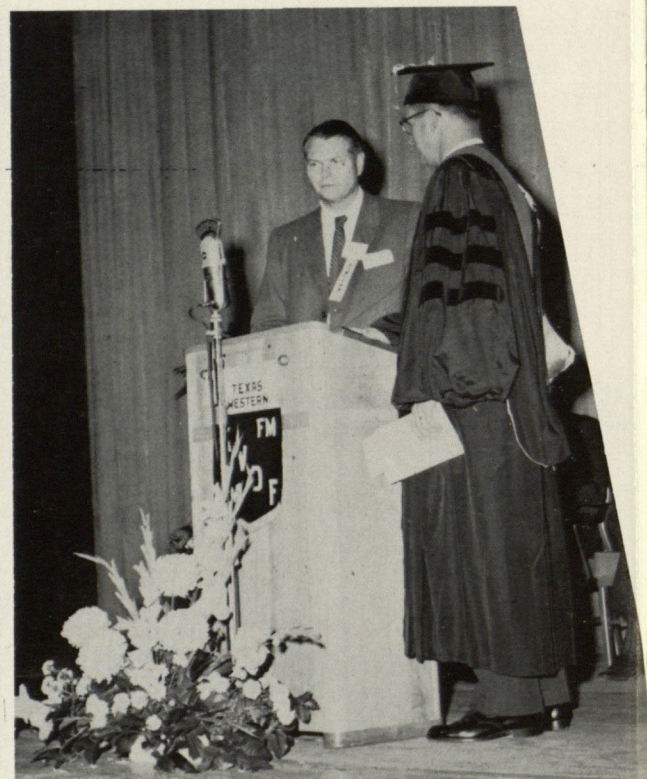
Is it funny, Mr. Polk?

INAUGURATION



The faculty solemnly marched to the inauguration.

The faculty going into Magoffin Auditorium . . .



Tom Seeley of the Board of Regents and Dr. Dysart Holcombe.

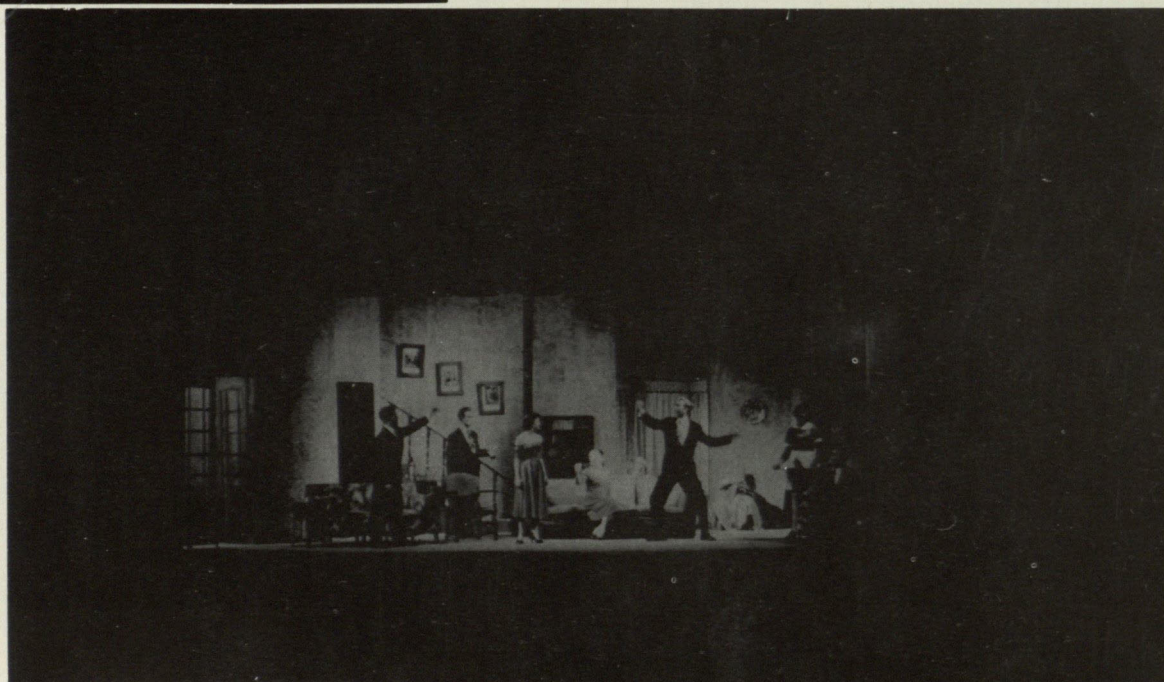
Guest Speaker was Dr. Watrous H. Irons, President of the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas.

THE MALE ANIMAL



A comedy about college professors, football players and a question concerning Communism.

"Here's what Grantland Rice said about me."



"Let's drink a toast to the big red team."

"Now watch this play."





"M"

DAY

An unofficial holiday since 1923, "M" Day is traditionally set aside as the day when the frosh are initiated into campus life by being allowed to paint the M on the east side of Mt. Franklin. Held during the Fall Semester, the repairing and whitewashing is conducted under the supervision of the sophomores and upperclassmen. The rest of the day's activities include a Bean feed prepared by the Co-Ed Council followed by the Sadie Hawkins Race.

It takes all hands to pass the bucket, freshmen, that is.



Buddies, ever to the rescue, assist thirst-stricken freshman; and slowly but surely, the chow line was stretching for miles around . . .



After the strenuous chore of painting the "M", oh, for those chili beans!

THE SADIE HAWKINS RACE

Following the bean feed, students congregate for the Sadie Hawkins Day race, patterned after the annual Dogpatch Race in Al Capp's Li'l Abner comic strip. Co-eds, dressed as Daisy Maes, pursue the campus versions of Li'l Abner and the couple to cross the finish line first is awarded a prize by the El Paso Herald Post. A prize is also awarded those having the best Li'l Abner and Daisy Mae costumes.

Oo-la, la! Poor Li'l Abner didn't have—didn't want a chance.



Runners up for the most authentic Daisy Mae: Rose Marie Graham, Barbara Pringle, Carolyn Neligan, Doris Webb and Gloria Martinez. On the right, John Knight is flexing his muscles while other Li'l Abner runners-up, Ken Meyer, Bill White, Ken McCall and Charles Hooten, look on.



Art Meyer, alias Marrying Sam, performs the sacred ritual for Daisy Mae Barbara and Li'l Abner Bill.



Her majesty, Frieda Howey.



Our marching cavalcade.

