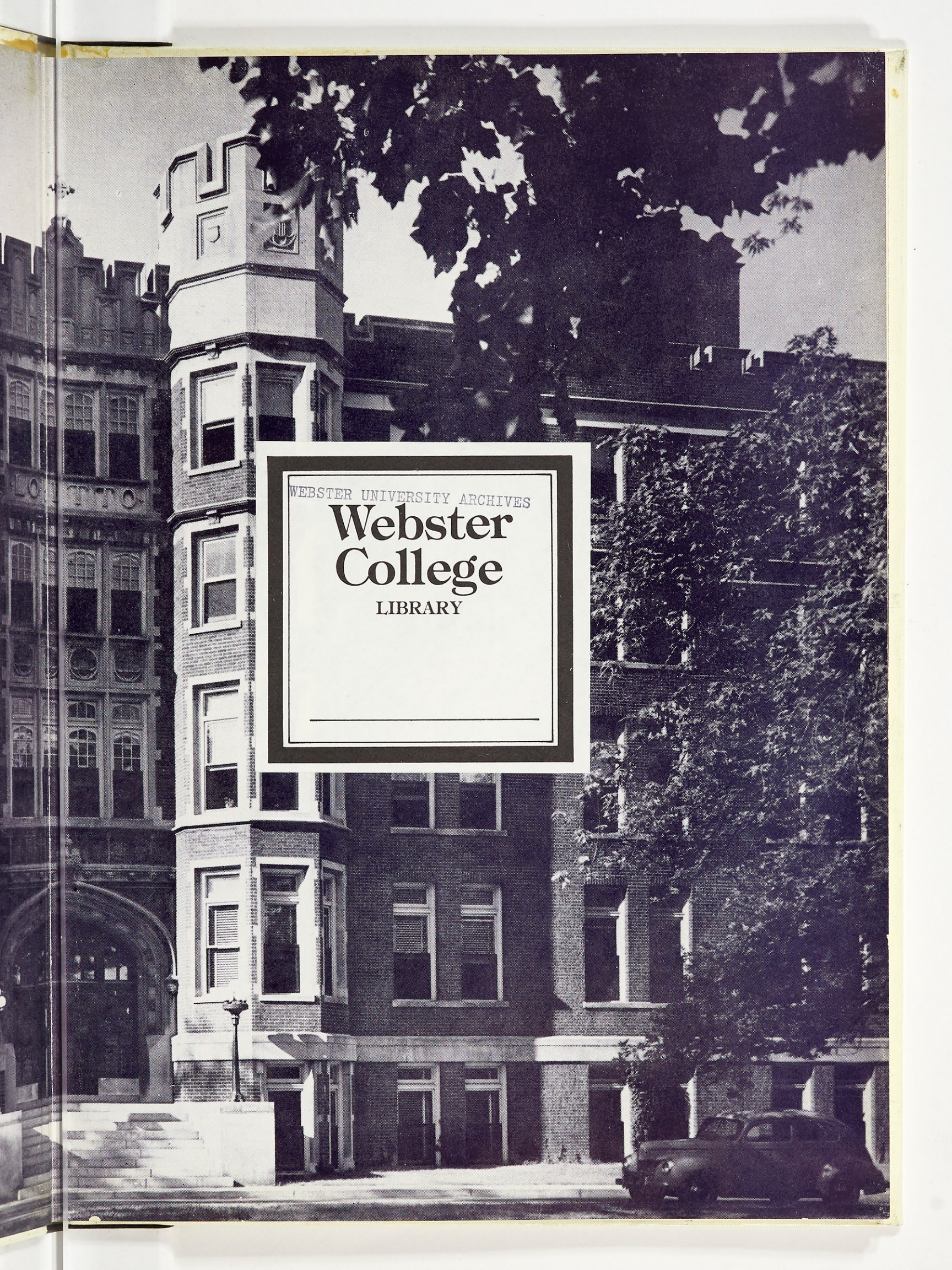


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# *Theme*

Like our Holy Father in his Marian year prayer, we at Webster are "enraptured by the splendor of Mary's Heavenly beauty and impelled by the anxieties of the world" to turn to her as the model of our Catholic education. Indeed, the spiritual plenitude and intellectual humility of her soul, together with her physical comeliness, provide the perfect inspiration for our every action. Recognizing this, the Webster student begins her college career, progresses through the four years, and obtains her coveted degree with one all-embracing goal, which is, to become—

*Mary-like in soul and body!*

*Mary-like in mind and heart!*

# Dedication

To Mary, in her Seven Dolors—

A mother resigned to future sorrows at the prophecy of Simeon

A mother obedient in the hurried flight into Egypt

A mother anxious over the loss of her Divine Son

A mother weeping at the sight of her condemned Son on His way to Calvary

A mother martyred in her vigil at the foot of His Cross

A mother gentle in the acceptance of His broken body

A mother sorrowing over His burial—we humbly dedicate the Laetanus in this, her year of 1954, begging her to inspire us all to such a joyous acceptance of our own anxieties, sorrows, and martyrdom that we will merit the eternal happiness of union with God through her.





A quiet summer day begins

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# *Classes*

*Mary-like in mind and memory!*

*Sinful thoughts and fancies flee;*

SEAT OF WISDOM, PRAY FOR US!





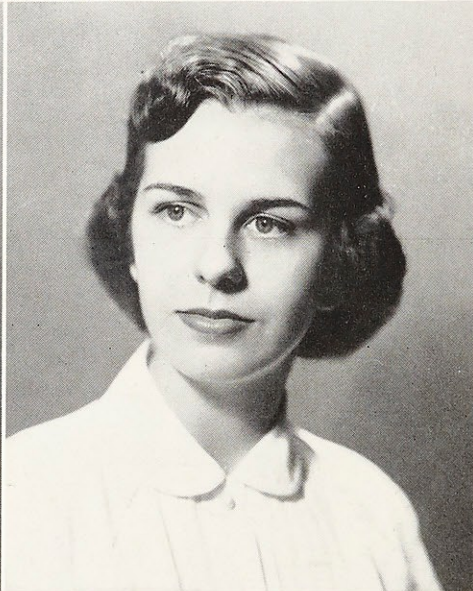
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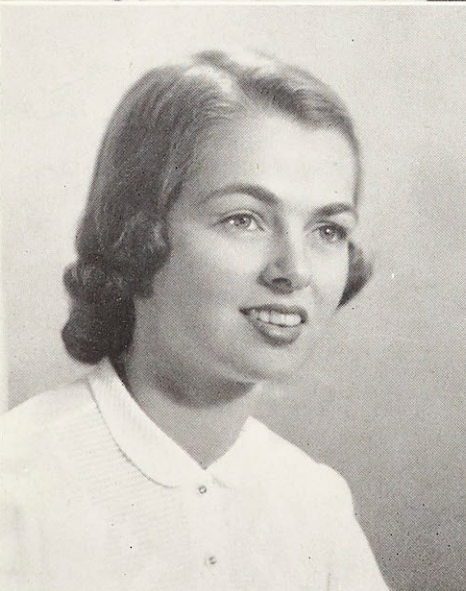
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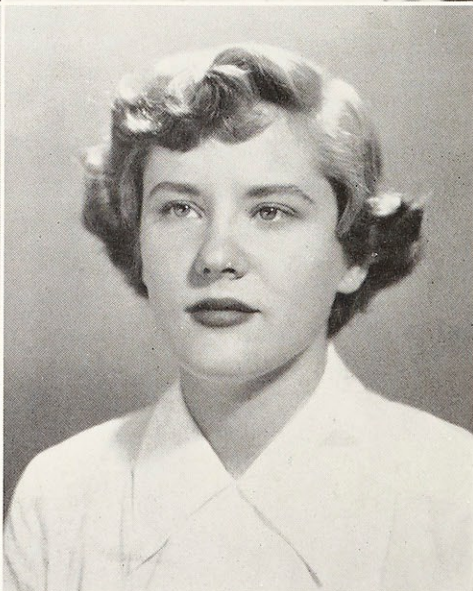
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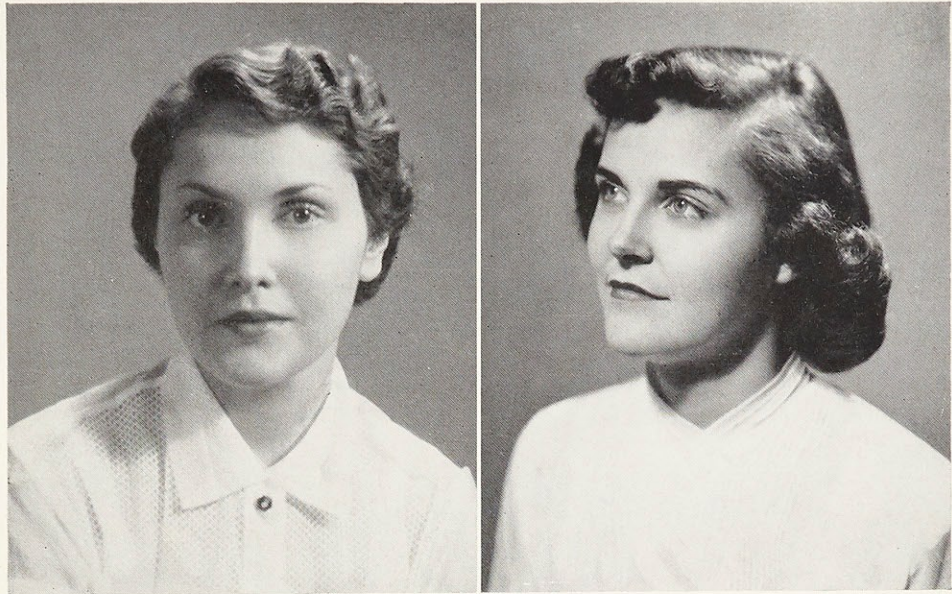


DOROTHY CATHERINE  
SANER  
Jacksonville, Illinois  
*A. B.—Sociology*  
Hall President

*Idle dreams and selfish musings*

ANGELA THERESE ABBICK  
 Kansas City, Kansas  
*B. S.—Chemistry*

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 Louisville, Kentucky  
*A. B.—English*



*Seniors*



Betty      Judy      Janie      Arlene      Maureen      Dot      Angie      Dottie

*Find no place, fair child, in thee.*



EMILY ANNE ASHE  
Knoxville, Tennessee  
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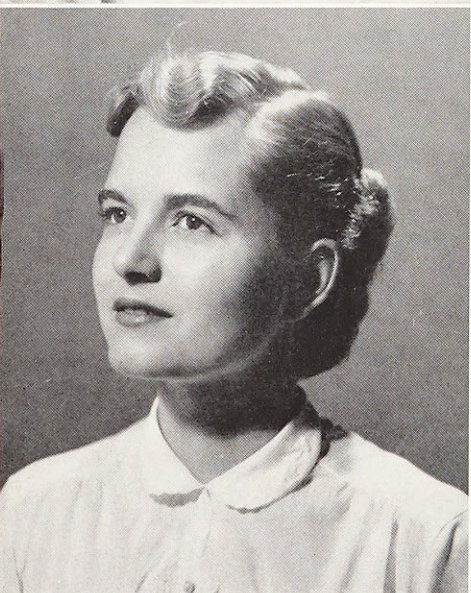
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Chester, Illinois  
*B. M.—Piano*



