

The
COLUMBINE

*Colorado School for the Deaf and the Blind
Colorado Springs, Colorado*

Foreword . . .

THE COLUMBINE is the graduation issue of THE COLORADO INDEX.

In this volume an attempt has been made to show appreciation to the Class of 1956; appreciation for their efforts, their ambitions, their patience and consideration.

It is hoped that, as the century wanes, the faces and scenes mirrored here may wax stronger; that friendships and memories may endure; and that the appreciation of today may become the respect and admiration of tomorrow.

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respecting the pupil."*



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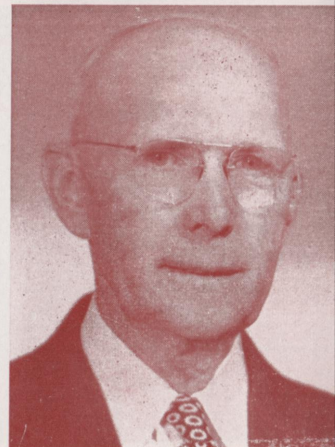
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*“ . . . past the craggy paths of study
onto the plains of reputation.”*

Department for the Deaf

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Class Motto

"Benefit Yourself by Helping Others"

Class Colors

RED and WHITE

Class Flower

RED CARNATION

SALUTATORY

By Celestino Duran

DR. VEST, MEMBERS of the Board of Trustees, Mr. Stelle, and friends, I am glad to welcome you this afternoon. Our graduating exercises would not be complete without your presence, and our parting from the school would be sad without your good wishes.

We feel that another guest is present at this assembly. He was not formally invited but his presence has been eagerly awaited by all of us. This unseen guest is opportunity. Our future rests with him.

It is often said that opportunity knocks but once at every man's door. Perhaps in this modern age he will not knock at all, but may call on the telephone instead.

Of course it is true that equal opportunities do not come to all, that would be impossible. But it is equally true that many fail to see or use what chances they do have.

We sincerely hope that we shall all be at home when opportunity knocks at our door, or calls us on the telephone, or otherwise shows an interest in us. May we recognize him, receive him warmly, and make the best possible use of his presence; and may we never neglect him.

Once more permit me to welcome you as our guests on this, the proudest day of our school life. This afternoon we trust that our hospitality may be as pleasing to you as we would have it. May you obtain as much satisfaction and delight from being here as we have in entertaining you on our last appearance as the Senior Class of 1956.



Sally Mae Acosta

Pueblo

... petite ... energetic ... friendly senorita ... a great help in Brown Hall ... most dependable monitor ... likes to cook spicy foods ... hates mystery books and onions ... has been hurrying with her hope chest ... We bet our last dime she is altar-bound!



Sylvia Gwendolyn Ayres

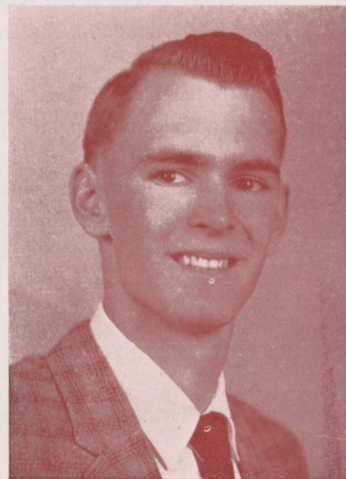
Bedrock

... inquisitive ... patient ... flying enthusiast ... first to sport a hearing aid in her eyeglasses ... believe it or not ... she once tamed a skunk ... fond of writing letters and reading "True Romances" ... handy with a rolling pin ... hopes to be a good housewife on a ranch.

Jerome Anthony Aregi, Jr.

Denver

... tall, light and slim but wiry and good in all sports ... often chosen as treasurer in different organizations; reason: he likes to jingle coins ... favorite subject—algebra ... has two steadfast ambitions—to be a linotype operator and to buy a large diamond ring—when? "The sooner, the better," admitted Jerry with a big grin.