ALPHA PHI OMEGA

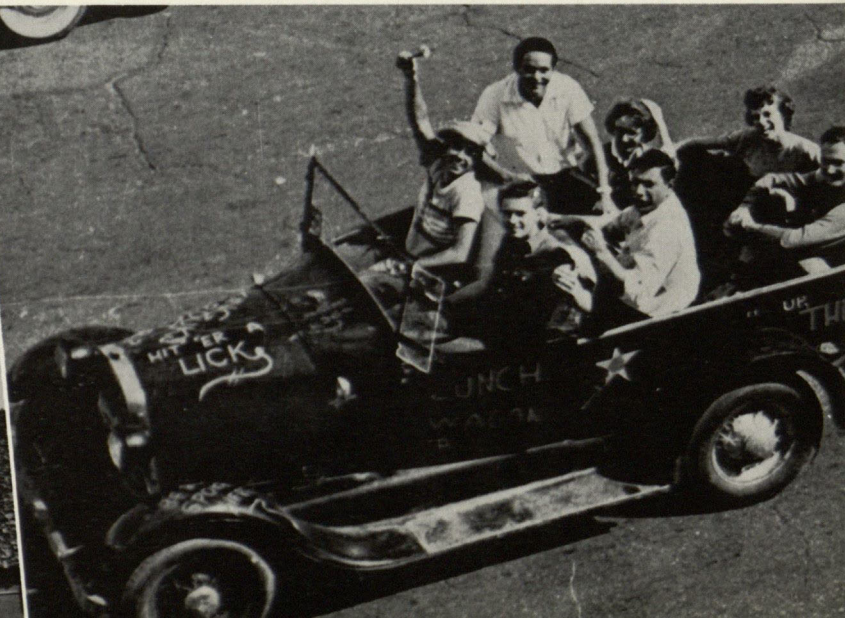


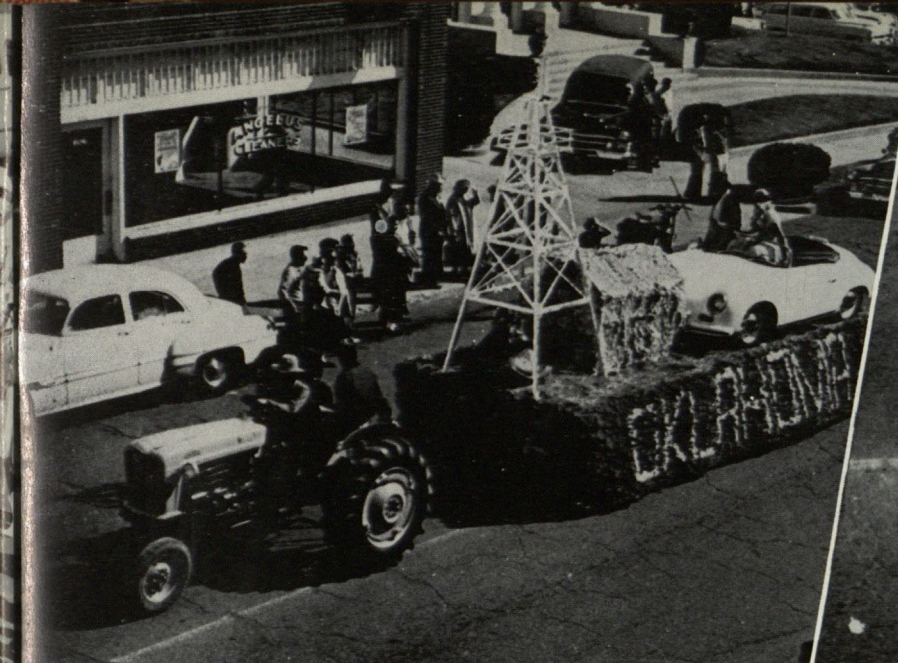
BAPTIST STUDENT UNION

HOMECOMING

One of the biggest activities during the fall semester, Homecoming customarily held in November of each year, thunders in with the Bonfire and the Pajama Parade throughout town. Centered around a Border Conference home game. Ex-Students return to the campus for a series of parties and meetings and are guests of honor at open houses given in each sorority lodge.

How's this for spirit?





TAU KAPPA EPSILON



PSYCHOLOGY CLUB

COLLEGE PLAYERS

PARADE

School organizations compete with each other in producing the fanciest floats, flourished in the Homecoming parade. The Football game follows and finally the coronation of the homecoming queen takes place at the dance held in the SUB Ballroom.



PHI KAPPA TAU

PRE-MED CLUB





DELTA GAMMA
Sweepstakes Winner

HOMEcoming

The theme for the homecoming parade was STATES.



KAPPA SIGMA
First Place Fraternity

ROTH SOCIETY
First Place Departmental



ZETA TAU ALPHA
First Place Sorority



PARADE

A record total of 17 floats
were entered . . .

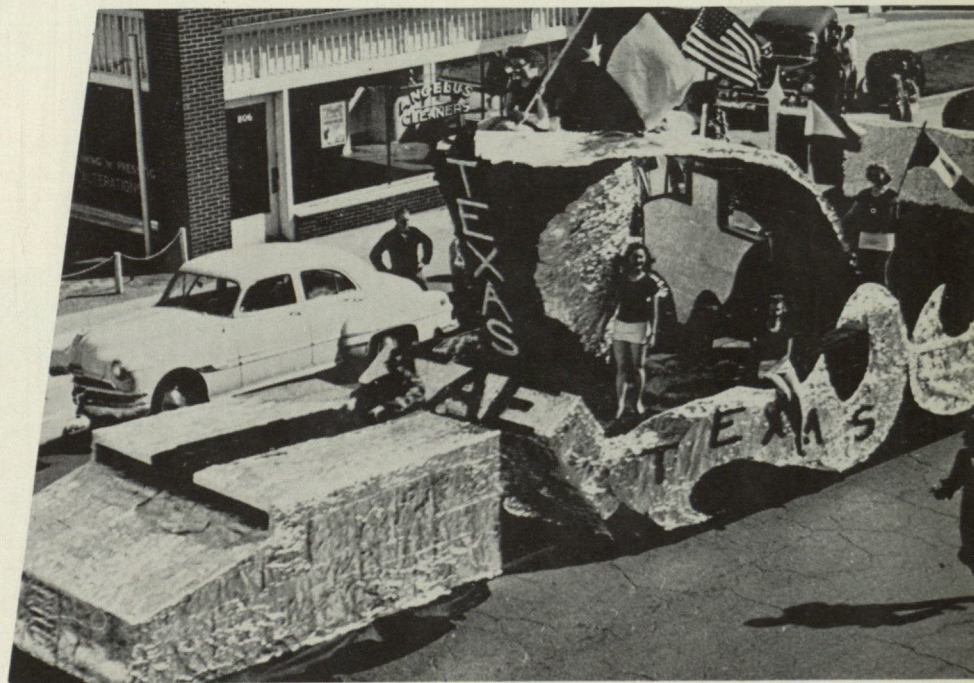


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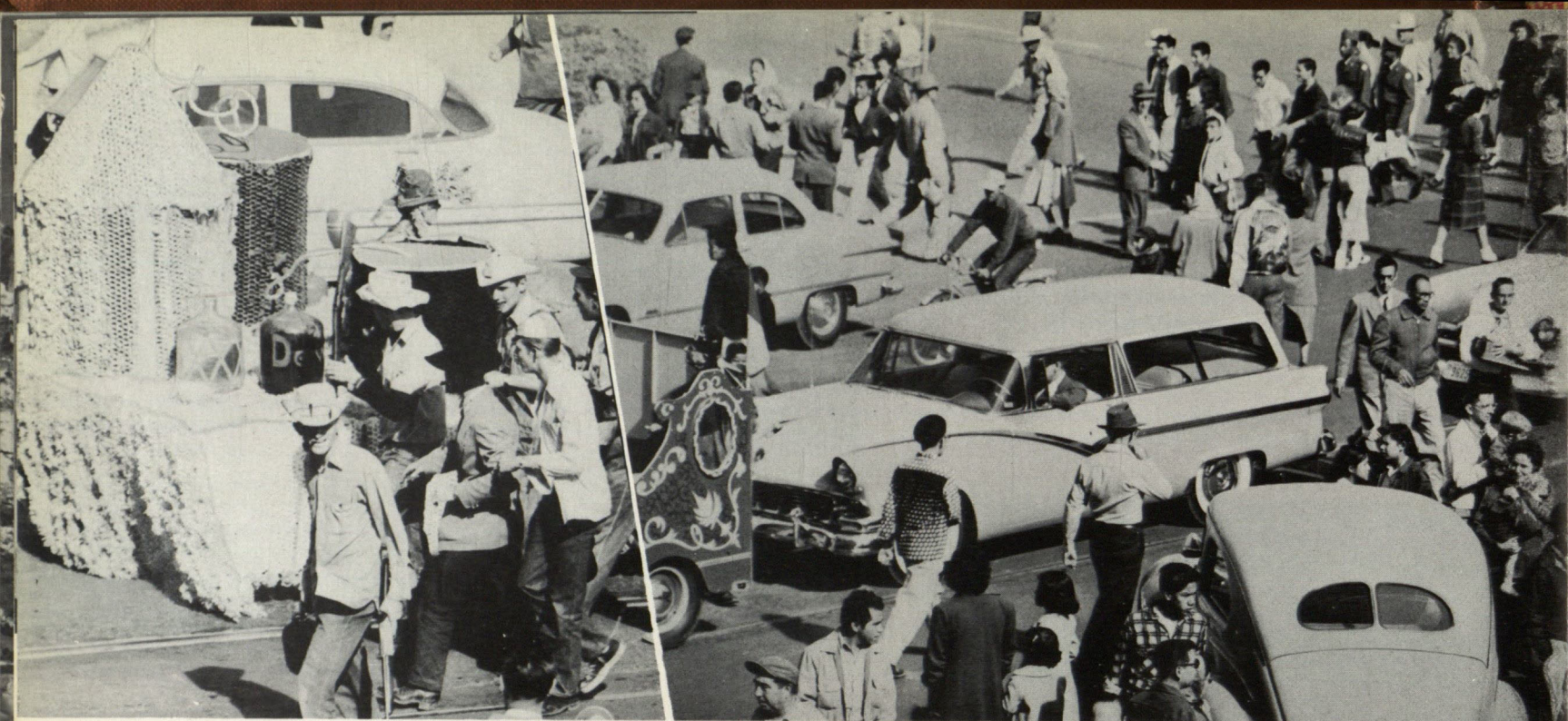