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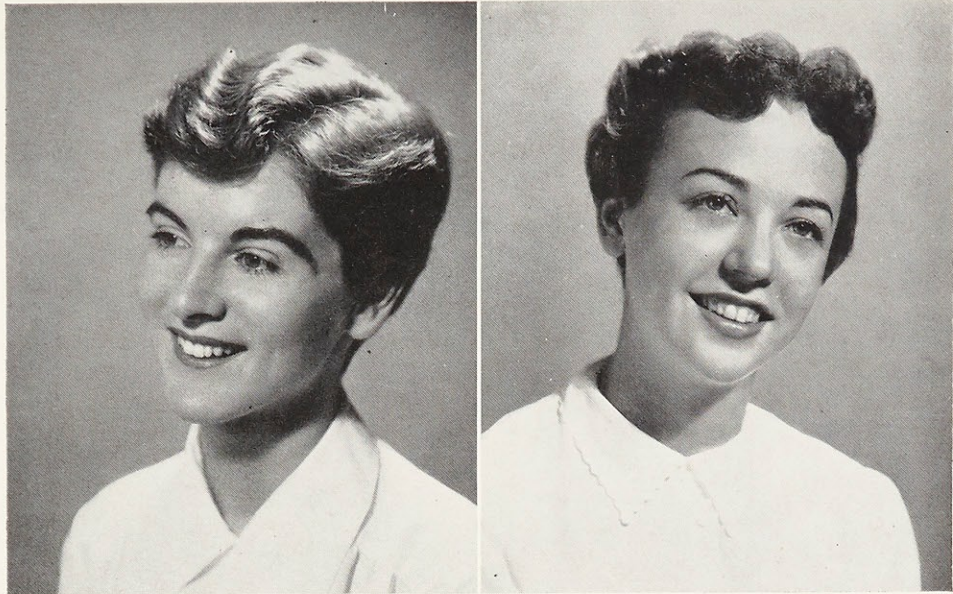


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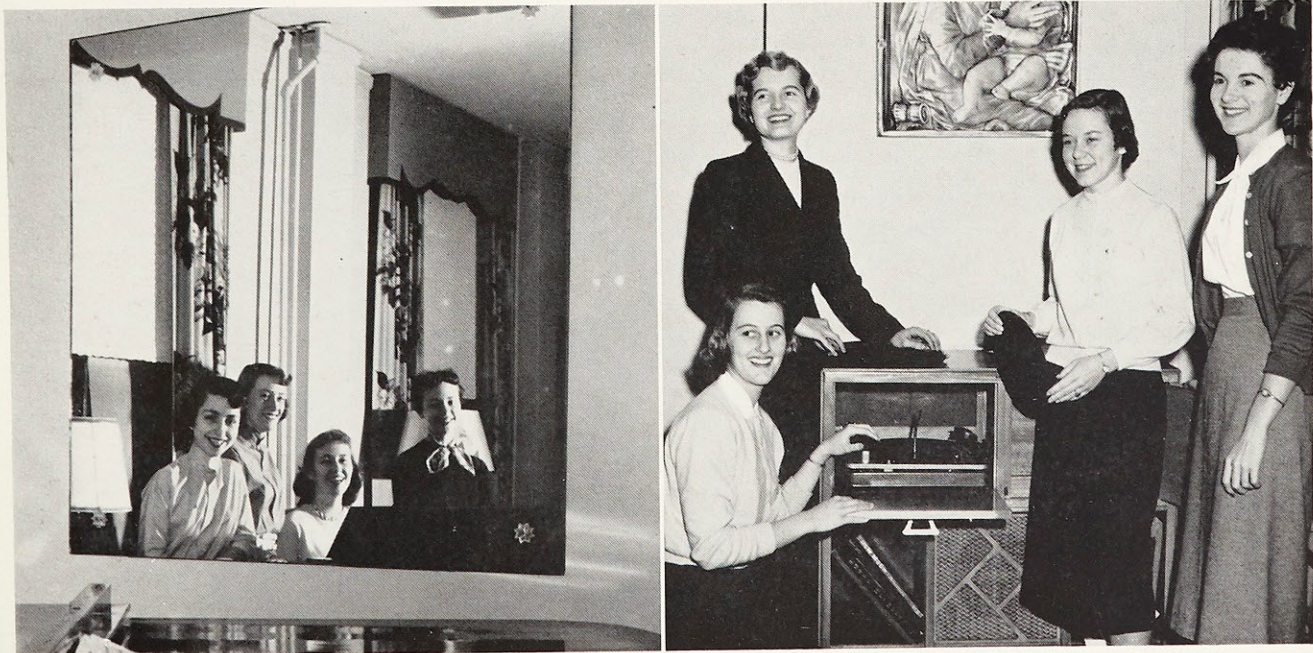
*For the Mary-mind is lifted*

RUTH HELEN CASEY  
Jackson, Mississippi  
A. B.—French

ROSE MARIE CRAFT  
St. Louis, Missouri  
A. B.—French



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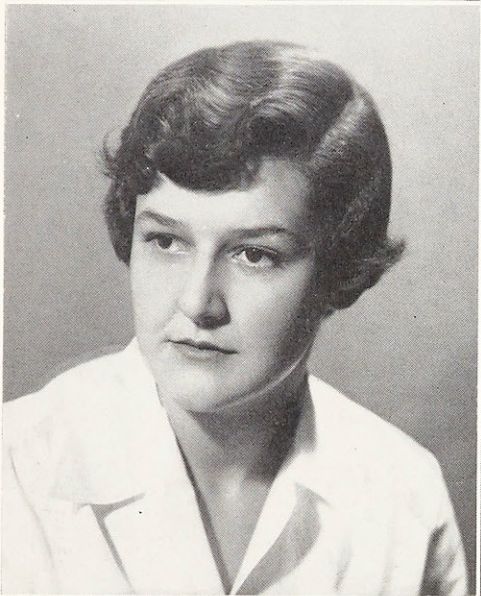
Mary      Emily      Mimi      Rosie      Barb      Mary Leigh      Lois Ann      Ruthie

*From all sordid thoughts, to live*



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*B. M. Ed.—Music Education*

PATRICIA ROSE DEMICK  
GRAF  
Webster Groves, Missouri  
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(January Graduate)



ROSE MARIE GLENNON  
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JOSEPHINE THERESA  
GRANA  
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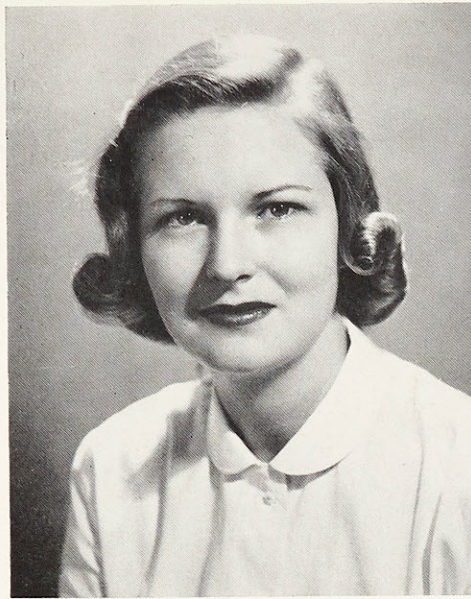
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*A. B.—Elementary Education*

ELIZABETH ANN  
HALBRUEGGER  
St. Louis, Missouri  
*A. B.—Sociology*

*On the high and noble promptings*

MARGARET ANN  
HERRMANN  
St. Louis, Missouri  
A. B.—English

THERESA MARY  
HEUMANN McAULIFFE  
St. Louis, Missouri  
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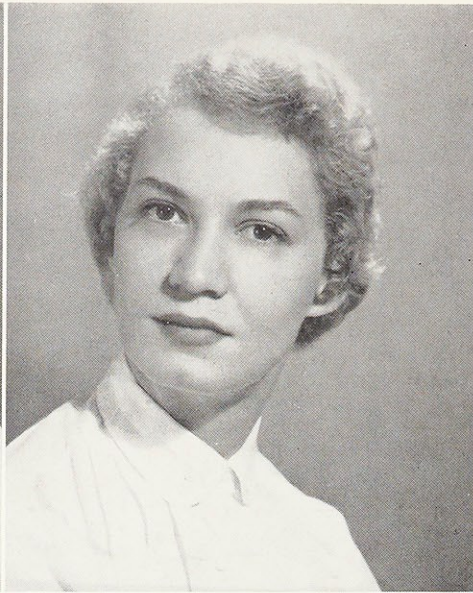
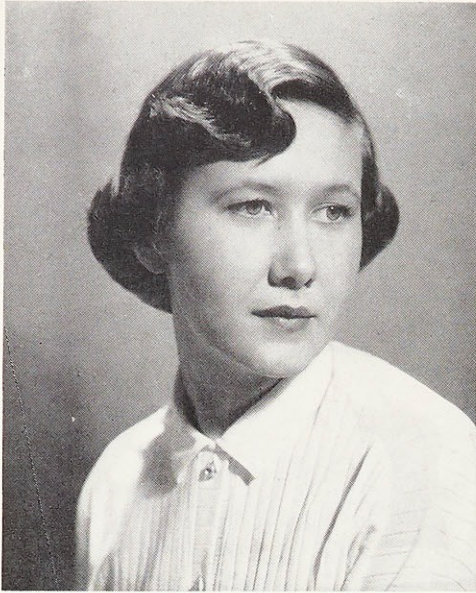


Betty Jo Mary Lou Terry



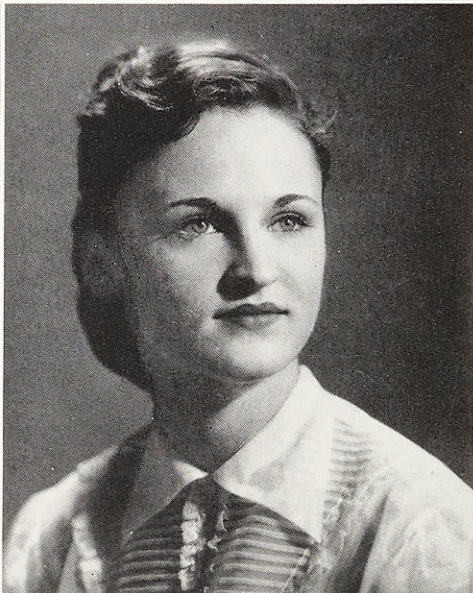
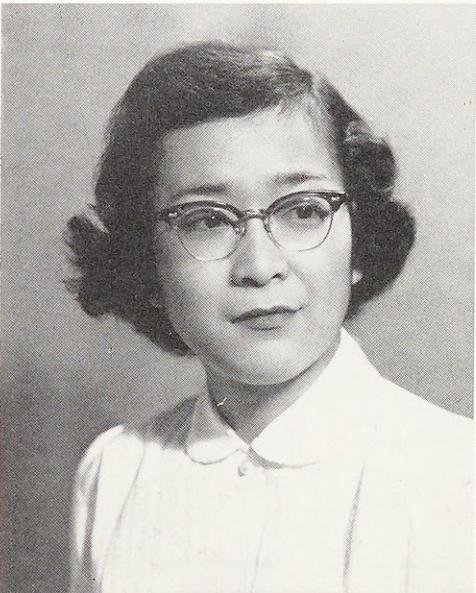
Mary Jo Rose Margaret

*That a Mary-soul would give.*



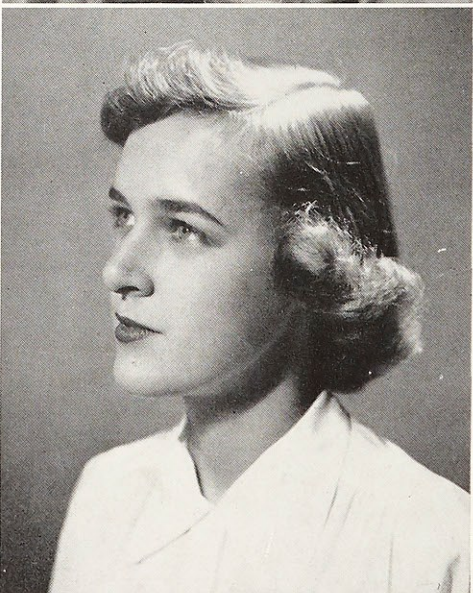
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*A. B.—Home Economics*

CELESTINE JANE HUGHES  
St. Louis, Missouri  
*A. B.—Sociology*  
(January Graduate)