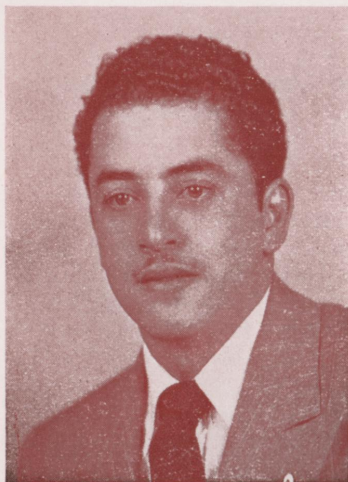


Jo Ann Berkeley

Colorado Springs

... cheerful, shapely ... always giggles at "wolf whistles" ... a cheerleader with plenty of fireworks ... first girl senior to hold a driving license ... likes to sew but doesn't care for domestic work ... has two fond dreams—to enlarge her wardrobe and to buy a brand new car.

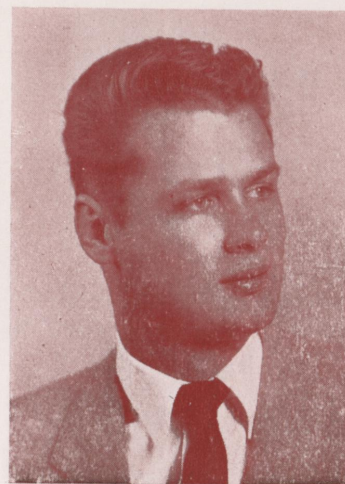




Celestino Parlimon Duran

Antonito

... ambitious ... serious ... handsome Spanish-American with curly black hair and dark eyes ... a strange hombre because he doesn't like siestas ... has shown greatest improvement in the class ... likes to sing Spanish love songs ... hopes to be a carpenter and builder of adobe houses in his hometown.



James Dale McFarland

Denver

... sturdily built ... restless ... easily catches the ladies' eyes ... one of the mainstays in all sports ... prefers sleep to study ... understands greyhounds better than girls ... weakness: cars and malted drinks ... will work at Denver dog track again this summer. Then what? "I dunno," says Jimmy with his eyes half closed.

Linda Crete Gillaspie

Lingle, Wyoming

... gorgeous, flirtatious ... has a sense of humor ... first senior to wear a sparkling diamond ... vows she prefers a vacuum cleaner to a mink coat! ... likes to study plans of a beautiful home with a beautiful garden ... we won't make a bet!

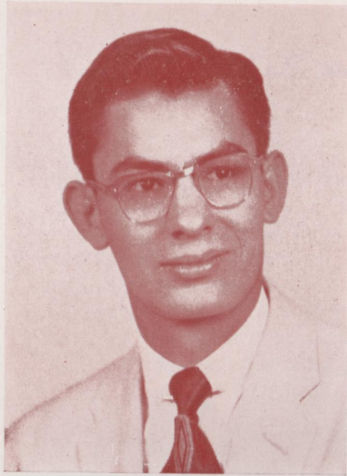


Kathleen Marietta Potestio

Avondale

... vivacious ... athletic ... tomboy without competition ... a cheerleader who kept spirit high ... graceful story-teller ... laughs hard at jokes ... has two ambitions ... Gallaudet and work in a post-office. Matrimony? "Oh, well, yes, if I meet a nice Italian," confided Kathy.





John Matthew Salazar

Milliken

... attentive ... willing ... coach's dream of an all-around athlete ... a fine pressman ... favorite dishes: tortillas and chili con carne ... favorite poem—"Sally in My Alley" ... anxious to give up bachelorhood ... hopes to take a steady job with a Denver firm where he worked last summer.



Milfred LeRoy Venrick

Denver

... considerate ... polite ... shortest senior but a wizard on the dance floor ... vows to take a trip to the moon when there is an excursion ... basketball scorer par excellence ... dependable in the bakery ... hopes to join bakery class in Denver—reason: to learn more about wedding cakes.

Clifford Eugene Travis

Holyoke

... nonchalant ... talkative ... easy-going chap with the "let-the-world-worry" attitude ... likes to grow a beard once in a while ... a great reader of comics ... likes to tell stories ... plays in all sports ... a shoemaker by school trade ... is secretive about his future ... asked why? "Let the world worry," laughs Cliff, throwing up his hands.