CAMPUS COLLEAGUES CLUB
First Place Non-Greek Social

SIGMA ALPHA EPSILON



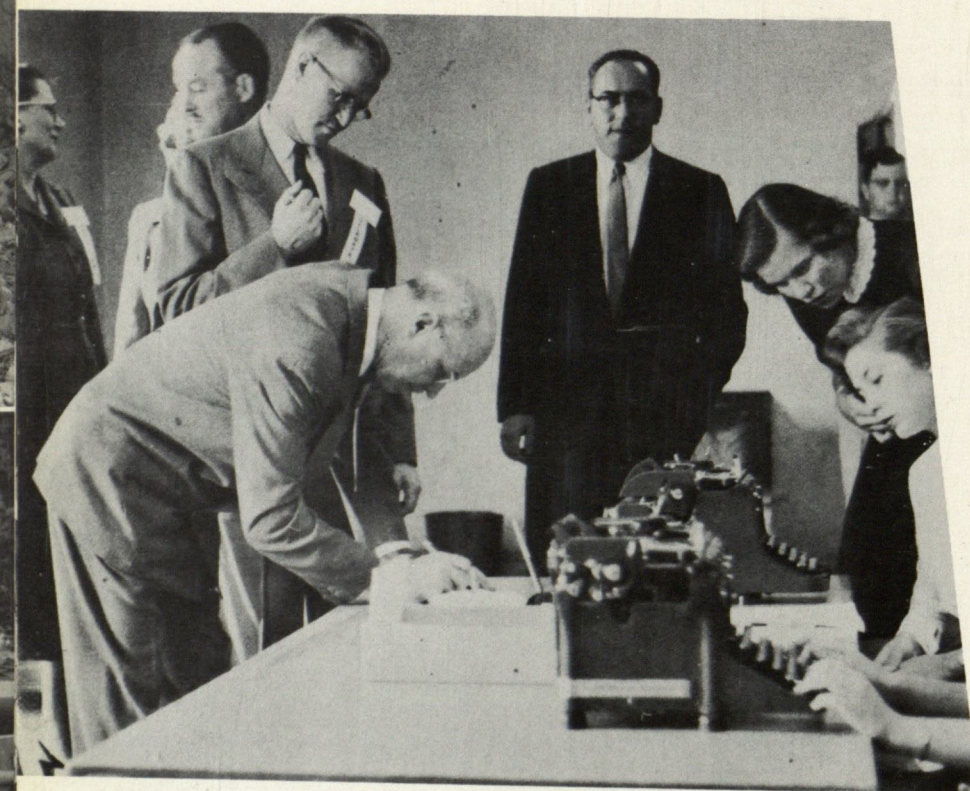
DELTA DELTA DELTA



LAMBDA CHI ALPHA

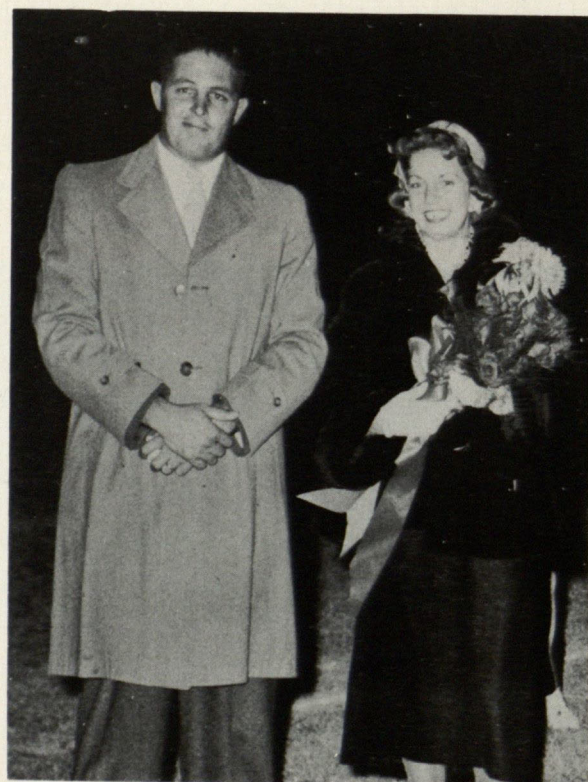
Some of the crowd that watched the parade . . .

HOMECOMING



Early in the morning the Exes started coming from all over—first, to register.

Jim DeGroat, Exes president, and Homecoming Queen Frieda Howey.

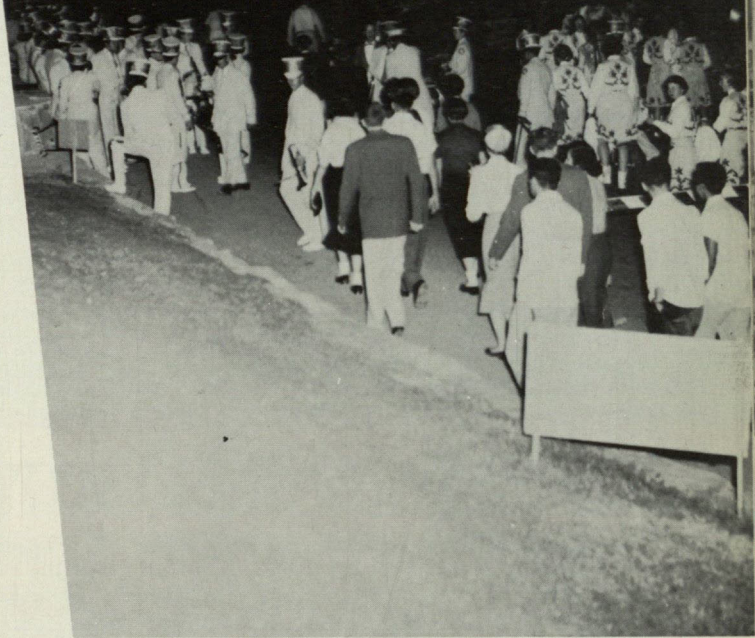


...THE GAME AND THEN THE DANCE

Opening the half-time show were TWC prancers Joy Estes, Carolyn Keith, Rose Marie Graham, Jean Starr, and Gail Davis.



TWC defeated, the crowd none-the-less lauded the players for their hard battle.



A huge crowd came to help fight the Homecoming Game.

The dance then followed where Frieda Howey was crowned by Don Henderson and was attended by Duchesses Barbara Plasket, Martha Vela, Colette Cline and Carolyn Gumper.