ROSE S. KONO  
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SYLVIA HÉLÈNE LESAGE  
Quebec, Canada  
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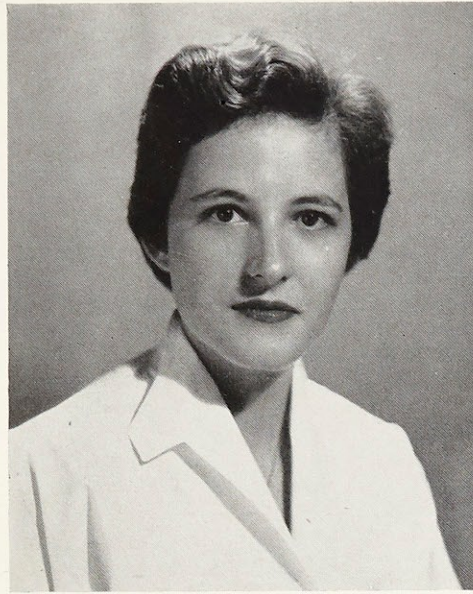
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TIEMAN  
St. Louis, Missouri  
*A. B.—Elementary Education*

FRANCES ELIZABETH  
MARTIN  
Lake Wales, Florida  
*A. B.—Sociology*

*Mayest thou catch her gentle manner,*

MARLYN ANN MATHEWS  
 Dallas, Texas  
*A. B.—Home Economics*

HELEN KATHERINE  
 McAVOY  
 Joplin, Missouri  
*A. B.—English*



*Seniors*



Rose Helene Marlyn Mary Ann "Ozie"

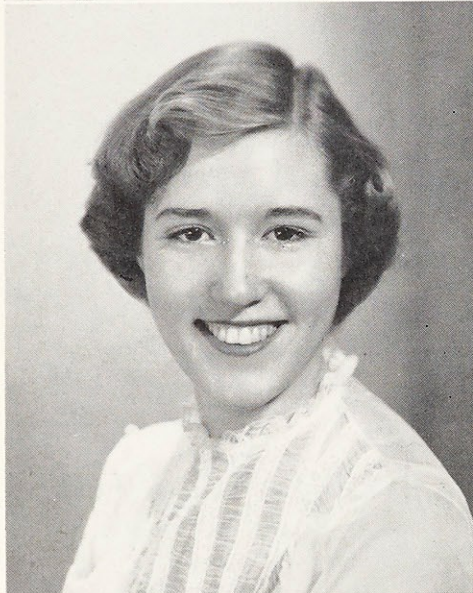
Helen Fran Celestine

*And her calm and queenly ways,*



HELEN ANNE MEDLEY  
Owensboro, Kentucky  
*B. S.—Biology*

DORIS MARIE MUTZ  
Springfield, Missouri  
*A. B.—Sociology*



HELEN MARIE O'BRIEN  
St. Louis Missouri  
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ELIZABETH LUCILLE  
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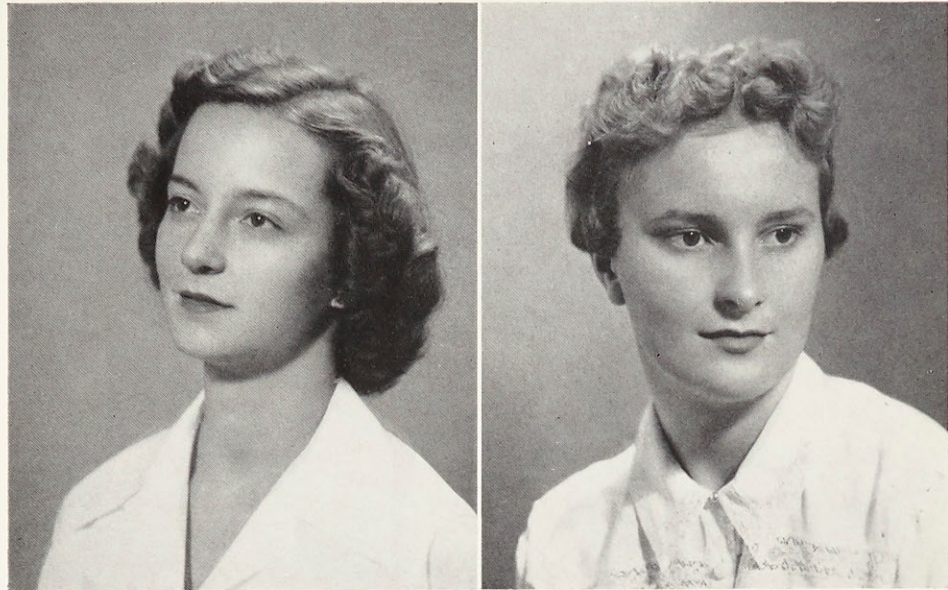
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CLARE ANN PULSKAMP  
Louisville, Kentucky  
*A. B.—Physical Education*

*Mayest thou learn her art of bearing*

BLANCHE JEANNE  
RECHTIEN  
St. Louis, Missouri  
A. B.—*Home Economics*

VICTORIA ANN RITAYIK  
St. Louis, Missouri  
A. B.—*Mathematics*



## *Seniors*



Betty    Julienne    Helen    Doris    Vickie    Helen    Blanche    Clare Ann

*Words of censure or of praise;*



ALTA MARIE ROYAL  
Downers Grove, Illinois  
*A. B.—Physical Education*



ADELE ANTOINETTE  
RUGGERI  
St. Louis, Missouri  
*A. B.—Sociology*



PATRICIA ANN RYAN  
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*B. M. Ed.—Music Education*



CLAIRE ZOE SCHNEIDER  
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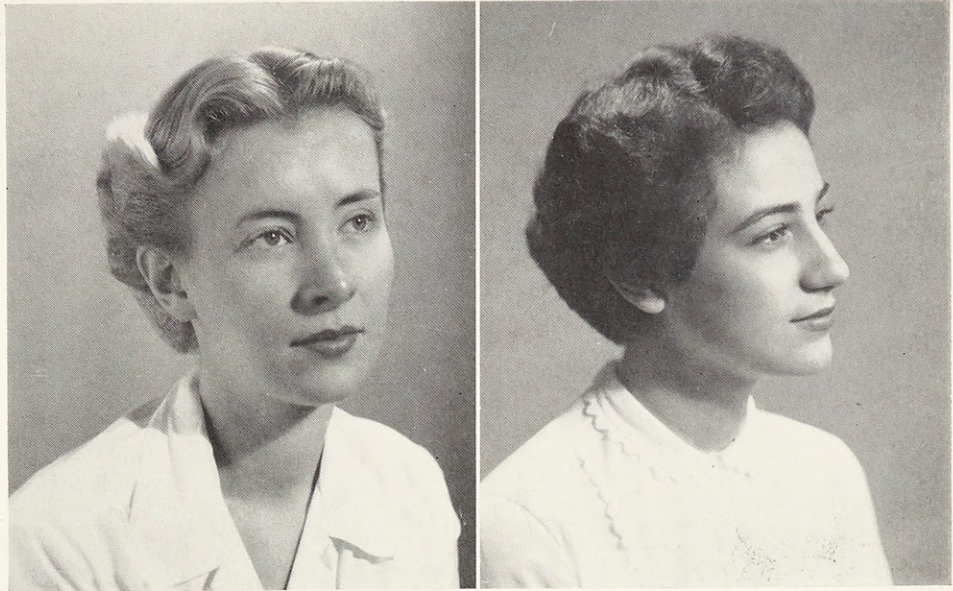


JO ANNE CAROLE  
SEABOLD  
University City, Missouri  
*B. S.—Biology*

*Mayest thou learn the hidden secret*

DRUCILLA ANN SMITH  
 Wichita, Kansas  
 A. B.—Speech-Dramatics

ROSALIE MARGARET  
 VIVIANO  
 St. Louis, Missouri  
 A. B.—Art



*Seniors*



Pat Adele Claire Alta

Jo Anne Mary Jo Rosie Drue

*Of her smile, so kind, so true,*



MARJORIE ANNE WALL  
Sterling, Colorado  
*A. B.—Physical Education*

LORETTA ANN WALSH  
Richmond Heights, Missouri  
*A. B.—Art*



MARLENE AGNES  
WELSHANS  
St. Louis, Missouri  
*B. M. Ed.—Music Education*

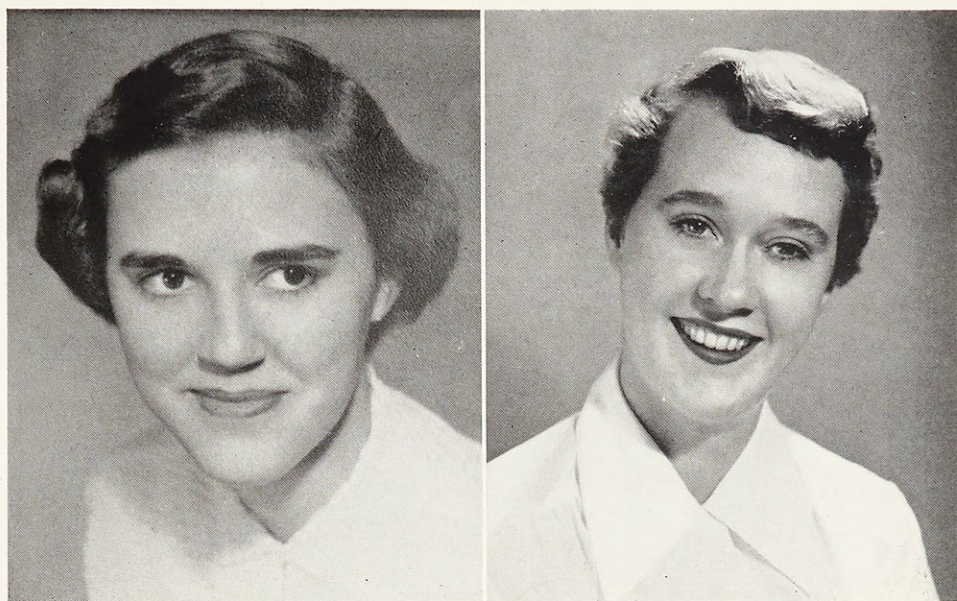
ANITA MARGARET  
WIEGAND  
St. Louis, Missouri  
*A. B.—English*

## *Seniors*

*Which reflects the radiant beauty*

MARIAN LOUISE WINTER  
Breese, Illinois  
*B. S. in Medical Technology*

PATRICIA IRENE  
WOESTMAN  
Carthage, Missouri  
*A. B.—History*



*Seniors*



Anita Ann

Pat Marlene Margie

*Of her pure soul gleaming through.*



Kneeling—Rita Dowd, Marilyn Spresser, Mary Sue Mc-Killin.  
 Top Row—Shannon Nally, Barbara Fairbanks, Marie Mueller.

Left to Right—Regina Eltz, Pat Garbacz, Joan Godat, Betsy Lauerman, Barbara Foster.

Kneeling—Marie Ann Westhoff, Birute Miniatas, Margie Devereux.  
 Top Row—Mary Casey, Vesta Noble, Maria Magraner, Rita Troupe.

Left to Right—Catherine Vittitow, Kathy Richter, Ann Quinn, Rose Marie Landwehr, Sue Yopp.

## *Juniors*

*In a word, may all the greatness.*

# Juniors

Left to Right—Cecilia Jackson, Marta Higdon, Clare Newsham, Betty Schuepfer, Ann Bane, Rita Heger, Vivian Allen.

Bottom Row—Barbara Doering, Marcella Young, Niki Ehernberger.

Top Row—Huguette Benjamin, Pat Devereux, Evelyn Hoffman.

Left to Right—Joan Schutte, Joan Byrne, Carol Ann Dorlac, Ethel Offner, Pat Bowman, Joan Temme.

Left to Right—June Durphy, Peggy Voshardt, Kathy Beetz, Janet Wells, Pat Baine, Enid Lebert.

*All the sweetness of her ways,*



# Sophomores

Left to Right—Bernice Tyrrell, Mary Carol Wathen, Anna Mae Berhorst, Dot Swanson, Mary Pat Graham, Marie Netteler, Martha O'Neill, Annie Roberts.



Kneeling—Dorothy Dayer, Margarita Rivera, Dorothy Saenger.

Middle Row—Carolyn Creamer, Roseann Turgeon, Ann Seip, Eva Rose Prpich, Joyce Martin.

Top Row—Pat Evans, Jane Paxson, Cecilia Marley, Margaret Mack.