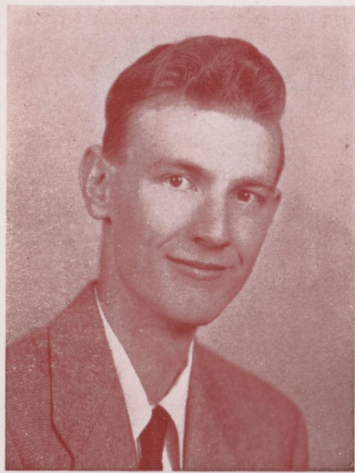


Carol Jean Williams

Kit Carson

... quiet, shy ... doesn't talk much ... happy when daydreaming and content with TV shows nightly ... baking cakes her specialty ... likes ranch life ... will stay home feeding chickens and rabbits.





Norlyn Arthur Nordstrom

Colorado Springs

... impatient ... argumentative ... a walking sports encyclopedia ... wants to try for \$61,000 on sport quiz ... did a lot of managerial work in athletics ... his motto—"Seeing Is Believing" ... gained some valuable experience in a downtown shoe shop ... hopes to start his own business.

Donald Marvin Watson

Antonito

... likeable, sensitive ... typical dreamer of the Ozarks ... chosen the best football tackler ... has two favorites—reading the "Silent Worker" and eating jelly beans ... a rabid TV football fan ... may go to Arkansas or try his luck in a Denver bakery.

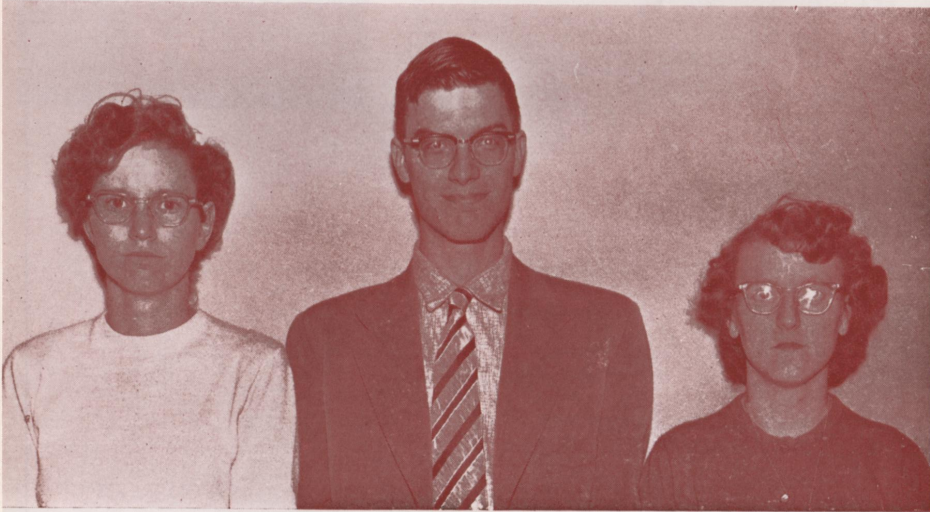


Class Analysis

NAME	Feel Aversion	Weakness	By-Word	Fondest Hope	Favorite Subject
SALLY ACOSTA	Kibitzers	Sweets	See!	To drive a car	Algebra
JEROME AREGI	School Rules	Talking	Ha! Ha!	To raise a family	General Business
GWEN AYERS	Arithmetic	Gum	I suppose	To see the world	General Business
JO ANN BERKLEY	Early to Bed	He-Men	What!	To be a model	General Business
LINDA GILLASPIE	Baseball	Dancing	Please	To win a beauty contest	Algebra
CELESTINO DURAN	Wasting Time	Teasing Girls	I know it	To see a bullfight	Science
JAMES McFARLAND	Dancing	Ice Cream	Betcha	To own a car	Science
NORLYN NORDSTROM	Getting Up Early	Sport News	I doubt it	To travel	English
KATHLEEN POTESIO	No Games	Romance	Oh, no!	To go to college	Algebra
JOHN SALAZAR	Tests	\$ \$ \$ \$	Who, me?	To marry	Arithmetic
CLIFFORD TRAVIS	Crew Cut	Arguing	I'll see	To own a home	Algebra
MILFORD VENRICK	Talkies on TV	Licorice	My Business	To start a bakery	History
DONALD WATSON	Referees	Jelly Beans	I forget	To be rich	Arithmetic
CAROL WILLIAMS	Study	Cookies	I don't care	To live in the east	General Business

Au Revoir . . .

"These, too, will try the fair adventure of tomorrow . . ."