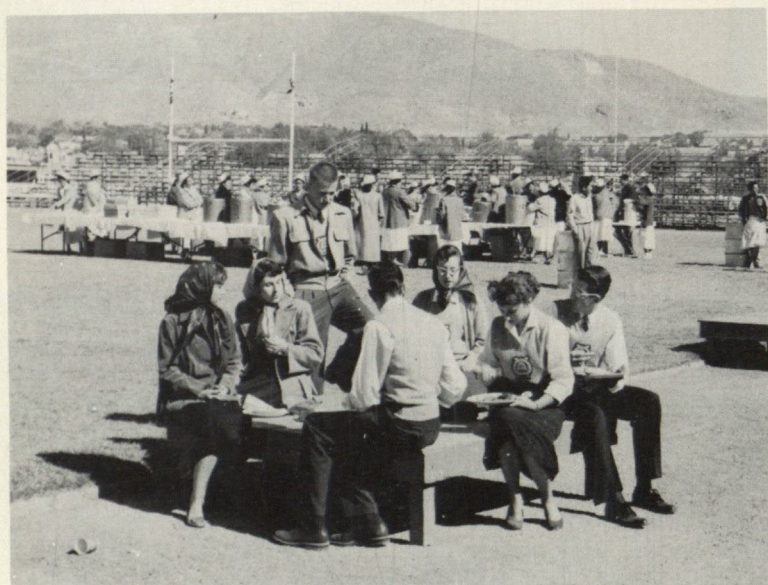




Future TWC freshmen are caught by TWC's own TV camera . . .



After the convocation students trod to lunch line . . .



Austin High choir members take time out for lunch . . .

CAREER DAY

New Year's Eve on Times Square would be a good description of the TWC campus on Career Day. Students from the local high schools and from the high schools of the surrounding areas attend lectures and join in panel discussions on various careers. This year ushered in the fifth annual citizenship and career conference.

Prominent businessmen and political leaders in the community helped to guide future careers.





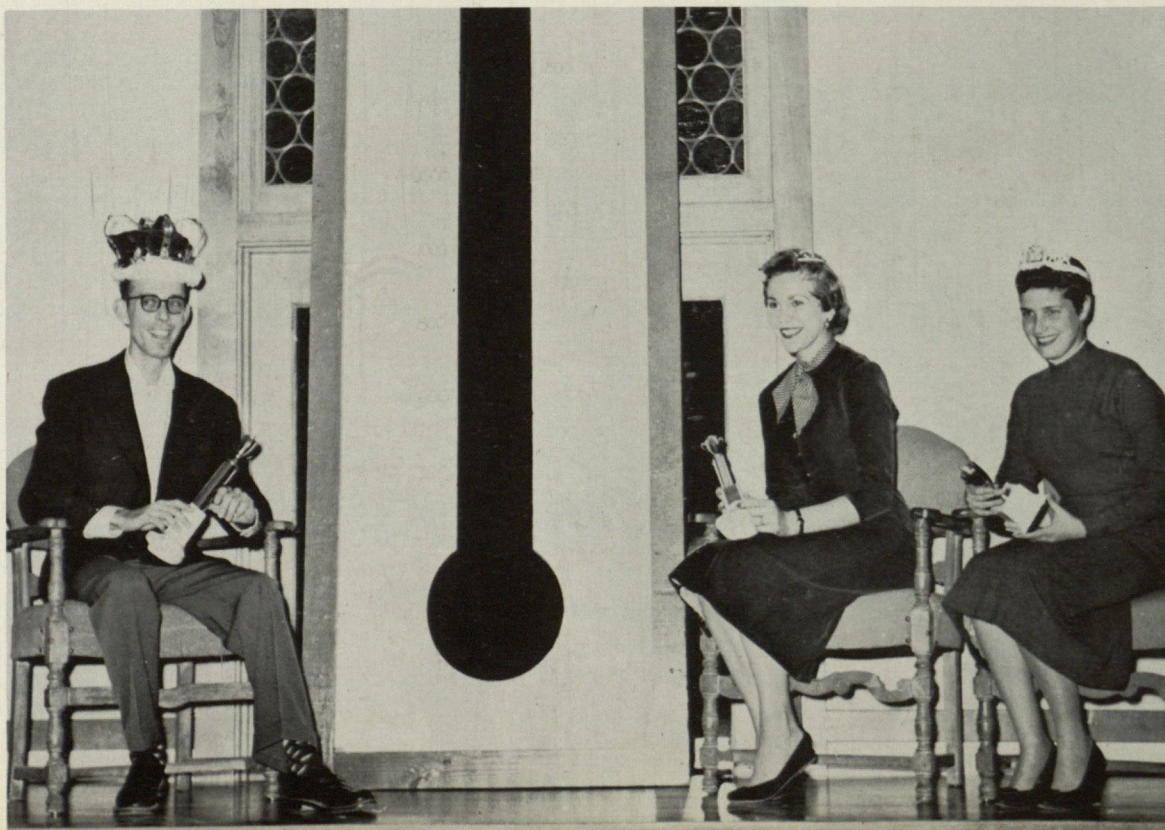
THE CAMPUS CHEST DRIVE

To celebrate the successful campus chest campaign—a dance featuring Music by King.

Miss Gold Digger, Dorothy Reed, Mr. Miner, Mickey Bass and Best Prospector, Janice Bernard beam after triumphing over all competition.



Organizations had put up candidates, had worked hard to raise funds for them and—presto! the \$2000 mark was hit.





This was to a slow tempo . . .



Receiving military students and their dates are Lt. Colonel George Ford, Mrs. Alfrey, and Colonel John Alfrey.

R. O. T. C. students must have their night too, and they do when Military Ball night rolls around. Cadets don their uniforms and are treated, together with their dates, to a dance complete with refreshments. Student officers get a chance to show off their rank and to hobnob with the big heads. And finally the Military Queen is crowned.

Colonel Alfrey presents Helen Juarez, Military Queen, with her royal bouquet.

Military Queen candidates and escorts, left to right: R. O. Cummings, Rose Marie Graham, Donald Smith, Jane Grubb, Bill Pasteur, Margaret Finerty, Bill Peterson and Helen Juarez.





From 48 entries to 12 (Gloria Angus not pictured)...

The T. W. C. Trio, Marifred Snelson, Sandra Ogden, Ebba Brown provided intermission entertainment. . .

THE BEAUTY CONTEST



And finally, to the four finalists, Elaine Abbot, Dorothy Reed, Jo Beth Stevens and Kay Hornaday; and TWC's most beautiful girl, Jane Grubb.

TOM SAWYER

TOM SAWYER was the annual College Player Production for the school children of El Paso. It was the first student directed major production in the history of the college.



"Tom, get this fence white-washed today!"

"Becky, see what I wrote on my slate about you."



"Huck, I'll trade you my tooth for that dead cat!"



"Tom Sawyer, you may stay in during the recess period."



CO-ED BALL

This time, Co-eds make the dates, pay expenses, send flowers, call for their boy friends, and do the tagging. Usually the last affair before the Christmas Holidays, the Ball, sponsored by the Co-Ed Council, is one of the most widely-attended school functions.



Shirley Maurey crowns His Majesty, Co-Ed King, Mickey Bass.

The dance was a huge success.

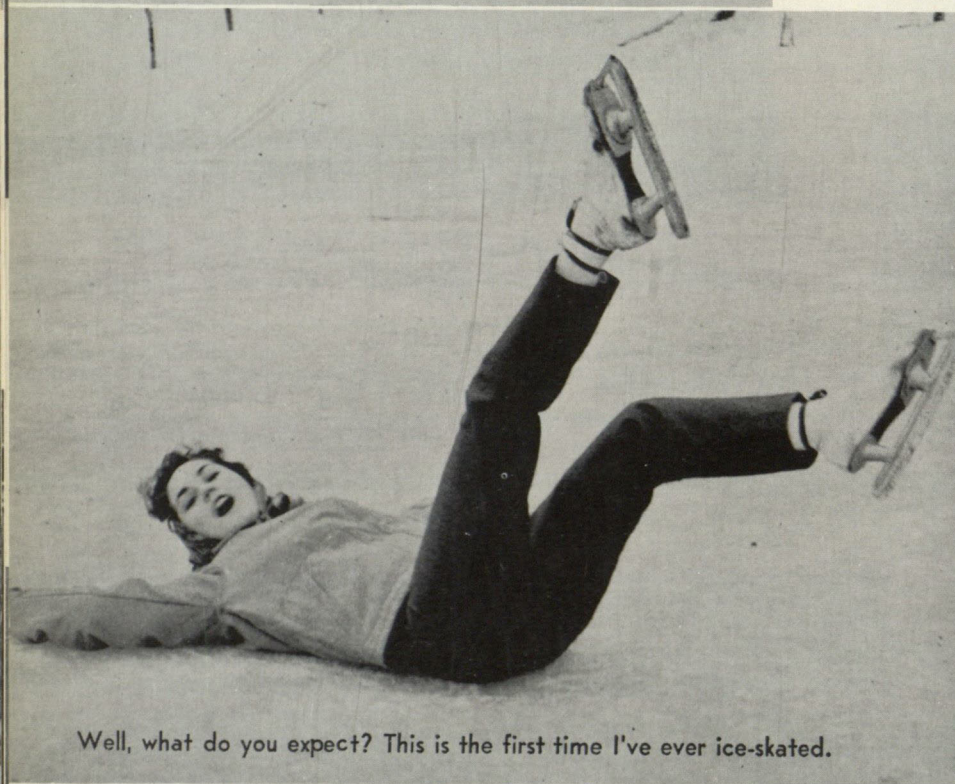
The royal court: Dukes Bill Mischen, Enrique Mata, King Mickey Bass, Fenton Alley, Schuler Nelson.