Sitting—Pat Dwiggins, Barbara Schulte.  
Standing—Pauline Mattingly, Marjorie Herndon, Nonie Mazurek, Rita Compton, Irene Staab.



Kneeling—Mary Alene McQuie, Jeanne Sweeney, Sue Yager.

Standing—Carolyn Linneman, Aimee Thompson, Mary Catherine Leupke, Pat Minogue, Beth Bowles, Barbara Nicely, Flo Simms.

*All the inner grace and beauty,  
Heaven and earth delight to praise,*

# Sophomores

Bottom Row—Pat Donovan, Carmeline Chiappetta, Dorothy Hellman, Gerry Cleary, Mary Lou Ross, Sue Tharp, Carol Jackson.

Top Row—Mary Michael Fiorella, Shirley Wright, Mari-della Hegarty, Anola Pickett, Dean Werner, Bonnie Browning.

Left to Right—Dolores Hennenfent, Jean Gover, Mary Clare Mazely, Rose Williams, Rita Witte, Elnior Pino.



Bottom Row—Pat Stephens, Mary Lynn Grassinger, Mary Rose Moran.

Top Row—Barbara Kommer, Marie Kimmel, Maureen Riley, Jane McNamee, Joclyn Ezell, Ann Chartrand.

Left to Right—Charlene Smid, Vivian Mathis, Geraldine Booth, Mercedes Winterer, Nancy O'Bryan, Carole Thomas, Corinne Martin, Mary Grosdidier, Eleanor Vukovich.

*Find their likeness in thine own soul,  
Child of Mary, as thou art,*

# Freshmen

Kneeling—Patsy Schupp, Nancy Costello, Pat O'Hara, Dolores de Rosier, Pat Grewe.

Middle Row—Leona Siegel, Kay Roberts, Marian Triplett, Mary Beth Brugger, Joann Lenzen.

Top Row—Sally Quick, Barbara Michalski, Pat Sullivan, Barbara Strauss, Peggy McCarthy, Judy Shelton.

Kneeling—Lila Basler, Ann Saenger.

Middle Row—Betty Moellers, Cecelia Lucchesi, Kitty Klingler, Emily Tinker.

Top Row—JoAnn Godsil, Joanne Plateau, Mimi Morgan, Dorrit Barnicle, Martha Yuracko.

Left to Right—Miriam Chen, Connie Mahalek, Norma Grennan, Mildred Zeitler, Cecelia Liang, Eleanor Edgington, Chris Chorne, Julie Harris, Bernice Maycann.

First Row—Kay Nitzken, Flaget Montgomery, Dorothy Murphy, Kathleen Nahm.

Second Row—Nan Woolwine, Pat Patchett, Michelle Lamarre, Mary Ann Ricketts.

Third Row—Helen Abbott, Sharon Hauersperger, Betty Schmitt, Theresa Sarich.

Fourth Row—JoAnn Tomc, Jacque Kerrick, Sara Jane Lackey, Lucille Vlaich.

*Making thee more like thy Mother,*





Left to Right—Marcia Kelley, Diane Fennell, Mary Evelyn Neel, Sue Cozzoni.

Left to Right—Ruth Mulroy, Dorothy Thomas, Jean Smallwood, Nancy Reel, Natalie Wohlfeld, Carol Majerus, Florance Boland.

Kneeling—Rosemary Pisani, Joanne Dueber, Ruth Ann Dulle, Mary Lou Buescher, Georgiana Corey.

Standing—Mary Ann Kreienbaum, Sandra Hof, Maureen Kelleher, Betty Bieber, Carol Hannefin, Pat Shaw, Lillian Campbell, Doris Coughlin.

Bottom Row—Jane Henkel, Terry Alba, Eloisa Alzamora.

Middle Row—Virginia Brandt, Kieran Trihey, Jackie Schutte, Dorothy Mammoser.

Top Row—Kathleen Burns, Marilyn Dickherber, Mary Alice Herrmann.

## *Freshmen*

*Ever dearer to her heart,*

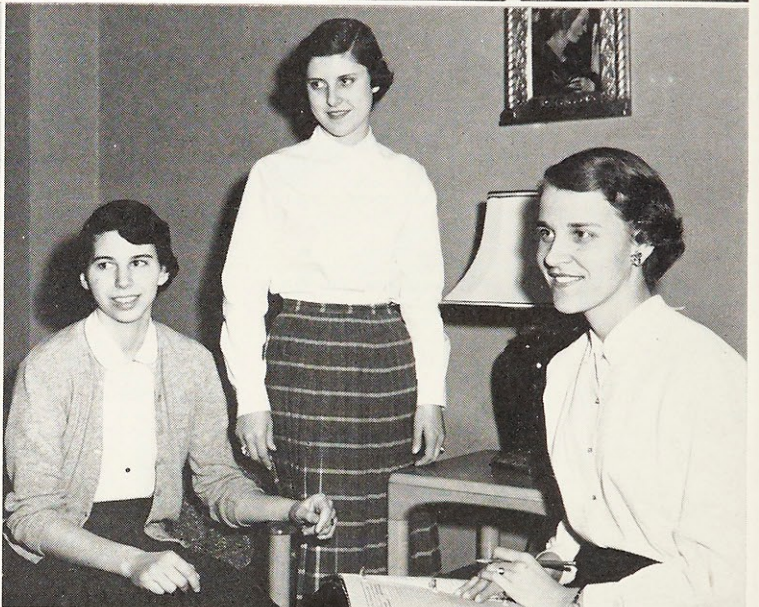
# *Organizations*

*Mary-like in every action—*

*Child of God, how fair thou art!*

MOTHER MOST AMIABLE, PRAY FOR US!





Rev. Joseph M. Freeman, S. J., Retreat Master  
A unit meeting in progress

Probation Counselors  
Counselors, Dorrit Barnicle and Rosemary Pisani, meet  
with their counselor, Kathy Beetz.

## Sodality

The Sodality of the Immaculate Conception has as its purpose to foster loyal service to Christ through devotion to His Blessed Mother. This it accomplishes through a way of life aimed at sanctification of self, of neighbor, and the defense of the Church. The Sodality Board and the Moderator plan various activities which are then carried on in the Sodality by the committees and units. The meetings, which are held weekly, are either unit discussion groups or gen-

eral meetings. Probationers are guided by a membership counseling board headed by Kathy Beetz, Vice-Prefect.

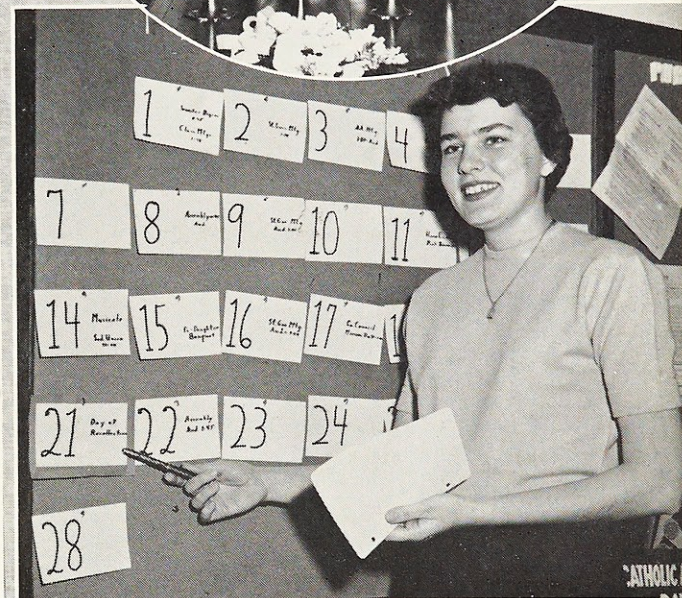
As the month of January drew to a close this year, Websterites were enabled to take time out from the studies to investigate their spiritual lives. The occasion was the annual retreat, conducted this year by the Rev. Joseph M. Freeman, S. J.

*Mary-like in soul! What beauty*

# Sodality

Monthly days of recollection were inaugurated this year. They provided students with the opportunity of renewing their spiritual fervor. The April day of recollection also served as reception day for the Probationers.

Sodality May Day was celebrated by the coronation of the statue of Our Lady by the incoming Prefect. This ceremony was held in the chapel and was participated in by all the Sodality members. At this time, members of the Sodality Board received their keys and the new officers were installed.



The Sodality May Crowning  
Betty Halbruegger, Prefect

Seated: Bonnie Browning, Secretary; Kathy Beetz, Vice-prefect; Betty Halbruegger, Prefect; Mary Casey, Treasurer.  
Standing: Roseann Turgeon, Maureen McCormack, Joan Godat, Rita Troupe, Helene Lesage, Dot Saner, Rose Marie Craft, Ruth Casey.



*When thy soul is full of grace!*

# Sodality

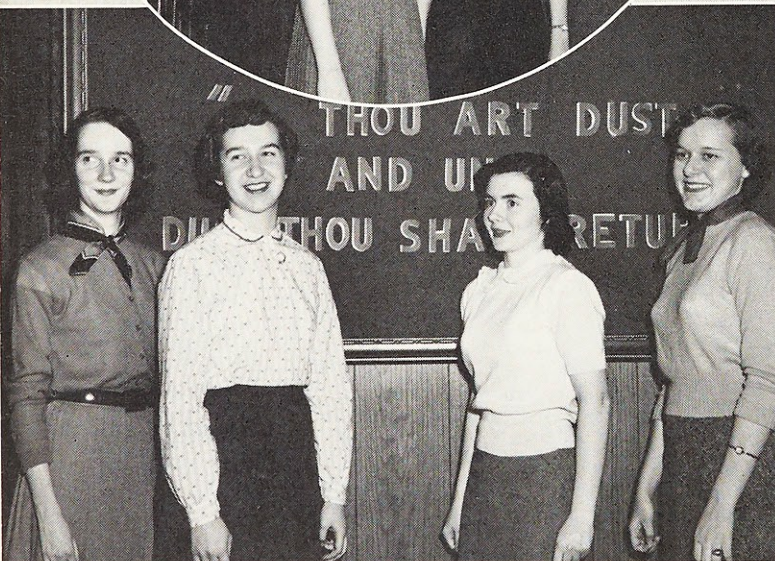
OUR LADY'S COMMITTEE, under the chairmanship of Hélène Lesage, promoted devotion to the Blessed Mother. Its particular project this year has been the Continuous Rosary.

The CATHOLIC STUDENTS' MISSION CRUSADE, with Rita Troupe as president, was active in helping both home and foreign missions. Among its many activities were the Thanksgiving basket drive and the Christmas Party at St. Malachy's. The class mission projects sponsored by this group gave rise to the much-visited Gallery of Living Seniors.

The BULLETIN BOARD COMMITTEE kept Websterites posted on Sodality and Marian year activities. Roseann Turgeon was chairman of this group.

The EUCHARISTIC COMMITTEE, with Joan Godat as chairman, fostered devotion to Our Lord in the Holy Eucharist. Its main project was the First Friday Guard of Honor.