Helen Lucille Bronson

Hartman, Colorado is Helen's hometown and she must be very fond of it, because she was eleven years old before she decided to come to this school. Helen has been very active in all sports. She has done good work in domestic science also and is probably looking forward to the day when she may have a kitchen of her own. Our best wishes go with these three as they say "au revoir."

Dale Elsworth Jones

Dale spent quite a few years in school at Joes, Colorado before entering the department for the deaf in 1951. Since his arrival, however, he has impressed the entire school with his eagerness to offer a helping hand. He, too, has won prizes for his gardening and floriculture. This year he was recommended for the Elks Handicapped Students national award.

Verna Jean Ryan

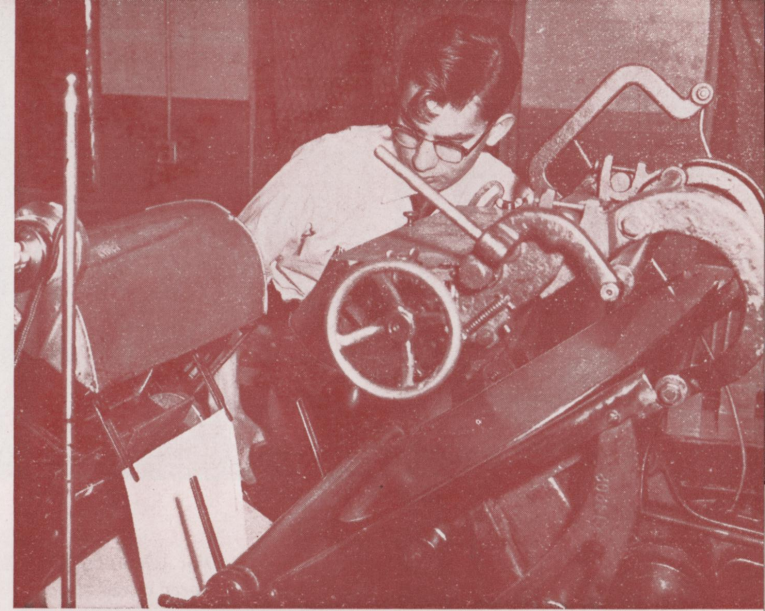
Resides in Colorado Springs and has enjoyed the privilege of commuting daily to and from her home. Jean became deaf at 18 months of age of scarlet fever. She has divided her school years between Colorado and Long Beach, California. Her hobby is sewing. Over the years she has won a number of prizes for her household and industrial work.

Curricular & Extra-Curricular

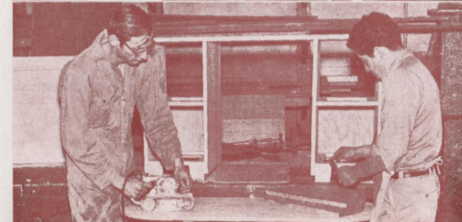
"Variety's the very spice of life . . ."



*"And wisely tell what hour o' th' day
the clock does strike by algebra."*



*"... And looks the
whole world
in the face ..."*

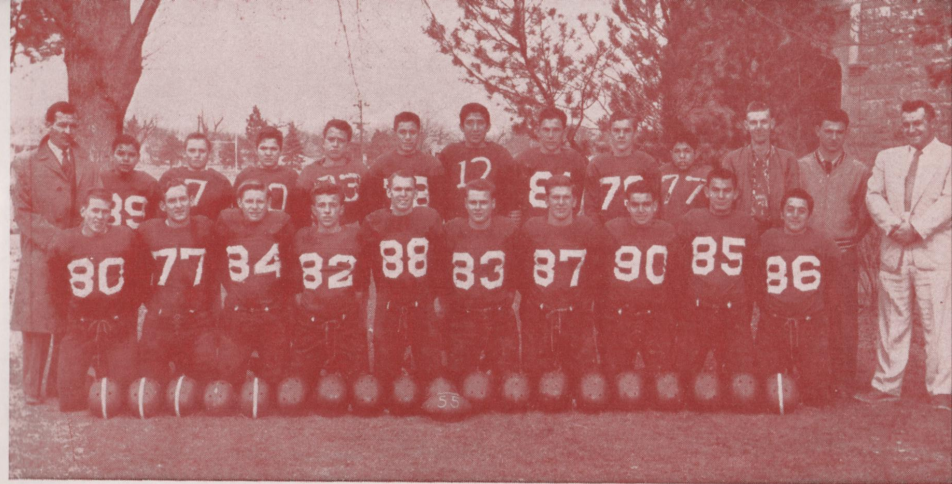


"The way to a man's heart"