THE SNOW FIESTA



Helen, Janette, McFadden, and two other males bravely pose in their ice skates.



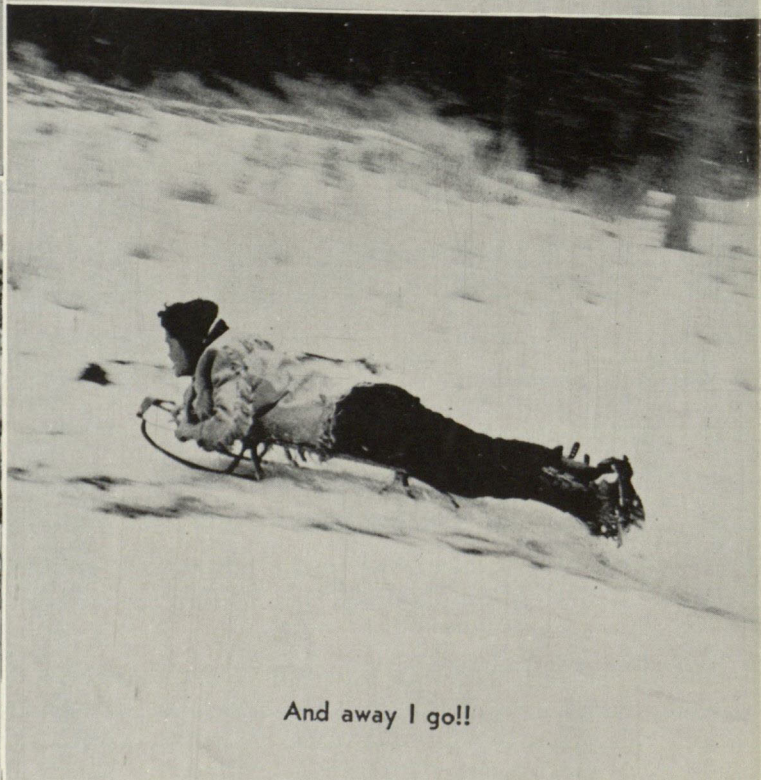
Well, what do you expect? This is the first time I've ever ice-skated.



How do you hold one of these deals?



Now What?

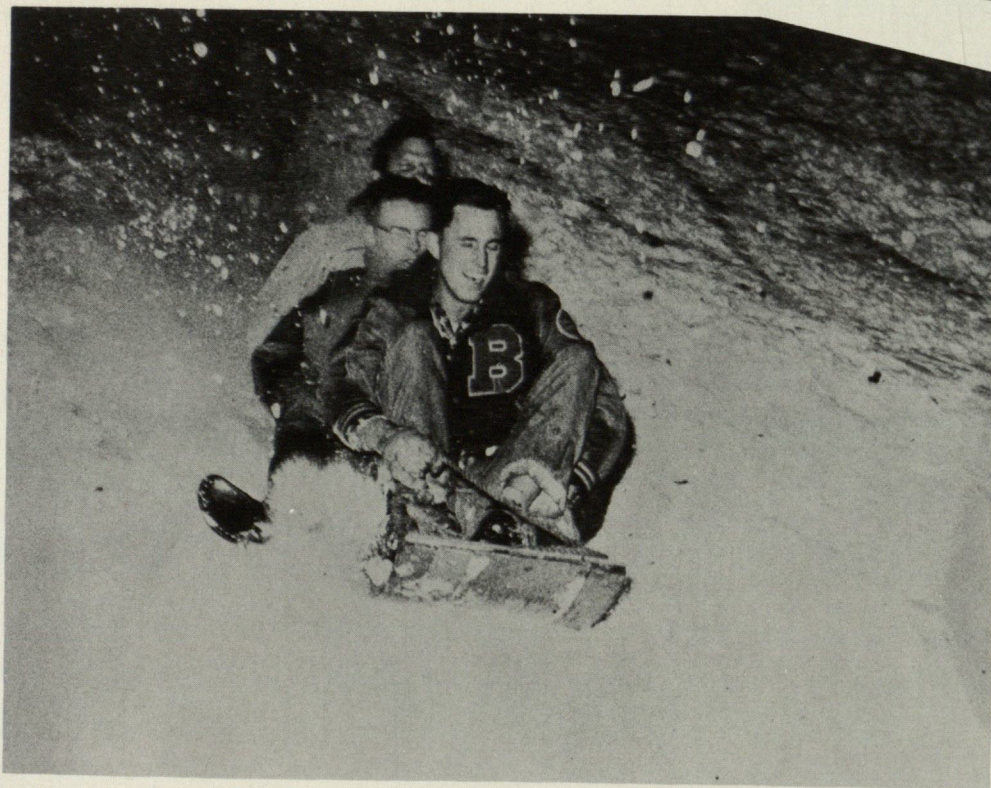


And away I go!!

To escape the sunny El Paso weather, TWC students "run off" to Cloudcroft or Ruidoso between the Fall and Spring Semesters each year. Students meet at the ski run during the day to enjoy sledding, tobogganing, skiing and snowball fights. Several contests are held and winners proclaimed. Upon the sun's setting, the dance begins, climaxed by the crowning of the Texas Western Snow Queen and the announcement of her two duchesses.



These hearty boys made a safe landing...



Gang way! We're coming through . . .

Hey, someone, how do you stop this thing?



MORE SHOTS OF

AT THE DANCE . . .



Student President Don Henderson crowns Snow Queen.

Three lovely girls hold their coveted trophies. Left to right are Emma Duran, Duchess, Gerry Lynch, Snow Queen, and Margaret Finerty who received the trophy for Ann Noble.



THE SNOW-FIESTA

AT THE LODGE...

Mary Ellen Mapula and Sam Meraz, after a turn in the skating rink, get ready to return to the Lodge.



Students take time out from dancing for a cozy chat.



The Lodge was jammed by snow bound students.