*What a Mary-smile will greet thee*



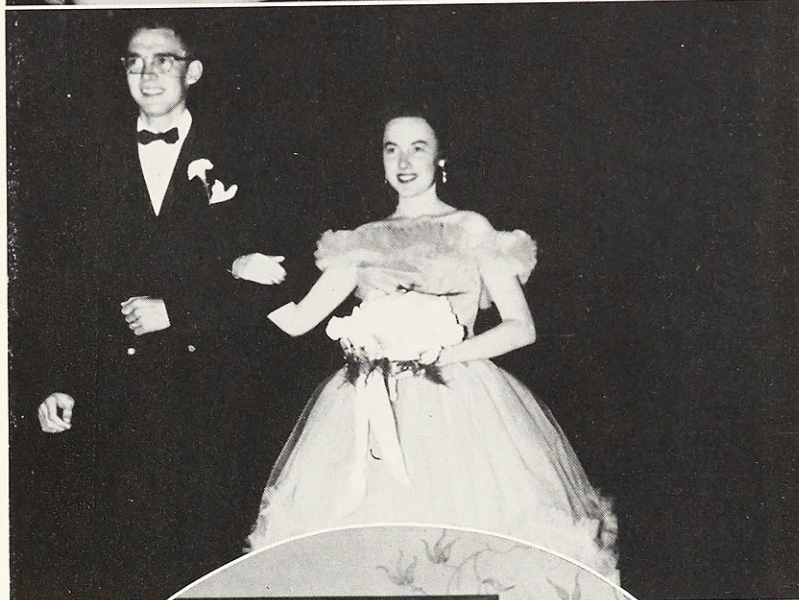
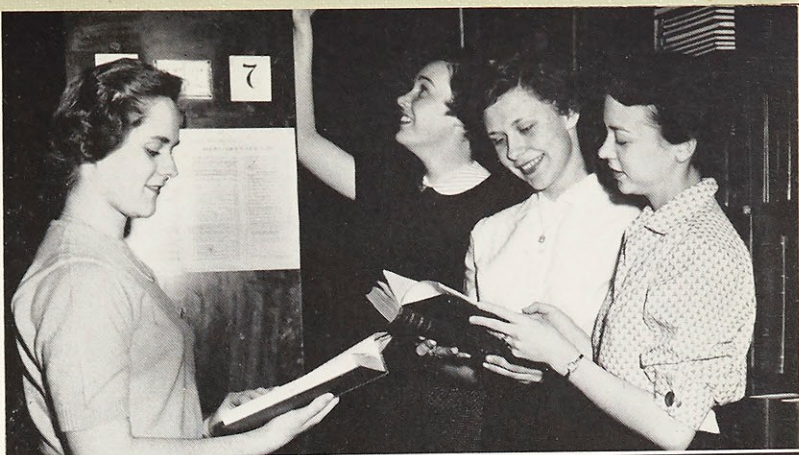
# Sodality

The LITERATURE COMMITTEE, under the leadership of Rosie Craft, sponsored the sale of liturgical Christmas cards as one of its main activities of the year.

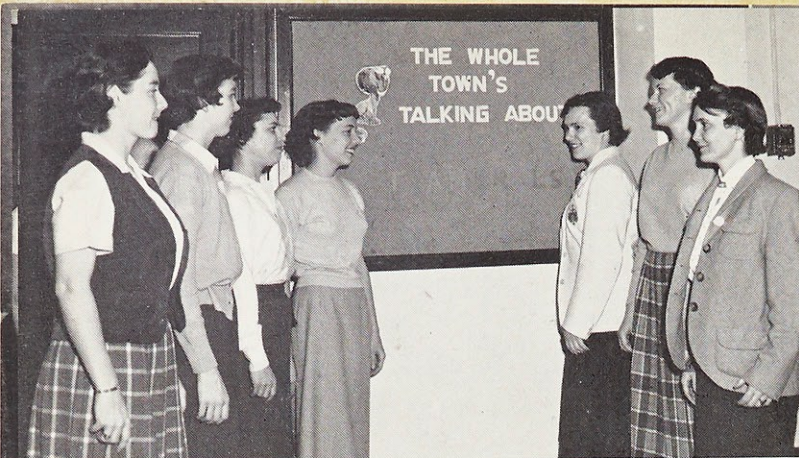
Bonnie Browning, Webster's Sodality Secretary, was the school's candidate for Queen at the annual FALL FESTIVAL sponsored by the Sodality Union of St. Louis University. The money raised there by Webster students was given to the Loretto Missions.

The Sodality Bulletin, under the title MARIAN NOTES, was edited by Esther Winterer. The paper, which was published for unit meetings, reminded Sodalists of their activities and duties.

On Ash Wednesday, the C.S.M.C. displayed the results of one of its most successful projects—making layettes for poor families. This beautiful LAYETTE DISPLAY inspired others to continue such work during the Lenten season.



*When thou'lt meet her face to face!*



## *Athletic Association*

Opportunities for the enjoyment and sportsmanship of athletic activities were afforded by one of the most popular of the clubs on campus, the Athletic Association.

The monthly meetings of the A.A. were enlivened by charades and a "Who Am I" quizzing session on athletic subjects.

Dottie Adams, repeating her own freshman year accomplishment, won out in the ping-pong tournament, of which Mary Grosdidier was chairman.

Intramurals were held throughout the year in various sports. The freshmen emerged as victors in the volleyball contests, thus gaining the right to name the new Webster mascot. This they promptly did, and "Winnie, the Webster Spirit," then accompanied the Webster varsities and class winners everywhere.

Top—A.A. Board: Jean Gover, Aimee Thompson, Mary Pat Graham, Terry Heumann, Kay Nitzken, Marta Higdon, Joan Byrne.

Middle—Terry Heumann, A. A. President

Bottom—Team Managers, Margie Wall and Jeanne Sweeney.

*Mary-like in body! Keeping All*

# Athletic Association

In the hard-fought basketball intramurals, the juniors defeated the sophs, and then the freshmen, to gain possession of the trophy for the year. Jackie Kerrick arranged these games.

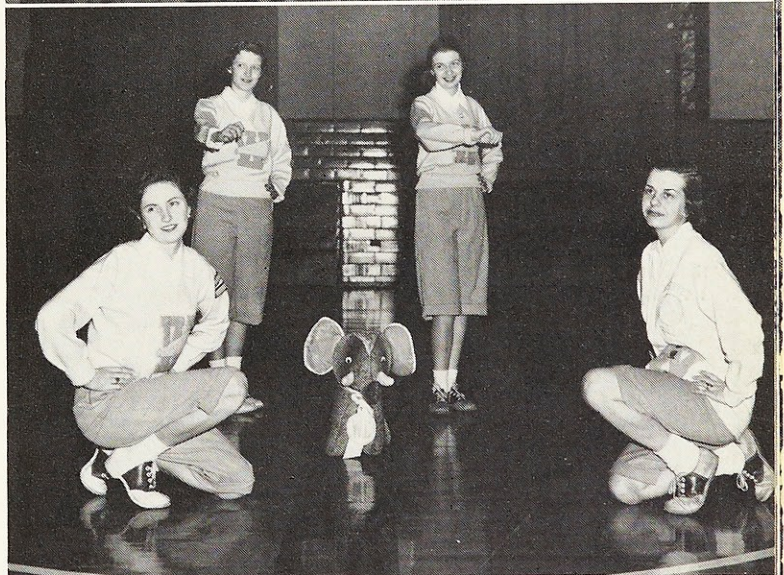
With spring came the announcement and subsequent playing of four other intramural activities. Rita Compton supervised the Bridge and Canasta Tournament, while Jean Smallwood took charge of the Badminton Tourney; Lila Basler, the Tennis; and Marie Netteler, the Softball.

As in previous years, the final project of the A.A. was Field Day, with races, track events, and skits to suit every athletic taste. That evening, tastes were further satisfied at the annual banquet, where all the association's awards were presented.

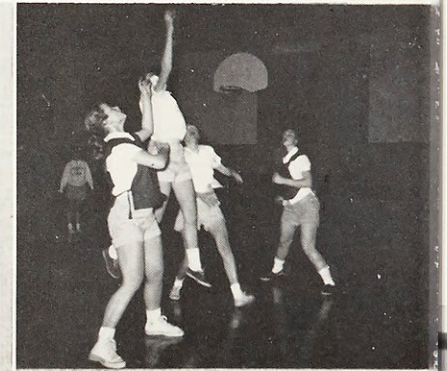
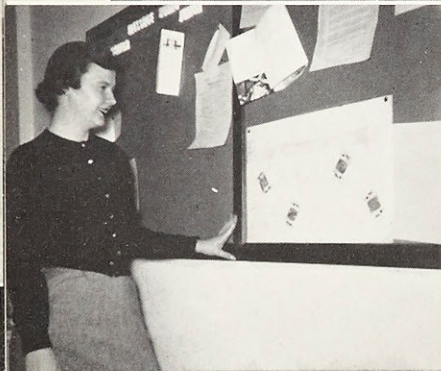
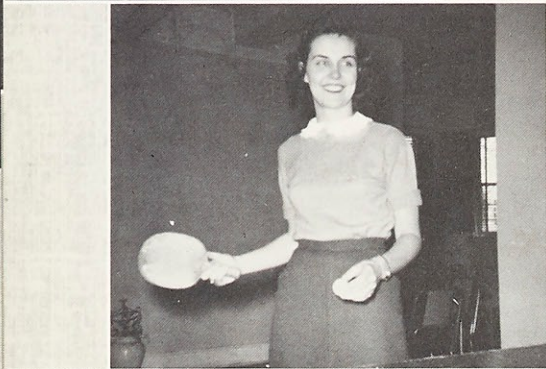
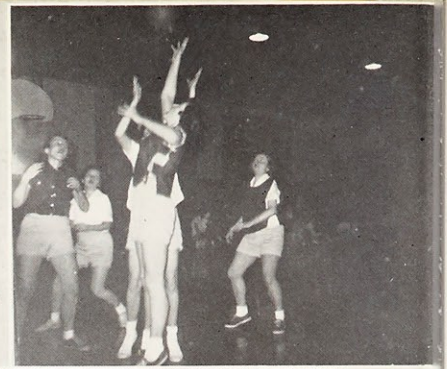
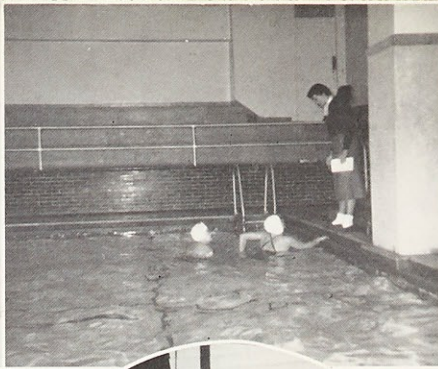
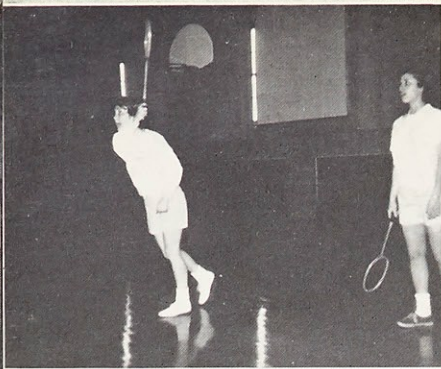
Top—Volleyball Varsity

Middle—Cheerleaders—Maymie Triplett, Patsy Schupp, Martha Yuracko, Judy Newsham.

Bottom—Basketball Varsity



*All the senses in control;*



Badminton Varsity Tryouts.  
Dottie Adams, Ping-Pong Champ.  
Dot Swanson looks over tournament  
announcement.

Life-saving Instructions.  
Chris Chorne, Freshman Volleyball  
Captain.  
Margie Wall gives swimming instruc-  
tions.

Juniors vs. Sophs—Basketball Intra-  
mural.  
Cecilia Jackson, Junior Basketball Cap-  
tain.  
Freshmen vs. Seniors.

The clubs sponsored by the Athletic Associa-  
tion provided many hours of enjoyment for  
Webster's athletes.

Marta Higdon and Margie Wall of the  
Swimming Club, which Judy Newsham head-  
ed, offered instructions in beginning swimming  
and junior and senior life-saving on Fridays

at the St. Louis U. pool.

Martha Yuracko, who was Freshman Week  
A.A. President, during the year was in charge  
of the Bowling Club.

The riding enthusiasts formed a club under  
the direction of Sue Yager.