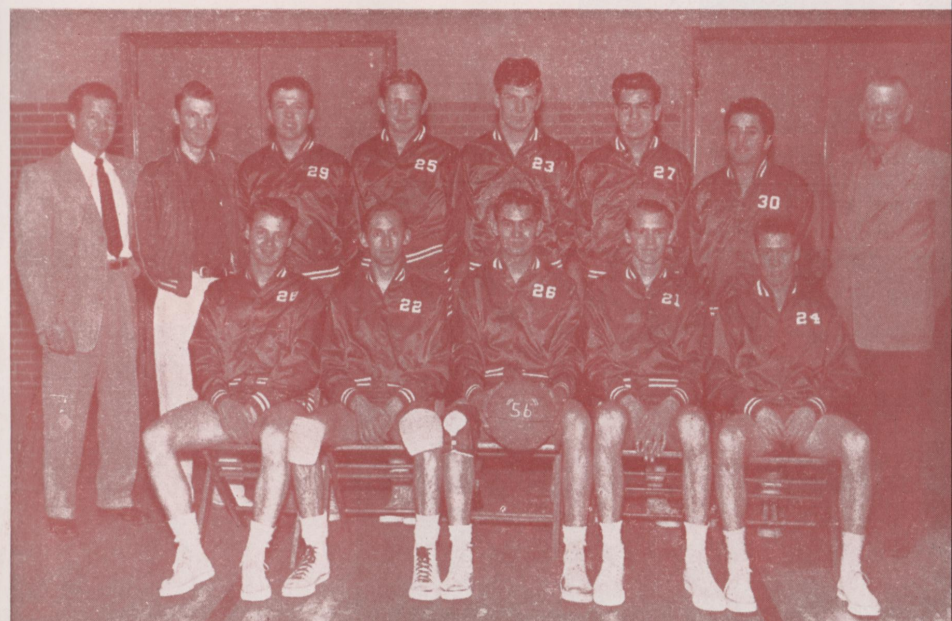




"For when the One Great Scorer comes to write against your name. . . ."



. . . . He marks—not that you won or lost—but how you played the game."



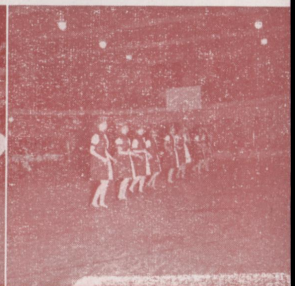
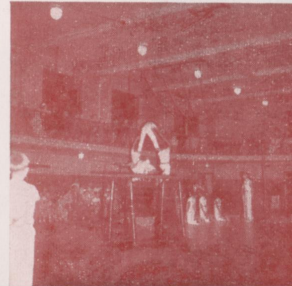


Mr. and Mrs. Williams

*"Come, and trip it as ye go,
On the light fantastic toe."*



*"My
wealth
is
health. . ."*

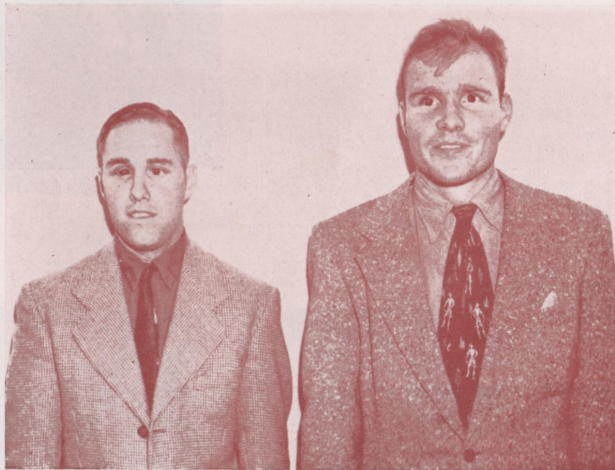


Department for the Blind

It so happens that we do not have graduates from the Blind Department this year. However, the two young men below will be pursuing vocational interests next year.