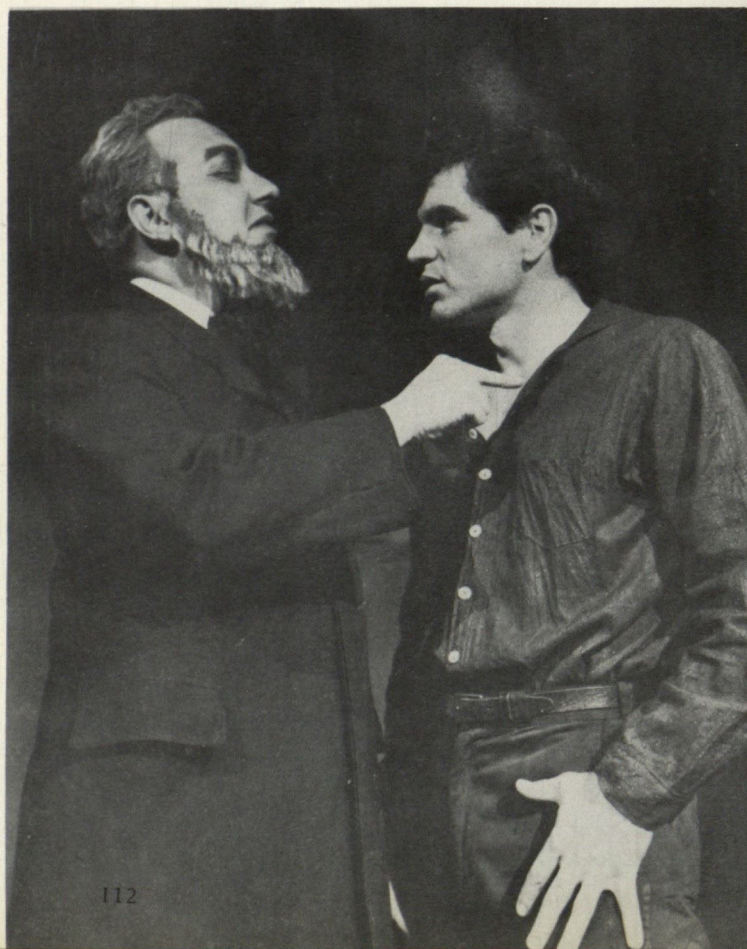


DESIRE UNDER THE ELMS

An intimate staging of the famous O'Neil tragedy of New England farm life, featuring several guest performers.

"I'd like to own my own place up thar."

"I bet right then and thar he knew plumb well whar he was 'a goin'."



"You're soft-headed, like your Ma."

SPRING PLEDGES

ZETAS

Row 1: Sally Robertson, Linda Cobb, Marci Scott.
Row 2: Angeline Elder, Sarah Ramsey.
Row 3: Sarah Cooney, Argyra Walshe, Rita Greene, Phylis Joyce, Betty Ward, Natalie Andreas.



CHI O's

Row 1: Barbara Cost, Diane Yerby, Karolyn Keith, Ruth Speir.
Row 2: Selma Osborne, Pat Spence, Denice Winters.



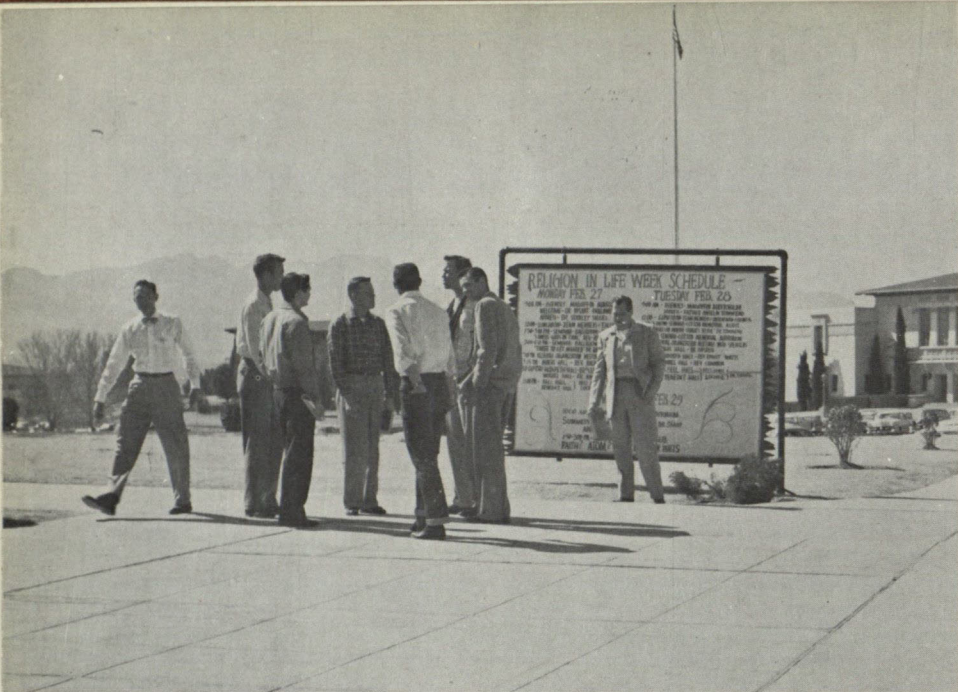
DELTA GAMMA

Ruth Jean Craig, Marilyn Weaver, Joy Dee Hatchett, Judy MacIver, Carolee Besnette, Barbara Kinder, Kathryn Kratz.

TRI-DELTS

Row 1: Kay Barwise, Carolyn Jacobs, Barbara Burks, Jo Mae Green.
Row 2: Sandra Ogden, Ann Simpson, Pat Douglas, Betty Stapleton, and Deanne Bauerschlag.





The Religion in Life Week Schedule was much publicized. . .

RELIGION IN LIFE WEEK

The second annual Religious Emphasis Week was ushered in with speeches by religious leaders, informal discussions and personal conferences. Catholic, Jewish, and Protestant authorities were given opportunity to encourage the student in his spiritual quest.



Among the committee members who helped make Religious Emphasis Week meaningful for all were Jay Gillespie and Charles Frederick.



Bobby Brown and Shirley Brown were also among the students who did their share.



Gathered here are the Westside wheels—meeting?



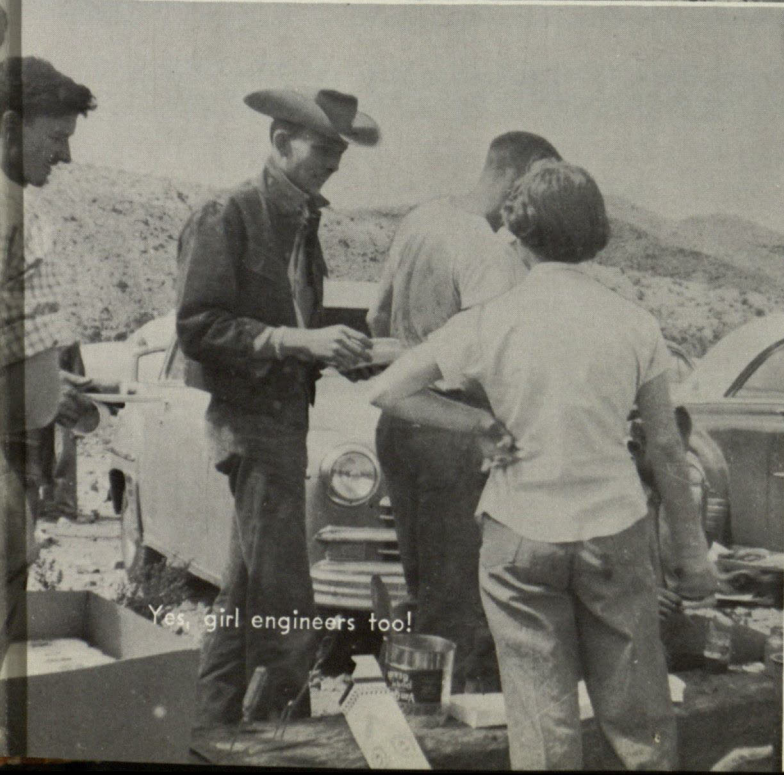
Mr. Billings "enjoyed" a few whacks.