## *Athletic Association*

*Looks and bearing both revealing*

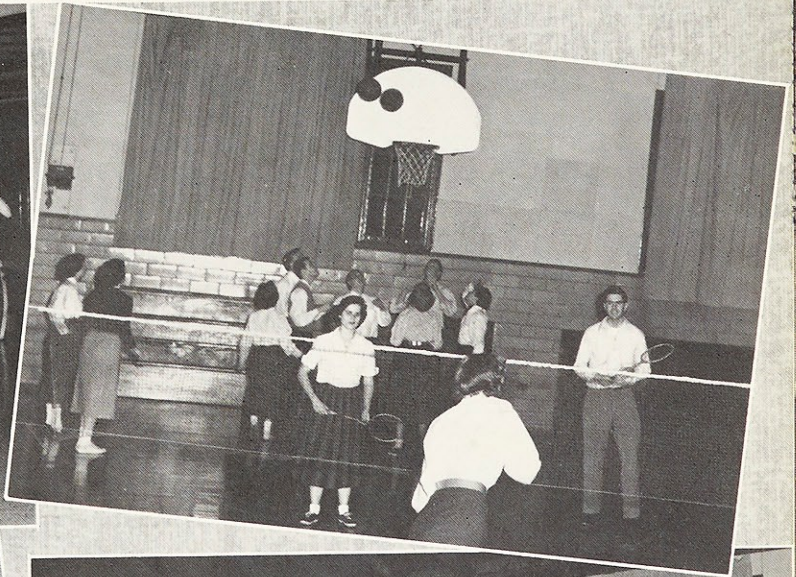
# Athletic Association

## CO-REC NIGHT

Co-Rec Night, an innovation of last year's association, was this year twice repeated by popular demand. The Nerinx Hall cafeteria was the scene of gay square dancing, while the

gym above echoed with enthusiastic shouts from the lively games of basketball, volleyball, shuffleboard, and badminton in progress. Rose Williams was chairman of the first semester event, while Cecilia Jackson took charge of the second.

*A Mary-temple for thy soul.*



# Student Government

Our democratic governing body on campus, the Student Government, occupies prime importance. Through Student Government, the students, faculty, and administration work together in regulating social and disciplinary actions on campus, and maintaining the ideals of cooperation and service. The student body is authorized by the faculty to exercise the legislative, executive and judicial powers listed in the constitution of the Student Government Association. The success of this authorization is shown in the twenty-six years of student government at Webster.

The Leadership Institute offered a weekly program concerned with the various arts; including music, painting and literature. Ann Walsh, Ethel Offner, Victoria Ritayik, Pat Donovan and Ruth Casey formed the committee in charge of the presentations.

The Social Planning Committee was organized to co-ordinate the social functions of the college. The committee planned and sponsored the informal dances of the year.

The Ivy Room Committee maintained neatness and order in this popular gathering place, by strictly enforcing the designated Ivy Room regulations.

The Nominating Committee attempted to choose qualified girls for nomination to various school offices. The committee, composed of seven members of the Association, took charge of nominations for the President of the Association, May Queen, May Maids, Who's Who, and all other nominations coming under the jurisdiction of the Association.



Top—Leadership Institute  
Middle—Social Planning Committee  
Bottom—Ivy Room Committee

Maureen McCormack SGA President

*Mary-like in thy affections,*

The Nominating Committee



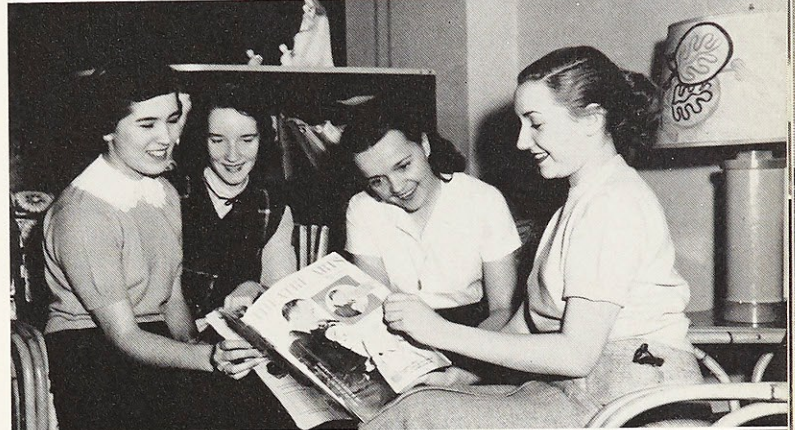
# Student Government

The Spiritual Committee guided the religious life of the Webster boarders. Prime, Compline, and various special observations were promoted.

The Fine Arts Committee kept the boarders notified concerning activities of cultural value in St. Louis. The Committee also arranged for the purchasing of tickets for these events.

The Activity Committee planned many of the social functions of the resident students at Webster. Committee activities included the decorations in the dining hall before the holiday seasons of Christmas, Easter and Thanksgiving.

The House Committee, composed of the Hall President and a resident student from each class directed life in Loretto Hall. Courtesy and cooperation on the part of each individual were stressed through regular meetings.

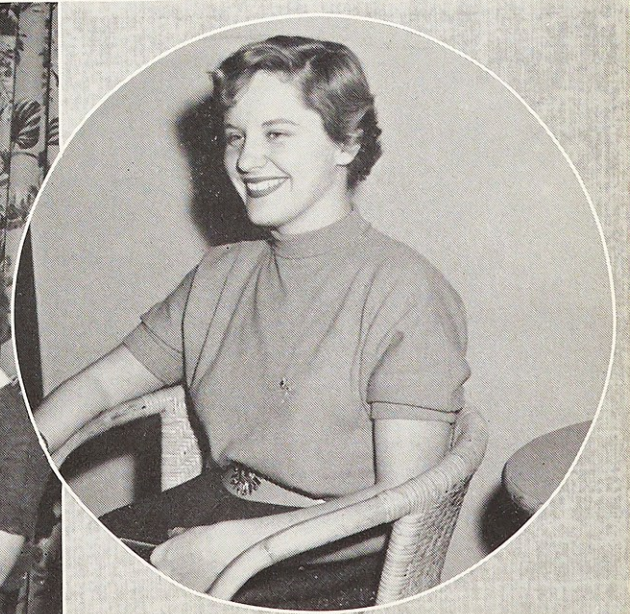


Top—The Spiritual Committee  
Middle—The Activity Committee  
Bottom—The Fine Arts Committee

*Loving all, excluding none—*

The House Committee

Dot Saner, Hall President





## Student Government

### STUDENT ORIENTATION SERVICE

The Student Orientation Service aided Freshmen in adapting themselves to college life. Upperclassmen, chosen as captains, guided their crews through their first year at Webster. The activities, traditions and regulations of the college were thoroughly explained.

### WHO'S WHO

Representatives of "Who's Who Among College Students in the United States," were chosen by the faculty and students of Webster, on the basis of their scholarship, leadership

ability, and participation in school activities. Their names were added to a roll with those selected by various other colleges.

### THE NATIONAL STUDENTS ASSOCIATION

The National Students Association is composed of the student governing bodies of colleges and universities throughout the country. N.S.A. on Webster's campus was instrumental in holding a Student Leaders Conference early in the school year, whose purpose it was to familiarize campus leaders with the various phases of

*Loving, as you think Our Lady,*



parliamentary procedure, and to discuss organizational problems that might arise. This year Webster was represented at two regional assemblies, the Fall Assembly held at Kansas State Teachers College and the Spring Regional held at Washington University. Through our elected delegate, Marie Ann Westhoff, Webster was the seat this past year of the Educational Affairs Committee of the Missouri-Kansas region of N.S.A. and this year will be the seat of the International Affairs Committee of this region thru Dean Werner.

N. F. C. C. S.

The National Federation of Catholic College Students is a federation of Catholic Colleges and universities throughout the United States. This

year the campus organization affiliated with the Central Midwest Region. Under this new affiliation four commissions were established on campus: the Mariology Commission, the Interracial Justice Commission, the International Relations Commission, and the Liturgy Commission. Webster was represented at the fall and spring congresses, as well as at the summer congress, of the federation.

FRESHMAN WEEK

Freshman Week, the seven days in which the Freshmen take over the duties and projects of all Student Government offices, was held early in March. It helped the class members to recognize and respect the responsibilities of leadership. Natalie Wohlfeld was elected by the Association to its presidency for that week.

*Ever faithful, would have done;*

# Plays

## WOMEN HAVE THEIR WAY



The production of "Women Have Their Way" presented an excellent occasion for drama students to work under the New York director, Mr. Montgomery Hare. Mr. Hare, who is engaged in all types of theatrical work, was employed by the Barter Theatre of Virginia as an actor, technical director, and author-in-residence.

The play, a Spanish-inspired comedy, concerns the trials and tribulations of a boy and girl who are both determined to resist all efforts of the women in their town to bring them together.

Under the guidance of Mr. Herbert Cummings, the setting, conveying a sense of gay fun, was designed and executed by students.

## AM AHL AND THE NIGHT VISITORS



"Amahl and the Night Visitors" represented an attempt to convey the true meaning of Christmas, thus bringing people closer to Christ.

Amahl, a poor cripple, and his mother are visited by the three Kings on their way in search of the Christ Child. Through his unselfishness in offering his crutch as a gift, he is cured and joins the Kings in their travels to find and adore the Child.

## OEDIPUS REX



The tragedy, "Oedipus Rex," had as its main purpose to acquaint the drama majors with acting in a Greek play, and to acquaint all the students with a greater knowledge of the Greek drama.

*Mary-like in every action;*

# Musical

FORECAST FAIR, the all-student musicale, was dedicated to the Blessed Mother in honor of her Marian Year, with the theme chosen in commemoration of the St. Louis World's Fair of 1904. The plot was built around the adventures of two small boys, played by Janet Wells and Nancy Reel, as they wander through the fair grounds.

Drucilla Smith was Chairman of the musicale and Ann Quinn was Assistant Chairman.



Musical Program Committee  
"Trolley Song"

"Oceano Roll Blues"  
"Mademoiselle de Paris"

Publicity Chairman  
"Picnic in the Park"



*In enjoyment, work or prayer,*



Web Editorial Board—Seated: Marcella Young, Editor, and Sue Tharp.  
 Standing: Anola Pickett, Peggy Voshardt, Rita Witte, Rita Troupe, Barbara Doering, Evelyn Hoffman.

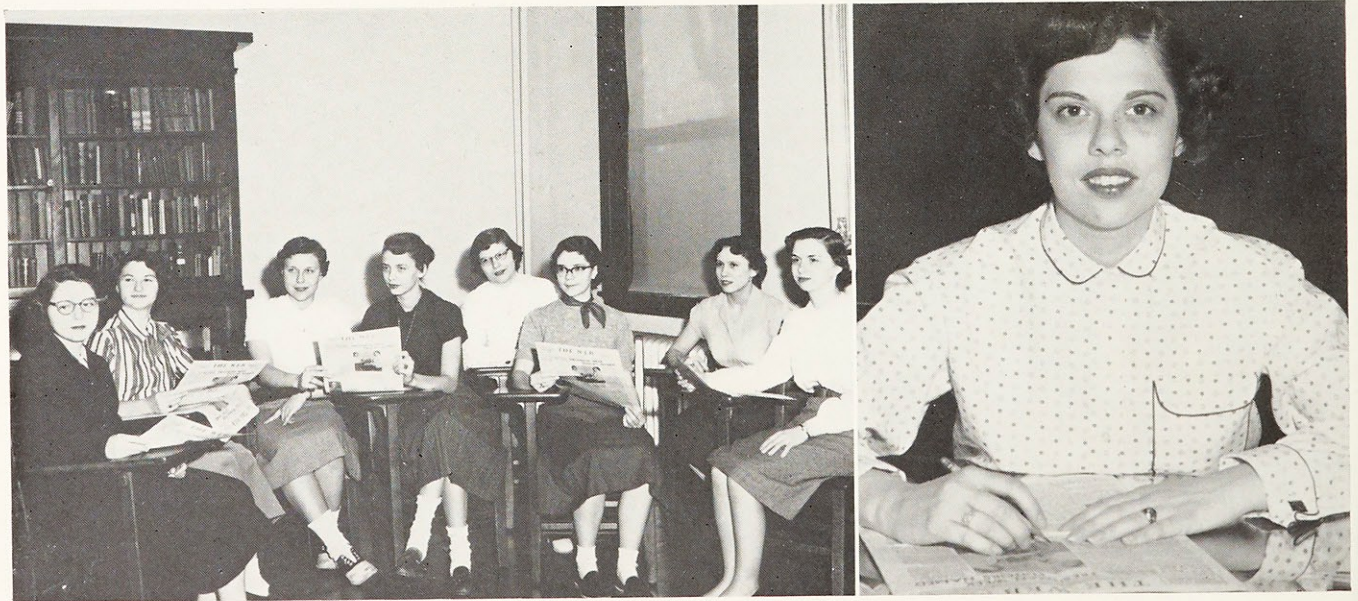
## The Web

The WEB, the student newspaper of Webster College, is this year celebrating its thirtieth anniversary. As in all preceding years, the staff has brought to its readers humor, news, and constructive criticism. Blending these is the Webster spirit, linked with a well-defined

Christian attitude. Through this humor, news and criticism the WEB has achieved its purpose—to entertain, to inform and to give a stimulus toward the attainment of sanctity—through an extremely readable and informal approach.