Jack Eads, a member of our orchestra is particular interested in accordion repair work.

Vestal Park has shown considerable skill in mat making and general hand work in the shops.



Vestal Park

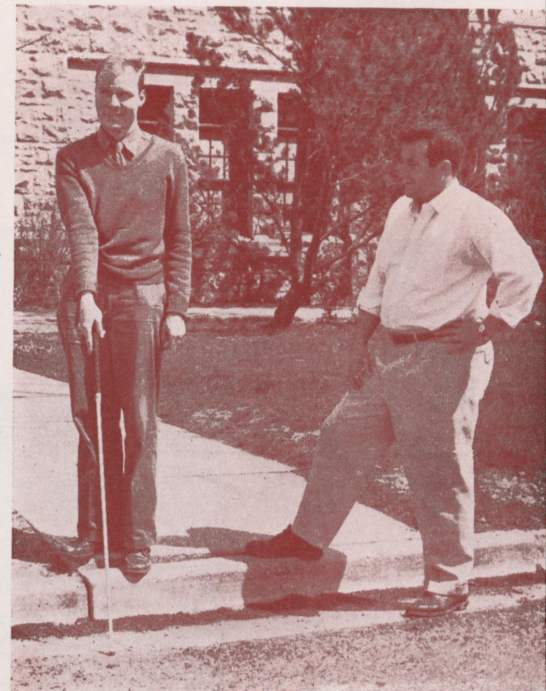
Jack Eads



*"Who will eat the kernel of the nut
must break the shell."*

TRAVEL TRAINING—

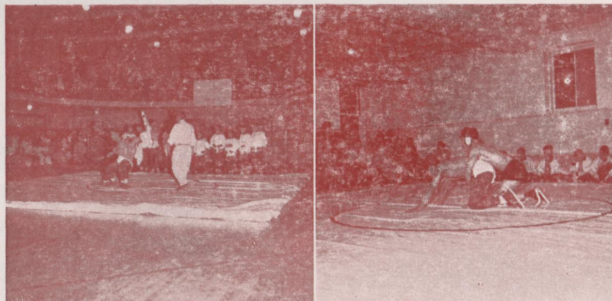
*The world at
my finger tips . . .*





"And who, 'mid e'en the Fools, . . .

. . . but feels that half the joy is in the race."