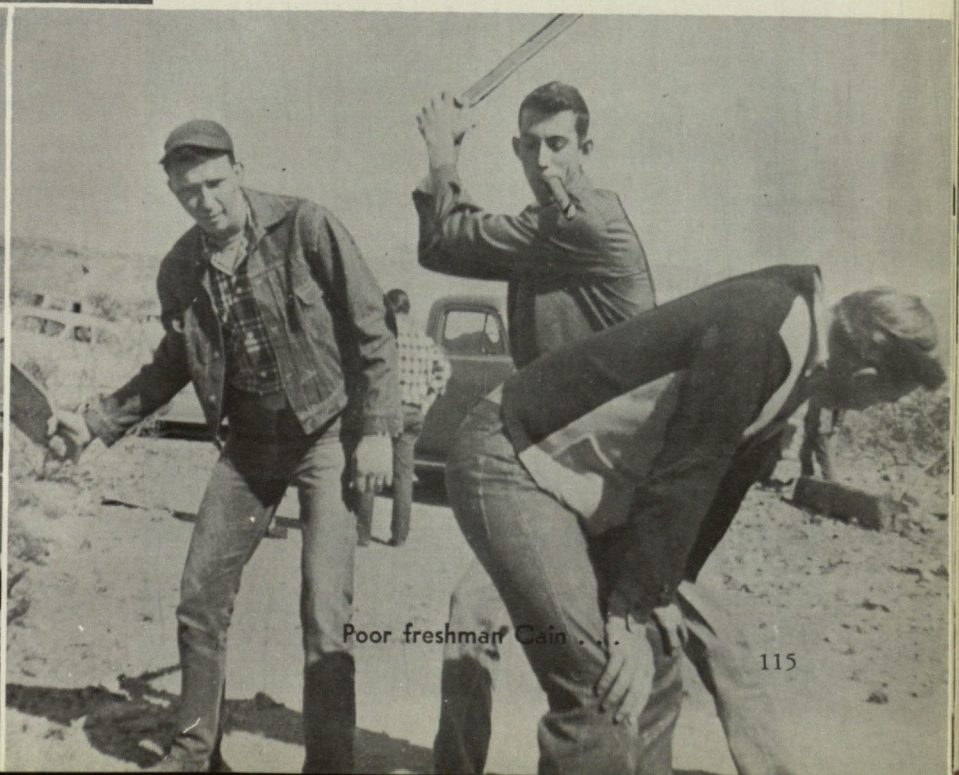
Inside one of the mines—on the left is Othon Medina.

ST. PAT'S DAY

It all began when TW was the famous College of Mines. And the tradition of initiating freshman engineers into the order of St. Pat, patron saint of engineers, on March 17 continues to this day. The Westsides journey to Orogrande for an all-day picnic, partake of a bean-feed and end it all with the Hardluck Dance where the best beards in the Beard Growing Contest are judged.



Yes, girl engineers too!



Poor freshman Cain . . .



ALL T. W. C. DAY

Swimming champ Dick Pierce claims his prize.



Beaming Elaine Abbot also claims hers— the Miss TWC cup; then to exchange your money for the Spring Fiesta.



There were all sorts of booths—step right up, folks!

From a bathing beauty contest on May, 1946, ALL TWC DAY has blossomed out to include a senior-faculty softball game, a gymkhana, swimming contests, installation of the incoming Student Council and also now, the annual Spring Fiesta which climaxes the day's events. Highlight of the day is the annual bathing beauty revue at which "Miss Texas Western" is selected from entries made by campus social organizations.

You could have gotten lost in the crowd.



Some were getting hitched while poor Carolyn was getting doused—the trick was to put out the cig with a watergun.



Activities were climaxed by the dance—anything wrong, Buster?





THE SENIOR PROM

Finally, Graduation was here. Seniors had asked their best girls and even the underclassmen were ready for the Senior Prom. For a wonderful last dance, the Tommy Dorsey Band was brought down by the Student Association.

Tommy Dorsey lets loose with his melodious trombone.



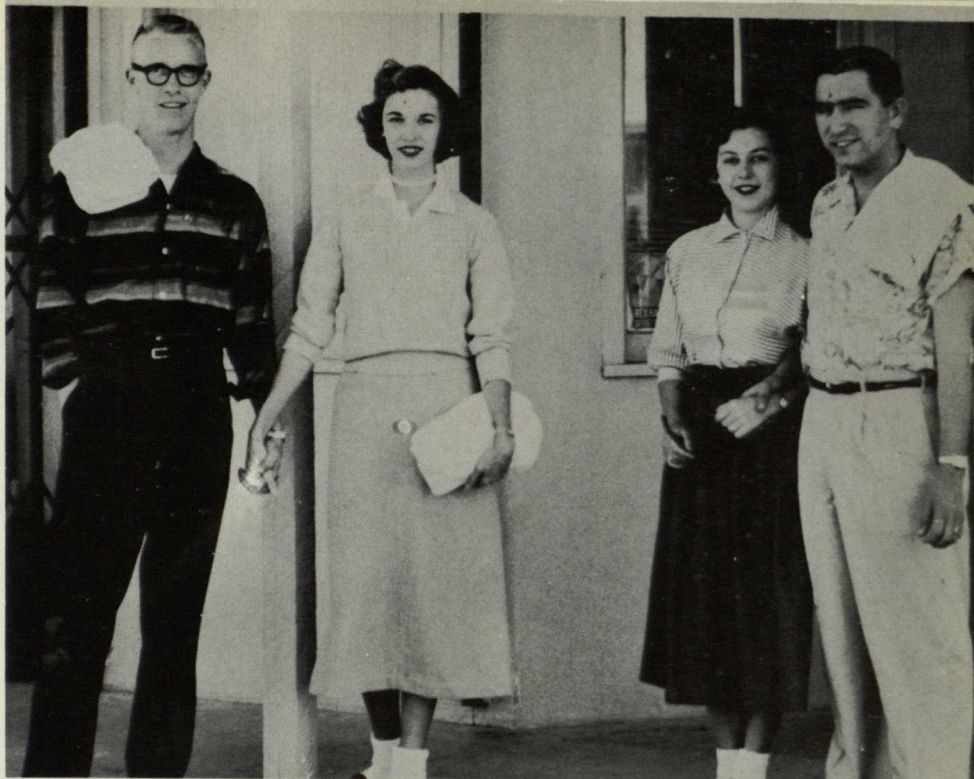
Brother Jimmy Dorsey put in his two cents worth too.



What with the singer and all—not another dance like it.

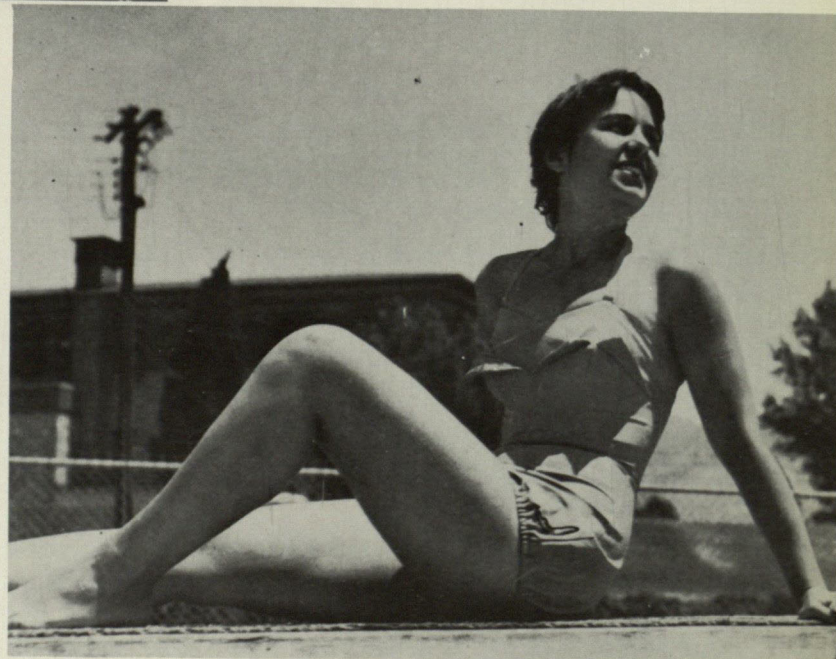
SUMMER FUN

Frank and Pete pose with their dates in front of the bathhouse.



Oh, boy, what fun!