Web Business Staff—Ethel Offner, Irene Staab, Jackie Schutte, *Freshman Week* Co-editor, Georgiana Corey, Pat Shaw, *Freshman Week* Co-editor, Carolyn Creamer, Pat Donovan, Clare Newsham.

Marcella Young, Editor of the Web.



Watching Mary,



Helen McAvoy, Editor of the Loretine



Loretine Staff: Helen McAvoy, seated, Angie Abbick, Carolyn Creamer, Enid Lebert, Dottie Adams, Regina Eltz, Georgiana Corey, Ann Walsh, Pat Donovan.

Lauretanum Staff—Enid Lebert, Sue Yopp, June Durphy, Mary Sue McKillin, Marie Mueller, Joan Godat.

## The Loretine

The LORETTINE in building its main theme around the fine arts—painting, music, literature, drama, architecture, dance and sculpture—has produced in the students an increased awareness of the various expressions of beauty.

## The Lauretanum

The LAURETANUM of 1954 has striven to summarize the year's events at Webster as the source of the spiritual, intellectual, and physical characteristics of the theme, Mary-likeness.

June Durphy, Editor, and Mary Sue McKillin, Art Editor.



Copying Mary,

# Clubs

## LORETTO PLAYERS

The Loretto Players endeavor to inculcate and encourage an interest in all phases of drama to provide opportunities for participation in the fields of acting and technical experience, to acquaint members with theatrical publications, and to raise funds for improvement of the theatrical equipment at Webster.

Members took part in the production of *WOMEN HAVE THEIR WAY*, *AM AHL* AND *THE NIGHT VISITORS*, and *PETER PAN*. Their activities included a lecture by Mr. Montgomery Hare on the management and duties of a production, and two films on makeup and lighting.

## CHORAL CLUB

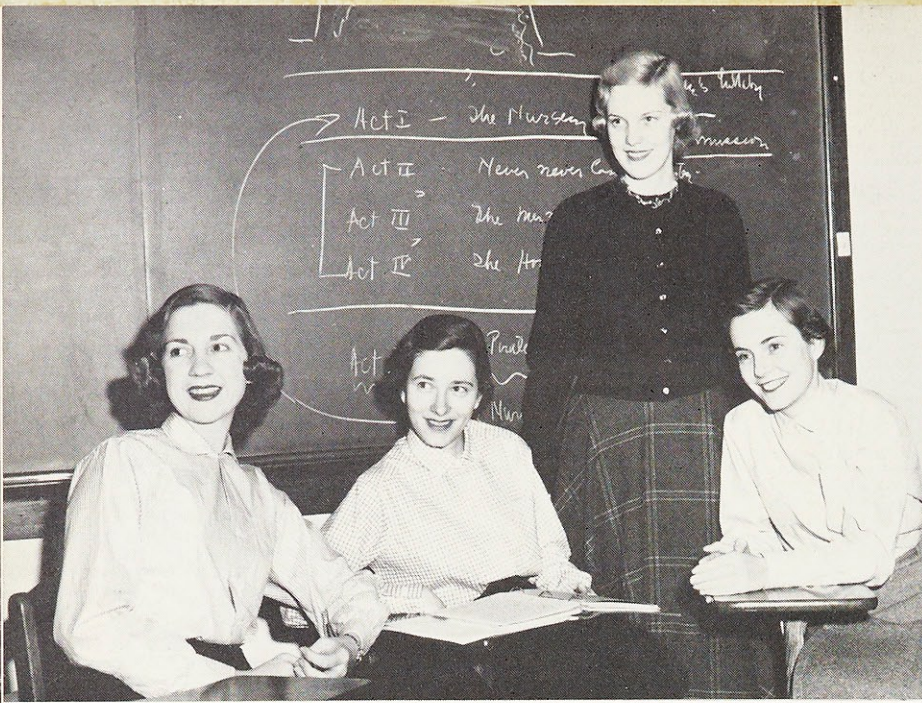
The Choral Club is composed of those who desire a richer appreciation of music through its expression in choral singing.

The joint choral concert with Parks Air College as well as participation in *AM AHL* AND *THE NIGHT VISITORS*, were excellent contributions toward that end.

## MUSIC GUILD

The purposes of the Music Guild are to further a more intensive study of music among its members, and to create a more wide-spread interest and appreciation of music.

The main effort this year was to acquaint students with American contemporary composers.



Top—Loretto Players Officers: Rose Marie Landwehr, Ann Quinn, Annie Roberts, Pat Baine.

Middle—Choral Club.

Bottom—Music Guild Officers: Marie Kimmel, Nancy O'Bryan, Mary Jo Curcio, Barbara Foster.

*Loving Mary,*

every

# Clubs

## HOME ECONOMICS CLUB

The objective of the Home Economics Club is to correlate social and educational interests in order that the student may receive help, inspiration and an enlarged conception of the study of Home Economics in its relationship to her role as a true Christian woman in the world today.

The activities of this year included a Christmas party and the sending of Easter baskets to St. Malachy's kindergarten.

## I.R.C.

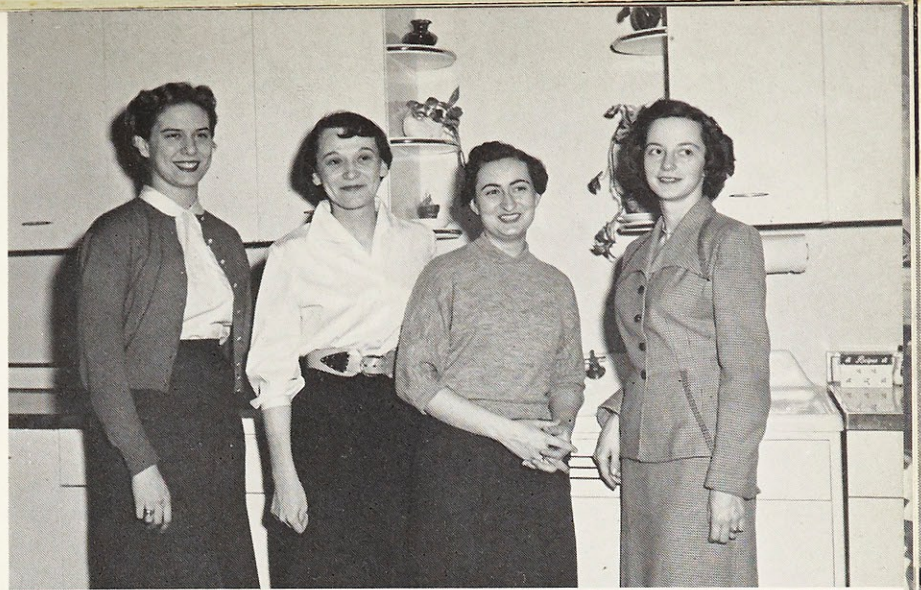
The purposes of the I.R.C. are to foster interest among the student body in international affairs and relations, and to discuss international problems at its monthly meetings.

In carrying out these purposes, talks were given on French-Indo China, the South African tension and the Jewish-Arabian crisis.

## THE MATHEMATICS CLUB

Renewed last year after a five year lapse, the Mathematics Club has for its purposes the promotion of an interest in mathematics, and the fostering of an understanding of it.

The activities included a series of lessons on the fundamentals of Chess and a lecture by Dr. Michael Manley on absolute truth in philosophy and in mathematics.



Top—Home Ec Officers: Pat Garbacz, Mary Michael Fiorella, Sue Yopp, Blanche Rechtien.

Middle—I. R. C. Officers: Marie Ann Westhoff, Dean Werner, Pat Donovan, Betsy Lauerman.

Bottom—Math Club Officers: Elaine Nischan, Vickie Ritayik, Janie Furrer.

everywhere.

# *Activities*

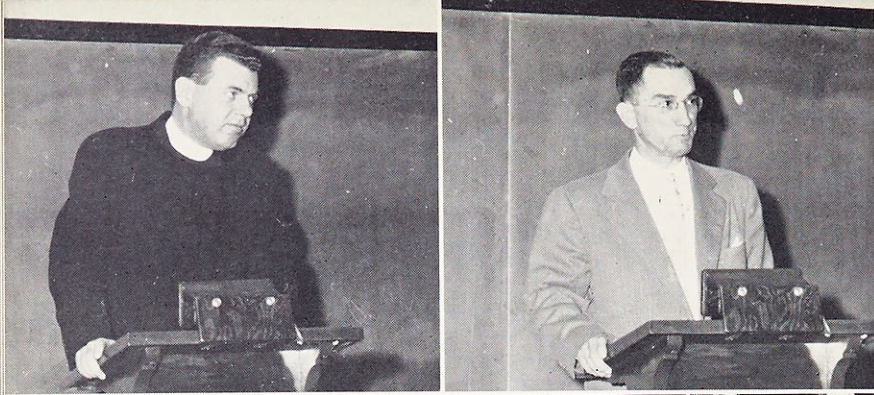
*Night and day, in joy and sorrow,*

*Night and day, 'neath crushing care,*

CAUSE OF OUR JOY, PRAY FOR US!



# Autumn



The Rev. John F. Zimmerman, C.M., and Dr. John L. Davis speak at the FACULTY INSTITUTE.



Big sisters and little sisters gather for the CAPPING of the freshmen.



Students and faculty get acquainted at the FRESHMAN ORIENTATION WEEK TEA.



The Student Government Association treats the freshmen to a PARADE OF FASHIONS.

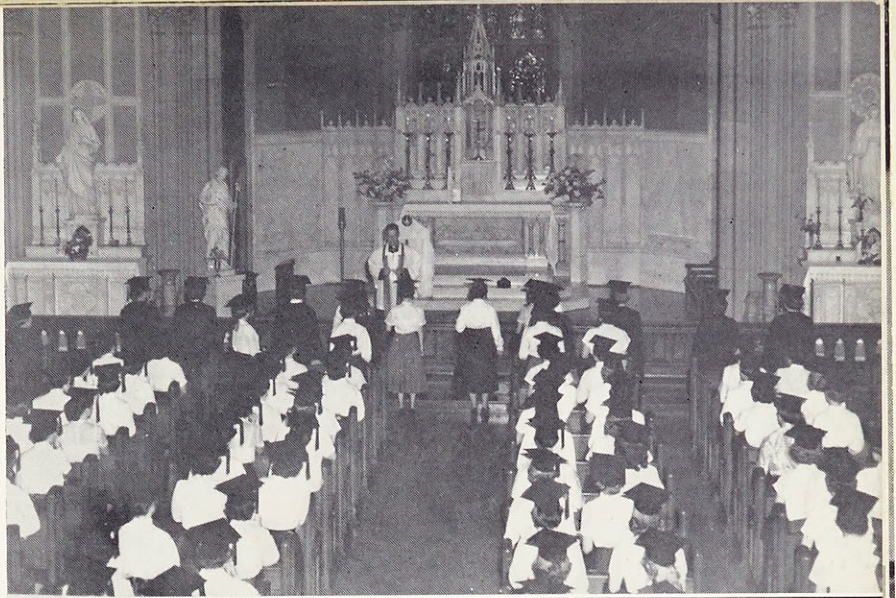


Ask of Christ true Mary-likeness.