JUNIOR RECITAL

Tuesday Morning, May 15, 1956

At 10:30 o'Clock

Primary Choir—

- (a) The Robins Song
- (b) The Rain
- (c) Partner Come and Dance

Rhythm Band—

- (a) Amaryllis
- (b) Blue Danube Waltz

Piano—Study - - - - - *Gaynor*
Corky Jones

Piano—Study - - - - - *Gaynor*
Juan Santistaven

Piano—Study - - - - - *Gaynor*
Ernestine Maes

Piano—Study - - - - - *Gaynor*
Sandra Johnson

Piano—Study - - - - - *Diller-Quaile*
Rudy Sanchez

Piano—Hippety Hop - - - - - *Diller Quaile*
Meryl Reis

Piano—Song of the Wind—Duet - - *Richter*
Delfinio Archebeque

Violin—Melody in F, - - - - - *Rubinstein*
Mary Lita Padilla

Piano—A Venetian Boat Song - - - *Mathews*
Lorraine McCracken

Piano—Swans on the Lake - - - *Thompson*
Arthur Dinges

Piano—The Frisky Pony - - - *Diller-Quaile*
Pixie Bauer

Piano—Cossack Dance - - - - - *Aubert*
Orville Williams

Piano—Theme From a Piano Concerto - *Mosart*
Billy Taylor

Piano—Scooter - - - - - *Dittenhaver*
Donny Mundel

Piano Waltz - - - - - *Schubert*
Flora Vialpondo

Piano—And So to Bed - - - - - *Diller-Quaile*
Zeke Martinez

Piano—Puck - - - - - *Thompson*
Harvey Fisher

Piano—Big Bass Singer
Argust Jarman

Piano—Fairies' Harp - - - - - *Thompson*
Jean Baber

Piano On Yonder Rock Reclining - *D.F.E. Auber*
William Clark

INTERMEDIATE RECITAL

Wednesday, May 16, 1956

At 2:15 o'Clock

Piano—Chaconne - - - - - *Durand*
Merle Schippert

Piano—The Juggler - - - - - *Blake*
Donald Young

Organ—Hymn—Sun of My Soul
Leroy Almarez

Piano—The Cuckoo - - - - - *Frost*
Clinton Hickman

Piano—Dancing School - - - - - *Mallard*
Jerry Williams

Flute—The Young Prince and the Young Princess
Rimsky-Korsakoff
Judy Ferrell

Organ—Hymn—Fairest Lord Jesus
Carl Coleman

Piano—Youthful Joy - - - - - *Gurlitt*
Joanne Bankston

Piano—Minuet - - - - - *Diller-Quaile*
Ronnie Olson

Guitar—Two Guitars - - - - - *Traditional*
Robert Taylor

Piano—Contra Dance - - - - - *Beethoven*
Robert Robles

Piano—By a Crystal Fountain - - - - *King*
Beverly Davis

Organ—Slow Minuet in B Flat - - - - *Milford*
Maxie Bristow

Piano—The Little Wanderer - - - - *Gurlitt*
Mary Ann Jersin

Piano—To a Waterlily - - - - - *McDowell*
Jack Eads

Piano—Petite Tarentelle - - - - - *Heller*
Judy Ferrell

Organ—Musette in D Minor - - - - *Milford*
Milton Newendyke

Junior Choir—

- (a) Down in the Valley - - - *American Folk Tune*
- (b) Chiapaneca - - - - - *Mexican Folk Tune*
- (c) Green Cathedral - - - - - *Carl Hahn*

ANNUAL RECITAL

Thursday Evening

May 17, 1956

At 8:00 P.M.

Senior Choir—

- (a) Mathew, Mark, Luke and John, *English Folk Song*
- (b) Blow the Man Down, *Sea Chantey*
- (c) Comin' Through the Rye, *Old Folk Tune*

Accordion—Dizzy Fingers - - - - *Confrey*
EDWIN ANDREWS

Piano—II Penseroso - - - - - *Heller*
LEROY ALMAREZ

Piano—To a Wild Rose - - - - - *Mc Dowell*
MAXIE BRISTOW

Flute—Serenade - - - - - *Schubert*
JUDY FERRELL

Piano—Gavotte—Humoresque - - - - *Schiitt*
KATHLEEN MAES

Organ—Will O' the Wisp - - - - - *Nevin*
EDWIN ANDREWS

Trombone—Andante (Cantilena) - - *Golterman*
MILTON NEWENDYKE

Senior Choir—

- (a) Oh Dear! What Can the Matter Be, *English Folk Song*
- (b) Vilia—From The Merry Widow, *Franz Lehar*
- (c) We Are Climbing Jacob's Ladder, *Negro Spiritual*
- (d) Charlottown Is Burning Down, *Southern Folk Song*
- (e) Plenty Good Room, *Negro Spiritual*
arr. by Spiro

Piano—Bagatelle - - - - - *Beethoven*
MARY LITA PADILLA

Piano—Prelude Op. 28, No. 15 - - - *Chopin*
MILTON NEWENDYKE

Piano—Rondo Capriccioso - - - *Mendelssohn*
EDWIN ANDREWS

Orchestra—Ballet Music from Rosamunda - *Schubert*

VALEDICTORY

By Jerome Aregi

DR. VEST, MEMBERS of the Board, Mr. Stelle, Teachers and Houseparents, Fellow Students and Friends.

Today we are leaving this school forever. Some of us will continue with our education, and others will find positions, but our friendly group will never again be united as it has been during the past years; and it is with sorrow that we say farewell to everyone.

Our years together have been happy and profitable. We have learned much and our opportunities have been great. We hope that throughout our entire lives we shall remember and practice the ideals of our school and, according to our varied talents and abilities, do our best each day.

Our school has taught us the dignity of labor and the mutual dependence of industry and education. We have not been trained for positions that do not exist or that we do not want, but we have been aided in the selection of our respective vocations and given instruction that will fit us for them. We have been preparing for the future, for life.

To the members of the board and to Mr. Stelle we wish to express our heartfelt thanks for all they have done to make our years in this school such happy and profitable ones.

To you, our teachers and cottage parents, who have aided and guided us in our years of preparation, we say a grateful farewell. May we bring credit upon your training.