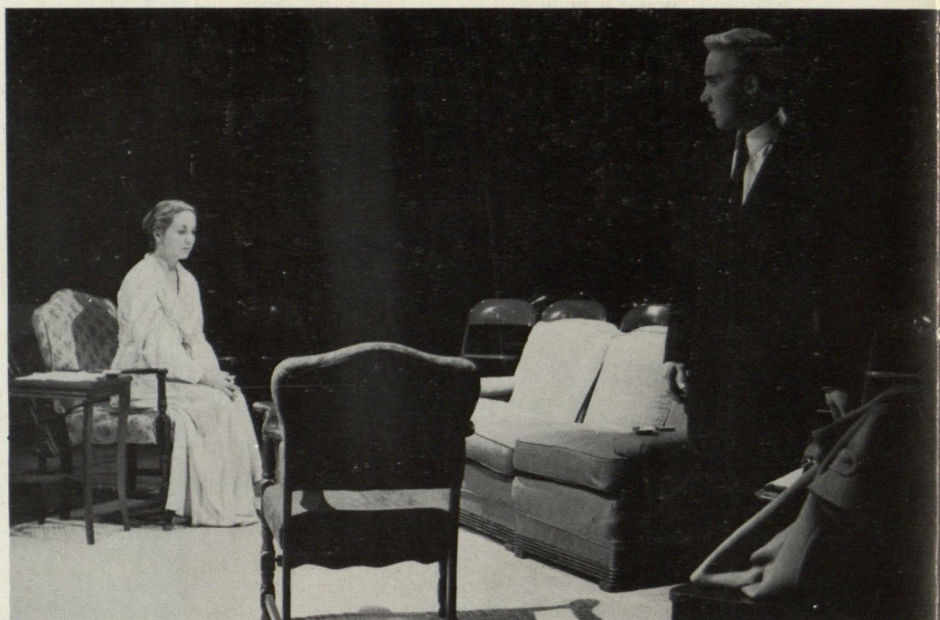
Glub, glub . . .



Anna Alvarez taking in the rich vitamin-packed El Paso sun.

THE BOUGH BREAKS

An original play by William Hardy
of the Drama Department.



Mother's here, she'll take care of you.



'If he were to burn forever, he wouldn't pay for it.



You don't want to die, do you?



Norma Levine as Ruth.



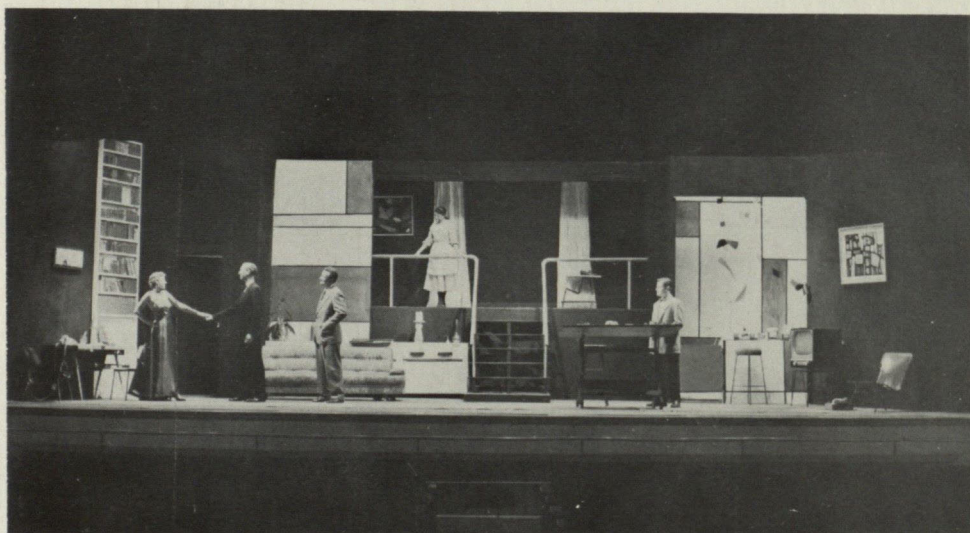
KING OF HEARTS

A modern comedy about a cartoonist.

I'd like to do your head.

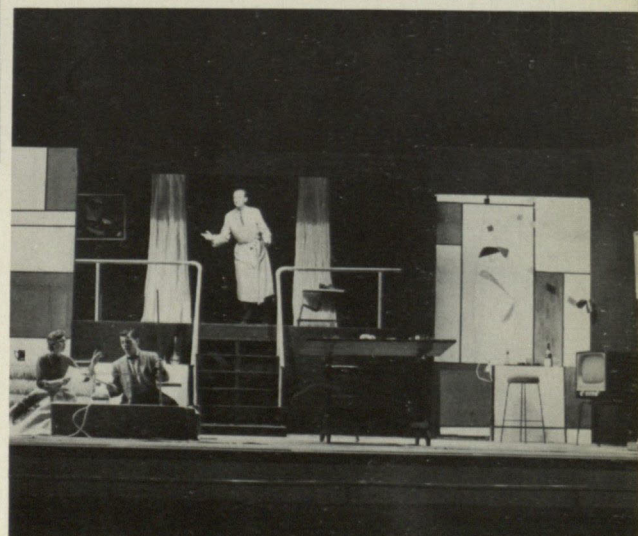
Don't you like me?

This is Norman Taylor, a young fellow
who's going to make us all proud of him.



Honey, I'm all swole up with pride.

Ann, they had to put up these teepees;
don't see how they did it.



THE INNOCENTS



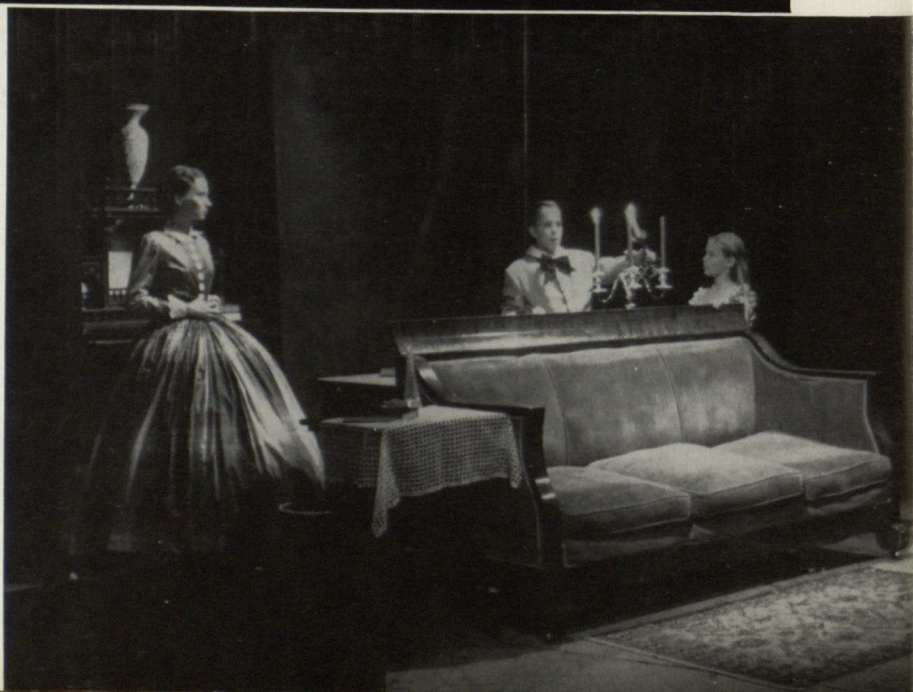
A tense psychological drama adopted from the world famous ghost story THE TURN OF THE SCREW.

"There's only one thing that matters—the children mustn't be frightened!"



"I don't like the habits of this house."

"He has red hair—very red, close and curling, and a long pale face."



SEVENTEEN

A Musical Comedy by Booth Tarkington

concerning the growing pains of exhuberant Willie Baxter.

"You've ruined my life, that's all! I got nothing to live for!



Oo-oo-oo, what you do to me!



"If we only could stop the old town clock."

MUCH ADO ABOUT NOTHING

BY SHAKESPEARE

Shakespeare's sparkling story of the battle of the sexes. Staged in a modified Elizabethan manner.

"But are you sure that Benedick loves Beatrice so entirely?"

"Adieu. Be vigilant, I beseech you."

"You come hither, my lord, to marry this lady?"

THE SUMMER FORMAL



All set! the spectators were anxious and waiting...

The contestants were beaming, along with runners-up Florence Silva, Carolyn Gumper, Marion Hegsted and Anita Goodrich . . .



And Punky Hatfield was going—gone!

The reigning Summer School Queen of 1955, her majesty Joy Dee Hatchett.