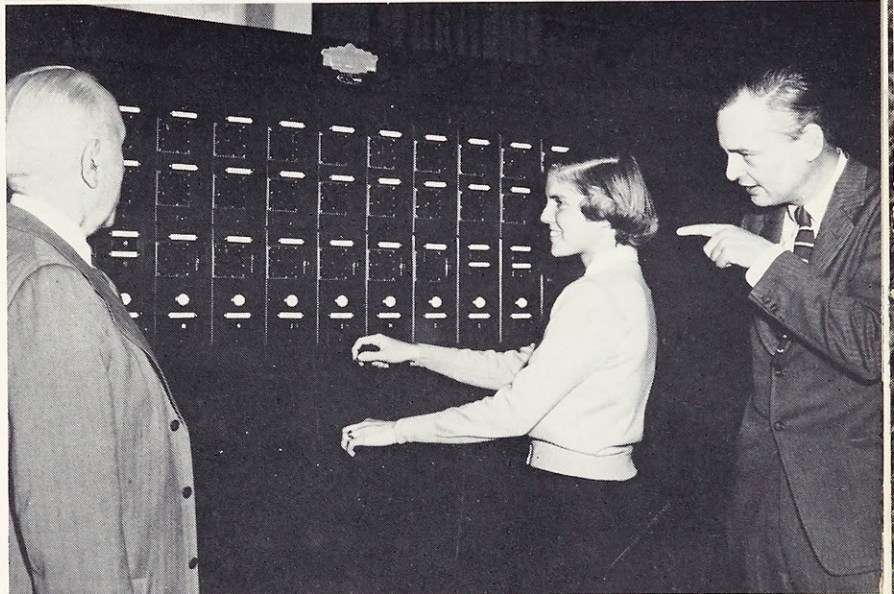
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# Activities

Father Richardson officiates at the solemn INVESTITURE OF THE FRESHMEN with their academic caps and gowns.



Mr. Montgomery Hare, visiting play director, shows Patricia Devereux the intricacies of the new lighting equipment, while Mr. McClain looks on.



Pictured below is Dorothy Hellman, general chairman of the KIDDIE KARNIVAL. With Sister Francis de Sales and her sub-chairmen, she saw to it that the visiting youngsters enjoyed games, clowns, cracker-jack, and other traditional treats of carnival time.



Guests are welcomed to the annual FALL FORMAL at Club Caprice of the Sheraton Hotel. Chairman of the dance was Betty Muscat.

*Through the year be this thy prayer,*

## Winter Activities

Christmas carols and songs provided the theme for the holiday decorations prepared by the junior class. The traditional decorations were formally opened on Sunday evening, December the sixth, as Maureen McCormack, president of the Student Government Association, cut the ribbons leading to the decorated rooms.

The Colonnade established the theme, being decorated as Carol Lane, with various home and shop fronts in keeping with the song, "Here We Come A'Caroling."

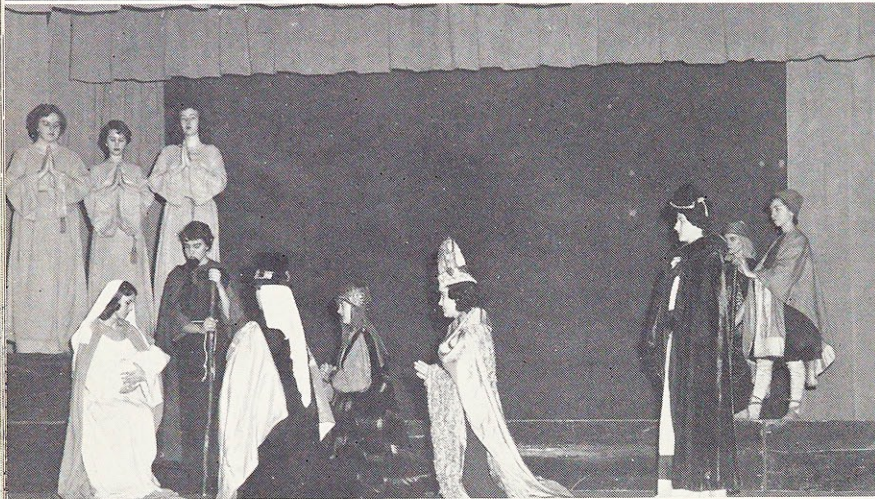
The reading room at the end of the "lane" represented a church and was dominated by a beautiful crib scene.

"I'll Be Home for Christmas" inspired the decorations for the Pink Room.

Cafeteria decorations centered around "Deck the Halls", with red draperies giant wreaths and candle centerpieces. This was the scene for the traditional Christmas Banquet, which climaxed the holiday activities.

The Ivy Room was a "Winter Wonderland," complete with two snowmen, falling snowflakes, sledding and skating scenes.

Mary Casey, junior class president, was general chairman. Committee heads were: Enid Lebert and Mary Sue McKillin, decorations; Peggy Voshardt, invitations and escorts; Betty Schuepfer, budget; Marcella Young and Catherine Vittitow, entertainment; Evelyn Hoffman, toasts; Pat Garbacz, serving; Cecilia Jackson, table decorations; Barbara Doering, programs and menus; Sue Yopp and Ann Bane, food; Barbara Foster, chapel program; Regina Eltz, songs; Joan Byrne, cleanup.



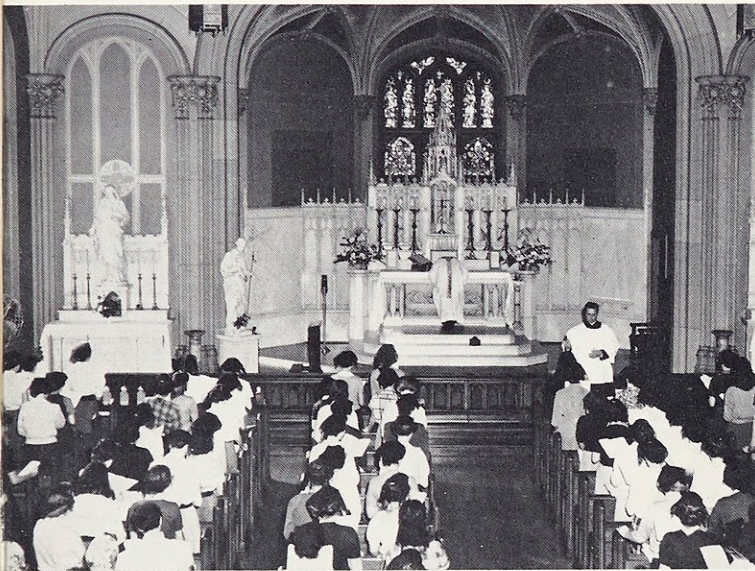
Top—Colonnade Crib Scene  
Middle—Senior Christmas Assembly  
Bottom—Decorating the Cafeteria.

*Christ will hear, and Christ will answer*

# Winter Activities

The Reverend Aloysius F. Wilmes, pastor of Sacred Heart Parish in Elsberry, Missouri, directs the singing on MOTIVATION DAY. Father Wilmes' conferences on that day were on the liturgy, in honor of the twenty-fifth anniversary of Pius X's *Motu Proprio*.

Webster members of the PIUS XII CLUB, who have pledged themselves to aid in their own way the building of the Pius XII Memorial Library, assemble outside the Chapel of All Saints.



Dr. Vernon C. Bourke lectures at the annual SAINT THOMAS DAY PROGRAM.

Marcia Kelley, as PETER PAN, takes the spotlight on Webster's stage, holding the attention of her young friends.

*If thy pleading but ring true,*

## Spring Activities

Principals in the 1953 Shakespear-ean production, AS YOU LIKE IT, re-enact a scene on Webster's campus.



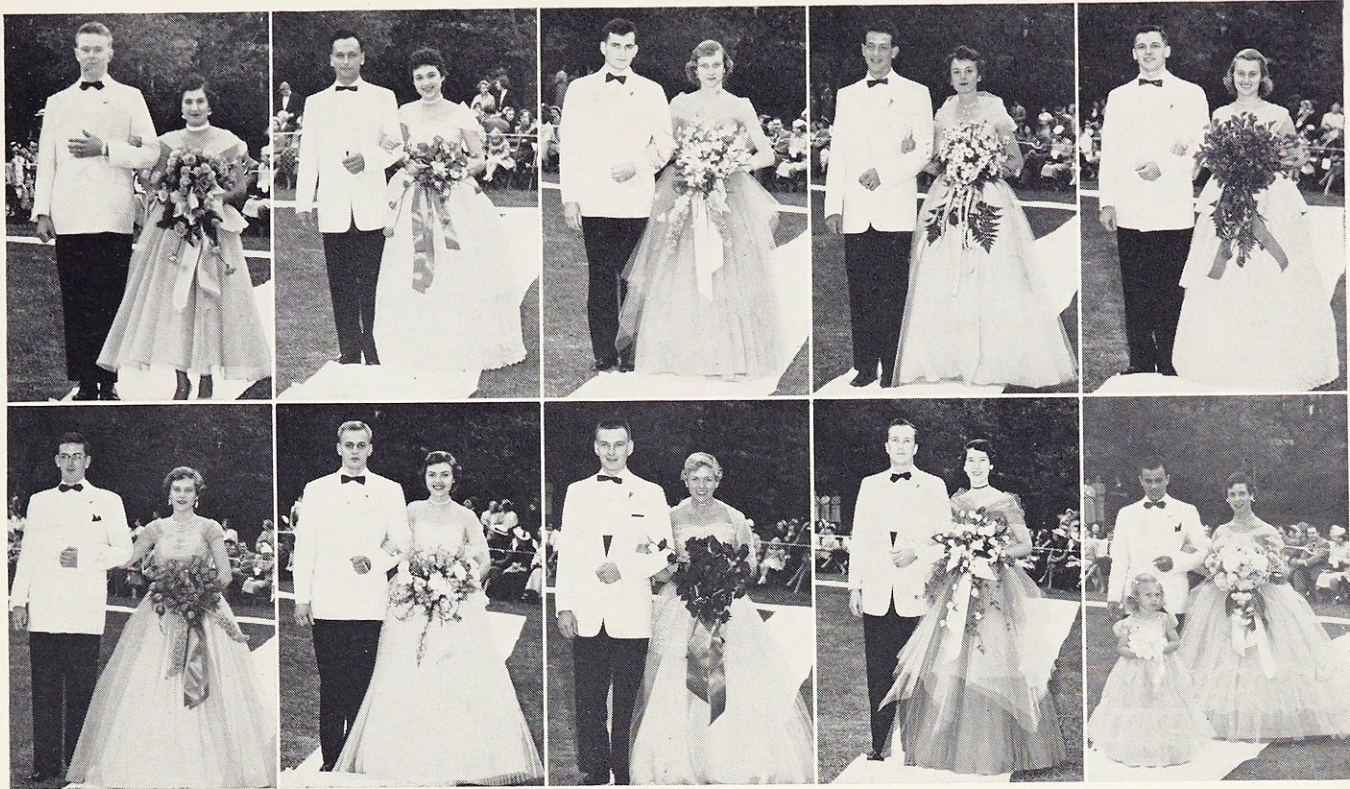
Webster's Choral Club and Parks Air College Glee Club get together in a JOINT CONCERT, providing an evening of vocal harmony and enjoyment.



Queen Fran Martin smiles happily, surrounded by her entire MAY COURT.



*"Jesus, make me just like Mary,*



Carmeline Chiappetta  
Dot Saner

Mercedes Winterer  
Kay Clark

Cecilia Jackson  
Peggy Kirchner

Joan Penzler  
Mary Ann Westerman

Barbara Butler  
Martha Cummings

## MAY DAY

Fran Martin, our gracious and lovely queen, presided over the annual May Day festivities. Preceded by her maids and the retiring queen, she walked regally through the daisy chain formed by the Senior Class, to her throne. There she was crowned by her predecessor, Martha Cummings, and, in turn, placed a garland of spring flowers on the statue of Mary, our eternal Queen.

The Maypole dance, which was presented as part of the entertainment for the new queen and her court, was directed by Margie Wall and Clare Ann Pulskamp.

Pat Demick was general chairman of the outdoor proceedings, which were followed by Benediction in the chapel.

The dance later that evening was under the chairmanship of Terry Heumann.



Fran Martin crowns the Blessed Mother

*Mary, keep me just like you."*