To our friends of the younger classes we wish success and happiness. Our days together will never be forgotten.

To all of you we leave our love and our loyalty as we say farewell.

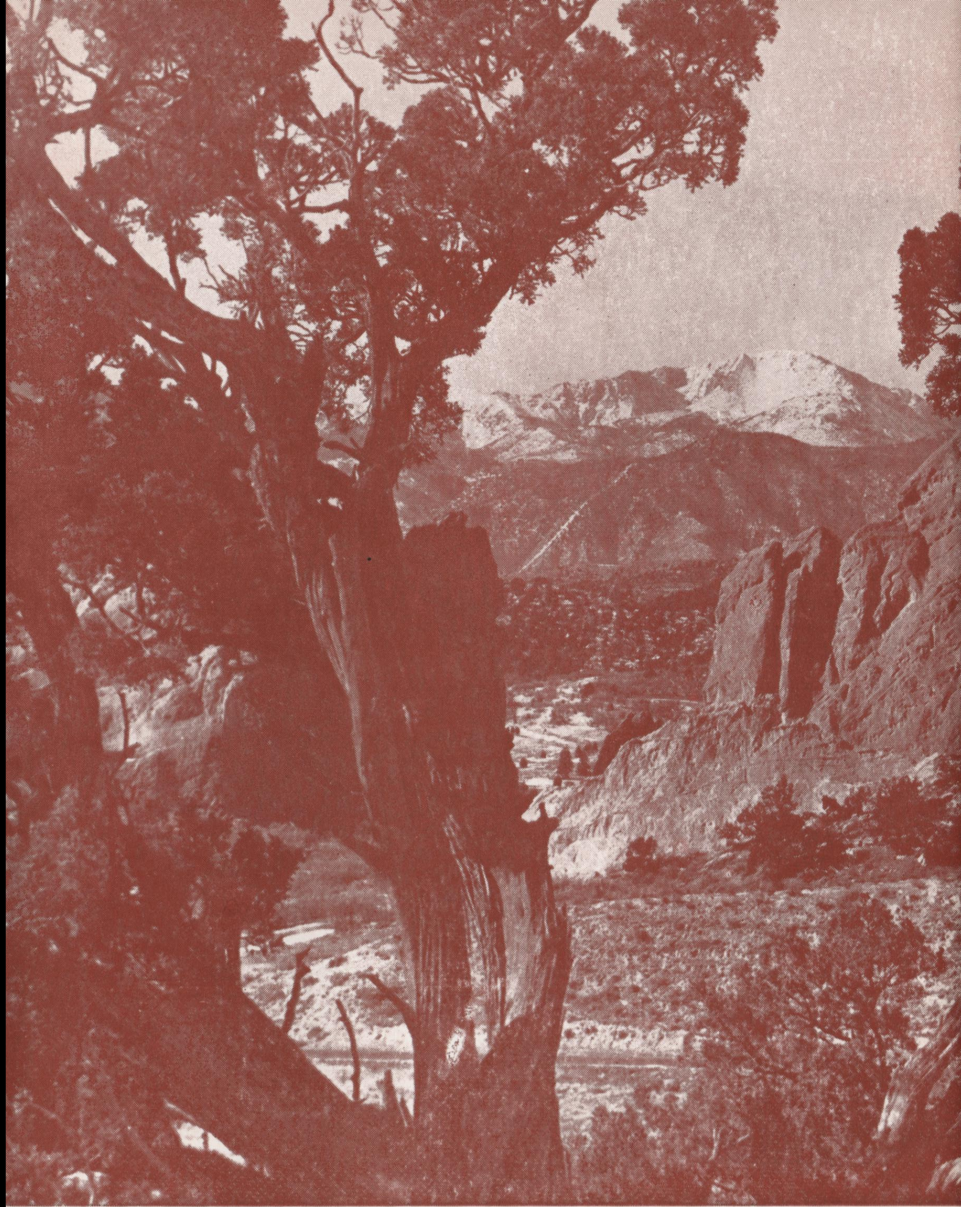


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*O beautiful for spacious skies,
For amber waves of grain,
For purple mountain majesties
Above the fruited plain!*

*America! America!
God shed His grace on thee,
And crown thy good with brotherhood
From sea to shining sea.*